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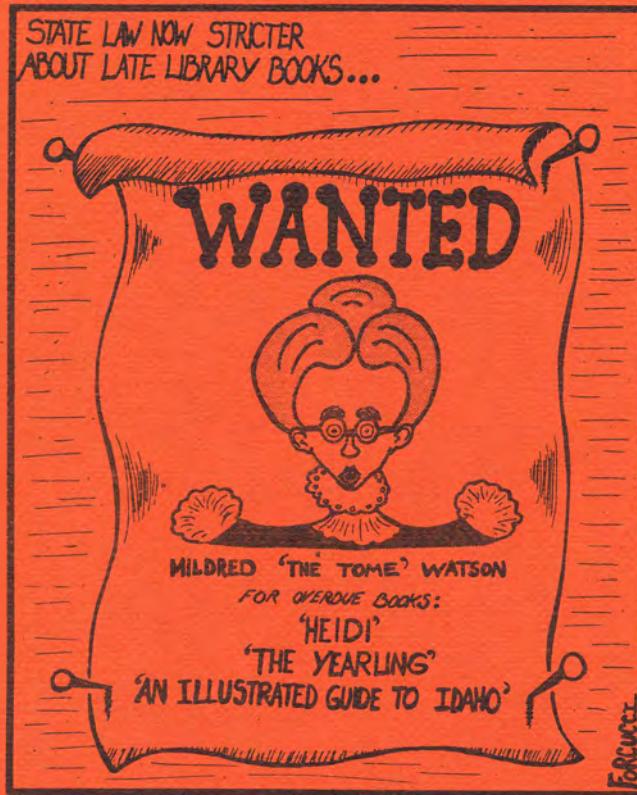
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## EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Senator Claiborne Pell, one of Rhode Island's staunchest supporters of libraries, has been selected to receive the American Library Association's highest award -- Honorary Life Membership in "... recognition of (his) concerns for and outstanding contributions toward the betterment of libraries." The American Library Association reserves this honor for a "living citizen of any country whose contribution to librarianship or a closely related field is so outstanding that it is of lasting importance to the advancement of the entire field of library service."

I would like to take the time now to share with you some excerpts from the letters sent to ALA in support of RILLA's recommendation of Senator Pell for this award. (Unfortunately, due to space limitations, we are unable to print the letters in their entirety.)

"... Librarians have had few so consistently vocal and effective advocates in the federal government as Senator Claiborne Pell, the senior senator from Rhode Island. The list of legislation that Senator Pell's efforts have led into law is a list of the major acts that enable U.S. Government assistance to libraries of all types, and to their users ... Senator Pell's voice has thus been a crucial one in the development of library service nationwide over the past two decades. As Chair and ranking member of the Senate Subcommittee on Education, Arts, and Humanities, his has been a voice the library community could count on, even in the most inhospitable administrations ..." (H. Boksenbaum)

"... The contributions Senator Pell has made are legion; the impact of them on libraries, extremely important ... through his dedicated efforts, adults and students of all ages have access to library services which have been strengthened with funds received from the Library Services and Construction Act, the Higher Education Act and the Elementary and Secondary Education Act ... Citizens throughout the United States enjoy improved access to library and information services as a result of Senator Pell's strong and determined leadership. This leadership has preserved the federal commitment to libraries especially during hostile or indifferent administrations. Future generations of Americans will benefit from a better society resulting from the dedicated service of Senator Claiborne Pell. His demonstrated commitment to libraries is further evident by his contributions as a member of the Joint Committee on the Library (of Congress); for legislation creating the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; and recently, the National Library and Information Service Act ..." (B. Daniels and J. Bush)

"... Throughout Senator Pell's long and distinguished career, he has consistently furthered the course of education and librarianship. Given the number of major pieces of legislation which he has sponsored, I believe we would be hard put to name a greater friend of libraries in Congress than Senator Pell ..." (S. Streit)

"... Senator Pell was instrumental in making the White House Conference on Library and Information Services a reality. The results of the Governor's Conference as well as the White House Conference will influence library services in Rhode Island during the 1980's ..." (F. Zipkowitz)

"... Senator Pell has been one of the strongest, most effective voices on behalf of libraries in this country ..." (J. Reeves)

"... In addition to what Senator Pell has done for libraries on the national level, he has given of his time and energy willingly on the state and local level whenever there has been need for his assistance ..." (J. Doherty)

"... Few political personages have contributed so much of lasting value to support higher education and indirectly the libraries and historical repositories of the United States ... The man is remarkable and deserves recognition by the library profession ..." (D. Maslyn)

Senator Pell's achievement will be celebrated at a reception in his honor to be held during the Preconference program being sponsored by the Trustees Committee, Sunday, November 13, at the Newport Officers' Club. (Program and registration information are elsewhere in this issue). This Preconference program will be an excellent opportunity for the Rhode Island library community to say "Thank you and congratulations, Senator Pell!"

Chris LaFauci  
Editor

## Letters to the Editor



Dear Editor:

I read every word of the terrific September RILA Bulletin issue. Kudos to the Publications Committee for a job well done during transition -- always a difficult time. It certainly appears that Association members can have much to look forward to each month. Many thanks!

