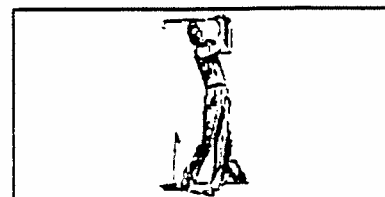


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1. PEOPLE:

★PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On April 21, the Manitoba Library Association and the Canadian Library Association signed an agreement which turned over to MLA the CLA assets related to its defunct journal CM. The joint news release is printed below. MLA job descriptions for the two positions - one as editor responsible for the intellectual content and the other as Executive Assistant responsible for its information technology application, advertising and subscribers - are printed in the "Jobs" section below, as well as the May 13 WFP and posted to the Internet. If you know of possible candidates, please alert them to these position sand of the need to **apply by May 23.**

In the May issue of Feliciter (distribution 4,000), there will be printed a one page ad and also stuffed into that package a two page ad for CM. We will also be sending this marketing information to schools and public libraries in Manitoba and, through other journals, across Canada. I've just completed an extensive interview with Quill &

Quire which will run an article for the June issue. We are also looking to have a formal opening sometime in mid-June here and at CLA in Calgary. And, it seems that MLA's CM electronically published 52 issues annually will be in competition with Ken Haycock's paper-based 5 issues a year Resource Links.

All Manitoba libraries will receive a free one year electronic subscription to CM courtesy of an anonymous foundation in Manitoba.

This is, of course, my last President's Message with my term as President over on May 12. It has been an incredibly exciting year full of opportunities. Your Executive has worked at full tilt implementing the MLA Strategic Plan and its goals of professional development, library leadership, role and value of libraries cooperation, membership development, organizational development and financial responsibility. Hats off to Executive members **Jim Blanchard, Louise Shah, Adrian Dalwood, Phyllis Barich, Ganga Dakshinamurti, Mary Dennett, Pat Nicholls, David Rozniatowski, Tracey Keryiuk, Lois MacDonald, and Irmay Nikkel** as well as to the many members who worked on committees, interest groups and the conference. Mention also needs to be made to our ex-officio member **Norma Godavari** and MLA staff person **Jeannette Dankewych**.

I look forward to my active role as Past-President working to make CM THE reviewing journal and to implement the ALARM strategic plan for human resource development in our sector.

- John Tooth, 94/95 President

★CANADIAN MATERIALS

Manitoba Library Association Acquires CM: A Reviewing Journal of Canadian Materials for Young People.

In a joint announcement, the Canadian Library Association today announced the sale of CM:A Reviewing Journal of Canadian Materials for Young People (also known as "Canadian Materials") to the Manitoba Library Association. The Manitoba Library Association will publish its first issue of the new electronic magazine in June of 1995.

Manitoba is well known for its pioneering efforts in promoting and reviewing Canadian children's materials. Current Manitoba Library Association President **John Tooth** is a former convenor of the CM editorial board, and the 1994/95 convenor of the board, **Lorrie Andersen**, is also a Manitoban. The Manitoba Library Association received more than a dozen letters of support for the acquisition from Canada's library community nationally.

In announcing the acquisition, MLA President John Tooth said, "The Manitoba Library Association has the expertise necessary to operate and give leadership to a new CM. While CM will be operated by a local management board, the board and staff of CM will be working with a national editorial advisory committee of prominent individuals in the publishing, writing and library communities."

Patricia Cavill, President of the Canadian Library Association, said, "We are sorry that Canadian Materials is leaving CLA, but in the past year we have become increasingly oriented towards delivering core services to the Association's members. As a subscription-based activity, CM could not be given high priority within the Association. Staff time previously devoted to CM will be reallocated to member services and revenue-generating programs that reflect the priorities of CLA's strategic plan. I am personally delighted that the reviewing of Canadian children's material will continue and that the new publisher will be taking advantage of technology to deliver CM electronically."

The Manitoba Library Association has secured first year funding for the publication, and plans to publish 52 electronic issues per year, delivered to subscriber's e-mail addresses. Libraries in Manitoba will receive a free one year subscription, and subscribers to the former paper version will receive a two month free trial.

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★CORRECTION - COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Pat Bozyk, Director of Library Services of Red River Community College, pointed out that the Political Action Committee report, titled The "Election '95" Newsletter," which appeared in the April issue of NEWSLINE had an error in the last paragraph of this item on page 4.

Pat pointed out that while Red River Community College was actively involved in the evaluation and selection of a library system as part of the joint library automation project, RRCC has not yet signed a contract with Data Research Associates as reported on this page. RRCC is still waiting word regarding funding which would allow the 3 community colleges to purchase a shared system which would be housed at RRCC so that they can purchase DRA as a shared system. Their request for funding was based on the work done by the six participating institutions in the Post-Secondary Library Automation Project. The estimated cost for the shared system is justified on the basis of this "consortium" purchase approach. The central processing unit would be housed at RRCC with 56 kb telecommunication lines to ACC and KCC in The Pas and Thompson.

★MAILING NEWSLINE

URGENTLY NEEDED - help with mailing Newsline. As of June 1995 we will need help with getting Newsline to Manitoba Government libraries and the University of Manitoba. **Ruth Reedman** has been handling this for several years now and is retiring (from mail duties only!)

It would be easiest if you live or work downtown, but we can work around anything! Envelopes supplied, plus you get your Newsline FIRST!!!

Please offer your help. Contact Ruth Reedman at 983-3437 (tel); 983-4031 (fax); or ruth_reedman@canwheatbrd.ca (Internet).

★ADVOCACY ALERT

Manitoba Education has eliminated the position of School Library Curriculum Specialist effective this June. This incredibly retrogressive move will have significant ramifications for school libraries, for resource-based learning, and for networking at the provincial level. Before this short-sighted decision becomes a reality, please exert pressure on the province to re-think and reinstate this position. In your letters and phone calls to both the premier (the Honourable Gary Filmon, Legislative Building, 204 - 450 Broadway, Winnipeg R3C 0V8 945-3714) and to the Minister of Education (Legislative Building 168 - 450 Broadway 945-3720), please ask why the position was eliminated and who is going to perform the following ongoing responsibilities, including: implementation of the Department's resource-based learning document and direction at the school level, the integration of the newly developed information literacy skills document in all the new curriculum being developed; accountability for the implementation and monitoring of categorical school library grants of some \$15 million annually; review school library building plans to ensure compatibility with program; writing of policy and guidelines documents related to the new education reform initiatives as recently stated in the job ads which appeared in the WFP; provide consultations with Superintendents, principals, teachers, teacher-librarians regarding matters relating to school library programs, resource-based learning; publish national award-winning journal School Library News which was cancelled, the important networking tool, School Library Personnel, and the completed but not published Provincial Cataloguing Guidelines.

ACT NOW!!!! WRITE AND/OR PHONE!! For further information, contact Bob Piper, Past-President of the School Library Association at 204 474-0976.

- Ganga Dakshinamurti,
MLA Political Action Committee.

2. NEWS:

★MERLE MCLEOD RETIRES

On April 28, 1995, the staff of the Legislative Library and several other friends gathered to say goodbye to Merle McLeod who is retiring after nineteen years with the Library. Merle will be missed for her considerable professional skills including her ability to locate just the right publication from the extensive collection of international documents under her care. She will be missed even more for her warmth and caring, for her enthusiasm and sense of adventure, and for her willingness to share a part of herself with those she worked with.

