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I. PEOPLE:

★PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to speak to you today about an exciting new direction that the Manitoba Library Association is about to undertake. Supporting MLA's strategic plan of library leadership and professional development, MLA has made a bid to purchase the now defunct CM from the Canadian Library Association. CM was Canada's only reviewing tool of Canadian materials for children and young adults. CLA will decide in mid-April as to the bid which it feels to be the best offer-both financially for CLA as well as operationally for the new owner.

This president's column will, then, review how this came to be.

Passed unanimously at the MLA Executive Council on February 8, 1995 was the following motion:

"That the Manitoba Library Association approve in principle MLA's acquisition of CM from CLA provided

that seed money is found for its first year of operation before subscription/advertising/other revenue sustain the journal thereafter"

A Special Executive Committee of MLA went to work to draft funding proposals and to secure letters of support for our proposal.

The following motion was passed at a special meeting of the MLA Executive Council on March 29, 1995:

"Whereas 85% (\$102,000. of the \$121,000.) of the funding required for the first year of operation has been secured to date; and

Whereas three other outstanding funding applications, including further support from the Manitoba Economic Innovation and Technology Council; from the Manitoba Lotteries Distribution System, Community Services Council; and from the Secretary of State for Science, Technology and Development, should provide the shortfall of \$19.0; and

Whereas, within the first year proposed budget, it would be possible to make alterations to meet the 19.0 shortfall should this become necessary; and

Whereas there is tremendous support from the library community within Manitoba and Canada for MLA's proposal as is demonstrated by the letters of support;

Therefore, be it resolved that MLA Executive Council approve the offer to purchase CM from CLA, per the letter dated March 31, 1995; and

Be it further resolved that the MLA Special Executive Committee, consisting of the President Tooth(chair), Treasurer Dalwood, Director Keryluk and Member Andersen, be empowered to enter into negotiations with CLA to acquire CM; and

Be it further resolved that, if MLA is the successful purchaser, that the MLA Special Executive Committee be empowered to hire staff and undertake immediately the development of the office and the journal; and

Be it further resolved that the Special Executive Committee through its chair report monthly at the MLA Executive Council meeting."

This was moved by Tracey Keryluk, seconded by Louise Shah, and carried unanimously.

As a result, the following offer to purchase CM was made to CLA:

March 31, 1995

Karen Adams
Executive Director
Canadian Library Association
Suite 602-200 Elgin Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K2P 1L5

Dear Ms Adams,

On behalf of the Manitoba Library Association, I am pleased to submit the following bid to acquire from the Canadian Library Association the rights to CM: A Reviewing Journal of Canadian Materials for Young People.

We request that the following be considered when the CLA Executive Council is reviewing MLA's proposal:

1) A cash pay out to CLA of \$10,000., payable in four instalments, with the dates of the payments to be negotiated.

2) The Manitoba Library Association will publish the new CM as an electronic journal delivered to a subscriber's email address 52 times each year. With the Internet now or soon-to-be penetrating most libraries in Canada, there is a resulting technical capability never before known. When this capability is coupled with a pressing need for useful educational products, the delivery of reviews via an electronic CM is not only timely, but also highly practical.

3) The Manitoba Library Association strongly believes that the expertise necessary to operate and give leadership to a new CM is available within the Manitoba library community. Two past Manitoba convenors of the CM Editorial Board - Lorrie Andersen and John Tooth as well as former CM member for many years Dr. David Jenkinson - are prepared to work to ensure the revitalization and reformatting of this unique Canadian selection tool. Further, the board of directors of MLA has several individuals who are directly involved with electronic services who will add another important component to the operation. In addition, MLA has had a positive cash flow for the past 30 years.

4) The Manitoba Library Association will work to ensure the success of a new CM through the development of a local management board to handle the day-to-day operations and the development of a national Editorial Advisory Committee of prominent individuals in the publishing, writing and library communities.

Two full time staff will be hired: an editor and an administrative/technical support person.

5) The Manitoba Library Association has received a commitment of \$36.0 in financial assistance from Industry Canada and \$36.0 from the Department of Canadian Heritage. The Manitoba Economic Innovation and Technology Council has made an initial commitment of \$5.0 and an anonymous Manitoba Foundation has provided a cheque of \$25.0 for the first year of operation. MLA is still exploring options to meet the shortfall of \$19.0 through further support from EITC; the Manitoba Lotteries Distribution System, Community Services Council; and the Secretary of State for Science, Technology and Development. Within the first year proposed budget, it would be possible to make alterations to meet the \$19.0 funding shortfall should this become necessary.

This solid base of support will permit MLA to build its subscriber base, resolve the technical issues of electronic publishing and position itself with a positive cash flow situation for its second year of operation. In that second

year, MLA believes the journal will be more than self-sustaining based on growing subscriber interest.

6) The Manitoba Library Association, in support of its bid, has received many letters of support from library associations and organizations across Canada. MLA also believes that this broadly-based community support will be critical to the successful re-introduction and growth of CM in an electronic form.

7) The Manitoba Library Association, like the Canadian Library Association, is a non-profit, charitable organization (registration number 054-5871-50). This positions MLA as a provincial counterpart to the national association and means that MLA has no conflict of interest in operating a professional, independent reviewing journal.

MLA expects to receive the following from the Canadian Library Association:

- 1) the right to use the name/logo CM
- 2) paper and electronic copies of the subscriber database as of the termination of the journal
- 3) paper and electronic copies of the reviewers' list, publishers'/producers' list and the advertisers' list
- 4) paper and electronic copies of each back issue since its inception and the right to manipulate this information into new products
- 5) the right to develop the journal
- 6) three full-page free MLA advertisements of the new CM in upcoming issues of CLA's Feliciter.

Attached to this letter you will find the Manitoba Library Association's proposal to acquire CM from CLA as well as find letters of support from library associations and organizations across Canada.

If you have any question on MLA's proposal, please feel free to contact me at 204-945-7833 or Lorrie Andersen at 204-945-7823.

I look forward to receiving your positive response, no later than April 30, 1995.

Sincerely, John Tooth, President

Stay tuned! The May Newsline will report on the outcome of this proposal.

CLOSINGS

Recent announcements at the University of Winnipeg and National Film Board of Canada have not been positive. The University of Winnipeg has announced that, effective April 30, 1995, its Media Services unit will close. The National Film Board has announced that it will close its Main Street video lending library on August 31, 1995.

As members of the Manitoba Library Association, you should consider writing to both organizations asking questions as to the human cost of these closures and how services will be provided for in the future.

John Tooth
President, MLA

★ELECTION '95 NEWSLETTER **Political Action Committee**

Manitoba Election

Now that the election has been called, it is time to remind ourselves of a number of pressing issues face the library community this year. The election is a good opportunity to make our case to politicians of all stripes.

This can be done in a number of ways. The best is probably to actually work for a candidate of your choice - that gives you an chance to talk about library issues face to face.

Writing letters is an excellent way to inform politicians about our issues. An elected politician will pay more attention to a handwritten letter than to glossy propaganda.

Go to town hall meetings and ask questions. Get the candidates to give you answers about library issues.

Issues

1. Public Libraries Act

The present Public Libraries Act is essentially the same piece of legislation that was passed in 1948, with relatively minor revisions over the intervening years.

Clearly, the 1990's require a different sort of framework upon which to base library service.

The Public Library Advisory Board in their Report "Quality and Access: The Future of Public Libraries in Manitoba" recommended that the government "Strengthen and update the Manitoba Public Libraries Act" (Objective 1, page 4).

This year, in response to other recommendations in the Board's Report, some improvements have been made to public library funding and money has been put into the development of an automated union catalogue for public libraries. The MERLIN project is an imaginative and exciting response to the Advisory Board's recommendations about electronic access.

But some of the most important recommendations, including the one about the Act, have not been addressed.

Now is the time to impress upon candidates in the Provincial election the importance of a new Public Library Act for Manitoba.

We need an Act that will take us into the 21st Century. Let's get it on the agendas of all the parties.

2. Freenets

Library community members have been deeply involved in getting Manitoba's various Freenet projects off the ground. The Bluesky Freenet Board and Committees includes many librarians. The Freenets have not received the kind of funding they need in order to succeed. While some of the funding is Federal, provincial politicians can play a role in ensuring that these important projects get support.

What is really at issue here is the so called "public lane" on the information highway. The library community wants to ensure that access to the information highway is not totally controlled by for profit agencies. People need free access to the parts of the highway that are public - municipal council minutes, public service announcements, library catalogues and program information, and all the vast array of non profit listservs and journals and newsletters that make the Internet such a useful and exciting place.

Freenets are one way to give this kind of access - they are the public libraries of the Internet. Ask your candidate to give you his or her position on Freenets.

3. Access to the Internet

Many rural and northern Manitobans are at a great disadvantage when trying to access the Internet because they must pay long distance charges from their phone to the nearest access point. This is not true for people living in urban centers like Brandon or Winnipeg. The technology exists to overcome this inequity - the only thing missing is the political will to make it happen.

