

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Well, it's hard to believe, but it is already 1994, and the Spring Semester is about to begin. The Fall Semester went by like a whirlwind for me, and it's equally hard to believe that my term as SUNYLA President is already half over! Before long, we will all be basking in the sun and the warm breezes by the lake at Oswego for the Annual Conference in June.

But, before the Spring Semester gains ground and goes whirling by, I wanted to take this opportunity to let you know about two important issues that the Executive Board and Council have been addressing. First, the Executive Board and Council have been grappling with possible revision to the SUNYLA Constitution and Bylaws. An Ad Hoc Committee, whose charge is to review the current Constitution and Bylaws and recommend possible revisions, was formed following the September 1993 Executive Board/Council Meeting. The Ad Hoc Committee is composed of the following members: Past President, Barbara Via (Chair); 1st Vice President, Chris Hebblethwaite; Membership Development Chair, Janet Steins; and Personnel Policies Chair, Ellie Gossen. The Committee has been painstakingly reconstructing all the changes that have taken place to the Constitution and Bylaws since the document was last printed and distributed to the membership -- my thanks to Janet Steins for her very hard work on that project. A revised copy of the Constitution and Bylaws will be distributed to each Delegate (who will in turn share it with the SUNYLA membership on their respective campuses) and will be posted on the SUNYLA Gopher (hopefully) in the spring. Discussion about the possible revision will continue throughout the remainder of this year, and into next year. Areas for possible revision include: audits of the treasurer's books; membership categories and dues structure; and duties of officers and committee chairs, among others. Any revisions, of course, will be voted on by the entire membership. Further information on this important topic will be reported on in future issues of the newsletter and SUNYLA-L.

Second, the Executive Board and Council have been working to establish official liaisons with two other SUNY-wide groups; FACT (Faculty Access to Computing Technology) and COA (Communication Officers Association). SUNYLA's liaison work with LAIP, LASG and the SUNY Council of Head Librarians have proven to be very beneficial, and it is hoped that cooperation with FACT and COA will prove to be equally beneficial. If you are interested in serving as a SUNYLA liaison to either FACT or COA, please contact me.

And, speaking of contacting me, I also wanted to let you know that I moved from the University at Albany to the College of Agricultural and Technology at Cobleskill on December 2, 1993! You can now reach me at Cobleskill:

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1994 SUNYLA ELECTIONS

Have you ever served as an officer in SUNYLA? If not, let me encourage you to do so. As an officer, I have met and worked with great people in the Association and I feel good about our accomplishments. So I'm writing to tell you that the 1993/94 Nominating Committee is now looking for candidates for the following offices:

First Vice President/President Elect
(1st VP 1994/95, President 1995/96)
The person in this office serves as 1st
VP during the first year and

President during the second year.

Second Vice President (1994/95)

The person in this office is responsible for planning the 1995 SUNYLA Conference.

Secretary (two year term 1994/95-1995/96)

If you have any questions about the duties of these offices, either refer to the Association's Manual of Duties and Responsibilities or give me a call.

Please notify your Category Representative (given below) or the Chair of the Nominating Committee (that's me) about any candidates you wish to nominate.

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The deadline for making nominations to the Committee is January 31, 1994. Thank you for your participation.

Chris Hebblethwaite
1st Vice President, SUNYLA

FRIEND OF SUNYLA AWARD
1994 NOMINATIONS

The SUNYLA Professional Development Committee is soliciting nominations for the 1993 Friend of SUNYLA Award. This award is presented to either individuals or organizations making a significant contribution to the furtherance of SUNYLA library objectives.

The criteria for the award are as follows:

1. Outstanding leadership qualities and initiative should be exhibited by all nominees in promoting SUNYLA objectives.

2. A SUNYLA member can be considered if service includes holding an office, planning an annual meeting, serving as category representative, or maintaining involvement as a former officer.
3. Library administrators should exhibit open-mindedness and should work closely with librarians. Creativity and initiative in planning are important, as well as the encouragement of SUNYLA objectives.
4. Recipients from the general public should evidence understanding of State University philosophy. Lobbying, public statements, and legislative activity are examples of such efforts.
5. Publishers, vendors, or other commercial organizations are considered based on outstanding support to SUNYLA programs.