A long and happy retirement, Merle!

★HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RIDE APPEAL

On Saturday, May 20, 50 cyclists will start a 4000 km ride from Winnipeg to Los Angeles in support of Habitat for Humanity. Joining them on May 29 for the 3000 km from Eagle Butte, SD to LA will be veteran Centennial Library reference fixture and MLA member Carol Dales. They will all arrive in Los Angeles on June 18 in time to participate as the first nail is driven in this year's Jimmy Carter Work Project. Along the way, the cyclists will be ambassadors for Habitat by participating in local fund-raising and promotional activities. As a student in Emporia State University's MLS distance education program, Carol has an additional agenda-to visit some of the public libraries along the route in Nebraska, Colorado and Arizona, taking proof that Canada has more to share with her southern neighbour than cold fronts.

The goal for the 50 cyclists is \$200,000 or \$4000 per cyclist. 90% will go to Manitoba Habitat home building, while 10% is tithed to the JCWP. Carol is prepared to go the distance, but she needs your help in the form of pledges to meet her goal. All donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. Habitat makes dreams come true by giving deserving people who wouldn't otherwise own homes the opportunity to help build their own decent, affordable housing. She'll let you know how well a mind and behind accustomed to the rigors of the reference desk survives three weeks on a gelfoam saddle. Your support is appreciated!

Please make cheques payable to Bike LA 95 and forward to Carol Dales @ Centennial Library, 251 Donald St., Winnipeg MB R3P 3P5. Official tax deductible receipts will be issued for amounts of \$10.00 or more.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE:

Ten Winnipeggers have been spending every 2nd or 3rd weekend in Grand Forks for the past year, taking our MLS in large doses (from Emporia State University), the last of which will be administered in fall of '96. The balance of the class lives in GF, Fargo, and assorted midwest locales. (There will be something in Newline about the class later - maybe an interview as soon as they complete their research proposals.)

I would not be involved in this lunatic adventure (the bike ride, not library school) were it not for the fact that the "reference" course was delayed - they (Emporia State U.) felt that with close to 30 years of practical ref. under my belt, I could probably scrape through by doing a couple of the classes on the road over a speaker phone. As it is, I'll be keeping a "reference learning journal" on the road.

Carol
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★LIBRARIAN AVAILABLE

A recent graduate from the MLIS program at McGill University is now living in Winnipeg and is seeking employment either in a term or full-time capacity.

Please contact Harold Loewen at 452-7734.

★CREATIVE "RETIRING" LIBRARIANS

Three retired librarians have been busy mounting the Home Page for Creative Retirement Manitoba - the Seniors Computer Information Project (SCIP). The three are Eric Marshall, Doreen Shanks, and Olive Burgess.

SCIP allows older adults to explore the use of computers and communication technology and supports a seniors Internet information system. Computer systems equipped with IBM compatible software. Internet access and laser printers have been placed in 6 senior centres in Roblin, Carman, Dauphin, Portage la Prairie and in the Age & Opportunity centres on Selkirk Avenue and in St. Vital in Winnipeg. Older adults have access to these computers free of charge to explore the technology.

There are support groups available at each centre to assist users and provide instruction. If you have information relevant to the system or are interested in volunteering, you can reach SCUP at 204 949-2571 or through e-mail at trombo@crm.mb.ca

Eric, Doreen and Olive's URL is
<http://www.crm.mb.ca/scip/>
Drop in and browse!

★PRESSER IS CARL PRESIDENT

Congratulations to Carolynne Presser, Director of Libraries at the University of Manitoba, who will become President of CARL/ABRC for a two year term at the close of the 1995 Annual General Meeting (June 11-14/95) in Calgary, Alberta. Ms. Presser has represented the Western Region on the Board of Directors since 1992.

President Jean-Pierre Cote (Universite du Quebec a Montreal) will remain on the Board as Past President until June 1996.

★US ARCHIVIST NAMED

President Clinton has announced his nomination of former Kansas governor John Carlin as the archivist of the United States. John Carlin is the current vice chairman of the board and former president and CEO of Midwest Superconductivity Inc., a high technology research and development company in Lawrence, Kansas.

Carlin served as Kansas governor from 1979 to 1987. During his two terms, Gov. Carlin held positions as National Governor's Association chair and chairman of Midwest Governor's Conference. Prior to assuming the governorship, Carlin served as a representative in the Kansas State House from 1971 to 1979, where he was elected Minority Leader and later Speaker of the House. Both as a legislator and governor, Carlin was one of the leaders in an initiative to construct a state of the art Kansas Museum of History which opened in 1984. He currently serves on the board of directors of the Kansas Historical Society and the National Archives Foundation Board. Carlin worked hand-in-hand with the Kansas State Historical Society to catalog and chronicle both his personal and gubernatorial papers quickly after leaving office. His records were made available and without restriction approximately one year after leaving the governorship.

The National Archives preserves and makes available for research the permanently valuable records of the federal government. Among other things, the archives is responsible for the records management programs in all of Executive Branch Departments and agencies and temporarily stores the Executive Branch records.

★SLA WESTERN CANADA NOMINATIONS

The SLA WCC Nominations Committee is pleased to present the following slate of candidates for Chapter offices:

President-Elect: Diana Broome, Vancouver
Secretary-Treasurer: Donna Hanson, Vancouver
Director -- Vancouver: Linda van Soest, Vancouver
Director -- Victoria: Alice Solyma, Victoria
Director -- Sask.: Teresa Wright Eastley, Regina
Director -- Manitoba: Tanya Evancio

The vote to accept the slate will be held at the Chapter's Annual General Meeting, Fri. May 31 in Vancouver. Grace Makarewicz will become President and Linda Everett Past-President.

For further information, please contact
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★TECH SERVICES MUSEUM

A "Technical Services Museum" has started so that cataloguing students may better understand current technologies through understanding past technologies. So far the majority of items received represent the cataloging department. For example, there is a book catalog, card platens, electric erasers, and a card set in library hand. They would like to include memorabilia from acquisitions, collection development, and serials departments. Vendor contributions are most welcome. If you have something you would like to contribute to the "museum", please contact:

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P.S. Ganga Dakshinamurti suggests a live cataloguer!!!

★HEALTH ON THE MOVE

Manitoba Health, Information Resources Centre has changed its name AND its address. The new name is Manitoba Health, Library Services and as of May 17, the address will be Box 925 Empress Street, Winnipeg MB R3C 2T6. The phone number is 204 786-7124 and the Fax is 204 945-5063. (The old location was 202 -880 Portage Avenue and includes the Audio-Visual Services, Health Pamphlets, and Library).

There will be an interruption of services from May 8 to 12. For emergency service, call 204 945-8977 or 786-7124 or Fax 204 945-5063. They will re-open for telephone service on May 15, with full service again on May 17.

★RRCC LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM REPORT

GRADUATION AND EMPLOYMENT

It is anticipated that 19 students will graduate from the program in June. An employment survey will be conducted in the next academic year to assess the employment of 1995 graduates. A variety of job opportunities have been posted over the course of the year. ISM has provided part-time employment for 5 students. Three of these were as a result of field placements.