Manitobans outside the urban centers must have equal access to the information highway.

4. PST on Periodicals

The Provincial Government made a decision last year to begin charging Provincial Sales Tax on periodical subscriptions purchased by libraries. This has added tens of thousands of dollars in additional expenses to the budgets of our libraries. This added pressure increased the number of valuable journals that had to be cancelled last year.

5. On a Positive Note

The Filmon Government has funded some innovative projects for libraries and they should be given credit. The MERLIN initiative, the Linking Libraries study which will result in recommendations for electronically linking libraries, and the important work that has been done in getting our schools on line are all examples. This work has to continue, so that Manitoba's libraries can continue to serve their customers in the new electronic environment.

All parties need to be reminded that libraries need to be retooled, retrained and re-equipped.

An excellent example is the proposed joint library automation project already begun with the signing of a contract between University of Manitoba, St. Boniface Hospital, Red River Community College, and Data Research Associates Corporation. The expansion of this innovative project to include other partners such as University of Winnipeg requires provincial funding. Ask your candidates where they stand on that.

★NEW MLA EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

This year only a few MLA members came forward to let their names stand for election. As a result, we do not have enough candidates to run a normal election and all positions will be filled by acclamation. The new executive members are:

Vice President/President Elect: **Karen Hunt**
Treasurer: **Phyllis Barich**
Director: **Penny Copeland**
Director: **Greta Redahl**
Director: **Cynthia Holt**

Two additional members, **Irme Nikkel** and **Allison Colborne** have agreed to serve the one year remaining in the terms of **Rick Maclowick**, who resigned from the Executive, and **Phyllis Barich**, who was serving a two year term as Secretary.

I would like to thank all the people who agreed to serve. Without willing volunteers an association like our own will die. All of us who enjoy the benefits of MLA owe a debt of gratitude to the many volunteers who keep the organization functioning.

Below you will find the biographies of the new executive members.

Karen Hunt: Since entering the library profession I've had experience in different sizes and types of libraries. From a departmental library in Ottawa, the National Library, to Reference Services at Dafoe and my current position at Red River Community College. Some of the things I've done include: evaluating automated systems in 1988 and 1995; finding out about CD-ROMs in 1988 and exploring the Internet in 1993; instructing students how to use the online catalogue in 1991 and teaching people the Internet in 1995. I have also found myself involved in communications work: putting out brochures, newsletters, and promoting conferences and events.

The last six years have seen many changes in our profession. Some of the changes resulted from new technologies, reduced budgets, and a growing awareness that this country has to change in order to compete in a global economy. Catch phrases? Yes, but probably true. Some of the changes we have reacted to and some of the changes have come from within.

When I'm not suffering from the terrors caused by trying to keep up with the Internet, I'm actually optimistic about the position libraries are in right now. We can find information, evaluate information, help people find it, and teach people how to find it. My aims as Vice-President/President Elect would be to work with my colleagues on the MLA executive, other Library associations and groups, to promote what we do, that we do it well, and that it is important. I have been impressed with the Association's success in developing a strategic plan, in lobbying the government, and organizing excellent conferences and would be pleased to continue with this work.

Penny Copeland: I graduated from the Library Technician Programme at Red River Community College in 1981 and completed the credits required to receive my Diploma in 1987. Immediately after graduating I began a four week summer student placement at Red River, cataloguing government documents. I began working in the Library at Red River in September of 1981. In 1986 I became Circulation and Interlibrary Loan Supervisor. In 1990 I began working in Circulation in a job share position in order to spend more time with my children. I returned to work full time in 1994 in the position of Cataloguing Technician. I have previously held the position of Membership Secretary, Vice President and President of MALT.

Greta Redahl: I have been the Administrator of the Flin Flon/Creighton Public Library for 12 years and have always taken a keen interest in the Manitoba Library Association and attended its conferences. I have worked in a wide range of organizations: Presbyterian Church of Canada Task Force on Rural and Remote Ministries, Greenstone Community Future Regional Economic Development Board, The Healthy Communities Movement - local, provincial and national networks, The Chamber of Commerce, Past Director. I am presently chairing the Northern Neighbours Foundation Steering Committee - establishing a foundation for the future generations of six northern communities. I strongly believe that the public library should be at the centre of its community - the place where things happen, where people meet. I have worked hard to make this a reality in Flin Flon/Creighton. The public library here is the home of an adult literacy program as well as a class room for the Many Faces Educational Centre and the community archives is housed in the library.

I want to serve on the MLA Executive so that a northern perspective can be brought to their planning and discussions. I think MLA has a lot to offer the north, but in the past lack of communication has been a problem. I also believe that the north has a lot to offer MLA.

Cynthia Holt: I have a BSc in Computer Science from St. Francis Xavier University and an MLIS from Western Ontario. I am currently a Reference Librarian and Bibliographer at the Science Library of the University of Manitoba. I have also worked at Memorial University of Newfoundland where I initiated staff Internet training sessions, and at the Geological Survey and the National Research Council in Ottawa. At U of M I have served on the Exhibits, Staff Development, Collections Committees and was chair of the CD-ROM Collection Policy Task Force. I have served on the 1994 and 1995 Conference Planning Committees for MLA.

I would like to become more involved in MLA as I feel that there is a lot more that the Association could be doing for and on behalf of its membership. I would like to see more Interest Groups started. There are many issues which have an impact on Librarians and library staff; such as microcomputers, the Internet, copyright issues, declining budgets for services and collections, and government cutbacks. MLA could provide a forum in which members can informally discuss these issues and maybe even help each other with problems related to these areas. I would like to see a greater connection between MLA and the Blue Sky Freenet. Librarians are the idea people to organize information on the FreeNet s we have the information management expertise. I would also like to see MLA become an information provider on the FreeNet. This would be good medium for disseminating information to the membership.

★MLA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

At its meeting of March 8, 1995, the Executive of MLA approved a motion to establish a Manitoba Library Endowment Fund. It is now necessary to amend our Constitution in order to formally establish the Fund. Notice is therefore given that, at the Annual Meeting of the Association on Friday May 12 at 8 p.m. in the Days Inn Marlborough Hotel, the following resolution will be voted upon by members of the Association:

Whereas the Executive of the Manitoba Library Association has approved the establishment of a Manitoba Library Endowment Fund, for the purposes of raising funds and making grants from the interest realized on those funds; and

Whereas such grants will be of real value to individuals and organizations in the library community applying for funding for a wide range of purposes;

And Whereas the Executive decided to establish a Committee to be responsible for ensuring that a number of fund raising activities are carried out each year; that the proceeds from these fund raising activities are deposited and, where appropriate invested; and that, when there is sufficient money, applications are invited and grants are made, according to criteria established by the Executive.

It is moved that Article VII of the General By-Law of the MLA Constitution be amended by the addition of the following clause:

7.1.3 Manitoba Library Endowment Fund Committee - There is hereby established an Endowment Fund Committee. The Committee shall consist of the President of the Association, the Treasurer of the Association and two members at large. Subject to approval by the whole Executive, the Committee shall manage the affairs of the Manitoba Library Endowment Fund.

★TSIG NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

MLA's TSIG (Technical Services Interest Group) will be sponsoring an exhibitor's booth at the 1995 MLA Annual General Meeting in May. The purpose of the booth is to act as a "ready ref" service, responding to Technical Services related questions (excluding automation). The booth will be staffed while the exhibits are open by one or two cataloguers during coffee breaks and at noon.

MLA TSIG is looking for volunteers to staff the booth for half-hour periods. If you have experience cataloguing, are a Librarian or a Library Technician, and are interested in sharing your expertise in this type of environment, please contact the Booth Coordinator, **Mary Green**, at 788-0203 by May 1, 1995.

This booth is intended to compliment the Friday afternoon session "Ask.Live.Cat" where a panel of cataloguing Librarians will be responding to cataloguing questions.

★RIG MEETING

MLA's RIG (Reference Interest Group) will hold its second meeting on **Wednesday April 19 at 7:30PM** in the **Red River Community College Library**. Please come to Room CM13 in the Library.

They will have a brief tour of the RRCC Library and its services and then meet to discuss the establishment of a Manitoba Reference Listserv and networking for mutual support. See you there!

For further information, please call Norma Godavari at 474-9445 or e-mail ngodava@cc.umanitoba.ca

★VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CONFERENCE

HELP NEEDED!!

Volunteers are needed to assemble the registration package and for the registration desk at the conference. If people are interested they can call Kris at 945-3360 to schedule which days and times you would be available to help.

You can also e-mail Kris at Krytter@eitc.mb.ca

2. NEWS:

★VERA OTT RETIRES

Congratulations and a fond farewell to **Vera Ott** on her retirement April 28, 1995. Vera was employed with Manitoba Health Information Resources Centre, Manitoba Health Services Commission, Manitoba Department of Education, and Red River Community College (not all at once, just sequentially).

