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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

There have been several changes and additions to the list of officers of the Association in the six months since our Annual Conference. If you maintain a mailing list or updated directory, you will want to note the following changes:

Jim Wilson, Chairperson, Junior Arizona Members Roundtable, has moved out of the state. Chairperson-elect, George Kirilin (Brown & Bain, Phoenix), has assumed the chair of JAM.

Two new roundtables will bring new activities to the Association this year. One of the two is already approved. Its official title is Roundtable on Services to the Spanish-Speaking. Elected officers are Luis Herrera, Chairperson, and Iliana Sonntag, Chairperson-elect. Both are at the University of Arizona. Luis is on the staff at the Graduate Library School, and Iliana is in Central Reference in the Main Library. The other roundtable has not yet received formal approval, but it has submitted a proposed set of by-laws to the Executive Board. Its founders have proposed as an official name Arizona Librarians for Young Adult Services (pronouncing it ALIAS). Officers have not yet been elected, but the contact person is Christy Tyson at Mesa Public Library.

Searching for new sources of revenue, this year the Executive Board has created a committee to help sell advertising for the NEWSLETTER called, in a very snappy and original way, the NEWSLETTER Advertising Committee. This committee is chaired by Beth Ferg at Tucson Public Library. If you know of publishers, booksellers, or others with commercial interests in library affairs who might be interested in advertising in our NEWSLETTER, please let Beth know.

Finally, there are two committees whose assignments begin this time of year. Coralie Wolf (Valencia Branch, Tucson Public Library) has agreed to chair the Awards Committee. It is not too soon to begin thinking about the persons or groups whom you would like to nominate for one of ASLA's awards. Delores Haug (Creighton School, Phoenix) has agreed to chair the Nominating and Elections Committee. It is often difficult to get people to run for office in the Association. Help Delores by recommending well-qualified, popular librarians who will agree to serve.

W. David Laird, President

INFO '79: TIME TO TUNE IN

on Saturday, March 24, 1979

sponsored by the Arizona Department of Education, ESEA IV-B
and the School Libraries Division of ASLA

in the new Library of the Camelback High School, 4612 North
28th St., Phoenix.....8:15 a.m. to 3

FEATURING AUTHORS BLOSSOM ELFMAN AND ROBERT CORMIER !

ROBERT CORMIER....author of:

The Chocolate War
Pantheon, 1974
I Am the Cheese
Dell, 1975
After the First Death
Pantheon, 1979

BLOSSOM ELFMAN....author of:

The Girls at Huntington House
Houghton Mifflin, 1972
A House for Jonnie O.
Houghton Mifflin, 1972
The Sister Act
Houghton Mifflin, 1978

PROGRAM

8:15 - 9:15	-	Coffee, Tour of new Library
9:15 -10:00	-	Guidelines/Standards for School Libraries
	-	Latest on Proposed Certification
10:00 -11:00	-	BLOSSOM ELFMAN
11:00 -12:00	-	TUNED IN OR TUNED OUT? Charles Adams, Moderator. Panel: Harriet McIntosh, Ruth Lee, representing Community; Sharon Riise, Librarian; David Byrn, Asst. Supt., Washington School District.
12:00 - 1:00	-	Lunch served in Cafeteria
1:00 - 2:00	-	BOOK BONKERS (Book Reviews on Video) - Melodie Koe KIDDY LIT IN HIGH SCHOOL? Terri Strivings and Lucille Hedges
2:00 - 3:00	-	ROBERT CORMIER

Bring school library books for autographs...or purchase books here. To register, please complete form below and send in with check for \$3. \$3 includes catered lunch and coffee and doughnuts in morning.

RESERVATIONS: Send \$3 to Eleanor Zoellner, 4937 N. 82nd St., Scottsdale, 85251, by Tuesday, March 20.

Your name: _____

School/Library: _____

Your phone: _____

INVITE YOUR TEACHERS!

FILM FESTIVAL

Phoenix Public Library Audio-Visual Services invites all ASLA members to celebrate National Library Week at a film festival to be held at the Phoenix Public Library. A program of Blue Ribbon films from the Educational Film Library Association's 20th Annual American Film Festival will be presented April 2 through April 6. Twenty-seven award-winning 16mm short subject films will be shown; approximately four hours of films will be presented each day, beginning at 2:00 p.m.

Different library subject departments will be featured each day:

- Monday Fine Arts and Recreation
- Tuesday Business, Science and Technology
- Wednesday History, Biography and Travel
- Thursday Social Sciences
- Friday Literature and Language; Children and Youth

Bibliographies of books relating to the films will be provided, as well as information for ordering the films themselves.

Since Phoenix Public Library is the first organization ever to be included on an Educational Film Library Association award circuit, this program will offer librarians and media specialists a unique opportunity to preview some of the best new 16mm films available.

