

FROM THE PRESIDENT:  
"OFF TO A RUNNING START"...

SUNYLA is "off to a running start" this year! Although the 1993/94 academic year has just gotten underway, the SUNYLA Executive Board and Council have already been at work.

The Executive Board met on July 23, 1993 at SUNY Albany for a very productive planning session, and the full Executive Board and Council met on September 10, 1993 at SUNY Central to begin work on an array of important issues. Discussion at the two meetings was lively, informative, and very productive. Among the topics of discussion at the two meetings were: 1) plans for the 1994 SUNYLA Conference at Oswego (yes, plans are already well underway, and you will be seeing more about the Conference in upcoming issues of the Newsletter and on SUNYLA-L); 2) possible "joint ventures" and increased cooperation with COA/TOA/FACT and the SUNY Council of Head Librarians (SCOLD); 3) how to address possible changes to the SUNYLA By-Laws; 4) progress on the new SUNYLA Gopher; 5) the establishment of a new Special Interest Group (SIG) for Library Professionals (see page 7 ); 6) regional workshops; 7) progress on the establishment of the Distinguished Librarian rank and 7) the plans for each of the SUNYLA Committees. Whew -- and that's not even the half of it!

The full Executive Board and Council will meet next on December 3rd, 1993 in Syracuse. If you have a question, concern, comment, etc. that you would like to see SUNYLA address, contact the Delegate on your campus, an Officer or Council member, or me. Honest, we are all glad to hear from you!

And, speaking of "hearing" from, have you renewed your SUNYLA membership? How about your colleagues? How about that new librarian or library professional on your campus (first-time membership is only \$7.50!)? To become a member or to renew your membership contact your Delegate.

Also speaking for "hearing" from you, I want to take this opportunity to encourage you to take a more active role in SUNYLA. New Committee members are always welcome, and all it takes is a phone call or e-mail message to a Committee Chair. I know that they will be glad to hear from you.

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#### INTERNET GOPHER ARRIVES AT SUNYLA

Higher education is continually bombarded by promises of the electronic library through such national initiatives as the NREN and NII (National Information Infrastructure). From a practical standpoint, SUNYLA members need to utilize existing network technology on a day to day basis in our jobs. What resources and tools would benefit a geographically diverse organization with varying levels of access to networked resources? The Automation Committee started working this past June on the possibility of an Internet gopher for SUNYLA. The SUNYLA gopher proposal was accepted at the September Executive Board Meeting. The following will provide a brief explanation of Gopher technology, possible application in SUNYLA, and information on accessing the SUNYLA Gopher.

#### What is Gopher?

Gopher is a program developed at the University of Minnesota which presents Internet resources to users as a series of menu choices which can be readily adapted to local user needs as available Internet resources grow and change. The Gopher is public domain software (for non-commercial users) written for a wide variety of computer platforms. While the Gopher software is available free of charge from the University of Minnesota, a library (or campus) must also have network access to the Internet to utilize the Gopher. The software uses the much touted client/server model of information access and retrieval. Client/server technology means that a user runs a "client" program which sends a message to a corresponding "server" program on another computer, which could be across campus or across the country. The server program retrieves the information requested, and returns the information to the [Bclient. The client then presents the information back to the user. The information may be a text file, a directory, a telnet session, an image file, etc. This division of labor between client and server also means that the Gopher uses computer time efficiently and Gopher clients and servers can be run on relatively small machines. The Gopher is termed a distributed information resource because no one server (computer) needs to maintain all the files.

#### Uses of Gopher in SUNYLA

As alluded to earlier, logistical issues in SUNYLA include covering a large region and varying levels of network access.

Gopher addresses both these issues by providing access through any Internet connection and virtually instantaneous transfer throughout the state. The SUNYLA Gopher menu allows the user to view SUNYLA information without having to know who has the information or on what computer it is stored. Possibilities for information dissemination include: SUNY grant opportunities and proposals, institutional tenure criteria, SUNYLA Member Directory, documents on studies at SUNY libraries, documents from the SUNYLA Clearinghouse, publications and announcements from SUNYLA committees, and the SUNYLA Newsletter. In addition to being able to view the information, a keystroke can transfer a copy to the user's computer account.

#### Directions to Access Gopher

Most SUNY campuses have some form of access to the Internet through SUNYNET or NYSERNET. Check with your campus computer center for information on computer accounts and to find out if a Gopher client is running on your campus computer. Two sets of instructions follow: the first for users without Gopher clients and the second for users with Gopher clients running on campus computers.

##### 1) Campuses Without a Gopher Client:

If your campus computer has access to the Internet but does not yet offer a Gopher client, you can log on to your campus computer and "Telnet" (remote logon) to a computer that has a "public" Gopher client running, i.e. one that you can use without a special userid/password.

SUNYLA members: Please consult the paper copy of the SUNYLA Newsletter, October 1993, for further information.