Vera is a member of MLA, MHLA, and MALT.

★PROFILE: LARRY WILD

Larry Wild is the librarian for the Providence College and Seminary in Mitchell, Manitoba since June 1991. Larry came from Phoenix Arizona where he was working at a community college while getting his library science degree.

Larry grew up in Grand Junction, Colorado (pop. 15,000) and began his library career in grade 9 when he had a job in the school library - and he hasn't looked back since. He works part time in the Steinbach Public Library as well. Larry's vision for the Providence Library includes a new building that not only has more space, but also has more functional design. Larry and his wife Debbie moved from the heat of Arizona to Manitobrrrr (he is still trying to learn what wind-chill factor means). What's that we hear about green hair on St. Paddy's Day???

★MANITOBA LITERARY AWARDS GALA

Without breaking tradition, plans for this year's event began in the fall. **Jane Urquhart** has confirmed that she will make the presentation of an award as well as give a feature reading. The usual call for submissions was mailed out to publishers and the books arrived by the boxload. The jury set out to read the 20 plus books that were eligible for the book award and the short lists are nominated and the awards night promises to be very exciting!

Be sure to mark your calendars: the Manitoba Literary Awards Gala will take place **Saturday, April 22nd at 8:00 p.m., at the Winnipeg Art Gallery**. There will be a reception afterwards. Free admission.

★AWARD SHORT LIST

The short-list for the **McNally Robinson Book of the Year 1994** are:

Blasphemer's Wheel Patrick Friesen

Travelling On Into the light Martha Brooks

Lunar Wake Catherine Hunter

The Dragon & the Dry Goods Princess David Arnason

Window Dressing Don Bailey

The Winnipeg General Strike of 1919 J.M. Bumsted

The short-list for the **John Hirsch Award for most promising Manitoba Writer** is:

Todd Bruce

Rob Budde

Moira Cook

Elise Moore

★CSLA AWARDS

Upon the recommendation of the awards juries, CSLA is pleased to announce winners in four of its five categories for 1995.

Margaret B. Scott Award of Merit - To honour an individual who has contributed significantly to school librarianship at the national level.

Dr. A. Hambleton, Professor (Ret.), Faculty of Education, University of Regina.

CANEBSO School Library Media Periodical Award - To honour a publication, its editor, and sponsoring body for its contribution to the professional development of the school library field. This year the winner is in the "special publications" category.

Technology in the School Library (Saskatchewan School Library Association). Editor, Peter Weis, with Donna DesRoches, Jack Harrap, Brian Laing, and Dalelene Yelland.

Grolier Award for Research in School Librarianship in Canada

Dr. Ken Haycock, Professor and Director, School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, University of British Columbia. "The Impact of Scheduling on Cooperative Program Planning and Teaching (CPPT) and Information Skills Instruction."

National Book Service Teacher-Librarian of the Year Award - To honour a school-based teacher-librarian who has planned and implemented an exemplary school library program.

Carol-Ann Belisle, Halifax County-Bedford District School Board, Dartmouth, NS.

The awards will be presented at the CSLA Awards Luncheon on June 27 at the CLA Annual Conference in Calgary.

★LIBRARY PROMOTION IDEAS

The following are some ideas of inexpensive ways to promote a hospital library during National Library Week. They can be easily adapted for any type of library. You don't HAVE to wait until the next National Library Week...

** Produce bibliographies on special topics, such as Internet or TQM.

** Make a game on the CD-ROM where they have to find Waldo (Waldo was an author's name).

** Ask local merchants, book vendors, and drug reps for door prizes to give away in drawings.

** Give free literature searches and free ILL's.

** Have an Information Fair demonstrating database and educational software.

** Serve punch and cookies at an open house.

** Have a daily contest, with a prize given each day.

Contest ideas--count the bookworms (gummi worms) in a jar, match baby pictures of the library staff, word jumble, crossword puzzle, little known facts about library staff, and name movies in which librarians played a prominent role.

** Give away free photocards.

** Make a tri-fold board with information on library services and move it daily to departments around the hospital.

** Have an author party, recognizing hospital staff who have been published in the last year. Post general announcements, but give special invitations to the author.

** Set up a book display in the cafeteria during lunch hour.

** Display things librarians love--books returned on time, chocolate, correct citations, chocolate, rewound videos, chocolate,...

** Celebrate late on purpose, with a banner that says "Happy NLW two weeks overdue!"

** Produce a newsletter.

** Give a quiz to patrons--"Which of the following can you NOT get from your Health Sciences Library?" List your lesser-known resources, such as road atlases and WordPerfect videos, and hide in the list something you don't have, like a romance novel or western.

★ELSEVIER'S PROFITS UP - SURPRISED?

The big Western European publisher Reed Elsevier said yesterday that its profit surged 16 percent in 1994 and that its newly acquired Lexis-Nexis unit was outperforming expectations. Pre-tax profit for the company, formed two years ago from the marriage of Reed International of Britain and Elsevier of the Netherlands, rose to \$983 million, from \$847 million in 1993.

Disregarding special items, the increase was a little better yet --17 percent, at the top end of market forecasts. (Reuters)

★TODAY'S LIBRARIANS: THE ULTIMATE MOVEABLE TYPE

By Sarah M. Pritchard

We hear about the "virtual library" and the "library without walls." But what happens to the librarian? Will we be obsolete, unneeded in a world of online interconnectivity, full-text and hyperlinks? The newest campus planned for the California State University system will not have a physical library, according to a recent article in *Newsweek* (January 30, 1995, p. 62). No mention of the librarians. Have they become "information managers" or "knowledge engineers," trendy labels to transcend that horn-rimmed image? More likely, unfortunately, campus planners have ignored the profession completely, dismissively typecasting it by its current tools and procedures rather than seeing the value of its conceptual skills and analytical services.

The future of information is unfolding rapidly before our eyes, a dazzling multimedia array that changes as fast as I can write, and that promises to leave miles of bookstacks abandoned and crumbling in their own dust. We imagine that the new resources arrive miraculously organized and complete. Simply plug into the network and librarians will be relegated to preservers of the past, clerks in those byways not yet on the "infobahn." Yet I smile, remembering that in some of my favorite science fiction stories and shows, the librarians are still there. Whether Isaac Asimov or Star Trek scriptwriters, creators of the future posit scenarios where historical archives, scientific databanks and massive capacities for information processing are critical to social and technological progress -- and where specialists provide (or obstruct, depending on the plot!) the structure of and access to those resources.

What is it that characterizes the library profession? There are common theoretical and methodological frameworks, whether we are children's, public, small college, medical, research university or corporate librarians. We may even work outside a library setting, as consultants or publishers or database trainers. At heart, librarianship is the study of recorded communication in all forms; it is independent of place or package; and it focuses on the understanding of content, structure, and services, not just tools and processes. Librarians are colleagues in the research, teaching and strategic enterprise, whatever the parent institution or client base.

There are four general categories of knowledge that librarians pursue: first, the nature of public and scholarly communication and information formats; second, the management of information systems and enterprises; third, the delivery of educational and customer services; and fourth, the economic and political environment within which information is created and sought.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

Librarians study the evolution of information and communication in different fields and specialties -- less so the minor threads of each subfield than the meta structures: the major themes, the criteria for quality, how information and creative communication are produced in social and professional contexts, and how we trace those structures. Information formats will always co-exist, be they stone tablets and manuscripts, books and computers, or computers and something else. As formats proliferate and adapt to particular subjects or uses, the challenge is to locate them efficiently, evaluate and select among them to meet a given need.

Not only must we understand the sources, we must have a sense of the seekers. Librarians try to map the needs of users onto the patterns of available information. We analyze the different purposes of communication, for example, education, leisure, creativity, information, or public debate, and what kinds of written, electronic or oral communication accompany each. We look at the behavior of different user groups. While we may serve children or engineers or senators separately, what the profession grasps is the multiplicity of ways people get and use information.

MANAGEMENT OF INFORMATION SERVICES

Librarians manage complex systems, technological, financial and bureaucratic. We track the publishing, computing, and related industries and how these affect the cost, format, and delivery of information. Once we are lucky enough to get the sources, then we exercise the most classic of librarian functions, to design and apply "access mechanisms" such as cataloging, indexing, bibliography -- or database coding, hypertext markup language, and gophers. Even in the electronic environment, where there may not be a definable or ownable package, we still need to identify, organize, and categorize resources and develop secondary interfaces that direct users flexibly and accurately.

As libraries have become extensively automated, librarians are actively improving these tools. More than just passive users, we are increasingly the designers of the interconnected technical systems, organizational structures and human interfaces. Library managers analyze operations across a myriad of tasks, technologies and staff, mobilizing a patchwork of ever scarcer human and material resources to meet shifting demands, facilities and priorities. Some days, I deal with so many personnel and physical plant issues and so few books, I feel as if I could be running a hotel! Management and design skills will always be crucial, even if in the future we won't be so constrained by leaky roofs and stuck elevators.