Irene Stevens, Audio-Visual Librarian, Phoenix Public Library

PROPOSED STANDARDS/GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIES IN ARIZONA

An invitation is extended to school librarians to attend a meeting designed to give interested individuals an opportunity to react to the proposed Standards/Guidelines for School Libraries in Arizona. The meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 10, 10 a.m., at the Thomas Lee Center, 2025 E. Winsett Street, Tucson (four blocks south of Broadway between S. Campbell and S. Plumer). Karen Whitney, Chairperson for the Guidelines Committee will be present and serve as discussion leader.

Copies of the proposed Standards/Guidelines may be obtained for study prior to the meeting, if desired, by calling Virginia Smith at the Lee Center, 791-6929.

A similar meeting for librarians in Northern Arizona was held in Flagstaff on March 3.

Mary Choncoff, State School Library Consultant

ALTA MEETING

The February meeting of ALTA was held February 24 at the Mesa Museum. Displays viewed included territorial jail cells, a branding iron collection, and photographs of the frontier from 1865 to 1915. This was a good opportunity for members and guests to increase their knowledge of the fascinating state of Arizona. A short business meeting followed the tour.

Betty Burgoyne, Chairman-Elect, ALTA II

DIARIES????

A recent increased interest in diaries has caused us to begin keeping a list of books for children and young adults, either fiction or nonfiction, written in diary form. We have not located many as yet, and would appreciate additional titles that you may know. Here are the ones we have:

- Colman DIARY OF A FRANTIC KID SISTER
- NOBODY HAS TO BE A KID FOREVER
- Bourne NELLY CUSTIS' DIARY
- Frank DIARY OF A YOUNG GIRL
- Hays FOR MA AND PA ON THE OREGON TRAIL
- Hooker GERTRUDE KLOPPENBERG (PRIVATE)
- Monjo THE VICKSBURG VETERAN
- Robertson HENRY REED, INC.
- HENRY REED'S BABY-SITTING SERVICE
- HENRY REED'S BIG SHOW
- HENRY REED'S JOURNEY
- Scott CITY OF BIRDS AND BEASTS (a "timed" reporting)
- Sloane DIARY OF AN EARLY AMERICAN BOY
- Wilder ON THE WAY HOME

Please send suggestions to Virginia Hecht, Corbett Elementary School, 5949 E. 29th St., Tucson 85711. Titles received will be compiled and published in the NEWSLETTER at a later date.

Virginia Hecht

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If you or your group has not seen ALA's film THE SPEAKER, or if you would like to view it again, prints of the film are available from two sources in Arizona:

Library Extension Services
2219 S. 48th St., Suite D
Tempe, AZ 85282

Bureau of Audiovisual Services
University of Arizona
Tucson, AZ 85721

Morton Schindel of Weston Woods will be the recipient of the Regina Medal presented by the Catholic Library Association. Sally Thompson, librarian at the St. Theresa School in Phoenix, will be the new president of the Children's Libraries Section of that organization.

At the Mesla Luncheon April 28 at the Scottsdale Country Club, the School Libraries Division will be honoring school librarians retiring at the end of this year. If you know of a school librarian who will be retiring, please contact Mary Choncoff, Arizona Department of Education at 255-5271, or you may use the ADE hotline number: 1-800-352-4558.

All interested ASLA members are invited to attend the next ASLA Executive Board Meeting, scheduled for 10 a.m., March 31, at the Cholla Branch Library, Phoenix.

ACCREDITATION VISIT--UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA GRADUATE LIBRARY SCHOOL

The Accreditation Officer of the American Library Association has forwarded to the University of Arizona the names of the members of the team who will conduct the site visit for the Graduate Library School. The team will consist of:

Dr. Kenneth Vance (Chair), Assistant Dean of the Graduate Library School, University of Michigan

Ms. Genevieve Casey, Professor of Library Science, Wayne State University Library School

Dr. Joanne Harrar, Director of Libraries, University of Maryland

Mr. Tom Watson, Head Librarian, University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee

The purpose of accreditation visits, which are conducted by the ALA Committee on Accreditation on a five year rotating basis, is to insure the quality of library education at the graduate level. The team will be visiting the Graduate Library School from March 5 - 8 talking with faculty, students, administrators, alumni and local librarians.

Dr. Donald C. Dickinson, Director, Graduate Library School

SPECIAL LIBRARIES DIVISION MEETING

Delegates to the White House Conference on Library and Information Services and Arizona Senate and House of Representatives members of the Board of Library, Archives and Public Records have been invited to attend a regularly scheduled meeting of the Special Libraries Division to be held in Tucson on March 2, 1979.