1995 INTAKE

The application and screening process for the fall 1995 intake is currently under way. To date 22 applicants have been interviewed.

1995 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Manitoba Women's Directorate instituted a scholarship awards program known as "Training for Tomorrow". individual \$1000 scholarships were made available "top Manitoba women for pursuit of community college training in math, science and technology..." Library and Information technology was among those on the eligibility list for these scholarships. Six of these scholarships were awarded to students in the Library and Information Technology Program.

- Paula Noyes and Jo Ann Brewster

★INTERNET '95 CONFERENCE REPORT

From Anne L. Thorton-Trump
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NOTES FROM INTERNET WORLD '95 San Jose,
California April 10 -13

Being in the heart of Silicon Valley made this conference especially exciting. All one had to do is look in the San Jose Mercury News Want Ads to see URL's on just about every job description. These URL's lead to more information about a company or a specific job. Being in Silicon Valley also meant there were representatives from most of the major players in Internet Applications.

There was an air of "I got to get a presence on the Web now!" which added to the excitement. People were running around fairly crazed. They estimated about 10,000+ people showed up for just the exhibits. Lines for registration were long and patience short.

The conference itself had a network called "ShowNet" with the domain "iw.com." IBM set up 60 workstations in the center of the exhibit hall for net access. I would be interested in knowing how much traffic moved in and out of the convention center....There were plenty of giveaways ranging from free software to Mosaic POGS. :-)

I will gloss over the highlights and provide http addresses were available for those seeking further information...

WEB SERVICE PROVIDERS:

There were at least a dozen companies which are now providing Web access via dialup, including Spry/Compuserve (<http://www.spry.com>), NetManage, FTP Software (<http://www.ftp.com>), IBM (<http://www.ibm.com>), Net99, NETCOM (<http://www.netcom.com>), AstraNet/Prodigy (<http://www.astranet.com>), PSINet (<http://www.psi.net>), and UUNet (<http://www.uu.net>).

Prices are falling fast. For instance, Spry announced that their service will have a base price of \$9.95 for the first 20 hours and .99 for every hour after. They will also give you a software package called "Mosaic Direct". Many of these companies were giving away their software with free 10 hour trial subscriptions. (Boy, is my hard drive going to get full test driving them all.....)

The Microsoft Network and Windows 95 were also demoed, but the session I attended was plagued with technical problems. Given all the negative reviews 95 is getting, this drew chuckles from the audience...

The growing trend here is that you buy the software packages from any of these providers, but can utilize ANY provider. (i.e. buy Spry's Internet in a Box and use PSINET....) The exception appears to be Microsoft....

WEB CLIENT/SERVER SOFTWARE:

There were literally two dozen+ companies showing off their Web products. One can only assume that by the end of the year there will be three or four times this number. While there were the usual suspects, there were other such as Luckman Interactive, StarNine (<http://www.starnine.com>), Wollongong (<http://www.rwg.com>), Interleaf (<http://www.ileaf.com>), and Frontier Technologies

(<http://www.frontiertech.com>), an America Online offshoot called NaviPress/Naviserver, Process Software (<http://www.process.com>), Information Dimensions, Apple (<http://www.apple.com>), and Intercon (<http://www.intercon.com>)

The growing trend is a growing number of these packages have built-in HTML writers. They are also building in more viewers to eliminate the need for obtaining a bunch of external ones...

HTML WRITERS:

There is also an explosion in the number of companies marketing HTML writers and converters. Some of the new products include WebPages and AnchorPage (<http://www.iconovex.com>). It seemed like everyone now has an HTML Writer...

ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network):

There were about six companies selling ISDN hardware and access. They included Ascend (<http://www.ascend.com>), InterNex*Tiara, ISDN*tek (<http://isdntek.com>), and Surf Communications (<http://www.expressway.com>)

Pricing is still quite high. It costs upwards of \$1000 just for the hardware. One provider had these associated costs: \$30 monthly charge, \$35 connect fee, \$125 annual "termination fee", \$95 installation fee. There were also a couple other related fees which I can not recall at the moment.

Although ISDN speed is quite appealing, the general talk OFF the floor was that ISDN will not be the ultimate solution. Many are looking at the cable TV solution. The main reason is that ISDN uses a switched network rather than a packet network, which cable can support. (I am just starting to understand the technical side of ISDN, so I can't comment on the differences, though it has to do with performance and bandwidth...)

NEW EXCITING STUFF:

There were a few items which were also exciting. First was the instruction of audio and video steaming. A company called RealAudio (Yes, you guessed it: <http://www.RealAudio.com>) showed off a client audio player which begins playing the audio right after the first packets arrived. This trend, and soon to be released video counterparts, eliminates the need to sit around and wait for the entire file to be downloaded first before the player is launched. An example of live video streaming is Cornell's CUSeeMe.

The other exciting demo was put on by Silicon Graphics. The latest trend surrounds the introduction of VRML (Virtual Reality Modeling Language). Without going into the technical details, the viewing software for VRML is being developed by SGI and is called WebSpace (<http://www.sgi.com/Products/WebFORCE/WebSpace>) and is being designed for a +86/66 running at 14.4. The idea is to put the Space into CyberSpace... The description for VRML 1.0 is available, but I have not located it since returned.

Well, those are the highlights as I saw things. Mecklermedia, the host, is putting out a new trade publication called World Wide Web Week. In July, another publication called WebSight (the online version is at <http://websight.com>) will also hit the stands.

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3. PUBLICATIONS:

★COMPUTER BOOK FOR SMALL LIBRARIES

From Anne L. Thornton-Trump

The American Library Association has put out a book called 202+ Software Packages to Use in Your Library: Descriptions, Evaluations, and Practical Advice. Their phone number is 1-800-545-2433.

★CATALOGUING FULL-TEXT DATABASES

Cataloging full-text databases is an option and there is a tool on OCLC's WWW space:

Olson, Nancy B., ed. Cataloging Internet resources: a manual and practical guide. -- <Dublin, Ohio> : OCLC, Inc., c1995. -- 35 leaves. -- ISBN 1556531893. (And yes, it provides information for serials, in addition to other formats.)

The document is available via anonymous ftp at:
ftp://rsch.oclc.org/pub/internet_cataloging_project/Manual.txt

★FREEBIES

Free on a first-come, first-served basis: South America, Central America and the Caribbean 1993. -- 4th ed. -- London: Europa Publications Ltd., 1993.

Call Lucy Emond at 204 983-3437 or Fax 204 983-4031. E-mail is library@canwheatbrd.ca until May 31, 1995.

★SLA SELF-STUDY PROGRAM

From: Thornton-Trump, Anne

SLA's newest self-study workbook, "Communicating With Library Users" is now available. The workbook guides the special librarian toward understanding that all-important person: the library patron.

Other self-study workbook topics include: subject indexing, cataloging, presentation skills, etc. To receive a copy of the brochure, call the Special Libraries Association's Manager of Professional Development, Tracy Lofty, at (202) 234-4700, ext. 649.

★CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Official 1995 GPO Update Files for CFRs are available for the price of a Telephone Call.