##### 2) Campuses With Gopher Clients:

Set a pointer to:

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Name=SUNY Library Association Gopher (Experimental)
Type=1
Port=70
Path=1/SUNY Library Association Gopher (Experimental)
Host=baryon.hawk.plattsburgh.edu
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#### Using the SUNYLA Gopher

After starting Gopher select the following from the Root Directory:

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5. SUNY Library Association Gopher (Experimental)
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The Gopher was brought up on an experimental basis and currently distributes the following menu:

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1. About the SUNYLA Gopher/
2. LAIP/SUNY OCLC Experimental Gopher/
3. Library of Congress Marvel/
4. SUNY Fact Papers on Information Technology (via UBVM)
5. SUNYLA Newsletters/
6. Understanding and Using Gopher/
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##### Basic Commands:

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? help
/ further menu levels (directories)
. end of menu level, text document
u move up one level
q quit Gopher
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Further information about Gopher is available under option 6 "Understanding and Using Gopher/". The Whole Internet User's Guide & Catalog by Ed Krol also offers a chapter on Gopher. Questions and comments about the SUNYLA Gopher can be sent to the following Automation Committee members: Karen Volkman (volkmak@snyplava), Keith Ostertag (ostertagk@snycorva), Roger Gifford (rdg28@albnyvms), Holli Rossi (rossiha%slscva@snycenva.bitnet), and Peter Wei He

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CONFERENCE POSTER SESSIONS  
SUNYLA '94

The SUNYLA Program Committee welcomes you to present your ideas or research results at the '94 Conference Poster Sessions. Applications and flyers will be available by December 1993. The deadline for turning in all the applications is February 1994. For more information about sessions, contact Peter Wei He at (518)442-3550 or peterhe@albnyvms.bitnet.

SUNYLA LIBRARY INSTRUCTION SURVEY RESULTS

In the Spring of 1992, the SUNYLA Committee on Library Instruction sent out a survey to all SUNY libraries to assess the amount of library instruction being done by librarians. Sixty-six out of 83 surveys were returned, with some branch libraries combining their statistics with the main campus libraries, so the rate of return rate was actually better than 80%. The following survey results document the teaching activity of instruction and reference librarians.

Table 1: Size of Library Staffs (librarians only)  
Full-Time and Part-Time

Number of Librarians on Staff	Number of Libraries	
	Full-time	Part-time
1-4	23	38
5-9	17	4
10-14	10	2
15-19	4	0
20-24	0	0
25-29	0	0
30-34	0	0
35-39	3	0
40-44	0	0
45-49	0	0
50-51	1	0

Total: 643 SUNY Librarians employed full and part time

Table 2: Number of Individual Librarians Teaching Library Instruction Sessions

	Full-Time Librarians	Part-Time
Librarians	297 of 515 (58%)	80 of 128
(63%)		

Table 3: Number of Individual Librarians Teaching Credit & Non-Credit Library Skills Courses

	Credit Course	Non-Credit
Course	21 of 377 (5.5%)	27 of 377
(7%)		

12.5% of SUNY librarians teach courses in library skills  
29% of SUNY librarians offered for-credit library skills courses  
40% of SUNY libraries offered non-credit library skills courses

Table 4: Distribution of Number of Library Instruction Classes Taught Per Year

No. of Classes	No. of Libraries
1-25	8
26-50	9

51-75	6
76-100	14
101-125	6
126-150	7
151-175	5
176-200	2
201-225	1
226-250	2
251-275	0
276-300	1
301-325	0
326-350	1
351-375	0
376-400	0
401-425	1

41% of SUNY libraries average over 100 classes per year  
Total number of library instruction classes taught across SUNY: 6659

Table 5: Distribution of Average Number of Class Hours Taught Each Week by Librarians

Number of Hours	Number of Libraries
1 - 4	47
5 - 9	4
10 - 14	3
15 - 20	1

Note: The survey asked for the average number of hours librarians taught each week. Most library instruction is concentrated within the first 8 - 10 weeks of a semester when librarians may teach over 15 - 20 hours per week, greatly exceeding most classroom faculty teaching loads.

Table 6: Average Preparation Time Required for Each Library Instruction Session

Number of Hours	Number of Libraries
1	24
2	14
3	11
4	4
5	1
>5	1

56% of respondents reported that librarians needed 2 or more hours of prep time for each class

Table 7: Size of Reference Staffs

Size of Ref. Staff	Number of Libraries	
	Full-Time	Part-Time
1 - 4	39	39
5 - 9	21	5
10 - 14	4	0
15 - 19	3	0
Total:	331 full-time librarians	102 part-time librarians

64% of all full-time librarians teach through reference work  
80% of all part-time librarians teach through reference work  
Average number of reference contact hours: 17  
(this exceeds most classroom faculty teaching loads)

Comments Regarding Teaching Load

Thirty-nine libraries indicated there had been an increase in teaching load; reasons cited: staff cuts, increased enrollment, increased demand. Comments: "We can only do so much." "Insufficient time/energy to develop full-blown BI." "We have more potential for involvement but not an

increase in staff hours available." "Can't do outreach due to heavy workloads." "Cut in staff means fewer doing more."

Nancy Niles, Chair  
Committee on Library Instruction

#### STATE PROGRAMS OFFERING SUPPORT FOR RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

The following is a brief overview of programs currently available to SUNYLA librarians which offer financial support to those participating in professional activities.