The nominations will be presented to the SUNYLA Executive Board for consideration and selection at the spring meeting. The presentation of the award will take place at the June, 1994 annual conference.

Past recipients of the award include Roger Gifford, David Kreh, Janet Potter, Anne Commerton, Jeanne Galbraith, Mary Beilby, Ed Sullivan, and Raney Ellis.

Please send a statement of your candidate's achievements as they relate to the above criteria, no later than February 25, 1994, to:

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JOINT DATABASE GRANT

The SUNY Council of Library Directors has received an award of \$147,730 from SUNY Central to carry out the Joint Database Access Project, Toward a Collaborative Information Environment: A SUNY Libraries Pilot Project. The grant proposal, submitted by Barbara von Wahlde, Steve Roberts (University at Buffalo), Cerise Oberman (Plattsburgh), Eleanor Carter (Cobleskill), and Carey Hatch (SUNY Central) provides funds for eight SUNY Colleges to purchase TermPac and ProPac, NOTIS Z39.50 clients which will give them joint access to ERIC, a broad selection of Wilson databases, and the online catalogs of Buffalo, Stony Brook, and Binghamton. The project will run for 18 months. All databases will be mounted at the University of Buffalo. The libraries selected as TermPac sites are Broome Community College and SUNY Brockport. The ProPac sites are SUNY Cobleskill, SUNY Geneseo, Jamestown Community College, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Oswego, and SUNY College of Technology at Utica/Rome. This grant will test the viability of SUNY-wide database sharing, including centralized purchase of online products and group access to both these products and to diverse online library catalogs.

CONFERENCE '94 -- OSWEGO

Long range forecasts are for great weather and an exciting conference at Oswego in June. Plans for the program are underway. Here are some of the expected highlights. As a keynote speaker we hope to present Langdon Winner, a political scientist at RPI who teaches about science and technology issues. He's also a columnist and author. Some of his recent writings include: "A New Social Contract for Science." Technology Review May-June 1993: 65; "Losing the Cooperative Edge." Technology Review Nov-Dec 1993: 68; "The Indifference of Technocrats." Technology Review Feb-Mar 1993: 65; "How Technology Reweaves the Fabric of Society." The Chronicle of Higher Education 4 Aug. 1993: B1+; "Citizen Virtues in a Technological Order," Inquiry, 35:3-4 (1992): 341; and "Artifact/Ideas and Political Culture." Whole Earth Review 73 (1991): 18. His books are The Whale and the Reactor (1988), Autonomous Technology: Technics-Out-of-Control as a Theme in Political Thought (1977), and, as

editor, Democracy in a Technological Society (1988).

At least one preconference session is planned for Wednesday afternoon, concerning MARC Archives & Manuscript Control format. The main conference should feature sessions on topics including the Internet, bibliographic instruction, document delivery, serials, personnel issues, government documents, OPACs, and more.

The conference brochure should appear in early spring. We hope to see many of you there.

David Trithart, Program Committee

SYLVIA CHU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

For the third consecutive year, SUNYLA announces the availability of the Sylvia Chu Memorial Scholarship for new members. Named after a long-time member of the Professional Development Committee, the scholarship is to encourage the participation and professional development of new members through conference attendance.

Administered by the Professional Development Committee, with the cooperation of the Local Arrangements Committee, additional information concerning the scholarship will be found in the flyer calling for applications -- to be included with the Conference Program in an early spring distribution.

For the 1994 conference, one scholarship up to \$300 will be awarded for conference costs to a SUNYLA member that meets the following criteria: has never previously attended a SUNYLA conference; has been a member for not more than three consecutive years; has paid for the current year's dues; is not a session presenter.

Please watch for the flyer in the Conference Program and take advantage of this great opportunity.

Marlene Hurley
Professional Development Committee

NALA SCHOLARSHIP

The Northern Adirondack Library Association has established an annual scholarship of \$350 for those who wish to pursue a career in the profession of library science. The scholarship is to be used toward one graduate level course in the field of library science at an accredited library school.