The CFR Files are the EXACT Files as issued by the U.S. Government Printing Office. They are public-domain and are not subject to copyright.

The GPO Files do contain the GPO Locator Codes which are effectively the codes the GPO uses internally to prepare the format and layout of the printed version of the CFR. Aside from the Locator Codes, the files are ASCII text.

You can strip off the codes, OR ignore them, OR develop a routine to convert them to your Word Processor coding. You will also find a README File when you dial-in that details additional options.

Unfortunately our server is not yet on Internet so you will need to dial-in via Modem.

Dial (407) 321-6119 [8-N-1] up to 28.8k
Login as NEW and answer the few questions.
Go to the File Library.
Select Library GPO_CFR5

The available GPO Files will be listed which you may Download using most protocols.

The File Names are descriptive of the contents.
For Example: 1-ALL.ZIP
This file contains all sections of Title 1 as updated First Quarter 1995.

After you Download and Unzip the File you will see that several dozen files are created. You will want to sort these by the full file name and then use the copy command or some other tool to create a single file with an appropriate name. It seems like a lot of work, but we didn't design the file structure - these are the Official GPO Files. As new files are available we will put them on the board.

The 1995 GPO CFR Updates files are provided as a public service by:

SOLUTIONS Software Corporation
Tel: (407) 321-7912
FAX: (407) 323-4898

4. CALENDAR:

★MAY 18, 1995

The University of Manitoba Friends of the Library will hold their Annual General Meeting on Thursday May 18 at 8PM in Room 208 Elizabeth Dafoe Library.

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 directed by King Vidor called "The 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.

Everyone is welcome!

★JUNE 16, 1995

CLA Conference Offers Special Libraries Day Friday, June 16, 1995.

The CASLIS Planning Committee, with the support of CASLIS and LTIG, invites you to participate in Special Libraries Day at the CLA Conference in Calgary, Alberta. The 50th Conference of the Canadian Library Association will be held June 14 through June 18, 1995. Special Libraries Day is on Friday, June 16.

Special Libraries Day will be your opportunity to participate in workshops which will prove useful as you plan and provide library and information services in the evolving information economy.

Featured Speakers for Special Libraries Day, include:
CLA and SLA Present Special Libraries Day Opening Address, plus:
Nuala Beck: "The Library and the New Economy"
Sam Sternberg: "Business Resources on the Internet"
Martin Kratz: "Access vs Ownership: Copyright Issues in the Virtual Library"
Jean Crozier: "One-Stop Shopping: Combining Records Management and Library Operations"

Joanne Marshall: "Building Quality Through Benchmarking" (3 hour workshop)
Ron Peters and Rose Bussi: "Virtual Information: Can Special Libraries Compete"

In addition to the regular sessions, you are also invited to a Special Libraries Luncheon with Kaycee Hale. Ms. Hale will deliver an address on "The Power of Change: Communicating Your Skills to Your Clients and Managers".

Participants may register for only Special Libraries Day or the full conference. Registration for Special Libraries Day is \$135.00 (Luncheon tickets are an extra \$14.00); full conference registration is \$295.00 for CLA Members or \$445.00 for nonmembers.

For more information about Special Libraries Day, please contact Darlene Warren by Internet to dcwarren@acs.ucalgary.ca or by phone at (403) 220-6043.

For a conference brochure/registration package write to:
Conference Office,
Canadian Library Association
200 Elgin Street, Suite 602,
Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1L5

You can also reach the Conference Office by Fax: at (613) 563-9895 or by phone at (613) 232-9625.

★AUGUST 21 - 25, 1995

The Institute on Canadian Bibliography is offering Analytical Bibliography for Canadian Studies. A Summer Course from August 21 to 25, 1995 at the National Library of Canada, Ottawa.

The Institute
The Institute on Canadian Bibliography, founded by the National Library of Canada and the Bibliographical Society of Canada, provides a forum for courses, lectures and discussions on Canadian bibliography.

The 1995 Course
The course, offered in English with some French sessions, will be held from Monday, August 21 to Friday, August 25, 1995. This course will include lectures, demonstrations, and workshops on the techniques of bibliographical analysis. There will also be descriptions of Canadian printing of the hand- and machine-press periods. Methods of bibliographical research will be

presented in the context of historical and textual applications. Standards for imprint, thematic, and author bibliographies will be discussed.

Topics will include paper, typography, illustration, and binding; the use of publishers' records; and software for bibliography. There will be demonstrations and exhibitions at the National Library, the National Archives of Canada, and the National Museum of Science and Technology. Canadian bibliographers will lecture on their current work, and there will be opportunities to discuss proposals and consult on work in progress.

Program director and lecturer: Patricia Fleming, Faculty of Information Studies, University of Toronto
Coordinator: Gwynneth Evans, NLC.

Staff of the Institute will include: Joyce Banks, Michel Brisebois and staff of the National Library of Canada; Jim Burant, Documentary Art Acquisition and Research, National Archives of Canada; Anne Dondertman, Thomas Fisher Rare Book Library, University of Toronto; Judy Donnelly, Southam InfoLab, Hamilton; Yvan Lamonde, Department of French Language and Literature, McGill University, Montreal; Eric Swanick, New Brunswick Legislative Library, Fredericton; Bruce Whiteman, Dept of Rare Books, McGill University

Who Should Attend?

This course is intended for librarians, literary scholars, historians, graduate students, and others interested in the history of the book in Canada.

What Will the Course Cost?

The 5-day course will cost \$375.00

How to Apply

For further details, including information on housing, and application forms, please contact:
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Applications for the seminar will be accepted until all 25 places are filled. Applications received by June 30, 1995, will be accorded priority. The organizers reserve the right to cancel the course if there is insufficient number of applicants for the institute to pay its expenses.

5. INTERNET INFO:

★NETFIRST: AN INTERNET RESOURCE

Oclc announces NetFirst: An Internet resource database

OCLC NETFIRST to improve end-user access to internet resources. OCLC will produce NetFirst, a comprehensive database of Internet-accessible resources that will be a practical, easy-to-use tool for Internet exploration and discovery. OCLC plans to distribute the NetFirst database via its online reference services, FirstSearch and EPIC, and through other online outlets and channels.

OCLC, the world's leading provider of online bibliographic services to libraries, will create the database using a combination of automated collection and verification techniques and conventional abstracting and indexing practices.

The NetFirst database will contain bibliographic citations, complete with summary descriptions and subject headings, describing resources including World Wide Web pages, interest groups, library catalogs, FTP sites, Internet services, Gopher servers, electronic journals, and newsletters. Records will also contain location information that can be used to connect users to resources of interest.

"NetFirst will make it easy to find information on the Internet," said Rick Noble, vice president, OCLC Reference Services. "The Internet is a very rich but unorganized and uncharted resource. NetFirst will be a continuously updated map to guide the Internet explorer." OCLC will build an initial file of approximately 50,000 records for NetFirst, which will be introduced in the summer of 1995. The database is then expected to grow by 10,000 to 15,000 records each month.

Eventually, NetFirst record production will be integrated with the large-scale, cooperative Internet cataloging project being organized by the OCLC Library Resources Management Division and Office of Research. To date, more than 100 libraries have agreed to participate in the coordinated effort to create a searchable database of standardized bibliographic records for Internet-accessible

materials, with electronic location and access information attached.