##### SUNYLA's Regional Workshop Program

The SUNYLA Council has again allotted funding to seed regional workshops. This year \$300 is available for this purpose. Any SUNYLA member who is interested in organizing a meeting on some topic of interest to the profession can apply for this support. A "region" is a group of campuses within daily commuting distance of a SUNY location where the meeting will take place. Those interested in applying, or who would like more information, should contact Richie Feinberg of the Professional Development Committee at (516)632-7110 or rfeinberg@sbccmail.

##### NYS/UUP Professional Development and Quality of Working Life Committee Librarian Study Leave Program

The second round of this PDQWL program is now underway. Awards are granted to librarians who will be incurring expenses related to planned activities such as research, publishing, grant writing, workshop and conference participation, attendance at institutes, and even professional reading. Activities are to take place between July 1, 1993 and June 30 1994. Maximum award is \$5,000. Guidelines and application forms are available locally and the deadline for submission is March 15, 1994.

Last year's round of PDQWL grants saw forty-eight SUNY librarians receiving support. No eligible applicants were turned down. Nevertheless, a significant amount of funding set aside for Librarian Study Leaves was not awarded because many of us did not apply for this grant. Late announcement of the program's availability may have played a role in this. However, for the second round, there is still a good deal of time left to think of worthwhile study leave activities that could be applied for. We strongly encourage our membership to take advantage of this excellent professional development opportunity.

##### Campus Tuition Waivers

There are two sources for this kind of support. First, the UUP Tuition Assistance Program permits members to enroll in SUNY courses free of charge if space is available. Employees are entitled to a waiver of up to four credits for one course each Fall and Spring semester, as well as one Summer session course. The second source is the state's tuition program which allows for a partial waiver on one three credit, job-related course per semester. Terms of this second program may vary from campus to campus.

Details on both programs should be available at local UUP and personnel offices.

##### Conversations on the Disciplines Awards

Sponsored by the Provost's Office, this program offers financial resources for inter-campus scholarly conferences. It supports meetings which bring together SUNY faculty and others to examine trends, review research, and become better

acquainted with professional developments. Single and joint applications are considered. Maximum awards are for \$2500. Application guidelines are available at campus research administration offices. Deadline for applying is the last Monday in January.

Another program, Faculty Grants for Improvement of Instruction, is currently suspended. In the past, this program's purpose was to encourage faculty to develop and implement innovative projects in undergraduate education. Librarians involved in classroom teaching were eligible to apply. The program may be reactivated soon. We will try to keep you informed on its status.

And lastly, SUNYLA's Sylvia Chu Memorial Scholarship will again be available in the spring to those who have been SUNYLA members for not more than the latest three consecutive years and who have never attended a SUNYLA annual conference. The scholarship pays for the winner's conference registration, room, and board. An announcement inviting letters of application will appear in the January newsletter.

Richie Feinberg, Chair  
Professional Development Committee

SUNYLA - NOT JUST FOR LIBRARIANS!  
JOIN THE LIBRARY PROFESSIONALS SIG

Whether we are known as paraprofessionals, support staff, instructional support personnel, or paralibrarians we are professional and committed in every sense of the word. In all of our institutions we play vital roles and are responsible for everything from cataloging to management of the Circulation division. As the roles and parameters of librarianship change it is necessary to change the associations and institutions which cater to and educate this group of people. SUNYLA in the past has focused on librarians. It is time to increase the numbers and resources of this association to more adequately represent the "professionals" who are involved in and committed to making their institution vital and progressive.

At its September 10 meeting the SUNYLA Executive Board approved the formation of a library professionals special interest group. This forum seeks to increase involvement in the organization and deal constructively with issues endemic to libraries and support staff. We are interested in being informed, educated, and involved. The focus will not only be on professional development, classism, union issues, career ladders, permanent appointment requirements, and mentoring may be discussed. With combined membership we can make SUNYLA stronger both in terms of membership and focus.

We need your help. Will you encourage your co-workers and staff to join SUNYLA and the Library Professional special interest group? Will you at least have them contact myself or Donald Keenan for more information? It is proven that when employees get involved they commit themselves to the goals of their institution. If we become interested and excited about issues; increased motivation and production will follow. In addition, as Larry Oberg states in the late spring '93 issue of NYSLAA Network Connection, "problems paraprofessionals have as they try to prove their worth and improve their lot are the mirror image of librarians'." If we join together, the movement towards recognition will gain momentum and everyone will benefit.

If you need membership information please contact your campus delegate. Donald Keenan and I will be your special interest group contacts. We are both employees in the Cataloging

Department at the University at Albany. We can be reached at the following addresses:

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#### ACRL/NY ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

This year's annual symposium of the Greater New York Metropolitan Area Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL/NY) will address "Developing a National Information Policy and Infrastructure: Building Powerful Partnerships."

The all-day symposium will be held at the Fashion Institute of Technology's Katie Murphy Amphitheater, at Seventh Avenue and 27th Street in Manhattan, on Wednesday, November 17, 1993. The cost, including lunch, is \$35 for ACRL/NY members and \$45 for non-members. For further information, contact Ree DeDonato (212-998-2510 or dedonato@nyuacf) or Sue Schub (212-998-2603 or schub@nyuacf).

