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Among the highlights of the ACRL National Conference was waking up Saturday morning to a light dusting of March snow over Denver. The cloud-covered Rockies and cold wind encouraged brisk morning walks to the Colorado Convention Center. The theme of the conference "ACRL X: Crossing the Divide" provided a focus for numerous roundtables, workshops, panel discussions, papers, poster sessions, and challenging speakers. With an attendance of over 2000 colleagues and almost 200 exhibitors, the conference embraced the new millennium with energy and enthusiasm.

Some of the sessions I attended included assessment of student learning, scholarly communication, "libraries as pockets of hope," collegial leadership, bridging the information literacy divide, a conversation with Clifford Lynch on emerging technology and policy trends, and digital reference. Other program titles included such phrases as "technology revolution," "digital dilemmas," "personalized research clinics," "web portals," "campus library partnerships," "herding fish and corralling cats," "critical thinking," "successful librarian-faculty collaborations," "entrepreneurial library," "nailing jell-o to the wall," "downloading detectives," and "postmodern library." If any of these snippets have peaked your interest, I would encourage you to visit the web site for the conference to find additional information and copies of the invited papers: www.ala.org/acrl/denver.html.

Our chapter was well represented including our very own, Lizabeth (Betsy) Wilson (Director of University Libraries, UW), this year's President of ACRL. For those of you who are beginning to fill out your calendars for the year 2003, I encourage you to consider reserving April 10-13 for the 11th National ACRL Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. As we wrap up this year, it has been my pleasure to serve as your chapter president and to extend my appreciation to the following members who worked hard on your behalf. Under the leadership of Brenda Philip (UW Tacoma), the Bylaws Committee revised the chapter bylaws and updated position descriptions. Committee members included Gary Menges (UW Seattle), Andrea Kueter (Saint Martin's College), Jen Stevens (WSU) and Rosemary Streatfeild (WSU). Those of you who have experience with bylaws know that this work is hard and tedious. The bylaw revisions will be presented for membership approval at our business meeting in October. The other committee that had an equally challenging task this year was the Nominations Committee chaired by Lori Ricigliano (UPS). Her committee members included Karen Michaelson (Seattle Central CC) and Tammy Siebenberg (WSU). And to the chapter board members, thanks so much. These folks were even willing to take a day out of their busy schedules to attend our Spring board meeting in Ellensburg - Lynn Chemlir (President-elect; WSU), Kathleen O'Connor (secretary/treasurer; Gonzaga), Dal Symes (past-president; Whatcom CC), Andrea Kueter (member-at-large; Saint Martin's College), Helene Williams (member-at-large; UW Seattle), Kathleen Forsythe (newsletter editor; UW Seattle) and Brenda Philip (web page editor; UW Tacoma).

Last October we enjoyed a wonderful conference in Menucha. We finished the process of chapter incorporation including liability insurance. So, together we moved the chapter along leaving plenty of work for the next year. Have a great summer and we will see you at Pack Forest in October. If you would like to help

with this conference, please contact Lynn Chemlir. She is waiting to hear from you!!!

Charles Lord

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Washington State Chapter

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES

Treasurer's Report

March 23, 2001

Balance Forward:	September 1, 2000		6820.92
Income:	Membership Dues	560.00	
	Total Income:	560.00	
Expenses:			
	Total Expenses:	.00	
Balance Forward:	March 2, 2001		7380.92

Respectfully submitted

Kathleen O'Connor

Secretary/Treasurer

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Board Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2000
Menucha, Oregon

Present: Lynn Chmelir, Charles Lord, Kathleen O'Connor and Brenda Philip
Not present: Kathleen Forsythe, Andrea Kueter, Helene Williams

The meeting called to order by President Charles Lord. The Board Meeting minutes of October 28, 1999 were reviewed and approved without change. The committee also reviewed the agenda for the upcoming Business Meeting.

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The Chapter needs a representative who will attend the ALA/ACRL Chapters' Representatives Council meeting at ALA conferences. Lynn Chmelir will attend the next one, but the committee needs to determine who should attend in the future.

The Chapter Bylaws need to be revised and Brenda Philip volunteered to chair the bylaws revision committee. It is hoped that a proposed revision will be ready to go out with the spring election ballots.

A discussion followed about planning for the fall 2001 conference. Kathleen will look in the chapter files for conference planning information, particularly past evaluations.

A spring Board meeting will be considered as occasion allows due to statewide dispersion of members.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen O'Connor
Secretary/Treasurer
WA ACRL Chapter

Board Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2001
Ellensburg, Washington

Present: Lynn Chmelir, Andrea Kueter, Charles Lord, Kathleen O'Connor, Brenda Philip, Dal Symes and Helene Williams

Absent: Kathleen Forsythe

Charles called the meeting to order.

ACRL Chapters Council Meeting

Lynn attended the ALA/ACRL Chapters Council at the Midwinter Conference of the American Library Association in Washington, DC in January 2001. ACRL has encouraged local chapters growth since the late 1970's and the Council is a mechanism for the local chapters to get together and share information amongst the chapters. It is also a good opportunity for the National ACRL organization to share information from their perspective and to hear from the local chapters. Approximately 75% of the chapters had representatives at the meeting. Updates were provided on current legislation and candidates for National ACRL offices were introduced.