The FirstSearch service is designed for library patrons, with an end-user interface that allows patrons to move easily through the online search process in just a few simple steps, without training or online searching experience. EPIC, a full-featured online reference system that provides subject access, and keyword and Boolean searching to a variety of databases, is used mostly by librarians and experienced searchers.

OCLC is a nonprofit computer library service and research organization whose computer network and services link more than 20,000 libraries in 61 countries and territories. The OCLC Online Union Catalog (OLUC) has been available to libraries via the OCLC Online System since 1971. This database is essentially a merged, electronic catalog of the bibliographic and holdings information of thousands of libraries. The database contains more than 32 million records and is growing by approximately 2 million records each year. The records describe books, journals, audiovisual media, maps, archives/manuscripts, sound recordings, music scores, and computer files. A typical record contains a physical description of an item and information about its intellectual content. Also attached to each record in the OLUC is a list of member libraries that hold the item, arranged alphabetically by state or country. The 32 million records in the OLUC have more than 500 million location listings attached to them.

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★INTERNET SITES IN SCIENCES

Reprinted from LAT INFOBITS, March 1995:

Internet lists for sciences and humanities resources.

During the Spring 1995 Librarians' Association at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill conference, reference librarians presented sessions on using the Internet in the sciences and humanities. In selecting the Internet sites for the documents, the compilers drew upon their extensive experience in providing reference services to a wide range of users. While the guides are not intended to be exhaustive, they provide excellent starting points for locating science and humanities

resources on the Internet. The LAT received permission to make the session handouts available electronically. The guides are available both in plain text and HTML versions. The HTML version contains links to the sites that are activated when using a Web browser.

"Selected Sites in the Sciences," compiled by Lynn Eades, Education Librarian, Health Sciences Library, UNC-CH, and Julia Shaw-Kokot, Education Librarian, Health Sciences Library, UNC-CH.

IAT Web site URL =
<http://ike.engr.washington.edu/iat/irg-26.html>

IAT Gopher site URL =
<gopher://ike.engr.washington.edu:70/00/academic/iat/guides/irg-26.txt>

IAT FTP site URL =
<ftp://gandalf.iat.unc.edu/user/home/anonftp/guides/irg-26.txt>

★USBE ON BACKSERV

USBE (United States Book Exchange) title catalog joins backserv project. The title shelflist of USBE can now be accessed on the Internet as part of the Backserv project on both the Readmore gopher and webserver. The USBE section of the Backserv collection includes information about the organization and its membership privileges, browsing and searching of the USBE titles, an online membership form and a text copy of the membership form that can be downloaded and printed out. Issues in the USBE catalog are available for purchase only by members of the organization.

USBE joins the catalogs of Jerry Alper, Inc., and G.H.Arrow on Backserv (BACK Issues and Duplicate Exchange SERVice). An important component of this service is the Backserv Internet list, which is offered to the library community as a means for the exchange of duplicate and wanted materials - both back issues of periodicals and books. The last 8 weeks of the Backserv list archives are also available on the Backserv portion of the Readmore gopher and webserver and may be searched by WAIS keyword indexing. These archives, in conjunction with the catalogs of USBE and back issue dealers, provide one comprehensive location on the Internet to search for back issues and out of print materials. Additional catalogs and resources are made available on a regular basis. If you don't see the holdings of your favorite back issues dealer listed on Backserv, ask them to contact Marilyn at one of the numbers below!

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

The URL for the Readmore webserver is:
<http://www.readmore.com>

To subscribe to the Backserv list, send a message to:
listserv@sun.readmore.com which reads subscribe
backserv firstname
lastname

To add postings to Backserv, send to:
backserv@sun.readmore.com

For information about Backserv, contact Marilyn Geller,
Internet Product Specialist, Readmore at (617) 484-7379
or (800) 221-3306, x383; mgeller@readmore.com. To
learn more about USBE, contact John Zubal, USBE, at
(216) 241-6960; USBE4U@AOL.COM

★BLUE JAYS WWW

BLUE JAYS LAUNCH INTERNET SERVICE

The TORONTO BLUE JAYS today unveiled their
official Internet World Wide Web site.

Visitors to the Toronto Blue Jays Web Server will be
able to access a wide variety of Blue Jays information.
Player biographies and pictures, trivia games, press
releases, ticket information, minor league statistics, and a
special "KidZone" area, will be just some of the material
visitors can review.

Another feature of interest is a special "clickable
schedule", where the visitor can click on the date of a
game of interest, and receive detailed information about
that game, including scheduled promotions, anthem
singers, even probable pitchers.

Fans can also send email to their favourite players, fill in
a fan survey, and read special interviews.

The Internet address of the Toronto Blue Jays World
Wide Web Server is:
<http://www.bluejays.ca/bluejays>

The Blue Jays Internet email address is:
bluejays@bluejays.ca

For more information, please contact:
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Manager, Information Systems
Toronto Blue Jays
Email: hans@bluejays.ca
WWW: <http://www.bluejays.ca/bluejays>

★CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

Currency exchange rates, available on the internet, has
been the subject of a recent thread on Stumpers List.
Since this may be of interest to Business Librarians, here
is the summary forwarded.

Wow! Currency exchange rates on the world wide web
seem to be a "live" topic, generating a serious Wombat
Bingo card full of answers. I've checked them all, so here
is a summary and report, with thanks to all who
contributed:

I. Sue Kamm (Inglewood Public Library, CA) offers:
URL:gopher://gopher.undp.org:70/00/uncurr/exch_rates

This is a long list (the most comprehensive list of
countries), which you can skim and find out the name of
the currency for each country, whether it has changed
today (that's the first number), and how many it takes to
make a U.S. dollar. Sample line:
AZE AZERBAIJAN 4480.0000 4480.0000 MANATS

II. Carolyn Neal (Kitsap Regional Library, Bremerton
WA), recommends the Global Network Navigator/Koblas
Currency Converter at
<http://www.ora.com/cgi-bin/ora/currency>.
This has moved, as Janet Fear recommends:
<http://gnn.com/cgi-bin/gnn/currency>

This one is interactive. You select a currency, and the
whole chart jiggies until everything is expressed relative
to that currency.

III. Peg Smith (Doane College NE) recommends:
<gopher://una.hh.lib.umich.edu:70/00/ebb/monetary/noonfx.frb>
This is a chart of "Noon Buying Rates for Cable Transfer
in N.Y."

IV. Tim Jarzemsky (Schaumburg IL) offers a gopher:
The University of Michigan provides the daily exchange
rate. Find this at <gopher://una.hh.lib.umich.edu> Choose ebbs/
and then monetary stats.

V. John Henderson (Ithaca NY) recommends:

<http://www.dna.lth.se/cgi-bin/rates>

This is another interactive magic site. It prompts you to choose a first currency and then a second, and then reports, for example:

Rate from Portugese Escudo to Finnish Markka :
34.111153

Rate from Finnish Markka to Portugese Escudo :
0.029316

Yahoo has a whole page of foreign exchange rates:

http://www.yahoo.com/Economy/Markets_and_Investment_s/Currency_Exchange/

This page has links to some of the other currency-exchange pages. Most dangerously, it's one step away from YAHOO. Click on Yahoo and your willpower is accosted by such Internet candy as the famous "talk to the cat" page, where you type something and a voice synthesizer in Pittsburgh speaks it to the cat who likes to sleep in the warmth of the modem there.