Sincerely,

Anne Parent  
Cranston Public Library



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CONNIE LACHOWICZ -- Director, South Kingstown Public Library  
"What Librarians Expect From Trustees"

RICHARD PIERCE -- Trustee, Cranston Public Library  
"Trustees Working Through The Political Process"

ROBERT SCHIEDLER -- Town Manager, Barrington  
"The Relationship Between Municipal Government and Trustees"

FAY ZIPKOWITZ -- Director, R.I. Dept. of State Library Services  
"DSLS -- What It Does"

MODERATOR:

AL HENRY -- Trustee, North Kingstown Free Library

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

2:30 - 3:00 p.m. -- Reservation  
3:00 - 4:15 p.m. -- Program followed by Questions and Answers  
4:15 - 5:30 p.m. -- Reception Honoring Senator Claiborne Pell who will be presented  
with Honorary Life Membership in ALA.

RESERVATIONS: The fee is \$5.50 and includes a light buffet supper. Cash bar  
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Rhode Island Library Association

Annual Conference

November 14 & 15, 1983

Program

Monday, November 14

(Coffee today compliments of UNICOM, Division of United Camera)

Exhibits all day

8:15-9:00 Registration

9:00-10:00 Brave the new world: Libraries in Rhode Island's future

--Speakers: Ira Magaziner, Member, Governor's Strategic Development Commission

Senator Robert McKenna, Member, Governor's Strategic Development Commission

Fay Zipkowitz, Director, Rhode Island Department of State Library Services

A look at the history and future of Rhode Island's economy and the role libraries and information services will play. Includes strategies librarians can use to adapt to changes over the next 10-20 years.

10:00-11:15 Whizzing through the wires: Electronic mail - its implications for Rhode Island

--Speakers: Bruce E. Daniels, Deputy Director, D.S.L.S.

Dorothy Frechette, Chief, Library Planning, Development and Information Services, D.S.L.S.

Daniels and Frechette will review the new electronic mail system which will replace the network teletype system and discuss the implications of this change for the future.

10:00-11:15 Courting Pay Equity

--Speaker: Michele Leber, Director, Fairfax County, Virginia Public Library

A first hand look -- Michele Leber will discuss, based on personal experience, the ins and outs of going to court over this very important issue.

- 11:15-1:30 Exhibits
- 12:30-1:30 Lunch
- 1:30-3:30 Touching All Bases: Computerized Data Base Searching  
--Speakers: Ran Hock, Dialog Information Services, Inc.  
Jean Sheridan, Acquisitions Librarian, Providence  
College Library  
Jan Sieburth, Eng/Sci Reference Librarian,  
University of Rhode Island Library  
Dick Desroches, Data Processing Librarian,  
Providence Public Library  
John Etchingham, Librarian, University of Rhode  
Island College of Continuing Education, Moderator
- An overview of the various services provided: Will discuss pricing/  
fees, users, training and other important issues.
- 1:30-3:00 20/20: A future for bibliographic instruction  
--Speakers: A panel composed of librarians from various types of  
libraries  
Tom Suprenant, University of Rhode Island Graduate  
Library School, Moderator
- A panel from public, academic, and school libraries will provide  
background discussion for a workshop session on the problems and  
issues of bibliographic instruction.
- 1:30-3:00 Unbounded by books: Toys and realia in the library  
--Speaker: Kathy Beattie, Casey Co., Lindenhurst, New York
- Through a slide show and hands on experience, Ms. Beattie  
will discuss how to use toys and realia successfully in libraries,  
and the pitfalls to avoid.
- 3:00-4:00 A look into the future: D.S.L.S.'s five-year long range plan  
--Speakers: Bruce E. Daniels, Deputy Director, D.S.L.S.  
Dorothy Frechette, Chief, Library Planning,  
Development and Information Services, D.S.L.S.
- Daniels and Frechette will review the process the department  
will use to develop its five-year long range plan.
- 3:00-4:30 "Ya got any books on ..." Rhode Island historical materials for  
students and teachers  
--Speakers: Laura Roberts, Curator of Education, Rhode  
Island Historical Society  
Jeanne Richardson, Rhode Island Collection Librarian,  
Providence Public Library  
Carol Haglin, Providence Preservation Society  
Marion Wright, Professor, Rhode Island College, and  
co-author of Rhode Island Atlas (1983)  
Paul Drake, Coordinator, Western Interrelated  
System, Moderator

A discussion of book, media, and community resources which are available to assist students and teachers of Rhode Island history.

- 3:30-5:00 Uncle Sam's Not telling: Barriers to the flow of federal information  
--Speakers: Ann-Mary Currier, Editor, Providence Journal Bulletin's Action Line and Vice-President for Freedom of Information, Ocean State Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists  
Claire Loranz, Documents Librarian, Margaret Clapp Library, Wellesley College and Member, NELINET task force on Government Documents  
Rita Warnock, Library Associate Specialist, John Hay Library, Brown University, Member, RILA/IFC

This session will focus on the present administration's activities which limit the flow of federal information to the public, and to library users in particular.

