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Renovating the University of Rhode Island's Library: An Update

BY LUCILLE CAMERON

n academic library may be described as the engine of scholarship, a facility and service which mediates the encounter between information needs and sources of information. As such, the University Library serves a diverse clientele of 750 faculty, 12,000 undergraduate and graduate students, 2,000 staff plus visiting scholars, state agency personnel, and all citizens of the state.

The present 80,000 square feet that the University Library comprises was built in 1965. It quickly became apparent that he structure would require additional space within a short while. A "wrap around" addition was completed on three sides of the structure on the first and second floors in 1976. The original plans provided for the wrap to extend to the third and fourth floors; however, due to lack of financial resources and the need for a more modest addition, only two floors were added. In 1987, it was projected that the University Library would be 87% full by the year 1990, a virtual state of gridlock, and would require additional space.

Reader space had become both quantitatively and qualitatively inadequate. Many spaces had been reduced to allow for installation of new shelving to avert gridlocking to maintain the greatest number of reader space, tables and chairs were located in cramped configurations.

Between the completion of the building in 1965 and the addition in 1976, the technological advances in the Library have exploded. The Library is the most automated department in the University, a trend which will continue to escalate over the next several years. The need for a far different office environment has changed dramatically and present workspaces are no longer suitable for smooth func-

tioning. The installation of the integrated library system also is a driving force with the need for wiring and location of terminals for patron use for searching the online catalog.

With these concerns becoming reality, former Dean Arthur P. Young and Associate Professor Margaret Keefe coordinated the assessment of needs and projections of a new addition to the year 2003. A bond issue was passed in November 1988 for a \$13.5 million expansion/renovation project. The ground-breaking became reality in March of 1991.

The University Library addition/renovation is one of the first projects to come under this legislation. An Art Panel has chosen an internationally renowned stone cutter and graphic artist, John Benson, from the 300-year-old John Stevens Shop in Newport, as its artist.

Mr. Benson will carve in stone a series of quotation which will be placed throughout the building. One or two will be outside on the new terrace or facade of the building as well as several smaller panels placed in less conspicuous areas in the interior where they will be placed in area to bring an element of surprise and delight as they are discovered.

When will all of this be completed? Not soon enough! A project of this magnitude requires much endurance on the part of the Library staff and faculty

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as well as the users. Already there have been massive upheavals of operations. The entrance and Circulation were moved to the east side of the building in January 1991. During August/September 1991, the Current Periodical Room was moved to the second floor into the former Galanti Lounge; Reference was greatly compressed into the original 1964 building; the government publications were moved to the former front of the building.

Another massive shift is scheduled for March 1992 with the completion of the new Current Periodical Room and Acquisitions allowing those operations to move into their permanent homes. In May/June 1992, book shifting will be down on the upper two floors in order to vacate the 1964 building, allowing renovation of the area. The completion target date has been set for August 1993.

Lucille Cameron is Dean of the University Library at the University of Rhode Island.

Highlights From the Executive Board

February 7, 1992

Treasurer Judith Bell advised that since Hospital Trust is now charging a maintenance fee on all non-profit organization accounts RILA should move its accounts to Fleet Bank. This change was approved by the Executive Board. J. Henry Lawrence conducted the annual audit and RILA passed. Judith is setting up a new accounting system call "Quicken."

ALA Councilor Carol Drought reported that the ALA midwinter conference was productive. Jonathan Kozol was a keynote speaker. The Director of the Morristown NJ Public Library spoke on patron behavior policy. A hearing, held on possible revision of the ALA Code of Ethics, yielded the consensus that it should be revised. Pertinent issues relevant to its revision are whom the Code applies to, and what sanctions are to implemented should the code be violated.Donna Roberts attended media training and will participate in the March 16th Freedom of Information Day "Call for America's Libraries" Campaign. Moderators will host TV specials which pose questions about libraries. Viewers can respond by calling a 900 number at \$4.00 per minute. Responses will be sorted by Congressional district, zip code, etc. There will also be a postcard write-in campaign. Carol Drought and Donna Roberts are on the National Library Week Committee to help select the recipient of the Grolier Award for the best campaign.

Eileen Socha, NELA Councilor, announced that the NELA Executive Board is considering charging \$5.00 more for Non-members at all conferences to make up for a \$16,000 deficit. The annual NELA conference "Partnerships for Success" will be held October 4, 5, 6, in Sturbridge, MA. Programs will feature presentations on quality control, computers, library effectiveness, instruction, public/school library cooperation. NELA Red Sox Day will be June 6 Counterparts will be held at Endicott College on August 6, 7 and will focus on the legislative process.