VI. T.(echnically) F.(rabjous) invites us to his own home page: I maintain a list of currency converter pointers on my home page, including all of those so far mentioned. So, all you need to remember is:
<http://mercury.cair.du.edu/~tomills>

VII. Finally, thanks to Jim Hunt (Dominguez Hills CA), for sharing worldly insights from his ever-amazing personal experience and admitting that he has worn polyester shirts.

★CAREER MAGAZINE & RESUMES

From: Anne L. Thorton-Trump

There is a resource called Career Magazine which includes a searchable resume bank.

<gopher://plaza.xor.com:80/hGET%20/careermag/>

This is accessible from the "Go MLink" server at
<http://mlink.hh.lib.umich.edu/>

MLink provides back up reference and referral services to public libraries in the State of Michigan. Go MLink, MICHLIB-L and these outreach reference services are provided from the resources and the campus of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

★NLC LAUNCHES ELECTRONIC DEMO

National Library of Canada launches electronic demonstration project on Canadian confederation.

National Librarian Marianne Scott has announced that the National Library of Canada will play an active role in the creation of an electronic library by initiating efforts to digitize Canadian material and make it available on the Information Highway.

Dr. Scott made the announcement at the press conference marking the launch of a demonstration project involving both the National Library of Canada and the Library of Congress. Two schools, East Pictou Rural High School in Sutherland's River, Nova Scotia and Hammond Middle School in Alexandria, Virginia, will participate in a week-long demonstration of the project by accessing information on Canada's Confederation and the U.S. Civil War through Internet links to both libraries.

The project is based on the idea of using the Internet to provide wider and more immediate accessibility of information. Dr. Scott explains: This project allows us to share the resources of the National Library with a greater audience and to promote the study and appreciation of Canada's published heritage. The National Library's long-term objective is to provide electronic access to a much greater volume of Canadian material, both in Canada and around the world.

The Stentor Alliance, represented by Mr. Colin Latham, President and CEO, Maritime Telephone & Telegraph (MT&T), made a commitment of \$450 000 to the Friends of the National Library. Accepting on their behalf, Dr. Scott said: We are grateful to the members of the Stentor Alliance for their contribution. We hope that this is the first of many corporate contributions that will support the National Library's efforts to promote and increase Canadian content on the Information Highway.

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NETHERLANDS HIGHLIGHTS

From: Shu Huang <shuang@CC.UManitoba.CA>

A Hundred Digital Highlights

The Delft Bible, the Blaeu atlas, sheet music in manuscript from Willem Pijper and 97 other treasures of the Koninklijke Bibliotheek, the National Library of the Netherlands, can now be admired on the World Wide Web in a digital exhibition. This exhibition is based on the book "A Hundred Highlights from the Koninklijke Bibliotheek", published in 1994. It presents a selection of manuscripts, printed works, book bindings, and specimens from the paper history collection, with explanatory notes, mainly provided by staff of the Department of Special Collections.

Just like the version of the Highlights published in book form, the digital Highlights can be browsed and provide an extensive introduction and index. Moreover, the digital exhibition offers you the opportunity of joining a number of selected guided tours. If you are interested in the ways the Library's treasures on paper or parchment were made, there are tours, for instance, of miniatures in medieval manuscripts, modern typography, bookbindings and paper making. For those interested in the contents of these works of art, there are tours of literary, religious, historical, art historical and other subjects.

In order to provide easy access, a small version of every image (approx. 200 * 260 pixels) with the accompanying text is offered first. Subsequently, you can get a screenwide display of the work of art. These images are in JPEG-format and have been saved with a quality factor of 75 %. The average file size of these images is 120 kb (which is about 10 % of the original uncompressed TIFF-images).

The digital version of the "Hundred Highlights from the Koninklijke Bibliotheek", designed and made by J. van Mourik and M.C. de Niet, staff members of the Library Research Department, can be found at:
<http://www.konbib.nl/100hoogte/hh-en.html>

The printed book can be purchased at the Koninklijke Bibliotheek for DFL 59,50: "Honderd hoogtepunten uit de Koninklijke Bibliotheek / A hundred highlights from the Koninklijke Bibliotheek." Eds. W. van Drimmeien, A. Leerintveld, T. Vermeulen & C. de Wolf. English tr.: L. Croiset van Uchelen-Brouwer. Zwolle: Waanders Uitgevers. 1994. 223 p. Ill. ISBN: 90-6630-490-1 bound.

★PROGRESSIVE LIBRARIANS LIST

From: Mora Gregg

PLGNet is an electronic bulletin board for the dissemination of information and opinions pertaining to issues of importance to the progressive/alternative library community. It is managed in conjunction with the Progressive Librarians Guild. For membership information concerning PLG contact PLG president Elaine Harger at E-Mail: eharger@sescva.esc.edu (Telephone: 212-279-7380).

Subscribers should abide by three simple rules:

1. State the SUBJECT of your message concisely on the subject line.
2. Use the listserv for information or thoughtful opinions, NOT chit-chat.
3. Foster freedom of expression and social responsibility.

To subscribe send a message to:
LISTPROC@CORNELL.EDU
In the body of the message type:
Subscribe PLGNet-L [your name].

To communicate with the whole list send message to
PLGNet-L@Cornell.edu.

NAME: PLGNet-L@cornell.edu
NAME OF LIST OWNER: Peter McDonald
pm13@cornell.edu
SUBSCRIPTION OPTION: Open subscription
POSTING OPTION: Open posting
REPLY OPTION: Reply to sender

★UNCOVER WWW

From: Suart, Susan

The UnCover Company has now made access to its UnCover database and other services available via a home page on the World Wide Web. UnCover provides table of contents indexing from nearly 17,000 journals worldwide.

In addition to database access, UnCover's home page provides information about services, pricing, and a copy of the current UnCover Update newsletter as well as back issues. A list of all UnCover titles is also there and will be updated on a monthly basis. This list can even be downloaded via FTP. Future plans include a glossary of

UnCover terminology and a quick guide for using UnCover.

UnCover's home page address on the World Wide Web is <http://www.carl.org/uncover/unhome.html>. For more information, contact Brenda Bailey, The UnCover Company, at (303) 758-3030 or send e-mail to uncover@carl.org

★CANADIAN EMBASSY WWW

Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. now on the Internet's World Wide Web. Millions of Internet users in North America and around the world can now obtain current information on Canada and the services of the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. through a newly-launched World Wide Web site. This marks the first presence on the Internet by a Canadian embassy.

Combining text with photos and colour graphics, the site offers a wide variety of information, including:

- Canadian-American relations;
- embassy services supporting trade and investment opportunities, as well as liaison with international financial institutions;
- business and individual tourism to Canada and embassy services supporting tourism promotion in the United States; as well as
- cultural and academic affairs.

Interactivity with the public is achieved through such features as the ability to send electronic mail to embassy officials directly from a user's World Wide Web browser program. There are links from the site to other resources on the Internet like Industry Canada's Open Government Pilot Project and the World Bank's World Wide Web site. The coming months will see new features such as digital movies and audio files being offered, as well as continually updated documents and expanding Internet links.