#### SUNYLA CLEARINGHOUSE

The SUNYLA Clearinghouse collects unpublished surveys, reports and other documents of interest to SUNYLA members. Materials are solicited through the newsletter and by SUNYLA delegates from each campus. If you wish to contribute, send two copies of the document/s, with a brief description or abstract of its contents to the address below. New materials are announced in the newsletter as they are acquired. A complete listing of Clearinghouse contents is published in the first issue of each academic year.

Materials are held by the Clearinghouse for two years. Borrowers are asked to return the documents within five working days of receipt, but are free to duplicate the material.

Documents may be borrowed by writing to:

SUNYLA Clearinghouse  
Attn: Barbara Shupe  
Nassau Community College  
A. Holly Patterson Library  
One Education Drive  
Garden City, NY 11530-6793

The following documents are available:

93-12 Student Employees, by Lee Ann Johst. SUNY Oswego. June, 1993. Handouts prepared for the Poster Session held at the 1993 SUNYLA Annual Conference at SUNY Binghamton. Includes various forms -- student application, performance standards, schedules, budget summary, evaluation, dismissal warning, and certificate of appreciation.

93-11 Librarians Writing and Publishing: Cooperation and Creativity, by Judith Hudson and Nancy Osborne. June, 1993. Handouts prepared for the program presented at the 1993 SUNYLA Annual Conference at SUNY Binghamton.



93-10 Sources on Internet Highway One, The Scholar's Guide to Internet Highway One, Document Delivery with Carol Uncover2 and Ei Page1, by Rachel Cassel, and OCLC FirstSearch, by Colleen Hailey and Rachel Cassel. April 1993. SUNY Binghamton. Resources guides.

93-09 Jewish Refugees, by Alex Beattie and Dieter Ullrich. May, 1993. SUNY Oswego. Resource guide for students. 4 p.

93-08 College History, by Dieter Ullrich. April, 1993. Local History, by Nancy Osborne and Dieter Ullrich. April, 1993. American History, by V. Stanley, O. Opello and C. Nevalizer. May, 1993. SUNY Oswego. Resource guides for students.

93-07 Beating Bibliographic Instruction Burnout! An Active Workshop, by Nancy Osborne. April 19, 1993. SUNY Oswego. Descriptive materials.

93-06 Library Research Techniques, by Nancy Osborne. January, 1993. SUNY Oswego. Resource guides and curriculum materials prepared for the Penfield Library's one credit course.

93-05 English Composition, by Nancy Osborne. March, 1993. Resource guide for students prepared for English 102.

93-04 Introduction to Technology Education Curriculum, by Nancy Osborne. 1992. SUNY Oswego. Resource guide for students prepared for TED206.

93-03 Resource Guides to CD-ROM Databases and Search Strategy Forms. 1992 and 1993. SUNY Oswego.

93-02 Updating Resource Guides, by Nancy Seale Osborne. January 27, 1993. SUNY Oswego. Results of a survey of Oswego librarians which lists current resource guides (handouts) and those which need to be done.

93-01 Library Instruction Objectives for English 102, and Results of a "Snapshot" Questionnaire on English 102/204 Library Instruction, Fall 1992. January 1993. SUNY Oswego.

92-15 SUNYLA E-Mail Enabling Workshops Handouts. May 1992. Material production by SUNY Training Center, Syracuse, New York.

92-14 Valuing Diversity: The Library Reference Assistant Program as a Student Empowerment Model. 1992. Produced by Nancy Seale Osborne, directed by Vince Doody. SUNY Oswego. Videotape, 23 minutes, 35 seconds. Describes the Library Reference Assistant (LRA) program where students of color and non-traditional students work with reference librarians, answering students' basic reference questions. Written materials include the "LRA Statement of Purpose" and a "Progress Report, Spring 1993."

92-13 Librarians' Writing and Publishing: A One-Hour Raps Session. November 5, 1992. Presented at Penfield Library, SUNY College at Oswego. Consists of an outline and a brief bibliography.

92-12 Rhetoric of Contemporary Social Movements: A Library Research Guide, by Nancy Osborne. SUNY Oswego, 9/92.

92-11 SUNY Entry-Level Knowledge & Skills. Draft Report (#3), July 26, 1992. Prepared by the SUNY Task Force on College Entry-Level Knowledge and Skills. The report is a description of the skills, abilities, and knowledge bases that

students will need to bring to their freshman year of college in order to succeed.

92-10 Not Just Cows: A Guide to Internet/Bitnet Resources in Agriculture and Related Sciences, by Wilfred Drew. SUNY Morrisville College of Agriculture and Technology, July 28, 1992.

92-9 Librarian Humor in Classroom and Reference, by Nancy Seale Osborne. SUNY Oswego. Presented at the SUNYLA Annual Conference Poster Session, June 1992, SUNY Oneonta. Contains letter to participants, questionnaire, results, additional comments from participants, and conclusions.