The biggest concern was how to improve communication. The northwest ACRL list could be used more actively to disseminate information. The National ACRL website has links for all local chapters as well.

A discussion followed on who should represent the Washington chapter at future ALA conferences. Some chapters specify a member to attend in their bylaws. It is

very helpful to have a chapter's representative attend for a three-year cycle if possible. It was decided that Lynn will attend future meetings and that the chapter would leave it open for the Board to decide in the future for flexibility.

We haven't been contributing regularly to Chapter Topics. Charles volunteered to prepare future contributions.

Our chapter is eligible to apply to the National ACRL for a speaker to attend a future conference. It will be one of the National ACRL officers and they will pay \$750 towards expenses. Lynn volunteered to process a request for the Pack Forest 2001 conference by June.

Pack Forest Conference Planning

Lynn discussed the status of the fall conference planning. The Pack Forest facility was reserved during the 1999 conference. Charles will contact the Pack Forest office to confirm the dates and to get a copy of our contract. A discussion followed regarding the topic for the 2001 conference. There were nominations of topics from the list serv: Challenges of the Digital Library, Digital Reference, UCITA, Internet Filtering, Archiving of serials, Digitization of Special Collections, E-Reserves, Scholarly Communication, and ILL Digital Delivery. Lynn will post these choices to the list serv and solicit recommendations.

It was pointed out that a good way to save money is to bring our own snacks and audiovisual equipment. Advertising venues were discussed. Carol Svensson, Dal Symes, Esther Sunday, Andrea Kueter have volunteered to help with the conference.

Treasurer's Report

Due to the balance of the account and no upcoming immediate expenses, it was decided that a six-month certificate of deposit for \$4000 should be purchased immediately. Kathleen will arrange this through the Bank of America where the Chapter has its bank account.

Bylaws Revision/Board of Directors Position Descriptions

Brenda and committee members Gary Menges, Andrea Kueter, Jen Stevens and Rosemary Streatfeild have completed the bylaws revision process and have a proposed revision ready for chapter approval. The Bylaws were last revised in July 1989. Some of the issues reviewed included:

- The nature of national ACRL members who do not pay Chapter dues. It was decided that only individuals paying Chapter dues will be considered members of the Washington Chapter.
- The requirement that the president-elect and president must be National ACRL members.
- The requirement to hold both a fall and spring business meeting was amended to only a fall business meeting.
- Chapter communication will take place both in written and electronic formats.
- Deletion of responsibility for vice-president elected every third year to serve a three-year term as the chapter representative to WLA Legislative Planning Committee.
- The appointed positions of Newsletter Editor and Webmaster should be voting members of the Board.

The Webmaster term was set at three years in length.

The dates for the Nominations Committee's work will be redrafted before the revision is sent out.

The Board also reviewed the updated position descriptions for Board members. The committee did a very thorough job of updating and revising individual position

tasks. It was decided that members-at-large will serve on the conference planning committee.

The Board thanked Brenda and the Bylaws Committee for all their hard work on both the bylaws and position descriptions.

The revised bylaws will be mailed with the ballots in the next few weeks. [That was what was decided at the time, later changed.]

Nominations

Lori Ricigliano has chaired the committee and has a slate of two candidates for the member-at-large position. Kelly McHenry has agreed to be on the ballot as vice-president/president-elect. The committee expressed concern about the difficulty it encountered finding candidates for the vice-president position as has past nominations committees. It was suggested that the chapter develop a membership brochure to expand knowledge of the section and hopefully attract individuals willing to run for Board positions.

Liability Insurance

The chapter has discussed the need to purchase liability insurance now that the section has incorporated. At the fall meeting it was decided to purchase the insurance from American States, a division of Safeco. Kathleen has been in contact with Bob Davenport and should be receiving the policy within the month. The yearly premium is approximately \$250 for:

- Employer's contingent liability - \$2 million
- Commercial general liability - \$2 million

Spring Conference

The Chapter has in the past offered a pre-conference at the Washington Library Association's spring conference. In the recent past, attendance by academic librarians at WLA has been down substantially and the chapter has foregone offering a pre-conference. Various ideas were discussed about options for future spring events, including offering a pre-conference in even years - the year that we're not responsible for the fall conference. The topic will be reviewed again at a future Board meeting.

Charles adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen O'Connor
Secretary/Treasurer
WA ACRL Chapter

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Business Meeting Minutes (Draft)

October 26, 2000
Menucha, Oregon

President Charles Lord called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Introductions of attendees followed. Betsy Wilson, incoming president of National ACRL was introduced and encouraged everyone to attend the ACRL National Conference in Denver during March 2001.

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The Business Meeting minutes of October 28, 1999 and Treasurer's Report were reviewed and approved without change.

Following discussion and approval by the membership, the chapter applied for and received confirmation of Incorporation as a Non-Profit Corporation. At the suggestion of National ACRL we needed to choose between an alliance with a state agency or to incorporate to limit liability. The chapter can still consider a relationship with WLA, as that is not precluded by incorporation.