The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the site is: <http://www.nstn.ca/wshdc>

The site can be explored with any of the common World Wide Web browser programs, including Mosaic, Netscape Navigator and even the text-based system, Lynx. The best results will come from using the Netscape software, which employs advanced features of Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), the basis of the World Wide Web. Another advantage - no one gets slapped!

★ANNOUNCING CHAMPLAIN

Announcing ****Champlain**** a global search utility for Canadian Government Information.

From Jim Blanchard

Address: <http://info.ic.gc.ca/champlain/champlain.html>

Champlain is a WWW based tool for scanning dispersed all Canadian government databases for information using keywords.

Champlain contains an index of most of the information contained in the Internet databases of over 50 Federal, Provincial and Municipal agencies - representing the entire Canadian government presence on the Internet.

Champlain will perform searches on keywords and return the users with a hypertext list of documents most likely to be of interest. The list will have a hyper-link to the document on the database on which it resides, and indication of the document title - if any, and will display the matched line of text to help determine the exact context of the document.

For more information, please contact:
Communications Branch,
Industry Canada
cmb@info.ic.gc.ca

★ACQNET & ACQWEB

ACQNET : The Acquisitions Librarians Electronic Network is affiliating with a World Wide Web site recently developed for acquisitions and collection development librarians by Anna Belle Leiserson. Originally known as Ms. Acquisitions, the new name for this Web home page will be AcqWeb.

The owners think this will be a significant advantage to all acquisitions librarians and others in this loop as AcqWeb is a substantial resource for pre-order verification and collection development. To complement this, ACQNET subscribers will be able to report Internet resources they find relevant to acquisitions, collection development and other related issues through ACQNET that in turn can be linked on AcqWeb. These relationships are still evolving and we are charting new territory. In addition, be aware that ACQNET backfiles are available through AcqWeb.

The official URL will be the current URL for Ms. Acquisitions:
<http://www.library.vanderbilt.edu/law/acqs/acqs.html>

A note to those with links to the old URL (i.e. <http://libdev1.lib.vanderbilt.edu/law/acqs/acqs.html>): it is still working. Both addresses go to the same place. The new address is actually what is called an "alias." It is safer, however, at some point to switch to this alias, as it will follow the Vanderbilt Library Systems computer should they move to another machine in the future. Also, please note that Ms. Acquisitions and her menagerie will remain on board with her mostly relevant news byline and their mostly irrelevant graphical input.

A draft version of AcqWeb is temporarily available at:
<http://www.library.vanderbilt.edu/law/acqs/acqweb.html>

To subscribe to ACQNET, send the following command to
LISTSERV@LISTSERV.APPSTATE.EDU, in an electronic mail message:
SUB ACQNET-L [Your Name].

★COPYRIGHT WWW

A New Copyright Resource on the WWW from CCC

From Anne L. Thorton-Trump

The Copyright Clearance Center has recently established 'CCC Online', designed to help users gain permission to photocopy copyrighted material. Anyone with access to the World Wide Web on the Internet has access to CCC Online. The URL for CCC Online is:
<http://www.directory.net/copyright/>

Some of the capabilities of this new resource are:
==> ANYONE (with WWW access) can SEARCH through the catalogs and see royalty information.
==> Current customers of the Transactional Reporting Service can REPORT THEIR COPYING via CCC Online. (Academic Permissions Service customers reporting coursepack copying will be able to report copying this summer.)
==> You can SIGN UP ONLINE as a customer.

We hope you find this new resource useful, and feel free to send us feedback through the button provided on every 'page.'

Dave Davis, Senior Account Representative, TRS
Copyright Clearance Center Tel: (508) 750-8400
222 Rosewood Drive Fax: (508) 750-4470
URL: <http://www.directory.net/copyright/>

★DEFENSELINK

DefenseLINK, the US Department of Defense's official World Wide Web information service, is now on line. The new service, which greatly expands the capabilities of the original DefenseLINK, provides direct access to the information services established by the military departments and selected DoD organizations.

The service, a joint effort by DoD Public Affairs and the Defense Technical Information Center, is a 24-hour, 7-day a week service accessible via web browsers at URL <http://www.dtic.dla.mil/defenselink/>

DefenseLINK also provides access to several feature sections which include News, Fact File, Publications, Questions and Answers, and a Locator Service.

The DefenseLINK News section, which replaces the original DefenseLINK, carries DoD news releases, DoD contract award announcements (for award of \$5 million or more), press advisories, memoranda for correspondents, daily public schedules for the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of Defense, and transcripts of DoD news and background briefings and selected speeches.

The DoD Fact File provides fact sheets on DoD organizations; equipment; and, in the future, biographical information on U.S. military leaders.

The Publications section links to on-line copies of Department of Defense directives and instructions, and to on-line publications such as Defense Issues.

Under Questions? the user finds answers to many frequently asked questions, such as where to get military records or technical manuals, or how to arrange for a tour of the Pentagon.

DefenseLINK is also the site of the initial implementation of the Department of Defense's Government Information Locator Service, a new on-line service being developed by all government agencies to provide an on-line card catalog of information available to the public.

"DefenseLINK information service puts the Department of Defense in the fast lane of the Information Highway. Now, more than ever, access to DoD information resources is timely and convenient for anyone with World Wide Web capability. In turn, the American public, including people such as decision-makers, students, and those in industry, receive a broader picture and understanding of DoD capabilities and missions," said Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs Ken Bacon.

★POPULATION INDEX WWW

From: Anne L. Thorton-Trump

Two volumes of the widely respected quarterly demographic bibliography Population Index are now available on the World Wide Web. The full contents of all 1993 and 1994 issues (Volumes 59 and 60) are available from our new Web site. Each issue is indexed geographically and by author. A comprehensive author index to all 1993-1994 issues is also provided. Point your Web browser to the following URL:
<http://opr.princeton.edu/pi/pindex.htm>

Unrestricted access to these on-line volumes will be available at no charge through June 1995.

All of our records from 1986 onwards will eventually be available in the same format, accompanied by more sophisticated indexes and search capabilities, at reasonable individual and/or institutional rates. The editors hope you find our new service useful, and welcome your comments. Send mail to popindex@princeton.edu.

Please tell your colleagues and co-workers about this valuable new resource!

★OTHERWISE BOOK REVIEW

OTHERWISE is a new bimonthly book review of the Earth Pledge Foundation, a not-for-profit foundation that promotes sustainable development as the most effective way of encouraging economic, social and cultural activity that protects and supports the earth's ecosystems. It will feature about-to-be published books, with timely news of university, alternative, international and mainstream publications.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

In September, to coincide with the Fourth World Conference on Women, we will devote our feature reviews to books on women's issues as they pertain to sustainable development. We are looking for potential reviewers, information on upcoming new releases or pertinent data, as well as interested organizations who would like to distribute our magazine to their members (it's free for the asking).

OTHERWISE will explore two areas:

- 1.) the nature and practice of sustainable development, and
- 2.) the ecosystems impacted by development, including human ecosystems.