The Executive Board approved that \$100.00 be contributed to Rita Warnock's travel to Legislative Day in Washington, DC as Federal Relations Chair. Barbara Weaver, Carol DiPrete, and Joan Ress Reeves will also attend. The Board gave approval for \$100.00 to interpretive services for Anne McDonald at last June's conference.

Susan Reed presented a proposed bill that she would like RILA to support. H92-6139 would allow libraries to take patrons with overdues to District Court or Municipal Court if one is available. City Councils would have to pass an ordinance to allow their library to pursue this course of action. The legislation, "An Act to permit the Town and City Councils to Regulate Certain Acts of Public Library Users" may be difficult to pass as it will take monies from the state and redirect it to the municipalities. The Executive Board voted to support the legislation.

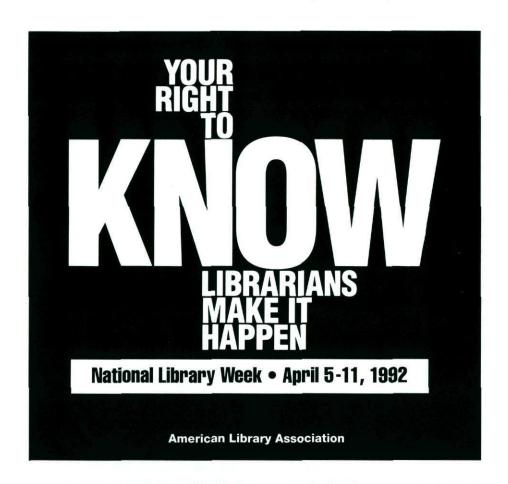
The Executive Board discussed a Pawtucket sponsored bill to amend the library fund allocation back to the per capita formula. Judith Paster, John Cory, and Kathy Bullard will write a letter to the Library Board asking that a revamping of the funding formula be first priority.

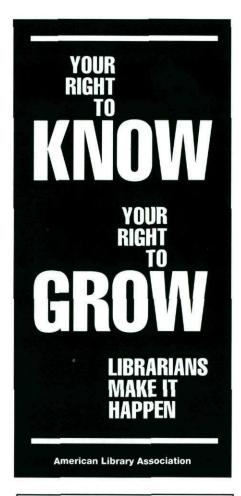
These highlights of February's Executive Board meeting were prepared by Pam Stoddard, Bulletin staffperson based on minutes taken by Deborah Mongeau, RILA Secretary.

News From the Public Relations Committee

The Public Relations Committee would like all RILA members to know what we're up to, so here is a brief report:

Members of the committee are Marcia DiGregorio (PPL 455-8056), Dorothy Frechette (DSLS 277-2726), Molly McGetrick (EPPL 434-2453), Beth Sousa (PPL 455-8090), and Frances Farrell-Bergeron (737-8089), Chair. Our technical adviser is Joe McGovern. Why do we need a technical adviser, you may ask. Read on, read on!

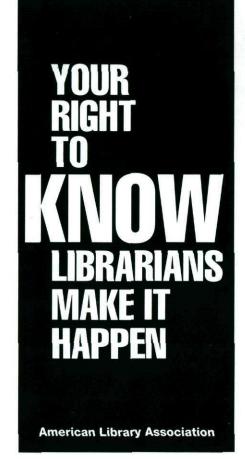




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National Library Week
April 5-11, 1992

American Library Association



When you need to know, when you want to know, you have the Right to Know.

Ask your librarian

American Library Association

The committee is exploring the possibility of producing a monthly cable TV show, featuring the fascinating facts and fables about statewide library activities.On this show we would expect to cover RILA committee concerns such as our legislative agenda, intellectual freedom issues, and the role of trustees in public library governance. We'd also like to give some attention to groups like COLA and RIEMA; to services such as children's story hours, data base searching special collections around the state and adult programming in libraries (for some reason Columbus and the Quincentennial spring to mind); and to pervasive phenomena and events which affect Rhode Islanders' daily use of libraries, such as the development of CLAN and the Governor's and White House Conferences.

It will take us some time to pull this together, but when the cameras are ready to roll we'll let *everybody* know.

We also plan to produce some spots for TV and radio. So that's why we need a technical adviser!

The committee will also generate press releases about RILA activities and statewide library services and events. We will not do publicity for individual libraries or programs, but rather about generic library and RILA-specific news. If you have a suggestion for a RILA press release, please contact Marcia DiGregorio and give her all pertinent information.

Molly McGetrick will serve as PR's liaison to other RILA committees. She will check regularly with committee chairs, but call her if you have a need for PR's advice or help.