The scholarship shall be awarded on an annual basis to a candidate who holds a bachelor's degree and is a resident of, or employed in, Essex, Franklin or Hamilton County in New York State. Preference will be given to an applicant who has experience in the library field and/or is a member of NALA.

The scholarship must be used within 12 months of the calendar date of acceptance; for example, a scholarship awarded in January 1992 must be used before January 1993. It is expected that the scholarship will be awarded in April 1994 and must be used before April 1995.

The Northern Adirondack Library Association is a professional organization for librarians (school, public, academic, and special) and friends of libraries.

Information about the scholarship and application forms are available from:

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I have sometimes dreamt, at least, that when the Day of Judgemnt dawns and the great conquerors and lawyers and statesmen come to receive thier rewards...the Almighty will turn to Peter and will say, not without a certain envy when he sees us coming with our books under our arms, "Look, these need no reward. We have nothing to give them here. They have loved reading."

- Virginia Woolf (1882-1941)

FUNDING IS STILL AVAILABLE FOR REGIONAL WORKSHOPS

At the September SUNYLA Council meeting, \$300 was allotted to the Regional Workshops Program which is administered by the Professional Development Committee. From this fund, the Committee grants seed money to SUNYLA librarians interested in setting up small conferences in their geographical area on a topic of current interest. This academic year, the Professional Development Committee has received two inquiries about this program, but as yet no firm application. Therefore, the money for this purpose is still available. Regional Workshops can provide a forum for SUNY librarians' interaction, exchange of ideas, and professional development. A region is defined as a group of SUNY campuses within daily commuting distance of one another. We encourage our membership to take advantage of this opportunity. Anyone interested in organizing a regional workshop should contact Richie Feinberg, Chair of the Professional Development Committee.

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NEW MEMBERS

SUNYLA welcomes the following new members:

Larry Berk, Ulster
Donald Brister, Binghamton
Clara Bruns, Adirondack
Renee Bush, Buffalo/Center
Lara Bushallow-Wilbur, Buffalo/Center
Julie Cizenski, Binghamton
Deborah Ceppaglia, Geneseo
William Codgell, Old Westbury
Ellen Ditonto, Jamestown
Becky Harper, Jamestown
Peter He, Albany
Susan Hensley, Binghamton
Janet Hogan, Binghamton
Barbara Hornick-Lockard, Corning
Emily Horning, Stony Brook/Center
Virginia Howard, Binghamton
Lawrence Jenkins, Broome
Lynne Karen, Westchester
Donald Keenan, Albany
Robert Knipe, Geneseo
Donna McIlwraith, Suffolk
Cynthia Potts, Nassau
Martin Raish, Binghamton
Pamela Ray, Albany
Ronald Saskowski, Buffalo/HSC
Cynthia Seitz, Buffalo/Center
Daniel Sell, Jamestown
Karen Shockey, Binghamton
Marsha Spiegelman, Nassau
Noreen Tillotson, Geneseo
Karen Volkman, Plattsburgh
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KOSOVER COLLECTION OF JUDAICA

The University Libraries and the Judaic Studies Department of the University at Albany, State University of New York, are pleased to announce the publication of a new catalog entitled Kosover Collectin of Judaica, 1545-1850. Included in this 68 page guide are bibliographic entries, with subject and name indexes, for over 220 Hebrew and Judaeo-German works relating to Jewish life in Central Europe in the 17th and 18th centuries, with an emphasis on liturgical and halakhic practice. The collection includes several early works on Hebrew grammar, as well as legal responsa literature. Responsa literature provides a valuable resource for the study of Jewish social, political, economic, cultural and religious life in medieval and modern periods, and materials for the study of Jewish folklore. Many of these rare and unique titles, housed in the University Libraries' Department of Special Collections and Archives, were printed in Hebrew printing centers in Europe and constitute a valuable resource on the history of Hebrew printing and bookmaking.