- 4:00-5:00 The ALA Connection: R.I. Librarians on ALA Committees  
--Speakers: A panel of R.I. ALA activists  
Panel discussion of ALA Committees: their responsibilities, progress and actions, and R.I.'s part in them.
- 5:00-6:00 Fishing in federal waters: The President's Speaker  
--Speaker: Major R. Owens, Representative (D), New York  
Congressman Owens, a member of NCLIS, a longtime library advocate, and the first librarian elected to Congress, will talk about national library/information policy and legislative imperatives at the federal level.

Tuesday, November 15

(Coffee today compliments of Baker and Taylor)

No exhibits today

- 8:15-9:00 Registration
- 9:00-11:00 Dealing with death: Using media to help children cope with separation and loss  
--Speaker: Joanne E. Bernstein, Associate Professor, Brooklyn College. Author of Books to Help Children Cope with Separation and Loss, Bowker, 1983; Loss and How to Cope with It, Seabury, 1977 (for older children); When People Die, Dutton, 1977.

A film, "Very Good Friends," about the death of a child and the effect on her family is followed by a presentation by Joanne Bernstein on helping children cope with separation and loss.

- 9:00-11:00      Rip-offs and rip-outs: Implementing the new library property law  
--Speakers: Senators Robert J. McKenna and David H. Carlin, Jr.,  
              sponsors of the Library Property Bill  
              Representatives Jeffrey Teitz and Mary F. McMahon,  
              attorneys who discussed the bill in the House  
              Judiciary Committee  
              Dean Arthur P. Young, URI Library, who developed  
              the legislation  
              Leonard F. Clingham, Jr., Special Assistant Attorney  
              General
- Brief presentations regarding this law will be made by each panel member and will be followed by a question and answer period and discussion of a Plan for Action.
- 9:00-11:00      Pack up your old kit bag: Creative and non-traditional library services to the elderly  
--Speakers: Sheila Carlson, Supervisor of Institutional Library Services, D.S.L.S.  
              Deborah Brennan, Director, North Kingstown Free Library  
              Phyllis Pacheco, Branch Librarian, Providence Public Library  
              Mary Anne Quinn, Bookmobile Librarian, D.S.L.S.
- A panel discussion and demonstration of materials and techniques by service providers to the elderly in Rhode Island. Each use a different means of delivery and approach. An exhibit of materials and bibliographies will be available.
- 11:00-12:30      Business meeting
- 12:30-2:00      Awards Luncheon
- 2:00-4:00      Grown-ups and grief: Using media to help adults cope with separation and loss  
--Speaker: Donna Barkman, Director, Rhode Island Library Film Cooperative
- Films about death and dying, supported by a display of print materials.
- 2:00-4:00      Keeping what you have: Conservation surveys of libraries  
--Speaker: Mildred O'Connell, Field Service Director, Northeast Conservation Center, Andover, Massachusetts
- During this session, Mildred O'Connell will describe survey techniques so that librarians will be more aware of conditions which exist in their own institutions. She will also suggest ways in which to improve some of these conditions.

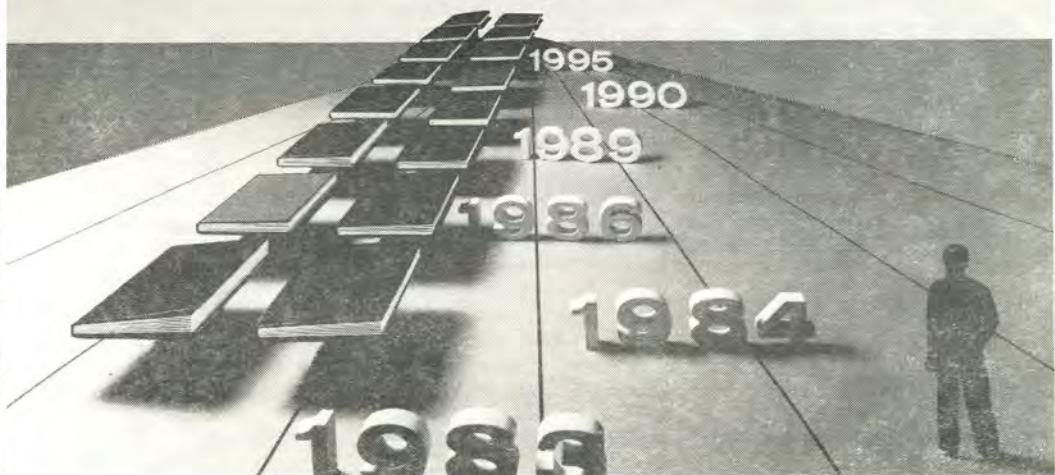
2:00-3:30 Holding things together: Book repairs and how to do them  
--Speaker: Tom Phinney, Demco

Hands-on experience for quick repairs, and preventive maintenance of paperbacks. This is your chance to ask any questions you may have on book repairs.

3:30-4:30 An evening of forbidden books

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## RESOLUTIONS FOR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The two following resolutions will be voted on by the membership at the Annual Business Meeting, Tuesday, November 15, 1983, at 11:00 a.m.