EDUCATION AND SERVICES

The goal of selecting and organizing materials is always to get them into the hands of a present or future user. Over the past several years, we have seen a trend in the academic library where more librarians are shifted into public services as technical operations become streamlined and emphasis is on access to outside resources. Teaching and consultative skills are essential for effective information services, whether librarians are working with one person or a class of sixty. Our professional literature draws upon learning theory from psychology, education and cognitive science; we try to teach critical thinking skills and the ability to analyze the comparative scope and quality of research resources. Information literacy is a competency needed by all.

Librarians articulate logical and intuitive insights about information and develop concise syntheses and interconnected links. As subject specialists, librarians are positioned to identify emerging fields through observing new terminology, interdisciplinary publishing, and forms of scholarship that question traditional concepts. The librarian is a valued member of a research team, a colleague who tailors organizational schemes, advises on file management and customizes information services. Eventually, librarians might be assigned to individual academic departments or might operate as a collaborative unit, somewhere apart from the actual storage and processing of materials.

INTERACTING WITH THE EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT

Librarians exist within a series of overlapping spheres that condition the provision of information, including the

worlds of higher education, corporate marketing, interest groups, employment policy and public finance. The most difficult and high-profile involvement of librarians in the external arena is related to information policy: intellectual freedom, copyright, access, privacy, and the regulation of print and electronic media. These will be a fact of life, regardless of the mechanism of communication. It is all too desperately relevant in Oregon today, where many librarians are leaders against censorship and restriction of access. Empowerment of the local citizenry is even more important in the electronic setting. How will we guarantee the ability of all people to participate in public discourse and services, if those are only delivered via computer? Library and information services are a central component of our social institutions of education and communication.

WHITHER LIBRARIANS?

Whether libraries wither, as has been forecast now for almost two decades, is yet to be seen. I believe that librarians, on the contrary, will bloom. Their knowledge will be relevant no matter where the information comes from or who the user is. Some librarians are already functioning like doctors, lawyers, and financial advisors: independent professionals, affiliating or not with organizations depending on how they want to deliver their services and receive administrative support.

Librarianship blends the disciplines of communication studies, the sociology of knowledge, education, public policy and management. What we bring to our communities -- faculty, students, scientists, policy-makers, ordinary citizens -- is a dynamic understanding of the transmission and organization of knowledge and creative expression. We ourselves are "a moveable type," professionals who build on existing information and prepare for as-yet unknown future forms of communication, engaging as partners to enable the ongoing collection and exchange of ideas.

The full citation is:

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★CURRENT AWARENESS

Allison Colborne does a current awareness column for a national library organization and she is willing to share it with us! Thanks Allison!

Bibliographic Notes by Allison Colborne

Administration and Management

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Sheblé, M.A. & D.W. Hill. "Academic Library Committees: Their Role in Participative Management." College & Research Libraries 55, no.6 (Nov 1994):511-528. Reports on an empirical study of the effectiveness of academic library committees in library operations.

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CD-ROM

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Harney, J. "CD-Recordable: The Evolution Continues." Inform 9, no.2 (Feb 1995):20-25. A report covering the strengths and weaknesses of CD-R. Compares CD-R with its competing technologies: CD-ROM, WORM, and film.

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Bower, R.A. "The Resource Directory: Courting Legal Resources for CD-ROM and Multimedia." CD-ROM Professional 8, no.2 (Feb 1995):111-117. Designed to guide the electronic publisher through uncharted legal territory. Provides an extensive annotated bibliography of newsletters, serials, books, Internet sites, audiotapes and looseleaf services.

"Fair Use in the Electronic Age: Serving the Public Interest." College & Research Libraries News 56, no.1 (Jan 1995): 24, 46. Outlines the draft declaration prepared by several library associations on fair use. Advocates that fair use be preserved in the digital age and the rights of authors, publishers and copyright owners and society's right to participate fully.

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Peek, R.P. "Where is Publishing Going?: A Perspective on Change." Journal of the American Society for Information Science 45, no.10 (Dec 1994). Examines how technology and the growing network environment is changing the publishing industry.

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Hatchfield, P. "Outreach: The Need to Raise Awareness." AIC News [American Institute for Conservation] 20, no.1 (Jan 1995):1-4. A thoughtful essay on the need to develop public awareness of conservation and the role of conservators.

Hoffman, A. "Identifying Nineteenth Century Photographic Processes." Picture Framing Magazine 5, no.10 (Oct 1994):82-86. Characterizes nineteenth century photographs. Provides chart.

Page, S. & D.S. Nixon. "Storing & Handling Oversized Documents." Restaurator 15, no.3 (1994):129-141. Reviews considerations for the storage, housing, use and management of large documents. A case study of preservation and access for a collection of 17,000 engineering design and construction drawings.

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Rockman, I.F. "Telementoring & Reference Librarianship." Reference Services Review 22, no4 (Winter 1994):5.

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Morrissett, L.A. "Student Patrollers: An Effective Method for Security in University Library." Library & Archival Security 12, no.2(1994): 73-81. Addresses library security and safety policy issues. Advocates the use of student patrollers directed by a full-time security specialist.

Owens, S. "Proactive Problem Patron Preparedness." Library & Archival Security 12, no.2 (1994):11-24. Provides a practical proactive approach to handling problem patrons in libraries.

Serials

Alexander, A.W. "Access vs. Ownership: Strategic Implications for Agents." The Serials Librarian 24, no.3/4 (1994):125-127. Discusses how the current dilemma of "just-in-time" collecting in academic research libraries is having serious strategic implications for subscription agents.

Gasaway, L.N. "Serials 2020." The Serials Librarian 24,no.3/4 (1994):63-67. Discusses the future of serials in relation to copyright law.

Rogers, D.L. "Scholarly Journals in 2020." The Serials Librarian 24, no.3/4 (1994):73-76. Provides a point-form outlook on serials publishing in the future.

★LA TIMES ON INFORMATION HIGHWAY

LA Times Editorial March 30, 1995

Democrats and Republicans alike are optimistic about the electronic storage and exchange of information. The Democrats talk about the "information superhighway." One Republican leader mused publicly about actually giving away laptop computers.

The new technology excites virtually everyone who gets close to it. Unfortunately, increased access to information for some could be matched in this new Information Age by decreased access for others. Not everyone can afford a computer, and, time being money, many who can buy the hardware cannot buy the time needed to master the software.

Where, in this technological era, is the public servant who can function the way the reference librarian once functioned? In an American public library system unique in the world, perhaps the single most striking feature has been the availability of information consultants, the librarians themselves, paid for by the state and serving the public. Knowledge is power, and American democracy, trusting the people, has been willing to provide them with that power. Still, as technology for the storage and exchange of information evolves, where is the public consultant who, like the kindly and knowledgeable consultant at the reference desk of old, can direct the questioner to the "shelf" where the answer awaits?

The answer is obvious. That public consultant is the librarian. Librarians are Internet veterans. They had e-mail addresses before the public at large had yet heard of such a thing. Though their network has received less publicity than many commercial on-line services, the librarians, in effect, got there first.

Early expertise explains why, in Maryland, libraries have been able to team up and provide an e-mail address to every patron who wants one, using in-library computers purchased for the purpose under a special pilot project. The libraries are not just providing the hardware. They are also, crucially, providing the expertise necessary to turn Internet "newbies" into cyberspace explorers.

All this takes money, of course, and Maryland's wonderful experiment has an expiration date. Nationwide, the problem is that library funding has been handled at the local level. Library users have shown strong support for libraries. However, even the sturdiest local support cannot fund the full transition of the traditional library system into a high-tech provider of information. This challenge falls, not just by default but in principle, to the federal government, for it involves integrating the libraries of the country into a single, vast library: super library rather than superhighway.

We hope it can be done. But it depends on whether the likes of Al Gore and Newt Gingrich back up their brave talk with a little brave action.

3. PUBLICATIONS:

★FREEBIES

The Canadian Wheat Board Library has the following books available for the taking. Please call **Lucy Emond** at 983-3437 or Fax 983-4031 by April 28, 1995.

Mastering MicroSoft Word on the IBM PC / Matthew Holtz. 4th ed. San Francisco: Sybex, 1988.

Douglas Cobb's 1-2-3 handbook/ Douglas Cobb. Toronto: Bantam Books, 1986.

Report to the Inquiry into the distribution of railway box cars/ John Braken, 1958.

The Marketability of semi-dwarf wheats -Winnipeg: Winnipeg Grains Council, 1985.

Grain grading for efficiency and profit: a report submitted by the Grain Grading Committee, Canada Grains Council, September 1982.

★FREE ART INDEX

CARFAC is giving away the 1992 publication, Manitoba Visual Artists Index (224p). This is a very good reference book, so don't miss it!

Call CARFAC at 943-7211. They are in Artspace along with MLA.