The Kosover Collection of Judaica, 1545-1850 was prepared by Sharona R. Wachs, Monographic Cataloger, and includes an introduction by Dr. Judith R. Baskin, Chair of the Department of Judaic Studies at the University. Publication of the catalog was supported by the Kappa Beta Fraternity. Copies are available for \$7.50 (payable to the "University at Albany Foundation, Inc. - Library Development Fund") from Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York, 1400 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12222.

Everybody gets so much information all day long that they lose their common sense.

- Gertrude Stein (1874-1946)

NEWS FROM THE CAMPUSES

ADIRONDACK

Appointments Clara Bruns is currently serving in the position of Cataloging Librarian. Before coming to ACC, Clara participated in an internship program at the State Library. Jennifer Chillrud began a part-time position as Reference/Bibliographic Instruction Librarian in September. Jennifer was formerly a Senior Liaison Officer for SUNY/OCLC.

Professional Activities Mary-Alice Lynch, Director of Learning Resources, is serving a one year term on the Executive Board and the Strategic Planning Committee of the SUNY/OCLC Network Advisory Council.

ALBANY

Resignation Lynne Martin has resigned her position to join the staff of SUNY Cobleskill effective December 1, 1993.

Publication Jacobson, Trudi E., and Lynne M. Martin. "Merging Critical Thinking and the Electronic Library: A Visionary Perspective of SuperPac, an Enhanced OPAC." Research Strategies 11 (1993): 138-149.

Grant Janice Newkirk and Trudi Jacobson have received a grant of \$9,000 from the Spencer Foundation to undertake research to measure which types of instruction and assistance are most closely associated with successful CD-ROM searching.

BINGHAMTON

Appointments Nancy Cannon has accepted a temporary position as Science Reference Assistant in the Science Library. Janet Hogan and Karen Shockey have

accepted temporary positions as Adjunct Assistant Librarians in the Bartle Library.

Publication Raish, Martin, Ann O'Brien, and the BI-L (Bibliographic Instruction Discussion Group Listserv). "Image of the Librarian in Commercial Motion Pictures: An Annotated Bibliography." *Collection Management* 17.3 (1993): 61-84.

BROOME

Publications Johnston, Wanda K. "Barcoding: Tedious Project or Community Party?" *College & Research Libraries News* Nov. 1993: 549. Johnston, Wanda K. "The Information Literacy Challenge." *Center Stage* 15 Nov. 1993: 7-8. Spanfelner, Deborah L. "Diversity and Library Services." *Center Stage* 15 Oct. 1993: 4.

BUFFALO (UNIVERSITY)

Appointments

Michael Basinski has been appointed Assistant Curator for Poetry/Rare Books as an Assistant Librarian. Diane Ward has been appointed as the European Languages Cataloger in Central Technical Services. Cheryl Williams is the new half-time microcomputer specialist in the Director's Office.

Publications

Densmore, Christopher. "The Dilemma of Quaker Anti-Slavery: The Case of Farmington Quarterly Meeting, 1836-1860." *Quaker History* 82 Fall 1993.
McGrath, Ellen. "Developing Priorities for Authority Work at the University of Buffalo Libraries." *Cataloging and Classification Quarterly* 16.4 (1993): 5-23.

Professional Activities

A member of the steering committee of the College and University Archives Section of the Society of American Archivists, Chris Densmore, University Archives, organized the Study and Discussion Groups held as part of SAA annual meeting in New Orleans. He has also been appointed to the Steering Committee of the Lake Ontario Archives Conference; and spoke recently on finding aids for archives and manuscripts at the Western New York Genealogical Society, and on the Seneca Falls Woman's Rights Convention at the Conference on New York State History.

Ellen McGrath, Law Library, has been appointed as editor of the "Research and Publications" column of the *Technical Services Law Librarian* (the quarterly official publication of the Technical Services Special Interest Section and the Online Bibliographic Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries).

The following presented/presided at the Special Joint Conference of the New York Library Association and the Ontario Library Association, November 3-7, 1993 in Niagara Falls:

- Susan Davis-Bartl, Central Technical Services, presided at "Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Revolutionizes Serials Acquisitions."
- Susan Dow, Law Library, provided an introduction to the vast array of State law and suggestions and pathfinders for locating them in "Sources for New York Legal Research."
- Mike Lavin, Lockwood Library, provided an overview of "Business Reference Sources for the Non-Specialist."
- Sue Neumeister, Central Technical Services, presented the effects of "Marc Format Integration" on the cataloger.