A discussion followed regarding liability insurance. Rates and information that had been gathered a year ago were reported. Kathleen O'Connor will get updated information. An option that was discussed was to post a disclaimer for events, rather than obtaining insurance. Discussion followed. Considering that the rates are very reasonable and that posting a disclaimer could be risky because it is easy to prove negligence, it was moved and approved that we purchase insurance for the chapter through the American States division of Safeco Insurance.

National ACRL offers state chapters \$10 for new members who join due to membership efforts of state chapters. In order to collect the \$10 the state membership drive needs to be documented. The Washington Chapter has not attempted a membership campaign encouraging members to join the National ACRL organization previously. A discussion followed on should and how the Washington Chapter could do this. Some ideas included an email campaign, a special form on the chapter website and an effort to reach UW library school. Betsy suggested an "each one reach one" effort by current members.

Secretary/Treasurer Kathleen O'Connor raised the issue of moving the Chapter's membership database to Microsoft Access because it is more readily available to whoever might be Secretary/Treasurer. Because most people have the Microsoft Office Suite on their workplace computer, it was decided the Chapter did not need to buy an institutional copy at this time.

Chapter Bylaws were last revised in July 1989 and now need to be updated. Brenda Philip volunteered to chair the bylaws revision committee and would like to have a few volunteers to help on the revision. It is hoped that a proposed revision will be ready to go out with the spring election ballots. Brenda also asked members for input on the section's website.

Two members from the Oregon Chapter visited the meeting and briefed members on the important issue of USCITA legislation that could potentially have a dramatic impact on the balance between consumer and publisher rights. ALA is asking members to become aware of the issues and contact state legislators and their State Attorney General's office and express their concerns particularly in terms of uses by libraries.

Lynn Chmelir, Vice President/President Elect began a discussion on conference planning for next fall. Dates were selected a year ago and they are at the typical time in October. The issue of moving the conference from Pack Forest to another location was discussed. One site suggested was Sleeping Lady near Leavenworth. It was pointed out that for Oregon people meeting in Leavenworth would add 3 hours driving time to attend the conference. Lynn asked that program ideas for next year should be directed to her as well as names of people who are interested in

volunteering. Kathleen will try to find past conference evaluations in the chapter files. ACRL National just conducted a survey and included questions on current topics of interest to the membership. Betsy will send us a copy. A possible program topic is "how do we get instruction to distance learners"?

Besides the Bylaws, Board member responsibilities also need to be updated. Board members will be doing this before the spring Board meeting.

Charles asked for 3 volunteers to serve as a nominations committee.

Over the past years, the Chapter has done different things for a spring conference, including a preconference at WLA. There are a lot of options that could be considered but we need to realize that there are many conferences available vying for attention. The question was raised if the Chapter can be a viable organization if we only offer a conference every other year. The question was raised if we should consider becoming a joint chapter with Oregon. No decision was determined.

Linda Pierce spoke as representative of the Library Council of Washington. The Council's main task is to provide guidance for LSAT funds. This year there is over a million dollars available. More information on how to apply is on the State Library's Web page. In the past academic libraries have been underrepresented and the Council is hoping to encourage a broader base of types of libraries participating. Linda encouraged people to consider statewide projects that need funding and that they can range from \$5,000 and up. A new funding cycle has just started and private institutions are eligible. The State Library's website also has information on Continuing Education grants, which are due in December. Linda offered to be of assistance to anyone interested in pursuing a grant.

John Popko reported on the Swimming Upstream symposium on preservation. Gary Menges got NEH regional cooperation for document preservation. One-day meetings followed scanning school, and UW and UO had a one-day conference that summed up regional conservation models. There seems to be agreement that the best model for the Pacific NW is a single preservation center like New England. Normandy Helmer and Gary Menges are coordinating a pre-steering committee and it is hoped a committee will begin to work in January 2001. It was pointed out that preservation issues do not affect only academic libraries. For example, there are many important county records that need preservation.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned and the members joined the Oregon members for the annual party.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen O'Connor
Secretary/Treasurer
WA ACRL Chapter

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The Future Ain't What it Used to Be

Lizabeth (Betsy) Wilson, ACRL President and Director of University of Washington Libraries

At midnight on December 31, 2000, Betty Bengtson and I metaphorically clinked glasses. She retired after 10 transformative years as director of the University Libraries, and I began my tenure as the new director.

In cleaning out files I found a yellowing booklet entitled *Five Objectives of a University Library*, by William E. Henry, UW librarian in 1927. Reflecting on 30 years in a university library, Henry concludes that the purpose of a university library is "to put the individual of the present in possession of the experience of the past in whatever line he may select and for the final good of the future." I intend to heed his advice.

The future of the academic library is inseparable from the future of the university, and we will be measured by how well our university manages its knowledge. We will need to advance knowledge and educate students for a future we can't even begin to imagine.

As that wise sage Yogi Berra once said, "The future ain't what it used to be."

As I envision our future, you will have access to information when, where, and how you need it, and it will be preserved for generations to come. Our physical and virtual spaces will be trusted and robust.

Four areas are of critical importance as we build the library of the future: scholarly communication, digital libraries, information literacy, and collaboration.