The committee is here to generate publicity about RILA and library activities, but we can't do it well without you help. Give us your suggestions and ideas, and remember: There's a lot of PR in everything you do!

This report from the Public Relations Committee is provided by its chair, Frances Farrell-Bergeron

Calling All Stars

The New England Library Association will again feature a competition Monday evening of the annual conference. "This is your library life" will be the social event. Each state will present a performance illustrating an exciting aspect of library life. It can be a song adaption, a skit or any other form of presentation. Any library topic can be portrayed, in a performance lasting about ten minutes. Some possible performance titles are:

- My online service is really out of line
- Why aren't the street people on the street?
- That's not a problem patron, that's our librarian
- Why I love my administration

Any one interested in becoming a star and performing at this year's conference, October 4-6, 1992 in Sturbridge, please call Eileen Socha, NELA "rep" at 434-2719.

Say "Yes" to Your Right to Know

That will be the message when the American Library Association launches the "Call for America's Libraries" campaign on Freedom of Information Day, Monday, March 16, 1992.

The goal of this phone-in campaign is to stimulate public interest in and support for all types of libraries and to generate names of numbers of library supporters that can be used to impress key Congressional leaders on ALA Legislative Day on April 8. This information will be arranged by zip code and will also be sent to each state for use with local legislatures.

The "Call for America's Libraries" campaign will consist of a month-long series of radio "Rallies" with ALA President Patricia Schuman and 65 ALA leaders trained as media spokespersons appearing on network radio program and on talk shows across the nation.

An 800 telephone number, 800-530-8888, will allow member so the the public to register their support for libraries and librarians. The number will be in operation from March 16th through National Library Week, April 5-11. A TDD number, 800-552-9097, is also available for the hearing impaired.

RILA member, Donna Roberts, received media training at ALA's Mid Winter conference and is the local coordinator of the event. She is in the process of scheduling appearances on local talk shows "to tell our story – to talk about the value of libraries and librarians and important Right to Know issues facing every community. Librarians are the only profession dedicated to ensuring the American public's right to know information we need to remember our past, to understand our present and prepare for the future." She urges you to get your patrons, Trustees, and Friends involved. Call her at the North Kingtown Free Library, 294-3306, with your concerns and questions.

Gaylord Information Systems will underwrite a campaign tip sheet with information on how to organize a "Call for America's Libraries" campaign that will be mailed to over 30,000 libraries. Copies will also be available from the ALA Public Information Office.

BULLETIN BOARD

The American Library Association (ALA) will launch a "Call for America's Libraries" campaign to rally support on behalf of libraries, librarians, and the Right to Know on March 16th, Freedom of

Information Day. The campaign will consist of a month-long series of radio "rallies" with ALA President Patricia Schuman and 60 ALA leaders trained as media spokespeople appearing on national network radio shows and on talks shows in state capitals and major markets.

A 900 telephone number – 900-737-KNOW (5669) – will allow members of the public to "Say Yes to Your Right to Know!" and to register their support for libraries and librarians. The number will be in operation through National Library Week (April 5-11) and calls will cost \$4 for three minutes.

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A clearinghouse for library staff development policies, programs and training material has been established by the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA) Personnel Section Staff Development Committee. The file now contains more than 30 different sample of policies or programs and is housed at the ALA Headquarters Library. Libraries of all types and sizes are requested to contribute to the clearinghouse collection with any staff development materials they have produced. For more information on the clearinghouse or an annotated list of documents contact: ALA Librarian, 50 E. Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: 800-435-2433, ext. 2153.

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Charles Kuralt will be traveling to Providence Public Library during National Library Week. Among the planned activities are a special reception entitled, "On the Rhodes with Charles Kuralt," on April 8th at the Rhode on the Pawtuxet, from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. General admission is \$35 with special price structures for corporate tables. The evening will feature a "Road Food Buffet" and entertainment, a special program by Mr. Kuralt, and the opportunity of buying autographed copies of Mr. Kuralt's best-selling hardcover book, A Life on the Road. For more information contact the Library's Public Relations Office at 455-8055/8090.

CALENDAR

MARCH 16, Freedom of Information Day.

MARCH 26-27, ACRL/New England Chapter Spring Conference, Theme: "Funding and the Future of the Academic Library," Keynote Speaker: Richard DeGennaro, Librarian of Harvard College who will deliver his address, "Paradigm Lost: Academic Libraries at the Turning Point." For more information contact: Mickey Moskowitz,

Director, Emerson College Library, 150 Beacon Street, Boston, MA 02116 (617-578-8670).

APRIL 5-11, National Library Week.