We begin publication in May 1995. Projected free university and bookstore distribution of the 48 page book review is 10,000. One third of our space is allotted to appropriate display advertising. Our format is approximately 8 1/2" x 11", printed black and white on 90% post consumer recycled newsprint using soybean based ink.

OTHERWISE will also be accessible on the Internet via EPF's World Wide Web server. The URL is <http://www.earthpledge.org>.

Please let me know if you have knowledge of any potential reviewers or new releases that should be considered for this publication and how many free copies you would like to receive. Thank you for your assistance.
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★BEILSTEIN WWW

Beilstein Information Systems announces the unveiling of their World Wide Web homepage.

The URL is <http://www.beilstein.com/>

Features of this new development include:

- * WHERE TO SEE US: Conferences and meetings where you'll be able to see demonstrations of the Beilstein product suite during 1995.
- * WHO TO CONTACT: For information about Beilstein and their offerings, worldwide.

★GIFT LISTSERV

* **PRODUCT INFORMATION:** Fully searchable data sheets.

* **HYPERLINKS:** To other organizations in the Chemical Information community.

* **FORM PAGES:** so you can send E-mail messages to their HelpDesk, and so you can send E-mail to their development team with your suggestions and ideas.

* **GUEST REGISTER:** Sign in, and tell them about yourself.

* **AND MUCH MORE...**

The Beilstein WWW page will be a dynamic environment and it will evolve with feedback and suggestions. They have many ideas that they are about to implement in the very near future.

Meanwhile, connect with <http://www.beilstein.com/> and get acquainted.

For further information, please contact:

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★DAILY NEWS ON WWW

From: Ryan Schultz

The American Reporter employs 21 editors and correspondents to crank out the nation's first online daily newspaper. It's published by members of the Society of Professional Journalists Internet discussion list, but is not affiliated with the Society itself. The reporter-owned publication can be found at

<<http://www.compumedia.com/~albowh/>>.

★SINGAPORE NATIONAL LIBRARY WWW

NL.LINE from the National Library of Singapore has been launched. NL.LINE is your link to the National Library of Singapore's resources and services. You will have access to an overview of Singapore's public library system and the activities of the National Library of Singapore; search the on-line catalogue; read about new materials bought by the Library and even send enquiries to the Reference Services Division of the National Library.

To get to their Home Page, type :

<http://www.livewire.ncb.gov.sg/library/main.html>

GIFTEX-L is a discussion list devoted to gifts and exchange librarianship. The list was established to provide a forum for discussing issues associated with the processing of gift books and journals donated as tax-deductible contributions to libraries and establishing, maintaining, and managing exchange of publications agreements between libraries.

GIFTEX-L is liberally moderated; only commercial and personal messages will not be forwarded.

To subscribe to GIFTEX-L, send the following e-mail message to

LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU:

SUBSCRIBE GIFTEX-L First Name Last Name

To sign off GIFTEX-L, send the following e-mail message to

LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU:

UNSUBSCRIBE GIFTEX-L

To post a message to the list, send mail to GIFTEX-L@UKCC.UKY.EDU

The LISTSERV program automatically forwards your message to the moderator, who then forwards it to the list.

OTHER USEFUL COMMANDS

To suspend mail delivery, send the following message to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU:

SET GIFTEX-L NOMAIL

To resume mail delivery, send the following message to LISTSERV@UKCC.UKY.EDU:

SET GIFTEX-L MAIL

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6. JOBS:

The Manitoba Library Association is initiating an exciting new electronic journal which will review Canadian materials for children and young adults. Two staff will be hired to make CM a reality.

Applicants are requested to fax their resumes and references to the Manitoba Library Association Office at 204 942-1555 not later than May 23, 1995. For further information, please contact John Tooth, President MLA at 204 945-7833.

CONTRACT POSITION FOR CM AN ELECTRONIC REVIEWING JOURNAL OF CANADIAN MATERIALS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

TITLE: EDITOR

QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's degree in English, French, Journalism or Library science degree. knowledge of Canadian children's and young adult literature and book trade essential. Experience in publishing, writing, journalism preferred. Demonstrated excellent oral and written communication skills. Ability to assess critical reviews, maintain high standards of accuracy, meet deadlines and work well under pressure. Knowledge of the Internet and electronic publications. Knowledge of the French language an asset.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

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2. Plan 52 issues annually and ensure each issue contains reviews, articles of interest, interviews, bulletin boards of events, publishing updates and bibliographies.
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4. Provide liaison with publishers, producers, distributors, and reviewers: solicit review copies, encourage timeliness.
5. Seek out and train new reviewers: maintain reviewer database.
6. Select print, audiovisual and electronic material for review. Match material with the appropriate reviewer.

7. Confer with reviewers regarding copy provisions, providing professional leadership as required.

8. Set standards and evaluate suitability of material for publication in CM, and recommend or make changes in content, style and organization when necessary.

9. Plan and coordinate activities including proofreading with the Executive Assistant and assure production values and deadlines are met.

10. Report to the Manitoba Library Association CM Management Committee on financial/management issues and to the national editorial committee on content.

11. Participate in the development of the annual marketing plan, the operational plan and prepare the annual report to the editorial and management boards.

12. Participate in the establishment of administrative policies and procedures.

13. Keep abreast of new releases, new publishers and video producers in the area of Canadian material, and publishing trends.

14. Perform other related duties as assigned or required.

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TITLE: Executive Assistant

QUALIFICATIONS

University degree or college diploma required, plus extensive knowledge of the Internet. Experience supporting computer users in an academic or administrative environment preferred. Along with knowledge of listservs and HTML, direct experience creating HTML documents from a variety of application sources essential. Knowledge of documentation design concepts and expertise in the creation and production of effective online publications and knowledge of Unix editors and file management. Macintosh and PC-compatible word processors, spreadsheets, databases and graphical programs required. Ability to meet deadlines, and excellent communication skills. Knowledge of the French language an asset.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Responsible for all layout and posting procedures of the electronic journal CM.
- 2. Convert documents from Macintosh, PC and Unix formats created by word processors, spreadsheets, databases and graphical applications into Hypertext and ASCII form.
- 3. Design of user interfaces and delivery of electronic forms.
- 4. Work with clients advertising in the journal by selling the advertising, designing the ads, presenting proposals, negotiating agreements and coordinating copy and layout.
- 5. Manage the advertising accounts by invoicing, receiving payment and providing follow-up on collections, and report to the Treasurer of the Manitoba Library Association.
- 6. Continue to expand the advertising base.
- 7. Develop and recommend marketing strategies for CM to the Canadian and International market.
- 8. Promote and support library, scholastic and popular interest in CM.
- 9. Develop and maintain a list of subscribers and manage the subscription database.
- 10. Provide documentation, consultation, and technical support for advertisers and subscribers to CM.
- 11. In cooperation with the Editor, produce and distribute a copy of CM on a weekly basis.
- 12. Plan and coordinate activities including proofreading with the editor and assure production values and deadlines are met.
- 13. Perform administrative tasks such as assisting in the development of the marketing plan and the annual operational plan: preparation of annual report.
- 14. Attend the Manitoba Library Association's CM Management Committee meetings, preparing reports as required.
- 15. Maintain a broad up-to-date knowledge of the

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16. Perform other related duties as assigned or required.

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