Scholarly Communication. Major changes in scholarly communication are taking place--electronic publishing, sharply escalating prices for journals, modified copyright law and intellectual property protection, and the rise of alternative distribution methods that compete with expensive commercial ones. The promise of the digital revolution has been threatened by commercial publishers intent on maximizing revenues by raising prices and restricting access. We know that we can't buy all the materials that you need. We have worked hard to supplement purchases with interlibrary loan programs and document delivery, but the current system of scholarly communication must evolve.

Digital Libraries. The Libraries has been building a digital library for nearly a decade. You use it every day through the electronic indexes, abstracts, and databases; electronic reserves; the Information Gateway; HealthLinks; and the myriad scholarly websites.

More recently, the Libraries has taken on an expanded role as publisher. We have scanned and indexed unique materials and have made them accessible to audiences worldwide. We will continue building a digital library that will enhance research, transform learning, and allow generations to talk across time in the library of the future.

Information Literacy. Today's graduates may be the first generation "overexposed" to the huge amounts of information available to them. In a perfect world, this would allow us to revel in its diversity. However, in the real world, overexposure only underscores the complexity of the information world and highlights inadequate research skills.

If our graduates are to prosper in the global information society, it is critical that they be able to locate, evaluate, and use information. Although the Libraries is a national leader in information literacy, there is much more that needs to be done by all of us.

Collaboration. Collaboration grows more important every day. There are fewer and

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fewer arenas in which individual action suffices. Collaboration is required to build a new system of scholarly communication, develop the digital library, and engender a model information community.

I have very high expectations for the UW Libraries. The possibilities are almost limitless, but creating a preferred future will not be easy.

You have an important role to play in realizing this future. As authors or editors you can help effect positive change in scholarly communication. As educators you can share responsibility for the information literacy of students. As creators of new knowledge you can help build a digital library that has meaning. I invite you to join me in shaping a library of the future that we will all value, others will emulate, and of which William Henry would be proud.

The future ain't what it used to be, but it is ours to determine.

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What has 7 libraries, 10 million items and thousands of happy users? If you guessed Cascade you guessed right! If you didn't guess Cascade then read on. The Washington State Cooperative Library Project (WSCLP) introduced Cascade this past July. Cascade is the joint catalog of the libraries of the 6 public baccalaureate institutions here in Washington State: Central Washington University, Eastern Washington University, The Evergreen State College, University of Washington (including the UW Law Library), Washington State University, and Western Washington University.

Anyone may search Cascade and see the holdings in these libraries, <http://cascade.lib.washington.edu>. Cascade is a tremendous resource discovery tool since there are over 6 million records, representing over 10 million volumes. In addition to being able to see holdings across institutions, Cascade allows the faculty, staff and students of the participating institutions to request materials from one library be sent to them at their campus library. Authorized users can also go directly to one of the member libraries and check items out in person. People who don't have requesting privileges in Cascade still can use the information to place traditional interlibrary loan requests with their local library.

One may search Cascade by author, title, subjects and keywords. Searches can be limited by publication year, type of material, language, library location and other ways. There is also a Search Journals Only option to limit the search to the titles of journals (this does not search article titles). There are two paths people can take to search Cascade.

Path 1

A person may begin searching in their home institution's catalog and then repeat the search in the Cascade.

- From the UW libraries catalog (<http://catalog.lib.washington.edu/search~>)
- User is searching for a book with the title "[Dark Life](#)".
- The catalog shows that there is [no such title at the UW](#).
- User can click on the REPEAT SEARCH IN CASCADE button and the search is automatically redone in CASCADE.
- CASCADE indicates that [3 CASCADE libraries have this item](#).
- By clicking on this message the person can [display the libraries that own the item and the status of each copy](#).
- A valid borrower would be able to click on the Request this Item link and have the item sent to them at their home institution.

Path 2

A person may begin their searching at Cascade and be able to identify materials across the institutions/state. Valid borrowers are able to request not only materials available at other libraries but also materials available at their own institutions.

The success of Cascade is evident in the number of requests to the system; over 23,000 items have been requested by patrons since July, 2000. Professor David Secord, of the University of Washington Tacoma, made the following comments about his experience with using Cascade.

"Cascade has been tremendously useful for compiling literature relevant to my research in biology. I had always assumed that virtually any resource one could want would be available in the UW library system. Not so! Repeating searches in Cascade has consistently yielded interesting and relevant books, monographs, theses, and other sources available in Washington State but not at UW. This is a great way to increase faculty and student access to the rich array of resources

held by Washington's many fine university libraries."