APRIL 5, RI Authors' Reception and Bookfair. Geoffrey Wolff is the Keynote Speaker. Providence Public Library 3-6 pm.

APRIL 7, Legislative Day, Washington, DC.

PEOPLE

Leslie McDonough, is the new Librarian at the Tyler Free Library in Foster.

CARLA WEISS has been appointed to a Reference Librarian position at Rhode Island College. She comes to RIC from the library of the School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University.

WILLIAM J. ALLEN, Chair of the Board of Trustees, Cumberland Public Library and Chair of last year's Governor's Conference on Libraries, received the "Sweetheart of the Year" at COLA's Annual Meeting, held February 12.

APOLOGIES

The staff of the Bulletin apologizes for the lateness of its recent issues. Due to unforseen circumstances, it has been impossible to produce each issue in a timely fashion. With this issue, we hope to return to a regular schedule.

We also apologize to Joan Ress Reeves for the misspelling of her name under the photograph marking her receiving a special award of achievement at the RILA Business Meeting in November 1991.

And last, we apologize to our photographer extraordinaire Joe McGovern whose photographs of the RILA Business Meeting appeared in the November-December issue. Joe's ability and diligence at preserving our library "history" are deeply appreciated.

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Tanya Trinkaus Glass is the Technical Services Librarian at the Coventry Public Library.

Nominations Sought for Librarian Awards

In 1990, the Rhode Island Library Association authorized two awards to be made to librarians of distinction: the Outstanding Librarian Award and the Special Achievement Award. Criteria for both awards were outlined by an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Melody Allen, Connie Lachowicz, and Pam Stoddard. Criteria for each and a nomination form follow. Forms should be mailed to Judith Paster, RILA President, 52 Seaview Avenue, Cranston, RI 02905.

Outstanding Librarian Award

This award honors the career accomplishment of the librarian who has demonstrated an outstanding record of service to both his/her library and the library profession. The following will be given to those nominees who have achieved in more than one of these areas.

- Development of outstanding service in field(s) of expertise, e.g. children's, administrative, technical.
 - Involvement in statewide library activities.
 - · Record of professional library leadership.
- Encouragement of community/institutional support for the library.

The nominee must be a member of the Rhode Island Library Association. The RILA Executive Board reserves the right not to present this award in any given year.

Special Achievement Award

This award honors the individual(s) who has achieved a significant project or instituted an innovative program during the year. The achievement being honored should:

- Have had a significant impact on the library, the community, or the library profession.
- Be timely, taking place within approximately the past year.

The RILA Executive Board reserves the right to present more than one award, or not to present this award in any given year. This award may be given to the same individual more than once.

Nomination Form				
Attach a statement of nomination with a description of the nominee's contributions. When appropriate, illustrative materials may also be submitted with the nomination form. Send to Judith Paster, RILA President, 52 Seaview Avenue, Cranston, RI 02905, no later than March 31, 1992.				
Award (check one)	☐ Outstanding Librarian☐ Special Achievement			
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Continued From Back...

Another group whose meetings I was asked to attend is the Rhode Island Council for the Preservation of Research Resources. Here, the goal (I think!) is simply to enlarge my own perceptions about preservation issues and communicate them to the membership. In that connection, I do plan to up-date you on some of the major activities which the Council will sponsor this spring.

So far, my observation have moved from RILA's own structure to that of parallel organizations, and next to the larger world beyond. RILA is planning to send a delegation to visit our legislators in Washington on Legislative Day, April 7. I urge you to ask me about it and welcome your company.

A last observation on these three months concerns our new Director of DSLS, Barbara Weaver. Since her arrival in Rhode Island last summer, she has been indefatigable in her efforts to unify and encourage all elements of the library community. Her wisdom and articulate manner of speech, as well as her sense of humor, are a constant source of energy for us all. And, by the way, she also attends Executive Board meetings!