★SASKATCHEWAN BIBLIOGRAPHY

First came the Saskatchewan Bibliography - a handy reference on anything and everything written about Saskatchewan from 1905 to 1979. Now the Saskatchewan Library Association has updated the Saskatchewan Bibliography with a supplement including all known titles published between 1980 and 1992. This includes materials written and published in Saskatchewan or elsewhere:

- ✓ books, pamphlets, local histories, records, films, videos, etc.
- ✓ selected provincial government documents
- ✓ theses and dissertations.

The Saskatchewan Bibliography: First Supplement, compiled by Ved Arora, is available for \$60.00 plus postage and handling (\$10.00 outside Saskatchewan). To order your copy, send a cheque payable to: Saskatchewan Library Association
Box 3388
Regina Saskatchewan S4P 3H1.

★CATALOGUING INTERNET RESOURCES

OCLC announces the publication of "Cataloging Internet Resources: A Manual and Practical Guide," by Nancy B. Olson, editor.

Prepared in conjunction with the OCLC Internet Cataloging project, this manual provides "a convenient single source of information by combining a discussion of cataloging rules, appropriate MARC fields, and illustrative examples."

"Cataloging Internet Resources" is available from OCLC in electronic form via anonymous FTP:
ftp://ftp.rsch.oclc.org/pub/internet_cataloging_project/Manual.txt

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(614) 764-0155

4. CALENDAR:

★APRIL 20 1995

David Arnason will appear at the April general Meeting of the Manitoba Branch of the Canadian Authors Association to speak on and read from his collection of "fractured prairie tales" on Thursday April 20, 1995 at 7:30, in the Solarium of the Hammond Building, 6th Floor, 63 Albert Street. Admission is free and all are welcome!

★APRIL 29 1995

The Children's Literature Research Forum (Faculty of Education, University of Manitoba) invites you to the 7th annual **Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Read-In**. This is in cooperation with the Canadian Children's Book Centre and the Winnipeg Children's Literature Roundtable.

It will be from 9:30AM to 3:30PM in Room 326, Faculty of Education on Saturday April 29 1995. The fee is \$35 which includes refreshment breaks, free parking, and a hot lunch. Space is limited, so register early (by April 17)

Contact **Dave Jenkins** at the Amelia Read-In, Faculty of Education, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg MB R3T 2N2.

★MAY 18 1995

University of Manitoba Friends of the Library will hold their Annual General Meeting on Thursday, May 18, 1995, at 8:00 p.m. in Room 208 Elizabeth Dafoe Library (Staff Lounge).

A business meeting of about half an hour will include reports from the President, Treasurer, and the Director of Libraries. The membership will elect members of the

Executive Committee for 1995-96.

The evening's program is viewing a film by King Vidor titled "Sky Pilot", which is based on the book by Ralph Connor, followed by discussion with guest speaker, Dr. Eugene Walz from Film Studies, Department of English.

★JUNE 11 -14 1995

The 4th Interlending & Document Delivery Supply International Conference will be held on June 11 - 14 in Calgary. It is organized jointly by the National Library of Canada, the Canadian Library Association, and the IFLA Office of International Lending. The theme this year is Document Supply in the Electronic World.

The cost is \$150 for individuals from ARL institutions or \$175 from non-ARL institutions. The program is designed for interlibrary loan staff, supervisors of ILL departments, and those responsible for general administration of ILL and document delivery services. Prepayment is required. mail cheque payable to the Office of Management Services and in US dollars to:

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Department #0692
Washington DC 20073-0692
Phone: 202/296-2296 Fax: 202/872-0884
e-mail: mary@cni.org

★JUNE 14 - 16 1995

The CLA Technical Services Interest Group is sponsoring several sessions at CLA in Calgary. Here is a list of them:

✓ **Format Integration and MARC Coding for Holdings Records** will be held June 14 from 9 to 11:30 and 1 to 4PM. The cost is \$25 for TSIG members and \$35 for non-members (single sessions are \$15/\$20). Please make cheques payable to the Technical Services Interest Group CLA by May 31 and mail to **Ganga Dakshinamurti** at Dafoe Library, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg MB R3T 2N2.

✓ **The New Copyright Legislation and Its Impact on Your Library** will be held on June 15 from 10:45 to 12 noon.

✓ **Acquisitions and Serials Modules** will be on June 15 from 2 to 4:30 PM

✓ **Technical Service 2000: Redesigning and Retooling for the Next Generation** will be on June 16 from 9-12 noon.

✓ **Reengineering Bibliographic Access: BART, the National Library's Products, Services, and You** is on June 16 from 2 to 5PM.

✓ **Outsourcing in Technical Services** will be on June 17 from 9 to 12 noon.

✓ **Put Your Thinking Cap on: A Creative Discussion on Technical Services** is on June 18 from 9 to noon.

★JULY 17 - 21 1995

The IASL 24th Annual Conference will be held in Worchester England from July 17 to 21. The theme is Sustaining the Vision and is hosted by the Worchester College of Higher Education. This conference will kick off the year-long activities leading to the 25th Anniversary Conference of the IASL in Jamaica in 1996.

The themes of the conference are Librarianship, Literacy, Children's Literature and technology. The intention is to have a day on each topic. There are three keynote speakers: Dr. Margaret Meek, Vida Conway and Michael Rosen.

For more information, please contact:

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5. INTERNET INFO:

★NEW INTERNET RESOURCES

World Wide Web

✓ The Environmental Biology Program of Boyce Thompson Inst. for Plant Research at Cornell University is now on the Web offering information on research focusing on the interaction of plants and the environment. The research spans many levels of biological organization, from individual plant organs to ecosystems and beyond. This site provides details about the staff, facilities, and the many research projects in the

program. Reprints of publications can also be ordered.
<http://birch.cit.cornell.edu>

✓ The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has announced that their Food and Consumer Service, which oversees the Food Stamp Program, school meals programs, WIC, and a dozen other nutrition programs, has established a bulletin board system on FedWorld, an electronic marketplace for federal program information.
<http://www.fedworld.gov>
select Health Mall/ Food and Consumer Service

✓ **MetaCenter Computational Science Highlights Web Page:** The NSF-funded supercomputer centers; the Cornell Theory Center (CTC), the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), the National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA), Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center (PSC), and San Diego Supercomputer Center (SDSC) have created the MetaCenter Computational Science Highlights, a repository of multimedia computational science articles for the World Wide Web. Stories feature: modeling blood flow in the human heart; simulating the behavior of cancer genes and enzyme/inhibitor complexes vital to the design of new drugs; the Shoemaker-Levy comet's impact on Jupiter; and the discovery of the first planet known to exist outside of our solar system. Browsers will also find information on both Pacific and Atlantic Ocean systems, including a high-resolution animation of the general circulation of the North Atlantic. Computational Science Highlights can be accessed via the World Wide Web at any of the following addresses:
<http://www.tc.cornell.edu/Research/MetaScience/>
<http://www.ucar.edu/METASCI/Welcome/welcome.html>
<http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/SCMS/Metascience/Home/welcome.html>
<http://pscinfo.psc.edu/MetaCenter/MetaScience/welcome.html>
<http://www.sdsc.edu/MetaScience/welcome.html>

✓ The Microelectromechanical Systems Research Page at Case Western Reserve University: Microelectromechanical Systems (MEMS) is currently revolutionizing the field of sensors and actuators through the use of new techniques and processes. MEMS focuses on development of tiny electromechanical devices for a diverse range of applications such as miniature accelerometers for air-bag systems and disposable blood pressure sensors (many other applications are being hotly researched).
<http://mems6.cwru.edu/WWW/roy>

✓ Virtual Tourist: There is The Virtual Tourist on the web:

<http://wings.buffalo.edu/world/>

Click through to get Canada and Canadian tourist information. (or you can go direct:

<http://www.city.net/countries/canada/>)

✓ Canadian Travel on WWW: For those of you with access to the World Wide Web, try the following address for information about travel in Canada.

http://www.digimark.net/rec-travel/north_america/canada/index.html

✓ Trip to Germany: If you are planning a trip to Germany, check out

URL: <http://www.chemie.fu-berlin.de/adressen/brd.html>

✓ Draft Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights. FYI - This draft plus much, much more is at the new ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee Home Page.

URL: <http://www.intac.com/~kgs/ifc/>

Take a look, if you've access to a web browser - text or gui.

✓ Elsevier Science catalogue on the Internet. The Elsevier Science catalogue of books, journals, electronic products etc is now on the Internet:

<gopher://gopher.elsevier.nl>

<http://www.elsevier.nl>

✓ Peterson's guides on WWW. Reference folks will be interested to know that the Peterson's guides to academic programs are now available and searchable on the World Wide Web at:

<http://www.petersons.com:8080/gsector.html>

(From: Allison Colborne)

✓ Kaplan has a home page on the web that might come in handy to a lot of students from time to time. The URL appears below:

<http://www.kaplan.com/>

On their home page, Kaplan Educational Centers offers access to all you ever wanted to know about the GRE, GMAT, LSAT, MCAT and USMLE, among others.