### RESOLUTION

Whereas, librarians should be paid a minimum annual salary commensurate with the unique and valuable services they provide to their publics and to their communities;

Whereas, the beginning annual salary offered to librarians by employers may be depressed because of limited job opportunities for librarians and because many librarians are women;

Whereas, the RILA Bulletin and other Rhode Island Library Association publications are financially supported by the members of the Association;

Whereas, all librarians should be concerned about the failure of employers to offer an appropriate minimum salary for all positions;

And whereas, it is important to take a beginning step in upgrading salary standards for all library positions;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Rhode Island Library Association establishes as policy the practice of appending a statement to any full-time job openings for librarians advertised or listed in its publications when the annual salary for such jobs is less than \$13,500 in 1984. Said statement would indicate that the salary for this position falls below the minimum recommended salary for a beginning librarian. Such minimum annual salaries in future years will be determined by a vote of the membership at each meeting of the Association.

Be it further resolved that the American Library Association Councilor for the Rhode Island Library Association be directed to inform the ALA Council of the action taken on this day by the Rhode Island Library Association and be authorized to draft a similar resolution concerning the listing of librarian positions in ALA publications and placement services for adoption by the American Library Association.

Approved by the RILA Executive Board, September 27, 1983



RESOLUTION

Whereas, the nuclear arms race threatens all life;

And whereas, the nuclear arms race is presently depriving the earth's peoples of their rights to food, good housing, good transportation systems, quality and affordable education, access to information, good medical care, and employment;

And whereas, the present national administration advocates spending \$222,000,000,000 over the next five years for new strategic nuclear weapon systems while at the same time advocating zero funding for federal public library programs;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Rhode Island Library Association calls upon the United States and the Soviet Union to adopt an immediate, mutual and verifiable freeze on the development, testing, production and deployment of new nuclear weapons and their delivery systems. This freeze should be followed as soon as possible with negotiations between all nations to reduce and ultimately eliminate the world-wide nuclear arsenal.

Be it also resolved that the Rhode Island Library Association asks library organizations everywhere to adopt similar resolutions recognizing that funding for libraries has been lessened as a result of the arms race and calling for a nuclear freeze.

This resolution to be sent to the President of the United States, Rhode Island's two United States Senators, two United States Representatives and the Soviet Embassy.



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## PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

This was the year of incorporation, the year of the budget, the year of the trustee. For the President, it was the year of gratitude. I discovered that it is never lonely at the top of RILA. My first thoughts about writing an annual report were that the difference between a book and the Presidency of RILA is that the acknowledgements can be found at the beginning of a book, but at the end of the Presidency. In both cases, the need for saying thanks prevails throughout. I was never without assistance, advice, ideas from the colleagues on the Executive Board, never at a loss for a lifesaving infusion of energy from the seemingly endless store of enthusiasm in our committees. The constant support of the membership at large was also an essential ingredient in the success of so many RILA endeavors as well as to the maintenance of my sanity amid the myriad issues and activities the Association encountered this year. The gratitude does not end, however, at the boundaries of RILA membership. The agencies and organizations that we reached out to -- notably the Support Center for Community Accounting and Management Assistance that helped us traverse the slough of our financial chaos; Channel 36 which aided us in taking advantage of a unique PR opportunity; RIEMA, which is offering invaluable cooperation in a joint response to RIDE's new Basic Education Program, which will shape new standards for school libraries; ARIHSL and CRIARL, whose assistance was an important part of our legislative effort -- also earned my thanks and the gratitude of RILA.

The year of incorporation, the year of the budget: at the Executive Board's second meeting someone pointed out that with half the year gone 91% of the telephone budget had been spent. No one had been making calls to an aunt in Rio, we just hadn't faced our budget problems for years. Chuck Moore and an Ad Hoc Committee on Finance tackled this problem with a passion, and with the help of Support Center accountants have produced some recommendations. Some have already been followed: RILA is now RILA, Inc., and the 1983-84 budget is a program budget. Others will be presented by the Executive Board as proposed constitutional changes at the annual meeting. Austerity got us through this year in good condition, and the excellent work of the committee, if you approve their recommendations on November 15, should keep RILA financially sound in the future.

The year of the legislature: RILA took three proposals for new laws to the Rhode Island legislature this year. The measure of the effectiveness of the Government Relations Committee under the indefatigable Beth Perry is the fact that all three are no longer proposals, but full-fledged changes in the Rhode Island State Code, canonizing the services of the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped as a function of the D.S.L.S., establishing a State Documents Clearinghouse for libraries in the D.S.L.S., and providing new legal sanctions against the theft and damage of library materials.

The year of the Trustee: A new committee in 1982-83, the Trustee Committee was charged with finding ways to make RILA more responsive to the 15% of our membership who are library trustees, and to encourage greater trustee participation in the work of the Association. The result has been the beginning of a viable committee and three significant events. A reception for trustees in May attracted as many trustees as there are public libraries in Rhode Island. Rhode Island now has a comprehensive directory of library trustees in the state. Finally, a preconference, Sunday, November 13th will bring trustees together to continue the momentum.