Temporary/Part-Time Librarians

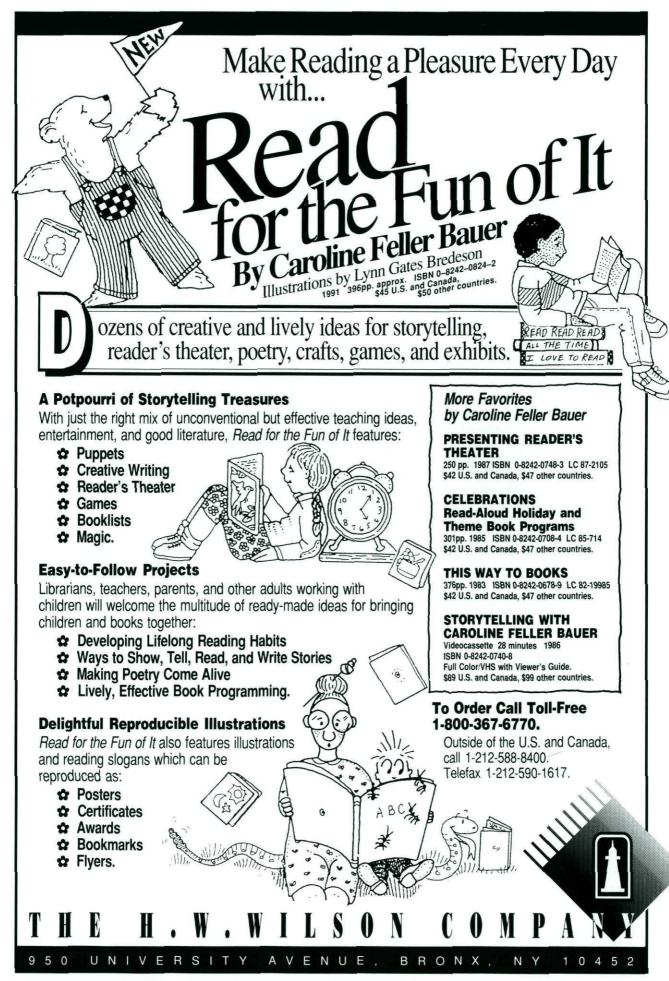
During 1989, the *Bulletin* established a "hot-line" which matched those librarians interested in part-time or temporary assignments in libraries with those libraries in need of such skilled help.

We have discovered that there is a definite need for such a "hotline," and have received numerous inquiries, both from applications and employers. Therefore, we are asking all those interested in registering with the "hotline' to fill out the following form. In order to update our files, we are asking everyone to register, even if you may have used this service previously.

All librarians interested in having their names referred to those needing part-time/temporary employees should complete the form on this page and send it to: Pam Stoddard, Government Publications Office, University of Rhode Island Library, Kingston, Rhode Island 02881.

When filling out the form be as specific or broad as fits your need. Pam will contact individuals if she is unclear about your statement. If you have any question please call her at 792-2606. Feel free to include a resume, but be sure to complete this form.

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PRESIDENT'S JOURNAL

Though I willingly and enthusiastically agreed to share my thoughts on RILA and the RILA presidency with some degree of regularity, it is only now that I sit down to do so, that I find myself stumbling for a title. Some newsletters have a "President's Message," but that has a quasi-religious connotation to it that doesn't fit my purpose. It could be a "letter" or a "diary," even a "record." Then I remembered those little notebooks of my girlhood, which I called "journals," probable because of the alliteration with my first name!

The dictionary helps me only in one sense: a "journal is a record of ideas, experiences, and reflections kept regularly..." And that is where I can begin this journal entry. Three and a half months have passed since John Fox Cory passed me the gavel in November. That's almost a third of the year's term or a a trimester. It is certainly enough time to have ideas, experiences, or reflections.

Perhaps my most outstanding idea from these three months is that being RILA's president gives one the opportunity to know and work with some of the most interesting people in our profession. I have met with the Executive Board on three occasions so far, and can say that all the meetings are lively and involving, members of both the Board and the Chairs of Committees actively committed to the pursuit of such library issues as emerge.

At our first Executive Board meeting, Dave Maslyn, Special Collections Librarian at URI, discussed and defined RILA archives, and in no uncertain terms, placed the responsibility of collection on RILA's president! Executive Board members and Chairs will be bringing their files to June's meeting in Kingston. Others of you should contact me.

Bear in mind that an "archive" might be a RILA pencil or totebag as well as committee files you may have gathering dust in your garage. We should all be pleased that Dave feels that the RILA collection is in good shape. An impressive document, "Manuscript Group Number 90, Records of the Rhode Island Library Association," has been compiled by Kevin Logan, who works with Dave in Special Collections. Those interested in reading that document should contact me or Dave.

Another responsibility, in addition to working within one's own association, is involving oneself in the library community as a whole, ie. attending functions and meetings of related organizations. In this outward thrust, I had the role of my predecessor to go by. John had begun regular attendance at COLA and RIEMA meetings, and I continued his commitment. Basically, what you do is go to a meeting, prepared not only to absorb what ideas you can, but also to represent RILA to them. I believe that a significant step toward closer cooperation between RILA and RIEMA is being taken. Presidents or their designees are attending each other's meeting, and our first joint social activity was held last week, a dinner at the Sheraton Tara in Warwick. (Continued on page 10)

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