92-8 Access to Penfield Library Special Collections: Extending the 'Archival Bestiary' Concept, by Nancy Seale Osborne, SUNY Oswego. Presented at the SUNYLA Annual Conference, June 1992, SUNY Oneonta.

92-7 SUNY Librarians in Print, 1975-1988: A Bibliography of Publications by Librarians of the State University of New York, compiled by Betty Chan and Martha G. Reynolds. A Project of the Professional Development Committee of SUNYLA, sponsored by a New York State/UUP Professional Development/Quality of Working Life Grant, 1988.

92-6 A Suggested Search Strategy for Final Examination, by Nancy Seal Osborne. SUNY Oswego, 4/92. Handout prepared for Anthropology 250.

92-5 Anthropology/Archaeology, by Mary Loe. SUNY Oswego, 2/89. Handout.

92-4 High School Library Instruction. SUNY Oswego, 1/92. Consists of four parts, High School Library Instruction Policies; High School Library Instruction Checklist; Welcome High School Students!; How to Check Out Library Materials.

92-3 Native Americans, by Ron Dial. SUNY Oswego, 1/91. Handout.

92-2 Ecofeminism/Human Ecology/Women in Development: A Selected Bibliography, by Nancy Seal Osborne. SUNY Oswego. Handout.

92-1 Biennial Survey of the University Libraries, compiled by the Ad Hoc Committee on the Biennial Survey of the State of the University Libraries, SUNY Buffalo, 1/92. Questionnaire sent to SUNY Buffalo library faculty, professional staff, classified staff, and graduate assistants.

91-11 Using Primary Source Materials and Resources to Teach Social Studies. SUNY Oswego, 11/91. Handout.

91-10 Glossary of Select Library Terms: A Guide for International Students, by Nancy Seale Osborne. SUNY Oswego, 9/91. Handout.

91-9 CD-ROM Instruction, SUNY Oswego, 9/91. Consists of four handouts, Basic Objectives of CD-ROM Instruction; Evaluating Appropriateness of Periodical Citations Found in Indexes and on CD-ROMS; Improving CD-ROM Search Results; Possible Errors in Questioning.

91-8 Library Reference Assistant Program, SUNY Oswego, by Nancy Seale Osborne and Michael J. McLane, 1/90. Prepared for SUNYLA Annual Conference, 1990. Consists of Library Reference Assistants: A Program to Enhance Cultural Diversity, A Selected Bibliography; Library Reference Assistant Program (Description); Participants in the LRA Program; 1989-1990 Library Reference Assistant Program, Library Instruction

Sessions; LRA's: Who Are They?; LRA's on Tour.

91-7 Women's Studies, by Blanche Judd and Nancy Seal Osborne. SUNY Oswego, 2/89. Consists of three handouts, Women: International Perspectives, A Resource Guide to Selected Sources; Selected Sources on Women and Disability; Women's Studies.

91-6 Cooperative Learning and Library Instruction: A Workshop for Librarians, by Nancy Seal Osborne and Andrea Wyman. SUNY Oswego, July 1990. Prepared for the 1990 RAPS session. Consists of an outline of the workshop and a select bibliography on cooperative learning.

91-5 Rhetoric of Contemporary Social Movement: A Library Research Guide, by Nancy Seale Osborne. SUNY Oswego. 9/90. Handout.

91-4 Collection Development Policy, SUNY College of Technology, Farmingdale, 9/90.

91-3 Collection Development Policy, Schenectady County Community College, 6/90.

91-2 Salary Survey, prepared by the SUNYLA Personnel Policies Committee, November 1989.

91-1 New York State Governor's Conference on Library and Information Services.

#### NEWS FROM THE CAMPUSES

##### ALBANY

###### Promotions

Otis Chadley and Geoff Williams have received continuing appointments and have been promoted to Associate Librarian. Deborah A. Curry and Lynne M. Martin have been promoted to Senior Assistant Librarian. Jean Guyon, Carol Jewell, Michael Lonergan and Christine Travis have all received permanent appointment.

###### Resignation

Sharon Bonk, Asst. Director of User Services, has resigned her position to be Director of Queens College, CUNY Library.

###### Award

Tracy Doyle, a University at Albany graduating senior, was the first recipient of the University's Friends of the Libraries Student Service Excellence Award.

###### Publications

Anderson, Carol Lee, and Robert Hauptman. Technology and Information Services: Challenges for the 1990's. Norwood, NJ: Ablex, 1993.

Bonk, Sharon. "Acquisitions in the Nineties: Surviving the Fragmenting Future." Library Acquisitions: Practice and Theory 17 (1993): 137-144.

Jacobson, Trudi E., and Gary R. McClain. State of the Art Fact Finding. New York: Dell, 1993.

Knapp, Sara. The Contemporary Thesaurus of Social Science Terms and Synonyms: A Guide for Natural Language Computer Searching. Phoenix, AZ: Oryx Press, 1993.

VanAvery, Annalisa. "New Scholarship/New Serials: A Report on the 8th Annual NASIG Conference Held at Brown University, June 10-13, 1993." Technicalities July 1993: 2-3.