Those are three highlights of a RILA year that saw many other accomplishments as well, including:

- Continuing education from the Personnel Committee, the PR Committee and the New Technologies Committee
- Ten interesting and informative issues of the RILA Bulletin
- Sponsorship of Matthew Lesko's "Information USA" tour stop in Providence, reaching over 1,000 Rhode Islanders with a clear message about the importance of government information sources and libraries to provide citizen access to them
- RILA tags on the end of every "Reading Rainbows" program from PBS aired on Channel 36, advertising both the concept of libraries and individual libraries across Rhode Island
- A new lobbying handbook from the Government Relations Committee, which also orchestrated a round of legislative breakfasts throughout the state, in addition to producing the legislative newsletter and ensuring passage of RILA sponsored bills
- A new recruitment brochure from the Membership Committee, establishment of affiliate membership, and written procedures
- Constant communication with national legislators on a spate of library issues from OPM standards to LSCA via the Federal Relations Committee
- Successful nomination of Senator Claiborne Pell to honorary life membership in ALA
- IFC/RIEMA cooperative program on censorship and selection
- RILA resolution to eliminate sex-stereotyped language from RILA documents, and successful introduction and passage of a similar resolution from NELA
- An annual conference that would be hard to stay away from
- An Ad Hoc Joint Committee with RIEMA that responded with successful proposals to improve library portions of the new basic education program proposal
- ...the many maintenance functions carried out in all of the committees that ensure RILA's continued energy as a dynamic force for libraries in Rhode Island

The more I write, the more people there are to thank. RILA has made a difference for libraries in Rhode Island this year because so many have participated. Much of the work the Association has done this year has moved us in the direction of becoming our state's gatekeeper in the realm of information access and libraries. With membership participation at the level of quality and quantity this year experienced, with the kind of effort put forth by the Executive Board and committees, each succeeding power to survive and grow. Thank you all for your help this year; please continue. We can do even more next year.

Howard Boksenbaum



## RILA COMMITTEES' ANNUAL REPORTS

The following are the annual reports submitted by the Chairs and membership of 11 RILA Committees, the 2 Councilors, and the Junior Members Round Table. All of these groups and individuals play important roles in the organization and activities of RILA and should be commended for jobs well done!!

### CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The new conference facilities of the Sheraton-Islander in Newport provided a comfortable and pleasant setting for the 1982 Annual Meeting of the Rhode Island Library Association held on November 7th and 8th. In keeping with the newness of the facilities, it was a year of changes for the conference itself; new formats were experimented with as was having only one day of exhibits.

Enthusiasm ran high among program participants, many of whom submitted written evaluations. Program topics included unionization of libraries, dealing with stress, genealogy, and public relations for libraries.

The committee, as well as planning the conference, developed a series of policies and guidelines dealing with such items as relationships with other committees and honoraria. It is hoped that these will make the planning of future conferences easier.

Unfortunately inflation took its toll this year. Costs ran much higher than were estimated in the planning stages. While the conference was definitely a professional success, it ran at a loss of several hundred dollars. Development of new budgeting procedures as well as limiting the costs of the speakers should alleviate this problem in the future. It is anticipated that future conferences can be financial as well as professional successes.

The conference committee wishes to extend a vote of thanks to the RILA committees and other organizations who aided in planning and sponsoring programs for this year's conference. Their help has been invaluable.

Submitted by:

Patricia L. Thibodeau, Co-Chair  
Regina E. Slezak, Co-Chair  
Shirley Long (Current Co-Chair)  
Sandra Callup  
Sylvia Mercier  
Mary Anne Quinn

Barbara Wilson  
Sam Streit  
Beth Perry  
Katherine Monahan  
Kathleen H. Paroline

## AD HOC FINANCE AND FISCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Recently the Rhode Island Library Association has found itself facing financial difficulties caused, at least in part, by general economic hard times. The committee was formed to develop policies for dealing with the problem and was given the following charges:

1. Bring the fiscal year into accord with the terms of officers.
2. Determine a budget process for the association.
3. Recommend procedures for maintaining the fiscal stability of RILA.

The committee assisted by James Roberts, a student intern from Bryant College, studied the problem, collected information and made a series of recommendations to the Executive Board. The following recommendations were approved by the Executive Board on June 28th.

1. The fiscal year of the association should run from January to December, elections and the annual conference should remain on the present schedule. Terms of officers and committee chairs should begin in January and run through December.
2. Establish a standing Budget and Finance Committee composed of the Treasurer, the Vice President and six RILA members who serve staggered three year terms. The President shall appoint two members each year. This Committee will monitor the cash flow of the association through regular reports from the Treasurer and committee chairs. It will plan for future fiscal needs and make recommendations concerning fiscal policies and actions to the Executive Board. The annual budget will be prepared by the Committee.
3. The responsibilities of the Conference Committee should include developing an accurate forecast of revenues and planning a conference that will show a profit. The committee should authorize all conference expenditures.
4. The Publications Committee should be realigned to include a committee chair who will act as Managing Editor of the Bulletin, coordinating the activities of the staff. Responsibilities of the committee shall include determining a forecast of revenues and planning a budget accordingly. An effort should be made to generate greater revenue from the Bulletin.
5. There should be continuing attention to the relationship between RILA goals and the resulting funding needs. Currently available funding sources with changes recommended in this report can support the current needs of the association. Should future undertakings entail increased expenses, fund raising plans will need to be made.
6. Future budgets should be based upon data gathered by the Budget and Finance Committee. Their form should be a zero-based program budget. The proposed budgets should be presented to the membership for review at the annual meeting and voted on at the December meeting of the Executive Board.
7. To implement these recommendations following a vote by the membership, there should be a six month budget with a dues rate of half the regular fee.
8. Monies now held in a savings account should be invested in a money market account to yield a higher rate of return.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christian King  
Charles Moore, Chairperson  
Richard Olson  
Anne Toll

