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SPRING  
CONFERENCE



the Bulletin staff....

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TAKE NOTE!!!

H-6251, introduced to the R.I. Assembly at the request of the Legislative Committee of the Rhode Island Library Association, is still in the files of the House Finance Committee. Please contact your local representative, and write to the members of the House Committee. This legislation provides funds for programs for pre-school children, the homebound, and persons seeking new job skills. It will not even get a public hearing unless our legislators know that there is public interest in this matter.

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Weeding out? Remember to save your old  
R. I. L. A. BULLETINS. Our collection  
lacks Vol. 44, No. 3 and Vol. 45, No. 1.

Bring discarded Bulletin's to the Spring  
Conference and leave them in the box at  
the Registration Desk. We need your help.  
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## PRESIDENT-ELECT PAUL F. CRANE

Last month's Bulletin introduced the candidates who appeared on the ballot that you received in the mail. This month we introduce President-Elect Paul F. Crane who will move from the position of Vice-President to that of President of R. I. L. A. at the Spring Conference May 24th.

Paul was born in Massachusetts and graduated from Providence College in 1959. He received his Masters in Library Science from Simmons College and started his library career at Brown University in the Circulation Department. From there he went to the Boston Public Library as a member of the Education Reference Department. He returned to Rhode Island as Children's Librarian and later Readers' Advisor at the Pawtucket Public Library. Since 1967 he has served as the director of the West Warwick Public Library System which comprises the Champlin Memorial and the Crompton Free libraries. Under his direction and with his special interest in book selection, the Champlin Memorial Library can boast of an excellent collection for a library of its size. Especially noteworthy is the growing reference collection. He has been active in the continuing fight for intellectual freedom, has done radio work to keep libraries in the public's mind, and has been an active member of R. I. L. A.

Paul is married to the former Catherine Cotter and is the father of two girls and three boys. His home is located in Hope, Rhode Island.

As Paul F. Crane takes on the duties of the presidency of R. I. L. A., we look forward to a year as successful and busy as the one just closing under the leadership of Richard A. Olsen.



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RHODE ISLAND LIBRARY ASSOCIATION  
SPRING CONFERENCE  
MAY 24, 1973

PROGRAM

8:30-9:30 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE

9:30-11:30 CHANGE AGENTS, Session 1

This first session, as well as the second session at 3:30 P.M. will provide an introduction to personal communication. The two sessions will help to coordinate what you already know with what you are doing as a person - at home, in the library, and in the community.

10:30-11:30 STORY DRAMATIZATION

Nancy Pereira of the Looking Glass Theatre and a group of children will give a demonstration of techniques which can be used by children's librarians in storytelling.

12:00-1:30 LUNCHEON

1:30-2:30 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

2:30-3:30 PUBLIC RELATIONS - WHAT IT CAN DO FOR  
THE LIBRARY

Mr. Joseph "Bo" Bernstein, of Bo Bernstein and Company, Inc., will speak about the necessity and importance of a good public relations program for all libraries. A questions and answer period is included.

3:30-5:30 CHANGE AGENTS, Session 2

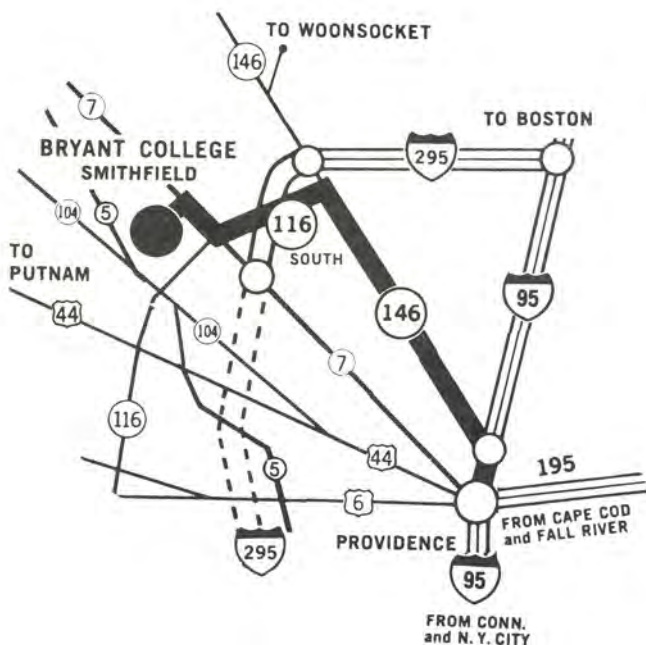
Followed by a question and answer period.

3:30-5:30 COMMUNICATIONS PANEL DISCUSSION

Members of the communications industry will speak briefly about how librarians can work with this industry for the most effective publicity and public relations.

Roberta A. E. Cairns  
Conference Chairman

# ALL ROADS LEAD TO BRYANT COLLEGE



MAY 24, 1973

## Communications

Find out how to work with radio and TV stations newspapers etc. for effective publicity for library events. Panel discussion, 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. at R.I.L.A. Spring Conference.

## CHANGE AGENTS

How well do librarians communicate? Do they reach only the patron who enters the library? Do they get their message to the general public - - the businessman, the student, the hobbieist and the legislator?

Perhaps our communication skills need sharpening, if we are to compete for the tax dollar with more visible community services. The Spring Conference Committee of R. I. L. A. has engaged the services of Change Agents to present a seminar on Communication Skills.

Change Agents is a Connecticut-based counseling and consultant group. They have a team of consultants specializing in services for libraries and librarians. As a central part of their library consultant services, they offer seminars designed to develop communications skills. The training sessions designed to help libraries, library associations, regional systems and individuals use the case study approach.





## REGISTRATION AND LUNCHEON

This year, there will be a registration fee of \$1.00 for the R.I.L.A. Spring Conference. You need not register for the Conference in advance, but if you wish lunch, your reservation must be in by May 14, 1973. The menu is as follows:

Minted pineapple cup  
Tossed green salad with House Dressing  
Beef Burgundy  
Baked potato with sour cream and chives  
String beans almondine  
Peach shortcake  
Coffee, tea

Luncheon tickets at \$4.10 each may be reserved by mailing your reservation to:

RILA Spring Conference  
c/o Barrington Public Library  
County Road  
Barrington, Rhode Island 02806

If you wish, you can make your reservations by phone at either 245-3079 or 245-3875, Monday through Friday, 9 to 5. All reservations must be in by May 14, 1973 so that the count may be given to Bryant. No reservations will be accepted after that date.

## NICE LUNCH ! NOW TO BUSINESS



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