Kaplan is a test preparation organization, by the way, for those who have never previously encountered them.

Students pay them big bucks to be tutored in the intricacies of taking any and all of the major entrance examinations to university programs (from

undergraduate, to graduate school and professional programs) in the hope of placing higher than they might otherwise.

(From: Anne Thornton-Trump)

✓ US National Organization for Women on the Web. The National Organization for Women commemorated the 175th birthday of suffragist Susan B. Anthony by unveiling its own homepage on the Internet's World Wide Web. The Web page can be found at <http://now.org/now/home.html>

The organization can also be reached by E-mail at "now@now.org". An Internet presence will allow NOW to reach a wide public audience through this rapidly expanding medium. It will enable NOW both to efficiently inform the media, and thereby the public, and to collaborate with other organizations.

NOW's bi-monthly newspaper, the National NOW Times, can also be found on the Web site.

(From: Anne Thornton-Trump)

✓ Web server on RSI. Computer Related Repetitive Strain Injury Primer Web Page

<http://www.engr.unl.edu/ee/eeshop/rsi.html>

As more and more educational work involves using computers, students and instructors alike need to be aware of the hazard of Repetitive Strain Injury to the hands and arms that can result from the use of computer keyboards and mice. This is a serious and very painful condition that is far easier to prevent than to cure once contracted, and can occur even in young physically fit individuals. It is not uncommon for people to have to leave computer-dependent careers as a result, or even to be permanently disabled and unable to perform tasks such as driving or dressing themselves. Graduate students in computer science and engineering are in a particularly high risk group.

It includes links to additional in-depth Internet resources relevant to RSI. Read it, and consider adding a link to it on any WWW page for which you have responsibility.

✓ Shareware heaven! Here's a neat little URL for those dos hackers who are into the Web:

http://www.mid.net/MSDOS_A

You may just want to put that one in your hotlist.

✓ Endeavour WWW site. Here's a fun WWW homepage with astronomy content. The "What the crew is doing now" section includes a star chart of the current science target & explanations of terms like visual magnitude & supergiant.

FROM CYBERSPACE TO OUTER SPACE Internet users can now reach out and touch the Endeavour space shuttle, through NASA's Web site: <<http://astro-2.msfc.nasa.gov>>. Information available includes Endeavour's exact location over Earth, stellar observations by Astro telescopes and sky charts, crew and ground control team photos, snapshots of the cockpit, and taped conversations from four of the astronauts. More than 350,000 requests for shuttle information have poured in since Endeavour's lift-off.

✓ AIDS INFORMATION. A list of AIDS-related patent applications published in Japan March 1-14, 1995 is available at the URL below.
URL:<http://www.netaxs.com/~aengel/JapanAIDSPatents/ist.htm#March>
(From: Anne Thornton-Trump)

✓ Electronic Publishing Conferences. The ASIS midyear conference, May 24-26, is on Electronic Publishing. Both have home pages:
ASIS MID YEAR: Electronic Publishing - Applications and Implications
<http://ranga.berkeley.edu/ASIS/asis95.cnf.html>

DAGS Conference: Electronic Publishing and the Information Superhighway
<http://www.cs.dartmouth.edu/~dags/homepage.html>

GOPHER:

✓ The Association of Biomolecular Resource Facilities (ABRF) server contains information of interest to anyone involved in providing services for synthesis, sequencing, or use of DNA and protein.
gopher to: riley.bs.jhu.edu

✓ The Communications for a Sustainable Future (CSF) was founded on the idea that computer networking should be used to enhance communications with the objective of working through disparate views and ideologies to secure a more promising future. The contents of the archives and the quality of communications on the CSF lists are intended to reflect this purpose. Additional materials are accepted for

dissemination through CSF. Topics include the Conflict Consortium, Economics, Environment, Feminist Scholarship, Foreign Policy, International Political Economy, Peace, Progressive Sociology, Service-Learning, and World Systems.
gopher to: csf.colorado.edu

✓ Name=RDP Gopher Server
Host=rdpgopher.life.uiuc.edu
Abstract=Home of the Ribosomal Database Project; this gopher provides \access to programs and data for ribosomal rRNA research.

✓ Name=American Society for Horticultural Science
Host=ashs.org

✓ Name=Toxicology and Environmental Health Information Program (TEHIP) Gopher
Host=gopher.nlm.nih.gov
Abstract=The Toxicology and Environmental Health Information Program \ (TEHIP) at the US National Library of Medicine has developed an \ Internet gopher offering free access to national and international \ information resources and convenient connection to NLM's MEDLARS \ online databases. Included in the TEHIP gopher are a variety of \ publications (eg, the bibliographic publication produced by TEHIP: \ ALTERNATIVES TO THE USE OF LIVE VERTEBRATES IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND \ TESTING) and direct connections to many relevant information sources \ from national and international government groups and universities. \ Training modules and documentation for the MEDLARS toxicology \ databases, and a calendar of meetings and courses of interest to \ those working in the areas of toxicology, environmental health \ and medicine, and occupational health and medicine are also \ included.

✓ Name=ANSP Malacology/Invertebrate Paleontology Department
Host=erato.acnatsci.org
Abstract=Provides information about the Malacology/Invertebrate \ Paleontology department at the Academy of Natural Sciences of \ Philadelphia, including searchable indexes of the collections' type \ and general catalogs, and information about staff, publications, authority \ files, and projects.

✓ G.H. Arrow Catalog on Backserv. The catalog of the G. H. Arrow Company, prominent back issues dealer in Philadelphia, Pa., is now available for searching and

browsing as part of Backserv (BACK Issues and Duplicates Exchange SERVICE) on the Readmore gopher. Online inquiry forms are included, as well as information about Arrow and its free exchange program with over one hundred libraries in the United States. The Backserv section of the gopher also contains the back issues catalog of Jerry Alper, Inc. and the archives of the Backserv exchange list. Additional catalogs will be added shortly.

To access the gopher, point your gopher client to:
gopher.readmore.com

For further information, contact Marilyn Geller, Internet Product Specialist, Readmore (mgeller@readmore.com; 617-484-7379); or Jay Butler, G. H. Arrow Co. (gharrow@aol.com; 215-227-3211).

★US AIR FORCE WWW

The U.S. Air Force opened its official on-ramp to the information highway by establishing a Home Page on the Internet's World Wide Web. Home Pages are electronic sites which provide specific information about an institution or agency in graphical format.

The Air Force's Home Page will include fact sheets on weapon systems, biographies on senior leaders, photos of aircraft and current operations around the world, digital audio clips of music by Air Force bands, a virtual display of selected pieces from the Air Force art collection, and a master index of more than three dozen other Home Pages throughout the Air Force.

"The Internet represents an exciting new opportunity to provide information to the public," said Col. Ron Sconyers, director of Air Force Public Affairs. "The Home Page is our gateway to the 21st Century. It will have a tremendous impact on the public's understanding of Air Force operations," he concluded.

The Home Page was developed in cooperation with the Defense Technical Information Service. Internet users can reach the new home page at <http://www.dtic.dla.mil:80/airforcelink>.

For more information, contact Capt. Terry Bowman, (703) 695-8561 or bowman@saf3.hq.af.mil.

★MANITOBA INTERNET ACCESS THROUGH MTS

The following is the text from a press release distributed to the Manitoba Media.

MANITOBA TO ACCESS INTERNET VIA MTS

(Winnipeg) - March 20, 1995 - People in major centres in the province will soon have access to the largest computer information network in the world. Beginning this spring, the Manitoba Telephone System (MTS) will offer "Internet Access Service", providing a link for Manitobans to communicate with over 20 million users worldwide. The Internet, which was originally set up for defence and research purposes, is quickly becoming a global communications, marketing, and business tool that will be critical to the success of Manitobans in the future.

The pricing structure for MTS's Internet Access dial-up service is expected as follows:

One Time Set Up Charge: \$35.00
Monthly rate: \$19.95 - includes six free hours.
Additional Usage: at \$0.05 per minute.

Discount plans will be available for usage during off peak hours.

Rod Kachulak, General Manager MTS, Emerging Business advises, "subscription to the MTS Internet Access Service will include communications software for our customers' personal computers." MTS will also offer an on-line "Help Desk" for all subscribers. Initially, MTS will provide toll free Internet Access in the following locations:

Winnipeg, Brandon, Dauphin, Portage La Prairie, Selkirk, Steinbach, The Pas, Thompson, and Winkler.

Other communities wanting access to the Internet may do so by subscribing to the service and paying the applicable long distance or network charges. Additional Internet serving areas will be established as economically viable.

MTS Internet Access Service will be offered on a dial-up and dedicated connection basis. Dial-up service will be available through MTS agents such as computer/electronic equipment retailers as well as through MTS's 1-800 order desk. Dedicated access will be sold exclusively through MTS's own sales force.

MTS will also offer reseller services whereby companies could obtain their Internet feed and domain name from MTS. These companies will then have the option of reselling accounts onto their own domain or setting up their own Internet server.