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

READING RAINBOWS: RILA and 15 R.I. libraries appeared 90 times this summer on Channel 36's program for children. Mala Schutz, Children's Librarian of Warren was featured with children from her library. Thanks to Peg Shea and Joe McGovern of D.S.L.S. for the final product.

SPEAKER'S BUREAU: A new format and guidelines were prepared by the committee. Members will be contacted soon. The first edition should be ready for distribution by September, 1984.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK: Yoda via "sandwich boards" visited area malls to distribute RILA bookmarks. Radio PSA's were aired during the week.

GROLIER GRANT: Although our proposal did not win, RILA's consolation was numerous posters and bookmarks from ALA.

TELEVISION: The two commercials produced by the committee under Chair Lauri Burke are still being aired on local stations.

NATIONAL LIBRARY NEWS: RILA's resolution for a recommended minimum salary and Senator Pell's honorary membership in ALA put Rhode Island in the limelight.

WORKSHOP: "Grassroots Graphics" was held September 30. Don Simon of Sunrise Corporation taught participants the "tricks of the trade."

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Lauri Burke	Denise Listovitch
Sheila Carlson	Frank Notarianni
Raynna Genetti	Christie Sarles
Sylvia Krausse	Tanya Trinkaus
Jane Lemos	

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee, responding to suggested names from the membership and utilizing its own members, contacted potential candidates for the Fall 1983 election. The following slate of candidates has agreed to run for office:

V.P./PRESIDENT ELECT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	MEMBER-AT-LARGE
Connie Lachowicz	Christian A. King	Charles Moore	Lynda L. Pryhoda
Sandra Gallup	Raynna Bowlby Genetti	Susan McMullen	Jean Sheridan

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Corkill  
Linda Cranston  
Mary Maroney  
Frank Notarianni  
Donna Roberts  
John Cory, Chairman

## INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

The Intellectual Freedom Committee this year examined several areas of concern and set forth to work on objectives that will require more than one year to complete. During the coming year, the IFC will continue to have a liaison to the Personnel Committee to help develop legislation similar to that passed in Massachusetts requiring each library to have a Materials Selection Policy and guaranteeing job security to librarians who follow the policy. In addition, the committee has identified a need to inform public librarians of sources for selecting materials representing politically and socially conservative viewpoints.

Planned for this fall are two programs, one a joint effort with RIEMA and the other for the RILA Conference. The RILA/RIEMA program, "Access to Library Resources for Minors," scheduled for October 18, features a videotape "Censorship or Selection: Choosing Books for Public Schools." Discussion will revolve around issues such as who has the right to decide if a book belongs in the library or classroom that highlight possible conflicts between principles and practices. A bibliography on access for minors will enable librarians to further consider the rights of children and parents and how they apply to library policies and procedures.

The second program, scheduled for the first afternoon of the conference, is "Uncle Sam's Not Telling: Barriers to the Flow of Federal Information," a panel presentation by three speakers followed by Q & A from the audience. It will focus on the present federal administration's activities which limit the flow of Federal information to the public and to library users in particular. The legislative and lobbying efforts affecting these issues, the direct effect on library collections, and the effects on news reporting and book publishing will be examined.

The Committee has viewed another videotape, too late for use during Banned Books Week, entitled "An Evening with Forbidden Books." Plans for its use as a tool to introduce the main issues of intellectual freedom and the reasons books are banned to librarians and/or the general public are underway. An initial screening for librarians is scheduled for the Conference.

The Committee was also asked to view and act on the Canadian Film Board films named as propaganda by the United States Department of Justice under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. A resolution supporting the distribution of the films with the propaganda label and expressing related concerns will be brought before the membership.

Melody Brown will chair the IFC in the 1983-84 year.

### Members of the Committee

Daniel Bergen	Claudia Perry-Holmes
William Bergeron, Chair	Christie Sarles
Melody Brown, Co-Chair	Stephen Thompson
Debra Cohen	Jon Tyron
Joanne Costanza	Rita Warnock
Paul Lefebvre	Janice Wood-Thomas
Judith Paster	

## NEW TECHNOLOGIES COMMITTEE

The New Technologies Committee began in early 1983. Its goal is "to promote library applications of new technologies."

Toward this end, the committee members sponsored a "Video Forum" on March 30 at the Central Falls Public Library. The program was designed to be a sharing of concerns and resources, with experts available to offer information from their experience with video cassettes and cable television. Donna Barkman, Director of the Rhode Island Library Film Cooperative and Joseph McGovern of the Department of State Library Services were speakers. Members of the New Technologies Committee prepared exhibits.