Cascade was nearly ten years in the making and is just one of the results of the efforts of the Washington State Cooperative Library Project. In the early 1990s the provosts, librarians, and computing technology specialists of the state's public baccalaureate institutions began, under the sponsorship of the Council of Presidents, to develop a vision for a cooperative library project. The purpose of the project was to enable easy sharing of library resources among the six institutions, their various branch campuses and centers, and their distance learning students throughout the state. In partnership with the State Legislature, a phased project was created and funded in the 1995, 1996 and 1998 supplemental budgets. So far the project has accomplished the following:

- All six public baccalaureate institutions now have up-to-date, integrated library software that provides online catalogs and allows for effective management of the acquisition and circulation of print, multi-media and electronic resources.
- The libraries' photocopy and fax equipment were upgraded, allowing for greatly improved interlibrary loan responses to user requests.
- Improved telecommunications capacity expanded users' access to Internet resources and made this project's continuing development possible.
- The libraries built a joint catalog that is updated continually. A library user may search the holdings of the libraries of all six institutions by entering a single search. Before this joint catalog was created, users had to search each library's catalog separately.
- Nearly all of the remaining card catalog records at each institution were converted to electronic form, making them available through this project to every user, inside and outside the libraries.
- The libraries jointly licensed a large electronic database representing a core set of general-purpose, full text periodicals.
- In 2000, the libraries installed new software that allows a student at any one of the campuses to check out books electronically from any of the other libraries and to have the books delivered to him or her within 72 hours. The new service is a component of "Cascade," the joint, web-based catalog of all six institutions that was implemented in July 2000.

As a result of these efforts, on-campus and distance education students now have more efficient and more effective access to information in its many forms. Some of this information is located in the libraries; some of it is beyond the libraries in computer networks. Much of it now can be accessed electronically.

I was appointed in January as Coordinator for the WSCLP. My responsibilities include working with staff at each site to insure the smooth operations of the Cascade catalog and borrowing. I also work with the Directors to explore the possibilities for extending service beyond the current community. I invite you to explore Cascade for yourself. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about Cascade or the WSCLP, mofjeld@u.washington.edu.

Pam Mofjeld

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Bates Technical College

We are a very small library (just me and library technicians Kathy Laurente and Beth Melton), so we keep busy just helping customers. In late November we moved into a new 4,400 square foot library facility--twice the size of our former library. Did I mention that we are small? :-). The new library includes two study rooms and an electronic classroom which makes it easier to hold the information literacy classes I teach. Library usage (items circulated and visitors to the library) has increased since we opened in the new facility.

Debbie Crumb

Central Washington University

Personnel News

Victor F. Marx, Professor and Reference Librarian, is retiring at the end of March 2001. Victor first joined the CWU Library faculty in 1965. Except for two years when he worked at Harvard, he has served the CWU Library in various positions. The CWU Board of Trustees have conferred on Victor the title of Professor Emeritus in recognition of his service to Central. The CWU Library staff sponsored a retirement reception for Victor and his wife Marion on Thursday, February 15th in the Library Staff Lounge. Many faculty and staff throughout the campus came to wish Victor and Marion well. Victor and Marion are planning to move to Bellingham, Washington in the near future.

There have been several changes in the Media Circulation department. Supervisor John Bull left Media Circulation at the end of December. A going away party was held for John on December 20th in the Library. We will miss John and the work he has done for us. John Streepy, formerly of the Inter-Library Loan Department, was named the new Supervisor starting January 1st. His position title is Media Assistant III. As of November 16th, John Creech, the Systems Librarian, was named Head of the Media Circulation Department. And Diane Rogers was assigned to Media Circulation on a full-time basis.

Eileen Llona, Assistant Systems Librarian, has accepted a position as Computer Services Librarian for International Studies at the University of Washington. Eileen began her position here at CWU in September of 1998. There was a good-bye luncheon for Eileen at the Valley Cafe on December 21st. We wish Eileen the best in her new endeavors.

John Creech, Systems Librarian, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Ellensburg Electronic Community Foundation in September of 2000. In December he was elected Vice-President of the group. On February 24th John Creech hosted a CWU Library booth at the 2nd annual Ellensburg NetFair, and did a 45 minute presentation to the public on the basics of Internet searching.

Announcements

Dr. Gary Lewis, Dean of Libraries, and Dr. Patrick McLaughlin, Collection Development Librarian, attended the Joint Oregon/Washington Association of College and Research Libraries Fall Conference at the Menucha Retreat Center near Corbett, Oregon on October 26th and 27th. The theme of the Conference was "Consortial Cooperation--Key to the Future." Two nationally recognized speakers from different types of consortia described their experiences and their visions of the future. The featured speakers were Bernie Sloan, Library Information Systems Consultant from the University of Illinois, and Sue Medina,

Director of the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries.

Friends of the Library News--The Friends of the Library Fall Meeting was held at the Palace Restaurant at noon on November 9th. The highlight of the meeting was a visit and brief talk by the new CWU President Jerilyn McIntyre who gave words of support for the Library. The Winter Meeting was held on Thursday, February 15th, also at the Palace Restaurant. Dr. Libby Street, Assistant to the President, summarized the current discussions concerning strategic planning and the future of CWU.

Patrick McLaughlin

Eastern Washington University

Eastern welcomes adjunct librarian Jonathan Potter to its reference services faculty this year. Potter holds dual master's degrees in library science and American literature from the University of Washington, has taught at Gray's Harbor College, and spent the past six years in public library reference and management services.

Rachel Fenske, the Library's Coordinator of Instruction, has assumed a key leadership role in the information literacy component of a five-year Title III grant received by the University last year. This initiative focuses on integrating information literacy skills instruction into the curriculum. Another component of the grant will result in the establishment of a student technology help desk located in the Library.