MTS selected IBM Canada Ltd. as the equipment supplier for the Internet Access Service. The hardware, software, and services provided by IBM represent the most current Internet technology solutions available in the industry today. "IBM is very pleased to be chosen by MTS for this exciting project where we will help MTS and the Province of Manitoba strengthen their participation in the information highway, as it evolves," says Glenn Tinkler, IBM Location Manager for Manitoba.

MTS's announcement of the Internet service is made possible by the recently-announced provincial government backbone data network. The backbone network is the facility by which MTS intends to provide Internet Access Service throughout the province.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

MTS INTERNET FACT SHEET

1) WHAT IS THE INTERNET (LESS ABBREVIATED)

The Internet is a loose amalgamation of computer networks operated by many different organizations worldwide. There are many applications and services found on the Internet.

Some of the more popular ones are:

* Electronic mail: Provides the ability to communicate (text and pictures) with families, friends, business colleagues, co-workers, employers (etc.), and customers all over the world without the constraints of time, geography, or long distance charges.

* Access to Information Sources: The Internet provides the ability to access a vast array of information. User-friendly programs are available to assist users to browse information from libraries to receive daily news, download free computer programs, obtain the latest weather reports, and browse through travel information.

* Commerce: Realizing the tremendous economies of scale of reaching millions of customers worldwide from

one single access point, businesses of all sizes are now marketing and providing updates to their products and services over the Internet. From the merchant's "Home Page of their Web Server", customers will be able to view the vendor's goods and services. Consumers can order and pay for products and services over the Internet. Major credit card providers are positioning themselves to get the lion's share of the transaction market.

* Bulletin Board: Also available on the Internet is Usenet, a gigantic global bulletin board for the exchange of information on thousands of topics (over 8000 groups are available through Usenet). Users can subscribe to any news group, read the information delivered to the news group and add or post their comments to the bulletin board. Information may be provided free or for a fee.

2) The Phone Number Set up to Handle Inquiries on MTS-Internet Access Service:
1-800-280-7095

3) If unable to answer a customer's question, an appropriate response would be:
"Unfortunately, I do not have the Information that you require at this time, Would you like me to have someone call you back over the course of the next week, or would you prefer to have information mailed out to you?"

4) Other Pricing: (if the customer asks)
MTS is developing prices for the following Internet Access Services:
- ISDN Access
- Dedicated Access

If customers are interested in these rates, please take their name, telephone number and address down and tell them we will get back to them within two weeks once the pricing has been fully developed.

5) BILLING:
Billing for the MTS-Internet Access Service will be added to the customer's Telephone Bill.

6) SPEED OF ACCESS: (DIAL-UP MODEM SPEED)
MTS will support the highest dial-up connection speeds available (currently 28.8 Kilobits per second)

★CONSERVATIVE LIBRARIAN LISTSERV

C-LIB is a moderated discussion list for conservative librarians. Participants are encouraged to raise

conservative issues in libraries and librarianship, air common concerns, share information, discuss books, circulate bibliographies, publicize events, meetings, etc., and work to establish a more visible and effective conservative presence in American libraries and librarianship. C-LIB is moderated by Noel Anderson, Humanities Librarian at the University of Texas at Arlington.

To subscribe, send an e-mail message to LISTSERV@UTARLVM1.UTA.EDU, with nothing in the subject line, and only the following command in the body of your message:

SUBSCRIBE C-LIB yourfirstname yourlastname
For example: SUBSCRIBE C-LIB Richard M. Weaver

To signoff, write:
SIGNOFF C-LIB

To get help, write:
HELP C-LIB

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★SIERRA CLUB WWW

The Sierra Club has now established a "home page" on the part of the Internet known as the "World-Wide-Web". Their information is now available to anyone who has a connection to the Internet that allows them use of the WWW through programs such as Mosaic or Netscape.

Access to this service is NOT possible from cc:Mail (it just can't be done!), but members who receive e-mail via the Internet *may* be able to reach this WWW service.

The Sierra Club is pleased to announce a web server at the URL:
<http://www.sierraclub.org/>

The Sierra Club Home Page gives access to the following information:

- an overview of the Sierra Club and its history
- a list of current conservation action alerts so that you, too, can make a difference
- a searchable collection of Sierra Club Conservation policies
- descriptions of 1995 Outings - outdoor trips throughout the U.S. and around the world - hiking, biking, canoeing,

skiing, service trips, and much, much more....

- descriptions of books published through our award-winning Sierra Club Books program
- how to contact local Sierra Club Chapters throughout North America
- information about other organizations affiliated with the Sierra Club
- The Planet - the Sierra Club's newsletter for activists
- pointers to other environmental resources on the Internet
- Sierra Club membership information

As you look at the Sierra Club's Web pages, you will get a sense of their mission:

- To explore, enjoy, and protect the wilderness;
- To practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources;
- To educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and
- To use all lawful means to carry out these objectives.

These Web pages have been primarily assembled by a group of volunteers from the Sierra Club Information Technology Committee and Sierra Student Coalition, led by volunteer Dan Anderson. Additional assistance has been provided by Sierra Club staff. Please stop by and visit.

★MANITOBA FREENETS

The Central Plains and EASTMAN FreeNets are now up, and available via the Blue Sky FreeNet (telnet winnie.freenet.mb.ca, userid "guest").

The EASTMAN FreeNet services the rural communities in Eastern Manitoba, Canada. Some of the towns and villages included in this area are: Beausejour, Whitemouth, Pinawa, Lac du Bonnet, Pine Falls, Point du Bois, and other smaller hamlets.

The Central Plains FreeNet serves the communities of Gladstone, MacGregor, Portage la Prairie, St. Claude, and Treherne, Manitoba. Take a look...FreeNet fever is spreading...
(From Ryan Schultz)

★INTERNET LISERSERV

NEW: INET-GURU - Discussions of the rights and welfare of internet specialists. INET-GURU on kimsoft@bronze.coil.com Internet specialists' (gurus)

rights and welfare discussion.

INET-GURU is an open, unmoderated discussion list featuring the rights and welfare of programmers and other information specialists who have contributed to internet technologies. Things such as how to protect copyrights, how to recognize significant inet software innovations and other contributions such as information digest, public access to inet, publication of free information conducive to further advances and propagation of the internet.

To subscribe, send the following command in the BODY of mail to kimsoft@bronze.coil.com:

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★NEH GRANT FOR H-NET

H-Net wins NEH grant for Multimedia Humanities Education. H-Net and Michigan State University announce the award of a new grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (Education Division), for \$190,000 for two years. Entitled "Creating the History Classroom of the 21st Century," the grant is directed by Mark Kornbluh (History, Michigan State University). The grant will pursue 5 activities.

1. Create H-MMedia as a permanent electronic channel of communication to provide scholars, teachers, publishers, and programmers with news of the development of new teaching resources and archives, reviews of software, and continuing reports on research in progress. H-MMEDIA's objectives are to stimulate interest within the history profession in the application of new technologies in order to increase student learning

and build skills, and give scholars who are developing new teaching methods a forum in which to report their accomplishments and to discuss the significance and implications of their projects. H-MMEDIA is now in operation; subscription requests should be sent to LISTSERV@msu.edu.

2. Assist history faculty, nationwide, to use multimedia technology, electronic communication, and computers in teaching,

3. Establish a national center at Michigan State University and seven regional centers to develop teaching materials and multimedia curricula for history survey courses, collect and disseminate software and data bases, provide technical assistance, and host training sessions. The regional Centers are at Austin Peay State University [Tennessee], Chicago Historical Society, University of Houston, University of Texas-San Antonio, University of California-Los Angeles, University of Virginia, and University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

4. Survey applications of electronic and multimedia technologies in teaching and sponsor in-depth evaluations of tools and products.

5. Hold a conference in summer 1996 in East Lansing to bring together technology specialists, master teachers, and curriculum innovators to instruct each other in the most effective ways of using new technologies to teach basic historical skills to first and second-year college history students.

For further details on this project, please write H-NET@uicvm.uic.edu. To subscribe to H-MMEDIA, send this message to LISTSERV@msu.edu subscribe H-MMEDIA Firstname Lastname, Affiliation

H-Net: Humanities On Line is an international collaborative effort to assist historians and humanists to use the Internet and computers more effectively. In addition to this multimedia project, H-Net publishes 50 daily newsletters, and runs training workshops. For more information, write H-Net@uicvm.uic.edu

★ELECTRONIC JOURNALS

There are a number of new electronic journals available on the Internet. A few of the latest ones are listed below.

✓ **IMAGINATION E-JOURNAL of BOGAZICI UNIVERSITY** - An adventure into the jungle of imagination... Imagination: Go beyond your limits !!!

Imagination, a new e-journal on marvellous world of Internet, is now accepting submissions for its initial issue due out May 1995.