In July, the Committee sent out questionnaires concerning the use of microcomputers in libraries to 39 public libraries. As of September 1, 33 libraries had returned the questionnaire. After the information is analyzed, the Committee will report in the RILA Bulletin on its findings. A directory of hardware and software owned by libraries responding to the questionnaire will be compiled and distributed to public libraries.

The New Technologies Committee plans to have an exhibit on state activities in the areas of microcomputers and cable TV at the RILA Fall Conference.

Jean L. Nash, Chair	Mary Ellen Hardiman
Linda Archetto	Joseph McGovern
Emil A. Cialella, Jr.	Richard J. Payette
Helen Gustafson	

## FEDERAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The Federal Relations Committee and The Federal Relations Coordinator mounted a vigorous letter-writing campaign in support of legislation vital to the continuation of federally supported library services. In particular, letters have been written to the R.I. delegation in support of the reauthorization of the Library Services and Construction Act; in support of funding for LSCA in 1984 in the amount of \$130,000 and of the Higher Education Act (Title II) in the amount of \$12,200,000. Letters have been written at every stage of the deliberations and all four members of the R.I. delegation are on record in support of funding, even though the Reagan administration has recommended \$0. for both programs. The Committee and the Coordinator also wrote numerous letters with regard to the Office of Personnel Management's position intended to lower standards for federal librarians. RILA's zeal in this matter was acknowledged publicly by ALA at its mid-winter meeting. In other matters, letters were written in support of passing legislation that would allow tax benefits for authors donating their own papers to libraries or other cultural institutions and in support of higher levels of funding for the National Archives and the National Historical Records and Publications Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Streit, Chair  
Bruce Daniels  
Joan Reeves  
Jody Bush

JUNIOR MEMBERS ROUND TABLE

1982-1983 has been an extremely active year for RI/JMRT. We sponsored eight programs/socials during the year, participated in two statewide conferences/exhibits, completed our Constitution revision and completed the second edition of the Guide to the Rhode Island Library Community. Under the leadership of President Mary Ann Varoutsos, our membership increased and we feel we have grown to be recognized as a viable part of the Rhode Island Library community.

PROGRAMS: (RI/JMRT normally has bimonthly programs or socials)

- Sept. 1982 -- A well-attended wine tasting tour of Sakonnet Vineyard, followed by a luncheon at the Abraham Manchester Tavern, provided the members with a first hand knowledge of the art of wine-making. RI/JMRT also staffed the Information Booth at the statewide Rhode Island Library Celebration at the Warwick Mall sponsored by the Coalition of Library Advocates.
- Oct. 1982 -- A tour of Cox-Cablevision in Cranston, R.I. was provided by Michael Manoog Kaprielian, Program Services Manager of the facility. Included was a behind-the-scenes demonstration of how local origination programs are produced.
- Nov. 1982 -- Staffed Registration Desk at the Annual Conference of the Rhode Island Library Association; presented Baker & Taylor Grassroots Grant to Susan E. Cirillo at the RILA Awards Luncheon; distributed brownies at the RI/JMRT booth, which included our "Numero Uno" Award in prominent display; distributed Newsletter with a copy of our revised Constitution attached to all members.
- Jan. 1983 -- Maggie Horn hosted a pre-theatre party at her home in Providence. Our group later attended an evening performance of "The Dresser," at Trinity Square Repertory Company. RI/JMRT also co-sponsored a program on archives and records management with the Rhode Island chapter of S.L.A. at the Rhode Island Historical Society with Harold Kemple, curator of the society, as the featured speaker.
- March 1983 -- Our annual jobs program held at URI Library drew a large audience of both RI/JMRT members and GLS students. Panelists included: Elin Crowley of RI Career Counseling Services; Frances Farrell of Providence Public Library; Merrily Taylor of Brown University Library; Earl Schwass of the U.S. Naval War College Library; and Anne-Marie Forer of Infoserv.
- May 1983 -- An end-of-the-year cookout, featuring "Blender Sports," was held at Gerri McCarthy's home in Newport. Although threatening weather cancelled our sailing plans, a good time was had by all, including several new members, whom we welcomed to our group.
- June 1983 -- The Annual Business Meeting was held at Newport Public Library. Following the election of new officers, dinner was held at the Harbour Front Restaurant, also in Newport. Plans for the upcoming year were discussed and committee appointments made.