Eastern is looking for an Acquisitions/Electronic Resources Librarian to join their faculty ranks. The successful candidate will provide expertise and leadership for EWU's Libraries in all aspects of acquisition, subscription, and licensing of library collections in all formats. Requires Master's degree in Library and Information Services from an ALA-accredited program and a minimum of three years' professional experience in technical services functions in an academic or research library. If you, or someone you know, is interested in this position and possesses the qualifications, please contact Carol Raczykowski (craczykowski@ewu.edu or (509) 359-6915) for details, including a complete job description. Position available July 2, 2001.

Carol Raczykowski

Hanford Technical Library

Hanford Technical Library Welcomes New Manager

Annanaomi Sams began her post as Manager of the Hanford Technical Library at the Department of Energy's Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) in February. As manager of the Technical Library, she also oversees the Legal Library branch and the DOE's Public Reading Room, all located in Richland Washington. The Hanford Technical Library is co-located with the Washington State University (WSU) Tri-Cities branch campus library. The two libraries operate out of the same building and together serve a broad clientele.

"I look forward to the challenges of providing information to the staff of PNNL, Department of Energy, and Hanford Site contractors both in the library and at their desktops," Sams says. "I'm enthusiastic about working with this large research community in its unique setting." Sams says she also looks forward to serving the library's diverse customer base, including the developing business community growing up around the lab.

Sams brings 14 years of special libraries' experience to the Hanford Technical Library. Most recently she was employed at the Texas Heart Institute in Houston where she managed the Library & Learning Resource Center and the Heart

Information Service. The Texas Heart Institute is a post-graduate training and research institute specializing in cardiovascular disease.

Prior to working at the Texas Heart Institute, Sams gained management experience at the National Network of Libraries of Medicine - South Central Region, and at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center Library. Her experience includes directing all aspects of library operations and her medical library background adds bio-medical expertise to the library staff.

Sams received her Master of Librarianship degree from the University of Washington and earned an undergraduate degree from Washington State University.

Battelle operates the Hanford Technical Library, which serves Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, the Department of Energy's Richland Operations Office and DOE's Hanford contractors. The Technical Library provides professional information services to scientists, engineers, and managers.

Karen A. Buxton and Mary Frances Lembo

Pacific Lutheran University

New Dean of Information Resources Hired

Dr. Chris D. Ferguson has accepted the position of Dean of Information Resources at Pacific Lutheran University beginning June 1, 2001. Dr. Ferguson comes from the University of Southern California where he is currently Director of the Doheny Memorial Library. He has had fifteen years experience in the leadership of libraries and information technology and was founding director of the Leavey Library at USC, which houses the nation's first information commons. He has published a number of articles on the future of integrating libraries, computing and telecommunications in College and Research Libraries, one of which won the 1997 Bell and Howell "Excellence in Writing Award" for contributions to the literature of information technology. Dr. Ferguson received his M.L.S. from the University of Texas at Austin and his Ph.D. in Medieval and Ancient History from the State University of New York in Binghamton. Dr. Ferguson will replace Dr. Lenny Reisberg, who served as Associate Dean and later as Dean of Information Resources since June 1999.

New Automated System Selected

After a year of planning and product investigation, the Robert A.L. Morvedt Library at Pacific Lutheran University has signed a contract with Endeavor Information Systems to purchase their Voyager library automation system. The selection process involved cross-departmental participation of the library and computer center staff with a focus on institutional needs, broad based staff and user participation, and long term benefits. Staff committees and teams were created to develop a mission statement, long range plan, criteria, vendor demonstration scripts, and arrange site visits. Voyager's open architecture, long range viability, and Endeavor's corporate/client partnerships in product development were among the key factors in the library's decision. The new Voyager system will be installed during summer 2001.

Susan McDonald

Saint Martin's College

Our new Library opened January 17th. Designed by architect Michael Graves, it is a wonderful 43,000 sq. ft. building on three floors. In addition to housing the library collections, an Information Commons has been added which combines reference and computing lab functionalities and staff, two technology-intensive classrooms, and an archives/special collections center.

The Library was dedicated March 30th. Michael Graves spoke at that event. You can see more information at: <http://www.stmartin.edu/media/index.htm>.

Other news from Saint Martin's includes recently hiring Kirsti Thomas for the position of Technical Services Librarian and Margaret Curelas as Inter-Library Loan Supervisor. Other new hires will be announced soon.

Dalia Hagan

Tacoma Community College

TCC is pleased to have a new tenure track librarian who started in Fall quarter. Her name is Syd Sullivan and she previously worked at both Pierce and Highline Community Colleges. She will be sharing teaching, reference, and collection development duties with the other three librarians and will also serve as our distance learning and off-campus sites liaison. She is currently the Treasurer for CLAMS. We are also pleased that faculty librarian, Kendall Reid, was recently appointed to serve on ACRL's Information Competency Advisory Committee.