###### Report

Adams, Judith, Deborah Andersen, Sharon Bonk, and Tom Galvin. "Electronic Information Access Technologies: A Faculty Needs Assessment." Albany, May 1993.

#### Presentations

Bonk, Sharon. "CWIS--System or Service? Building a Partnership for Campus Service" at SUNY 2000 Merging Technologies, a joint conference of the Computing Officers Assoc., Educational Technologies Officers Assoc., and Telecommunications Officers Assoc., Syracuse, June 9, 1993.  
- - - . "Librarian Roles in a Campus Wide Information System." SUNYLA Annual Conference, Binghamton, June 10, 1993.

#### Library Project

This fall, the University Libraries, in cooperation with the Educational Opportunities Program, the Computing Services Center and the Career Development Center, have instituted an EOP Peer Research and Advising Program for Information Skills Development. Three EOP Peer Counselors have received education and training in the strategies and techniques of library research, information retrieval and evaluation, and career development resources, and will be available to assist EOP students throughout the Fall semester. The program is funded in part by an Affirmative Action Grant.

#### ALFRED

##### Reassignments

Carla Freeman is Library Director as of Aug. 1, 1993.  
Bruce Connolly is Public Services Director.  
Elizabeth Gulacsy is Art Reference Librarian.

##### Appointment

Mark Smith has joined the staff as a Reference Librarian replacing Beverly Crowell.

##### Other

The use and development of the multiLIS online catalog are progressing. Computer equipment from our new library funds have finally begun to arrive and CD-ROMs for Art Index and InterGLaD (International Glass Database) has been set up. Ceramics Abstracts will be added shortly as a CD-ROM.

#### BINGHAMTON

##### Promotion

Charlotte Skuster, Science Reference Librarian/Health Sciences Bibliographer has been promoted to Senior Assistant Librarian.

##### Leave

Jill Perkins , Reference Librarian/  
Bibliographer for Afro-American and African Studies, has been selected as a recipient of a HEA Title IIB Fellowship for study leading to Certificate of Advanced Studies degree in Library Automated Systems at the University of Pittsburgh. She will be on leave during the 1993-1994 academic year.

##### Other

A new unit within Technical Services is being formed, the Database Maintenance/Authorities unit. All activities related to database maintenance or retrospective conversion will be moved into this unit, with Maureen Zajkowski as the new Head. Additionally, Cataloging Services will have two new sections created: Copy Cataloging (supervised by S. Card, Senior Bibliographic Assistant); and Adjusted Cataloging (supervised by J. McGuane, Chief Cataloger).

#### BROOME

##### Grant

BCC is a participant in the Appalachian Regional Commission Grant (145,238) to build a fiber optic infrastructure between BCC, Binghamton University, WSKG, Roberson Museum and Science Center, BOCES, and eight school districts. LRC staff, Kathryn Nanneman and Wanda Johnston are coordinating BCC's creation

of the two-way interactive classroom and its use.

#### Publication

Johnston, Wanda K., with the ACRL Community and Junior College Libraries Section Bibliographic Instruction Committee. "Immodest Rebuttal: A Community College Perspective." Research Strategies 11. 2 (1993) :100-105

#### BUFFALO (COLLEGE)

##### Continuing Appointments

Donna Davidoff received continuing appointment and was promoted to Associate Librarian.  
Levirn Hill received continuing appointment.

##### Promotion

Hilary Sternberg was promoted to Sr. Assistant Librarian.

##### Other

E.H. Butler Library's online catalog, SHERLOCK, now offers Gateway Software for easy access to area online catalogs, CARL/Uncover, and a number of other Internet resources.

#### BUFFALO (UNIVERSITY)

##### Appointments

Teri Weil has been appointed to a two-year term in the Undergraduate Library as the Visiting Minority Librarian.  
MaryEllen O'Hara has been appointed as the Assistant to the Head of Acquisitions in Central Technical Services.

##### Continuing Appointment/Promotion

Sharon Lyn, Central Technical Services, has been promoted to Librarian.

##### Resignation

Francis Carey, Central Technical Services, has resigned his position effective August 26, 1993.

##### Award

Pat Coty-Loncto, National Center for Earthquake Engineering Research Information Service, has received the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Professional Service.

##### Grants

The National Center for Earthquake Engineering Research Information Service received a grant from the Nicholas Patterson Perpetual Fund to air-lift duplicate books and journals from NCEER Information Service to

Emil-Sever Georgescu, Civil Engineer in the Earthquake Preparedness and Disaster Prevention Programme at the Building Research Institute in Bucharest, Romania. Dorothy Tao and Pat Webster were able to identify and procure this funding.

##### Publications

Hardy, Gayle J. American Women Civil Rights Activists: Biobibliographies of 68 Leaders, 1825-1992. Jefferson, NC: McFarland, 1993.

The following contributed four entries to Ms. Hardy's book: Glendora Johnson-Cooper (Angela Davis); Cynthia L. Seitz (Barbara Jordan); and Dorothy S. Tao (Donaldina MacKenzie Cameron and Lillian D. Wald).

##### Professional Activities

Judith Adams, Director of Lockwood Library, was elected Director-at-Large to the Board of Directors of the Library Administration and Management Association, a Division of the American Library Association. She will serve a three-year term, beginning July 1993.