Other

Glendora Johnson-Cooper is Acting Director of the Oscar A. Silverman Undergraduate Library while Director Margie Wells cares for her new daughter Sarah Jin-Lee Wells.

BUFFALO HEALTH SCIENCES

Publications

Gray, Sharon A., and Edward R. Starr. "Health of Native People of North America: An Annotated Mediagraphy." *McJournal: The Journal of Academic*

Media Librarianship 1.2 Fall 1993, Filename: Gray MCJ 01008.

Gray, Sharon A. "Clinton's Health Care Reform. Part 1: Physicians' Perspectives." MLA News November-December 1993: 3-4.

Gray, Sharon A., and Lori Widzinski. "Information Technology in the Academic Biomedical Library: An Ethical Perspective." Medical Reference Services Quarterly 12.2 (1993): 45-55.

Grants

Sharon Gray received a Librarian Study Leave grant from the New York State/United University Professions Professional Development and Quality of Working Life Committee for \$3750 in June 1993.

Sharon Gray was the co-applicant for the following grants which were awarded:

IME (Indirect Medical Education) Demonstration Project Grant, Graduate Medical/Dental Education Consortium of Buffalo, \$4500, November 1993. "International Conference on the State of Native American Health," State University of New York Conversations in the Disciplines Program, \$2500, August 1993. "International Conference on the State of Native American Health," University at Buffalo Office of the Provost, Conferences in the Disciplines, \$2000, June 1993. "International Conference on the State of Native American Health," Canadian-American Studies Committee, Canadian-United States Trade Center, \$1500, June 1993. "International Conference on the State of Native American Health," Canadian-American Studies Committee, Canadian-United States Trade Center, \$500, May 1993.

Other

September 1993 marked the debut of HUBNET at the University at Buffalo Health Sciences Library. HUBNET (Hospitals and University at Buffalo Library Resource Network) is a collaborative project of the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, the University Libraries' Health Sciences Library, and the libraries of seven Buffalo-area teaching hospitals. University at Buffalo faculty, students, and staff at these locations can search HUBNET from their institution's library or through remote access. HUBNET provides an array of information resources such as bibliographic databases, full text reference materials, the University Libraries' online catalog BISON, Internet access, and electronic mail. The bibliographic databases include MEDLINE, Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature, CancerLIT, Health Planning and Administration, and Current Contents. Full text materials include fifteen electronic journals, twenty-five clinical manuals, six textbooks, drug information resources, and expert systems used by clinicians as medical decision support tools.

HUBNET is a client server information system built upon a series of Novell servers and workstations located at the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. The system has over twenty-five gigabytes of on-line reference materials and has twenty-one on-line CD-ROM drives. The system is constructed to handle as many concurrent users as most mainframe systems but at a fraction of the investment. Medical informatics, "the rapidly developing scientific field that deals with the storage, retrieval and optimal use of biomedical information, data, and knowledge for problem solving and decision making," is an initiative taking place at academic health sciences centers across the country including the University at Buffalo's community-based schools of the health sciences. HUBNET represents a significant step in this initiative with the development of the medical workstation supporting patient care, biomedical research, the training of health professionals, and the continuing education of clinicians.

COBLESKILL

Appointment

Lynne Martin has joined the SUNY Cobleskill staff as Senior Assistant Librarian for cataloging effective Dec. 2, 1993.

Leave

Nancy Niles, Associate Librarian, will be on a one year maternity leave beginning in January 1994.

Resignation

Caren Agata, Senior Assistant Librarian, has resigned and relocated to Atlanta, Georgia.

Grant

SUNY Cobleskill received a FACT grant of \$1,000 to be used for a workshop entitled "Internet Resources for Agricultural Education." The workshop will be held January 17-18, 1994, and it will be open to librarians and Agricultural and Natural Resources faculty.