Becky Sproat

University of Washington

Personnel News

New Director

On January 1, 2001, we welcomed our new Director of University Libraries, Betsy Wilson. As associate director for research and instructional services, Betsy has been in charge of service units at Suzzallo and Allen libraries, 13 branch libraries, and the Odegaard Undergraduate Library. She is a member of the Board of Trustees of OCLC and is currently the president of ACRL. Betsy received a B.A. from Northwestern University in 1977 and an M.S. in library science from the University of Illinois in 1978. She was assistant architecture and art librarian at the Ricker Library of Architecture and Art at the University of Illinois, assistant undergraduate librarian at the University of Illinois, and assistant director of libraries for undergraduate and instructional services at Illinois before coming to UW.

Appointments

Fred Brown, Reference/Computing and Information Technology Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 9/1.

Julia Paulsen, Reference & Instructional/Nursing Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 9/14.

Allison Pirri, Reference/Social Sciences Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 9/14.

Carole Svensson, Technology Services/Reference Librarian, UW Tacoma Library, 9/1.

Jacqueline Coats, Head, Monographic Acquisitions Section, Monographic Services Division, 10/1. Jackie served as Head of the Acquisitions Department at the University of Chicago Library for over twenty years. Most recently, she served as a Manager at Yankee Book Peddler in New Hampshire. Her MLS is from Rosary College and she holds an MBA from Loyola University of Chicago and a BA from the University of Chicago.

Anne Zald, Information Literacy Coordinator, Administration, 11/1. Anne has been Special Assistant to the Director of Libraries and this is a newly created position to promote the Libraries information literacy agenda.

Nicolette Bromberg, Curator of Photographs and Graphics, Manuscripts, Special Collections, University Archives Division, 12/1.

Julie Cook, Engineering Information Services Librarian, Engineering Library, 12/16.

Susan Clark, User Education Coordinator/Reference Librarian, OUGL, 1/1.

Kathleen Collins, Reference & Instruction Librarian, OUGL, 3/1.

Laura Lillard, Education Librarian, Reference & Research Services, 3/1.

Temporary Appointments

Matthew Parsons, Natural Sciences Reference Librarian (50%), Natural Sciences Library, 9/6. Matthew Parsons, Reference Librarian (50%), Reference & Research Services Division, 9/25

Ellen Belcher, Special Projects Librarian, Monographic Services Division/Acquisitions Section, 10/16.

Katharine T. (Kody) Janney, Coordinator, Digital Initiatives Program, 10/23. Kody Janney has been appointed Coordinator, Digital Initiatives effective through June 30, 2001.

Kristin Henslee, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Library, 1/1.

Eileen Llona, International Studies Computer Services Librarian, International Studies, 1/1.

Gordon Aamot, Acting Associate Director of Libraries for Reference and Instructional Services, Administration, 1/1.

Corey Murata, Acting Head, Foster Business Library, 1/1.

Diane Hill Rosolowsky, Electronic Collections Acquisitions Librarian, Collection Management Services, 1/1.

Stephanie Sheppard, Serials Cataloger, Serials Services Division, 1/1.

Judy Tsou, Acting Head, Arts and Architecture Libraries, Music Library, 1/1

Louis Hieb, Reference and Collection Development Librarian, Manuscripts, Special Collections, University Archives Division, 1/8.

Nanette Welton, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Library, 1/16. Nanette Welton, Acting Head, Information Resources, Health Sciences Libraries, 4/1.

Pam Mofjeld has been appointed Coordinator, Washington State Cooperative Library Project (WSCLP). The term of appointment extends to June 30, 2002. Pam has worked at the UW Libraries since 1983, first as a reference librarian in the Natural Sciences Library, and since 1986 as Head, Fisheries-Oceanography Library. Recently she has been involved in the development and implementation of the Cascade catalog and the CLP Interface Committee.

Douglas Ammons, Reference/Instruction Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 2/5.

Gail Kouame, Information Management Librarian, Health Sciences Library, 2/1.

Louise Richards, Acting Head, Fisheries-Oceanography Library, 2/1.

Gordon Dutrisac, Business Reference Librarian, Foster Business Library, 3/1.

Linda Whang, Engineering Instructional Services Librarian, Engineering Library,

3/12.

Jennifer Stone Muilenberg, Acting Head, Map Collections, 4/1.

Gaye Hinchliff, International Studies Cataloging Librarian, International Studies/Southeast Asia Section, 4/1.

End of Appointment

Sean McCain, Research Express Librarian (50%), Research Express, 3/31.

Resignations

Lorena O'English, Reference Librarian/Grants and Funding Information Service Coordinator, Reference and Research Services Division, 10/13.

Geri Bunker Ingram, Coordinator, Digital Initiatives Program, 10/31.

Esther Daniels, Assistant Campus Librarian, UW Bothell Library/Cascadia Community College, 1/3.

Kathryn Womble, Head, Map Collection and Cartographic Information Service, 3/30.

Retirement

Linda Gould, Scholarly Communications Librarian (50%), Administration, 12/15.

Betty Bengtson, Director of University Libraries, Administration, 12/31/00. Betty came to the UW Libraries in 1987 as Associate Director of Libraries for Bibliographic Control and Access Services, and became Library Director in 1990. The Libraries honored Betty on December 13th with a party, attended by many administrators, faculty, librarians, staff, and students. All celebrated her service to the Libraries and wished her a relaxed and enjoyable retirement.