Dorothy Tao, National Center for Earthquake Engineering Research Information Service, participated in a Round Table discussion on Technology Transfer and the NCEER Information Service at the June meeting of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in Seattle.

NCEER Information Service has developed an anonymous ftp (file transfer protocol) site allowing direct access to anyone on the Internet to over 250 computer searches NCEER has on file from January 1991. In addition, they have information and index files to locate specific items of interest. The site also includes general information about NCEER and a list of NCEER technical reports. Call (716) 645-3377 or e-mail nernceer@ubvms.cc.buffalo.edu for connect information.

#### CANTON

##### Other

Southworth Library's OPAC, SLEUTH, was introduced August 1993.

#### CLINTON

##### Appointment

Catherine Figlioli was appointed Assistant Librarian for Reference and Bibliographic Instruction.

#### COBLESKILL

##### Promotion

Caren Agata has been promoted to Senior Assistant Librarian.

#### FASHION INSTITUTE

##### Publication

Rosenberger, Stephen. "Increase in Interlibrary Loan Activity at the Fashion Institute of Technology Library." Journal of Interlibrary Loan and Information Supply 3.4 (1993):63-70.

##### Professional Activities

Rochelle Sager has been named chair of the Resources Development Committee, a standing committee of METRO, which recommends resources studies, develops machinery for the coordination of acquisitions and plans interlibrary training programs.

#### FREDONIA

##### Promotion

Carrie M. Niles, Head of Bibliographic Control, has been promoted to Associate Librarian as of September 1, 1993.

##### Publications

Kflu, Tesfai. "Abyssinians in America: A Cultural Perspective." The Mid-Atlantic Almanack. The Journal of the Mid-Atlantic Popular American Culture, 2 (1993):97-106.

---, and Mary Loomba. "Academic Libraries and the Culturally Diverse Student Population." C & RL News June 1990:524-527.

---. "Vendor Performance Evaluation: Numeric Formula." Library Acquisitions Practice & Theory 14 (1990):307-313.

#### GENESEE

##### Appointments

Deborah M. Ceppaglia and Kathleen McGriff Powers have been appointed to part-time positions in reference and instruction.

##### Resignations

Joanne Usatch has resigned her part-time reference and instruction position to become a Technical Specialist for

GCC's Title III program. She will provide academic support to students and faculty in the college's off-campus and distance learning programs.

Sharyl Courter has resigned her part-time reference and instruction position to work towards completion of a Master's degree in psychology. She will be involved in an internship at the New York State School for the Blind in Batavia.

#### Promotion

Patricia Jones, Collection Development and Catalog Librarian, has been promoted to the rank of Assistant Professor.

#### GENESEEO

#### Promotion

Nick Paternostro has been granted continuing appointment and promotion to the rank of Associate Librarian, effective August 1994. In addition, he has been named Managing Librarian of Fraser Library, the College Libraries' branch facility.

#### Resignation

Martha Reynolds has resigned her position with the College Libraries and relocated to Rome, Georgia where her husband has been appointed to the administration at Berry College. Martha is currently working part-time at the Berry College Library.

#### Publication

Weas, Andrea. "multiLIS Software and the SUNY Library Automation Program." Library Software Review 12.2 (1993): 32-37.

#### JAMESTOWN

#### Leave

Ellen Ditonto, Library Automation Systems Manager, is on maternity leave until October 18, following the birth of a son in June.

#### Award

Adena Woodard, Reference Librarian, received the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Librarianship.

#### Other

Construction is underway to add approximately 16,075 square feet to the Hultquist Library which will accommodate satellite conferences, distance learning centers, and advancing information technology programs. Completion is scheduled for summer 1994.

#### MOHAWK VALLEY

#### Appointment

Kaiping Zhang was appointed Head of Reference.

#### MONROE

#### Appointment

Jan McNamara has accepted a position at Circulation. We welcome her to our staff.

#### Grant

Vincent Starbuck Jones, a founding trustee of Monroe Community College, has given the library a \$5,000 bequest to assist in the development of the College Archives.

#### Professional Activities

Debby Emerson represents Cluster 1 libraries (Monroe, Plattsburgh, Cayuga, and Cobleskill) on the NUSmUG Enhancements Committee.

#### Publication

Prestianni, Vincent. "Charles Olson: An Analytic Bibliography of Bibliographies and Selective Checklist of Special Collections, Textual Studies and Miscellanea." *Sagetrieb: A Journal Devoted to Poets in the Imagist/Objectivist Tradition* 11.1-2 (1992): 229-234.

#### Other

A 14,000 square foot area of the library's fourth floor is underway at the Brighton Campus.

At the Damon Center Campus, a 17,000 square foot learning resource center is in the process of being completed.

Originally scheduled to open September 1, 1993, now the target date is January 1, 1994.

#### MORRISVILLE

##### Resignation

Colleen Stella has resigned as Library Director effective July 15.

##### Appointment

Edward E. Duensing has been appointed as the new director and will begin his responsibilities Oct. 1, 1993. Mr. Duensing was previously Director of the Center for Urban Policy Research Library at Rutgers University.