Imagination is intended as a tool of the Imagination Project, which is being developed by students at Bogazici University in Istanbul, Turkey, and whose main objectives are :

- o To show the importance of imagination in our lives
- o To encourage people to discover their imagination
- o To encourage people to make use of their imagination in their daily lives
- o To explore alternative theories and their applications for current problems in various fields by combining knowledge and imagination

Imagination is a medium for individuals to:

- o realize their imagination by means of their articles, their contribution to the publishing process of "Imagination", their participation in special international and multidisciplinary projects held in "Research & Cooperation (R & C)" column, and through proposals of their inventions and ideas to be published in "Lighting Bulb!!!" column
- o cooperate, exchange ideas and share experience, knowledge and imagination with others.

Works published in Imagination can be classified into five categories:

- a) editorial part such as letters from readers, news from reporters etc.;
- b) studies on the issues of imagination;
- c) reports of the special projects (in R & C column);
- d) proposals of new inventions and ideas (in Lightning Bulb!!! column);
- e) various articles on other columns such as Poetry, and Inventions & Inventors.

The columns include articles of relating subject written by using knowledge (e.g., a technical article about what SO₂ gas is), imagination (e.g., an article about situation of earth in the future due to air pollution), and both knowledge and imagination (e.g., an article about a solution for the air pollution problem).

Imagination will be available via E-mail, Gopher and WWW. For more information please try "Imagination Gopher", whose URL address is:
URL:
gopher://gopher.boun.edu.tr:70/11/ActivityClubs/Imagine_Project

SUBSCRIPTION

All subscriptions are free of charge. To subscribe to Imagination please send an e-mail to listproc@boun.edu.tr

In the body of the message write:
subscribe imagination Your_First_Name Last_Name

Please do not write anything at subject line.

Imagination is an e-journal for anyone who wants to explore his/her imagination. We welcome your contributions as authors and participants. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us:
Ersin Beyret, Editor
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✓ **J.UCS: The Journal of Universal Computer Science**

JUCS is an exciting new refereed journal publication covering all areas of computer science. J.UCS is published in 12 yearly issues starting 1995 (so now the first two "real" issues are out) over the Internet. At the end of the every year is will be published also on CD-ROM and paper by Springer-Verlag. The network version will be free of charge in 1995 and 1996. Articles are categorized according to the ACM Computing Reviews Classification Scheme (with kind permission from ACM). Articles are available both in text (HTML) and PostScript formats, and fully searchable.

Currently, J.UCS is replicated at the following fine Hyper-G servers:

Austria: http://info.iicm.tu-graz.ac.at/Cjucs_root
http://info.tu-graz.ac.at/Cjucs_root
http://www.par.univie.ac.at:8000/Cjucs_root

Great Britain: http://hyperg.dcs.rhnc.ac.uk/Cjucs_root

New Zealand: http://hmu1.cs.aukuni.ac.nz/Cjucs_root

USA: http://video.cs.vt.edu/Cjucs_root

They take the opportunity to solicit high-quality papers covering all areas of computer science for publication in J.UCS (electronic submission instructions are available from above URLs). If you are interested in running a J.UCS server (the list is a bit eurocentric at the moment), please contact jucs@iicm.tu-graz.ac.at.

By the way - do you know where to get information on the second generation hypermedia system? For information on Hyper-G look under <ftp://iicm.tu-graz.ac.at/pub/Hyper-G> !

✓ The Strategic Information Systems Electronic Journal

The Strategic Information Systems Electronic Journal (SIS-EJournal) aims to encourage, advance, and communicate interdisciplinary thinking in the field of strategic information systems, by means of fast electronic publication.

To join this list send the command:
`join listname firstname lastname`

as the only text of an e-mail message to:
mailbase@uk.ac.mailbase
mailbase@mailbase.ac.uk (from outside the UK)

✓ THE PILOTS DATABASE: AN ELECTRONIC INDEX TO THE TRAUMATIC STRESS LITERATURE

The PILOTS database is an electronic index to the worldwide literature on post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and other mental-health consequences of exposure to traumatic events. It is produced by the National Center for PTSD, and is available for searching as a file on the Dartmouth College Library Online System. There is no charge for using the database, and no account or password is required. As of January 1995 there were over 7000 references (almost all including abstracts) in the database.

For further information, including brief access and search instructions, and how to obtain a PILOTS Database User's Guide, please contact the National Center at the address below, or send email to ptsd@dartmouth.edu

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★GONE PUBLIC

The National Library of Canada's Electronic Publications Pilot Project (EPPP) is now available on the World Wide Web and the Gopher.

Using 12 Canadian periodicals currently available only online, the EPPP is examining various means by which Canadian electronic publications can be deposited at the National Library, where they will be catalogued, permanently stored in a database and made accessible to library patrons across Canada.

Information on the status of the project and the publications it includes is now on the Internetinfoserver at: <http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/eppp/e3p.htm> and at gopher.nlc-bnc.ca under Canadian electronic publications.

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★ISSN ON WWW

The ISSN International Centre (situated in Paris, France) has the pleasure to announce that its bilingual (English/French) WEB information pages are now available.

The use of the ISSN is essential throughout the serials chain of supply, from publisher (and now even from the author of every single contribution) to the reader, through document delivery utilities, abstracting and indexing services, subscription agents, libraries, union catalogues, newsagents...., for the efficient management of research, ordering and cataloguing.

To date, more than 720,000 serials published in 180 countries have been assigned an ISSN by the ISSN network (63 National Centres). The ISSN Register is published on microfiche, CD-ROM (ISSN Compact) and tape.

The ISSN WEB pages give basic information about the ISSN, ISSN assignment, the ISSN network and related subjects (ISSN based barcoding of serials : EAN 13, SISAC, SICL...). You will find in particular the list of ISSN National Centres (together with their postal and E-mail addresses) which should be contacted for any

problem related to ISSN assignment for the serials of the corresponding countries. We take this opportunity to remind the community of ISSN users (libraries, union catalogues, subscription agents, publishers...) that ISSN may be assigned on request to publications which do not yet have one. It should also be noted that ISSN are assigned to serial publications of any physical medium (paper, microfiche, CD-ROM, online...).

The ISSN International Centre coordinates the network and is responsible for the assignment of ISSN to serials published by international organizations or by publishers situated in countries which do not yet have an ISSN National Centre.

Any suggestion concerning the ISSN WEB pages is welcome; do not hesitate to contact us for any further information.

Establishing new World Wide Web links pointing to the ISSN WEB pages in library or serials related WEB servers is also warmly encouraged.

The electronic address of the ISSN WEB pages is :
<http://www.well.com/www/issnic>

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★INTERNET ADDICTION SUPPORT GROUP

There is an internet-addiction-support-group for those with acute or chronic Internet Addiction Disorder.

As the incidence and prevalence of Internet Addiction Disorder (IAD) has been increasing exponentially, a support group. The Internet Addiction Support Group (IASG) has been established. Below are the official criteria for the diagnosis of IAD and subscription information for the IASG.

Internet Addiction Disorder (IAD) - Diagnostic Criteria:

A maladaptive pattern of Internet use, leading to clinically significant impairment or distress as manifested by three (or more) of the following, occurring at any time in the same 12-month period:

(I) tolerance, as defined by either of the following:

(A) A need for markedly increased amounts of time on Internet to achieve satisfaction

(B) markedly diminished effect with continued use of the same amount of time on Internet

(II) withdrawal, as manifested by either of the following

(A) the characteristic withdrawal syndrome

(1) Cessation of (or reduction) in Internet use that has been heavy and prolonged.

(2) Two (or more) of the following, developing within several days to a month after Criterion 1:

(a) psychomotor agitation

(b) anxiety

(c) obsessive thinking about what is happening on Internet

(d) fantasies or dreams about Internet

(e) voluntary or involuntary typing movements of the fingers

(3) The symptoms in Criterion B cause distress or impairment in social, occupational or other important other area of functioning

(B) Use of Internet or a similar on-line service is engaged in to relieve or avoid withdrawal symptoms

(III) Internet is often accessed more often or for longer periods of time than was intended

(IV) There is a persistent desire or unsuccessful efforts to cut down or control Internet use

(V) A great deal of time is spent in activities related to Internet use (e.g., buying Internet books, trying out new WWW browsers, researching Internet vendors, organizing files of downloaded materials

(VI) Important social, occupational, or recreational activities are given up or reduced because of Internet use.

(VII) Internet use is continued despite knowledge of having a persistent or recurrent physical, social, occupational, or psychological problem that is likely to be caused or exacerbated by Internet use (sleep deprivation, marital difficulties, lateness for early

morning appointments, neglect of occupational duties, or feelings of abandonment in significant others)

Subscribe to the Internet Addiction Support Group by e-mail:

Address: listserv@netcom.com

Subject: (leave blank)

Message: Subscribe internet-addiction-support-group

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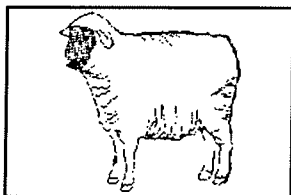
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