U FREDONIA

Leave

Susan P. Besemer will be on sabbatical leave, February 1, 1994 - July 31, 1994.

Scholarly Activities

Richard Hart recently received his PH.D. from the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His dissertation is titled "The Information-Gathering Behavior of the Faculty of a Four-Year State College."

Professional Activities

Susan P. Besemer presented a paper entitled "Addressing the Serials Problem with Simple Online Searching and Document Delivery: Making Lemonade from Lemons," at the Sixth Annual Conference on New Information Technology, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 11-13, 1993.

GENESEEO

Appointment

Nan Pollot was appointed to the position of Public Services Librarian (Reference & BI) at the Senior Assistant Librarian rank effective November 22, 1993. Formerly, Nan was Assistant Librarian, Information Services Department, at SUNY Brockport.

MONROE

Professional Activities

Ann P. Penwarden has been elected Program Chair for the Western New York/Ontario Division of ACRL (WYN/O ACRL).

Debby Emerson has been re-elected Newsletter Editor for the New Members' Round Table, New York Library Association.

NASSAU

Resignation

Judith Opatow resigned as Periodicals Librarian.

Appointments

Marsha Spiegelman and Cynthia Powers have been appointed as Instructors in the Reference and Cataloging departments.

Promotion

Marilyn Rosenthal was granted tenure and promotion to Assistant Professor.

Leave

Richard Delbango was granted a sabbatical leave to complete a hypercard project for the library as his Master's degree thesis.

Professional Activities

Barbara Shupe has been appointed to the LASG board.

NIAGARA

Other

Karen Ferington, Catalog and Archives Librarian, is working on a multi-year project to catalog the archives collection using the Innovative Interfaces Local Database software. The project began 3 years ago with sorting and organizing all of the records in the college archives. Next, an inventory of the records was completed using the New York State Archives Inventory Worksheet for Local Government Records. All records were then organized into twenty-six large record groups according to the college's organization chart. It was decided that the bibliographic records would be in standard MARC format. We worked with Innovative Interfaces to create a separate local database for the archives collection. Test records were loaded and any apparent problems were corrected. Then, original cataloging began for each of the twenty-six record groups. Corresponding authority records were created for each group to

provide cross-references. Original cataloging and data entry continues at present.

The NCCC Library was one of the first to use Innovative Interfaces software for cataloging an archives collection. When the record groups are all cataloged and in the local database, the information will be available on the OPAC for easier access to archival records relating to the history of NCCC.

Anyone who would like more information on this project can contact: Karen Ferington, Phone: (716) 731-3271 x354, Fax: (716) 731-7118.

OLD WESTBURY

Appointment

William Cogdell has been appointed Reference/Interlibrary Librarian.

ONEONTA

Grant

Milne Library is one of eight SUNY Libraries chosen to be part of the eighteen-month pilot for the Council of Library Directors Joint Database Access Project. The project, funded by the SUNY Office of Educational Technology, will provide \$39,500 access to a selection of Wilson databases, ERIC, and the online catalogs of Buffalo, Stony Brook, and Binghamton. Christine Bulson is supervising the project at Milne Library, with Janet Potter as project coordinator.

OSWEGO

Publications

Osborne, Nancy. "Perspectives on Saving Our Herstory: NWSA (National Women's Studies Association) Archives and Adirondack Lane Canoeing." NWSAction Fall 1993.

Osborne, Nancy. Essay on the poet and writer May Sarton. Contemporary Lesbian Writers of the United States: A Bio-Bibliographical Critical Sourcebook. Ed. Sandra Pollack and Denise D. Knight. Westport, Conn., 1993.

Professional Activities

Nancy Osborne is chair of the NWSA Archives Committee. The NWSA archives are in the Special Collections of the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. Natalie Sturr presented a paper entitled "Campus-Wide Information Systems: Powerful Tools for Information Sharing" at the conference "The Many Faces of the Interface: Equalizing Access to Technology in a MultiCultural World." The Conference was sponsored by SUNY FACT (Faculty Access to Computing Technology).