#### NIAGARA

##### Promotions

Beth Hodgson, Systems Librarian, has been promoted to Assistant Professor.

Dr. Gail M. Staines, Coordinator of Library Instruction, has been promoted to Assistant Professor.

Lillian Passanese, Coordinator of the Faculty Resource Center and Reference Librarian, has been promoted to Associate Professor.

##### Appointment

Cathy Gibbs has been given the permanent term appointment of Circulation Librarian.

#### Publication

Staines, Gail M., and Sheryl L. Knab. "Supplemental BI: Developing an OPAC Self-Help Guide." *Research Strategies* 11.1 (1993): 33-38.

#### ONEONTA

##### Promotions

Kathryn Franco was promoted to Librarian.

Kay Benjamin was promoted to Senior Assistant Librarian.

##### Half-time

Mary Lynn Bensen, Associate Librarian, has returned to the Reference Dept. half-time.

##### Professional Activities

Diane Clark, Head of Special Collections, attended Book Arts Workshop on D.B. Updike and The Merrymount Press. It was held at Dartmouth College, August 18-21, 1993.

#### ONONDAGA

##### Professional Activities

Frank Doble, Acquisitions and Archives Librarian, has been elected Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

#### OSWEGO

##### Grant

Penfield Library is a recipient of a \$25,000 New York State Conservation/Preservation grant for 1993-94. The \$25,000 will



be used towards a new environmental control system for the library's Special Collections. The grant was written by Assistant Library Director Blanche Judd, with assistance from Special Collection's staff, as an answer to the mold problems in Special Collections. Blanche Judd will be the Project Director.

#### PLATTSBURGH

##### Promotions

Patty Bentley has been promoted to Librarian.  
Anne Rowland has been promoted to Associate Librarian.

##### Publication

List, Carla. Introduction to Library Research. 2nd ed. New York: McGraw-Hill, 1993.

#### POTSDAM

##### Reassignment

Jane Subramanian, Periodicals Coordinator, will be shifting responsibilities beginning October 1, 1993. She will continue with her present duties on a half-time basis, and will also be Music Cataloger on a half-time basis.

##### Continuing Appointment

Rebecca Thompson, Associate Librarian, has been granted continuing appointment effective Sept., 1, 1994.

##### Other

The Library's multiLIS OPAC was made available to the public in June 1993.

Potsdam College's gopher became public in July 1993. David Trithart and Holly Chambers were key members of the committee that developed the college's gopher and library services are featured prominently among its offerings.

#### PURCHASE

##### Grant

Carry Kyzivat, Acquisitions Coordinator, received a UUP/NYS PDQWL Professional Study Leave award, Spring 1993. She attended the annual meeting of the North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG), held at Brown University, Providence, RI, June 10-13, 1993.

#### SCHENECTADY

##### Appointment

Ya'aqov Ziso joined the staff in July as Technical Services/Systems Librarian.

##### Professional Activities

Nancy Heller has been elected to a two-year term as vice president of the Hudson Mohawk Library Association.

##### Other

Begley Library made its multiLIS OPAC available to students and faculty at the beginning of summer school in early June. It has been named BLISS, Begley Library Information Services System.

#### STONY BROOK

##### Appointment

Emily Horning was appointed Reference Librarian.

#### Sabbatical

Christine King will prepare a bibliography on the American Actors Equity Association (Aug. 93-Jan. 94).

#### Reassignment

Paul Wiener is now Head, Video and Microforms Department.

#### Award

Diane Stalker has been awarded the Frank B. Sessa Scholarship for continuing education of a Beta Phi Mu member. Diane has also been appointed as an intern on the Editorial Board of The Society of American Archivists.

#### Grant

The State Education Department has awarded the University Libraries at Stony Brook a \$15,695 grant for the 1993/94 Coordinated Preservation Project, "Preservation of Music Research Materials."

#### Publications

Johnson, Godlind. Selected Guide to Literature on Advanced Ceramics (Engineering Literature Guide, No. 14). Washington, D.C.: American Society for Engineering Education, Engineering Libraries Division, 1993.

Godlind is also series co-editor.

Lu, Min-Heui. Rev. of "Statistix, Version 4.0, A Data Analysis Program." Library Software Review 12.2 (1993)

White, Andrew. "The Prelude and Fugue in C Major From Bach's Well-tempered Clavier [Book 1]: Notes on the Compositional Process." American Bach Society Journal 23.2 (1992): 47-60.

#### SUFFOLK

Melendex, Lisa, et al. "Learning to Instruct On the Job: Team-teaching Library Skills." The Reference Librarian 40 (1993): 53-62.

#### SYRACUSE HEALTH SCIENCE

##### Promotions

Peter A. Uva, Head of Public Services, was promoted to Librarian.

Hannah King, Collection Development Librarian, was promoted to Senior Assistant Librarian.

Both promotions were effective July 1, 1993.

##### Publication

King, Hannah. "Walls Around the Electronic Library." The Electronic Library 11 (1993): 165-174.

##### Other

The library began and completed dumb barcoding of the bound journal collection over the summer of 1993.

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