The Special Libraries Division members will offer the delegates and five members of the Board of Library, Archives and Public Records an opportunity to observe the operations and functions of special libraries and to note their importance as a resource for information. The participants will tour the IBM temporary site and Library, and the Arizona Health Sciences Center Library. Demonstrations of computerized bibliographic retrieval systems will be given at both locations.

It is hoped that arrangements can be made to hold another meeting of this type in the Phoenix area in late March or mid-April.

Anita Tschida, President, Special Libraries Division

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LIBRARY BILL OF RIGHTS

The American Library Association's premier policy on intellectual freedom, the Library Bill of Rights, was revised by the ALA Intellectual Freedom Committee at the Association's 1979 Midwinter Meeting in Washington, D.C. The IFC invites comments from librarians and library trustees before the new text is submitted to the ALA Council for final approval.

The proposed text explicitly rejects prejudice and discrimination based on sex and eliminates sexist pronoun usage. The new wording also reflects the fact that libraries now provide a wide range of materials and services that require application of the principles of intellectual freedom.

The current Library Bill of Rights, first adopted in 1948 and twice revised, was last modified in 1967 by addition of the word "age" in Article V.

Persons wishing to comment on the new version should write to the IFC before June 1, 1979. Statements should be sent to: Ms. Frances C. Dean, Ch., Intellectual Freedom Committee, American Library Association, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.

The IFC will also accept comments at an open hearing on Sunday, June 24, during the ALA's 1979 Annual Conference in Dallas. The hour and place of the hearing will be announced in ALA's annual conference publications.

Current text

LIBRARY BILL OF RIGHTS

The Council of the American Library Association reaffirms its belief in the following basic policies which should govern the services of all libraries.

1. As a responsibility of library service, books and other library materials selected should be chosen for values of interest, information and enlightenment of all the people of the community. In no case should library materials be excluded because of the race or nationality or the social, political, or religious views of the authors.
2. Libraries should provide books and other materials presenting all points of view concerning the problems and issues of our times; no library materials should be proscribed or removed from libraries because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
3. Censorship should be challenged by libraries in the maintenance of their responsibility to provide public information and enlightenment.
4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
5. The rights of an individual to the use of a library should not be denied or abridged because of his age, race, religion, national origins or social or political views.

6. As an institution of education for democratic living, the library should welcome the use of its meeting rooms for socially useful and cultural activities and discussion of current public questions. Such meeting places should be available on equal terms to all groups in the community regardless of the beliefs and affiliations of their members, provided that the meetings be open to the public.

Adopted June 18, 1948. Amended February 2, 1961, and June 27, 1967 by the ALA Council.

Proposed version

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The American Library Association, believing that the library is an open forum for ideas, affirms the following basic policies which should govern the services of all libraries.

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2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view concerning the problems and issues of our times. No library materials should be proscribed or removed from libraries because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
3. Censorship should be challenged by libraries in the maintenance of their responsibility to provide public information and enlightenment.
4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
5. The right of an individual to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of sex, age, race, religion, national origin, or social or political views.
6. Libraries which maintain meeting rooms, exhibit space, or other facilities open to the public should make them available on equal terms to all persons, regardless of their beliefs or affiliations.

INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM ISSUES AND CONCERNS

March 24 is the date for the ASLA/SLD Info 1979 at Camelback High School in Phoenix. The 11 a.m. session will be a panel discussion that should be thought-provoking for all dedicated librarians.

The panel will discuss Intellectual Freedom issues and concerns, as:

The Sixth United States Court of Appeals ruled, in part, in 1976 (Strongsville, Ohio censorship case) ". . . a library is a storehouse of knowledge. When created for a public school it is an important privilege created by the state for the benefit of the students in school. That privilege

is not subject to being withdrawn by succeeding school boards whose members might desire to 'winnow' the library for books the content of which occasioned their displeasure or disapproval." Do you agree with this view of the library and school boards?

Is there a difference between studying a subject and advocating it as the thing to do? Assuming libraries must have books that tell the pros and cons of communism, should libraries also have books that explore both the pros and cons of free enterprise? If a school library contains a book with a fictional character who advocates violence, is the school library advocating violence? Should steps be taken to remove such a book? Is it possible for one person to judge a book as advocating violence, while another person would judge the same book as condemning violence?

Do you agree or disagree with Justice Potter Stewart--"Censorship reflects society's lack of confidence in itself. It is the hallmark of authoritarian regimes....."?

The American Library Association Council, in 1973, described Intellectual Freedom in terms of tolerance for all views, ". . . free access to all ideas through which any and all sides of causes and movements may be expressed, discussed, and argued. The librarian cannot let his own preference limit his degree of tolerance, for freedom is indivisible. Toleration is meaningless without toleration for the detestable." Is it too much to expect Americans (librarians and others) to tolerate the detestable?

We will look forward to seeing you on March 24.

Sharon Adams, Chairperson ASLA/SLD Intellectual Freedom Committee

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