Other

Three indexes to Penfield Library's Special Library are now available through the campus gopher: Manuscript Collection Summary and Description Guide; Oswego County Historical Society Journal Index; Oswego Newspaper Index (1839-1855+). To access, gopher to oswego.oswego.edu or select SUNY Oswego from "All the Gophers in the World."

PLATTSBURGH

Grants

Cerise Oberman is coordinating a project funded by a grant from the SUNY Office of Education and Technology. The project will test access from eight SUNY institutions to Wilson and ERIC databases mounted at SUNY Buffalo.

Feinberg Library is also participating in another project funded by the Office of Education and Technology. This project will test the technology and fiscal ramifications of an internet-based telefacsimile software/ hardware package, ARIEL.

Professional Activities

Cerise Oberman, Director of Libraries, is serving as chair of the SUNY Council of Library Directors for 1993/94.

Other

Students, faculty, and staff can now place Interlibrary Loan requests electronically, through the campus network.

POTSDAM

Professional Activities

Rebecca Thompson attended the International Communal Studies Conference in

New Harmony, Indiana, October 14-17, 1993 and presented a paper entitled, "Deshee Farm, a New Deal Cooperative Farm."
Marion Blauvelt, Jane Subramanian, and Rebecca Thompson attended the International MultiLIS Users Group Meeting in Niagara Falls, Ontario, November 1-2, 1993 and made a joint presentation on the MultiLIS serials control module for which Crumb Library is a beta test site.
Nancy Eldblom was prepared and scheduled to speak on access to New York State Government Documents as part of a panel during the Annual Conference of the New York Library Association in Niagara Falls from Nov. 4-6. However, she and her colleagues were "bumped" by Hillary Rodham Clinton who unexpectedly addressed the conference on health care and libraries. The documents presentation has been rescheduled for the 1994 conference.

PURCHASE

Professional Activities
Thelma Freides was elected Chair of the Board of Trustees, Public Affairs Information Service (PAIS).

STONY BROOK

Appointment
Donald Coney was appointed Assistant Librarian (Serials and Acquisitions Department) effective January 1994.

Resignations
Judy Kaufman resigned to assume position of Assistant University Librarian for Personnel at the University of California, Irvine.
Joyce Clinkscales resigned to become Music Librarian at Emory University.

Publication
Volat, Helene. "Questioning Foundations: Truth/Subjectivity/Culture. A Bibliography." Continental Philosophy 5 (1993): 289-300.

Professional Activities
Joseph Cavanagh was a participant at a panel discussion entitled "User Evaluations of Software" at last year's Integrated Online Library Systems Conference in New York City. He discussed NOTIS software design, performance and support. Jyoti Pandit is the new editor of NYLA's Government Documents Round Table Newsletter.

TOMPKINS

Leave
Ann Sullivan has taken a leave of absence for the academic year 93-94.

Appointment
David Lewis is taking Ann's place while she is on leave.

Promotion
Marie Spollen was promoted to associate professor.

Other
The library at Tompkins Cortland C.C. underwent a major renovation and expansion project during the summer of 1993.

UTICA

Professional Activities
Eileen Allen has been appointed to the Documentary Heritage Program Advisory Committee for the combined South Central and Central New York regions. Eileen has also been asked to serve as the ENY/ACRL representative to the National Advisory Council of ACRL's College Library Section.
Mary Strife has been reappointed as chair of the CENTRO Continuing Education Committee. She is also continuing as co-chair of ASLS/NYLA.

ULSTER

Leave
Richard Arnold is on sabbatical for Fall 1993.

Appointments

Candace Watson is replacing Richard while he is on leave.

Kari Mack is part-time librarian for reference and bibliographic instruction.

Other

Library is producing a new policy manual to be completed Spring 1994.

In preparation for LAIP implementation, the collection will be barcoded this January. The library is a new MPALS user and is implementing document delivery in December 1993. "Electronic Access to Information" is a new two credit library course.

SUNYLA NEWSLETTER is published four times a year by the Publications Committee of the State University of New York Librarians Association.

Editors for 1993-1994 are Kay Benjamin and Kathryn Franco. News should be sent to the editors:

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