Suzzallo Renovation

We continue to move staff and collections around the Libraries (and around Seattle!) to accommodate construction. You can follow our progress at:

<http://www.lib.washington.edu/about/suzzren/>

Suzzallo was fortunate that quite a bit of the seismic retrofitting had occurred before the February earthquake, thereby preventing additional damage. The earthquake story can be found at: <http://www.lib.washington.edu/about/quake/>

Dorothy Smith

Walla Walla College

Walla Walla College's Peterson Memorial Library Goes Wireless!

Peterson Memorial Library now provides wireless networking. This benefits our patrons in two ways.

Students can use their laptops virtually anywhere in the library while connected to the campus network and the Internet. We currently have five wireless network cards available for checkout, and this quarter they have been in constant demand.

The second benefit of wireless is that we have been able to place computers in convenient locations for catalog and electronic database access, where installing network wiring would have been very difficult. We now have computers on all four floors for catalog access and Web research.

Our wireless access points are Apple Airports, which comply with the 802.11b

standard and cost less than \$300. Our wireless network cards are Lucent Technologies WaveLAN, which work in PC, Mac, Linux, as well as other operating systems. The new cards cost approximately \$150 each.

Gary Benton and Carolyn Gaskell

Thanks to all who sent news. Additions, corrections, updates always welcome at forsythe@u.washington.edu or (206) 543-8405 -- Ed.

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Statewide Database Licensing Project News

The Washington State Library SDL project is hosting the Spring 2001 database trials. Twenty-eight vendors have submitted numerous databases for librarians around the state to preview between March 12 and April 30, 2001. For more information, or to visit the trials, see the SDL website at www.statelib.wa.gov/sdl.

In conjunction with the trials, there will be a Spring Trials 2001 Vendor Fair held on Friday, April 27 at the SeaTac DoubleTree Suites (By SeaTac International Airport; 18740 Pacific Hwy. South; SeaTac, WA 98188; 253-246-8600). The fair is a day for all trial-participating vendors to show their products to interested librarians. At the past two fairs, held in the Fall of 1999 and the Spring of 2000, some librarians used the fair as an opportunity to preview and utilize new electronic products, while others attended specifically to discuss purchasing with sales representatives. No matter the purpose for attending, all are welcome! There is no charge except for the parking fee at the hotel (\$10.00).

Directions to the DoubleTree Suites - SeaTac:

I-5 North: Take exit 152 (188th Street) and turn left on to 188th Street, go west about one mile and Red Lion is on the right side at the corner of 188th Street and the South Pacific Highway.

I-5 South: Take exit 152 (188th Street) and go west about one mile. Double Tree Suites - Sea Tac is located on the right side at the corner of 188th Street and the South Pacific Highway.

Jeanne Crisp, SDL Project Manager since 1998, has taken a new job and will be leaving the Washington State Library on April 27, 2001. Jeanne has managed the SDL project with the help of two representative committees since the project's inception. Her new job finds her far away on the east coast as Director of Library Development Services for the North Carolina State Library. Until a person is hired to manage the project, all questions and inquiries about the SDL project may be directed to Patty Ayala, SDL Consultant at WSL (360-704-7130 or payala@statelib.wa.gov). Though we will miss Jeanne's leadership, drive and dedication, we do wish her well in her new position.

Of special note: Legislation will be introduced this session to authorize and fund the continued effort of the SDL Program.

Patty Ayala

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ACRL Washington State Chapter Nominations

The ACRL Washington State Chapter Nominations Committee is pleased to announce the following candidates for the offices of President-Elect and Member-at-Large.

Regards,
Lori Ricigliano
Karen Michaelsen
Tammy R. Siebenberg

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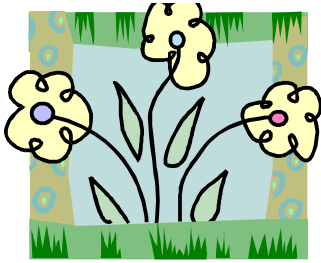
President-Elect (Term 2001-2003)

Kelly McHenry (Seattle Central Community College)

Member-at-Large (Term 2001-2003)

Cindy Kaag (Washington State University)
Nancy Huling (University of Washington Seattle)

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Phone: 509-323-6545.

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ACRL Washington State Chapter

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Upcoming Events

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September 18-20, 2000	School for Scanning , Seattle, WA
October 12-15, 2000	OLAC/MOUG 2000 Conference , Seattle, WA
October 16-17, 2000	Facets of Digital Reference , Seattle, WA
October 26-27, 2000	Joint Oregon/Washington ACRL Fall Conference , Menucha, OR

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January 26, 2001	Online Northwest , Portland, OR
April 4-7, 2001	WLA 2001, Spokane, WA
April 15-18, 2001	Crossing the Divide (ACRL National Conference) , Denver, CO
August 8-10, 2001	Pacific Northwest Library Association Conference, Corvallis, OR

See also: [Washington State Library Association Events and Planning Calendar](#) for more local, national and international events.

If you know of any upcoming events which you think should be listed here, please email Brenda Philip at bphilip@u.washington.edu.

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