PUBLICATIONS: Our quarterly newsletter, Rhode Island Red, under the editorship of Maggie Horn, has continued to be a valuable vehicle for keeping our members abreast of all RI/JMRT's news and activities. Ms. Horn included in the newsletter pleas for membership renewals and RI/JMRT and RILA application forms, copies of the revised Constitution and By-laws and the RI/JMRT Membership list, as well as early announcements and reminders of all RI/JMRT programs and activities. Brian Phillips has revised the Guide to the Rhode Island Library Community for a second edition. The updated version, which has been sent to press, will be ready for distribution later this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerri McCarthy  
President, RI/JMRT

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

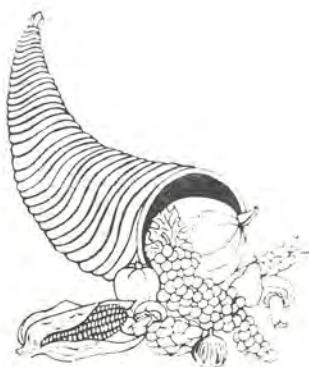
Membership in RILA increased in 1982/83, to a total of 480, an increase of 27 over the previous year. 99 new members were added. Category breakdown and percentage of total membership are:

PERSONAL MEMBERSHIP	<u>543</u>
Public Libraries	171 (30%)
Academic Libraries	114 (19%)
Trustees	84 (15%)
Special Libraries	54 ( 9%)
School Libraries	43 ( 7%)
Retired	37 ( 6%)
Other	27 ( 4%)
Student	14 ( 2%)
Affiliate	4 ( 1%)
Honorary	1
INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIP	<u>37</u>
Public Libraries	27 ( 4%)
Academic Libraries	5 ( 1%)
Special Libraries	5 ( 1%)

During the year, the Committee worked on developing a recruitment brochure. Much appreciation goes to the Westerly Public Library and Graphics Artist Lorraine Lamphier for designing and producing the brochure for the Association. An active recruitment campaign was planned for the 1983/84 year.

### Committee:

Judith Gifford  
Richard Leduc  
Christopher LaRoux  
Mary McKenna  
Peter Bennett  
Sylvia Krausse  
Stewart Schneider  
Charlotte Schoonover  
Paul B. Drake, Chair



PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

As of August 22, 1983 the Personnel Committee has had no new "Requests for Action" through its Grievance Procedure. The procedure was used last year for the first time; the committee intends to review the procedure and report later this year. It may be a positive sign that there have been no new cases. The extensive publicity received by the first case may have had an educational impact on boards and others responsible for personnel matters.

The Personnel Committee made a formal response to the DSLS Standards for Rhode Island Public Libraries which involved personnel matters. The recommendations were accepted and incorporated into the official document. The Committee has accepted the charge to study the issue of Due Process Legislation. Active work on this has been held off until questions which have been raised involving similar legislation in Massachusetts are clarified. The concerns are possible conflict of the recently passed Massachusetts law with other laws concerning employees, the lack of penalties, and other ambiguities. The Massachusetts Library Association is seeking the advice of the Attorney General in that State. The RILA Personnel Committee would like to bring this legislation to the attention of the revived RILA Trustees Committee for their edification.

The Salary Survey continues as an active project of the Committee. After DSLS gathers the statistics, an analysis of them will be reported in the RILA Bulletin.

The Personnel Committee is presenting a conference program on Pay Equity at the RILA Annual Meeting in November. The speaker will be Michele Leber from the Fairfax County Public Library System in Virginia. That library has recently gone to court over the pay equity issue; Michele will be describing the process their library has gone through, as well as clarifying the concept of pay equity in general.

Three personnel workshops for middle managers and other interested staff were held in conjunction with the Principal Public Library during 1982/83. Speakers and topics included: Nancy Peace, "Performance Evaluations," November, 1982; Carolyn Benedict-Drew, "Stress Management," January, 1983; and Diane Disney, "Management Techniques," April, 1983. There was a total of 67 in attendance for the three programs; income totaled \$164.00 and expenses totaled \$50. The series was successful and will be continued in 1983/84. Possible topics include Conflict Resolution/Disciplinary Actions, Planning, Sexism, and Leadership vs. Management. It was decided not to change the fee (\$2 for each session) or the honorarium (\$25, if required).

The following statement was submitted by the Committee as an attachment for the RILA Bulletin Jobline to make clear our position on minimum salary: "The Rhode Island Library Association has passed a resolution establishing a policy that states there is a minimum recommended salary for a full time, beginning librarian of \$13,000 for 1983."

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Kell Dokansky, Chair

## NELA COUNCILOR

The NELA Councilor serves as RILA's direct link to other New England librarians and library associations. Provision of reciprocal communication is basic to this position. In order to be knowledgeable about libraries and library issues, I participated in RILA's Executive Board meetings and other professional activities in Rhode Island. I participated in NELA Executive Board meetings and the NELA fall conference, posted Rhode Island news at each Executive Board meeting, and submitted articles about Rhode Island for publication in each issue of the NELA Newsletter.

I introduced the following items for NELA Board discussion and decision:

1. December 1982 - I requested that the NELA Executive Board and state and other library associations respond to the Office of Personnel Management's proposed standards which deprofessionalize federal librarians. Result: motion that the President of NELA write a letter to the director of OPM.
2. February 1983 - An update, including action taken at ALA Midwinter, on the OPM proposed standards.
3. May 1983 - I reported that RILA had adopted a policy eliminating sex stereotyping in terminology used in official RILA publications and asked that the NELA Board consider such a policy. Result: NELA Publications Committee has been asked to submit a similar suggested policy to the Board.

Additionally, I served as a member of the NELA Counterparts Day planning committee (Rhode Island was represented by myself and 8 other RILA officers and committee chairs at Counterparts Day) and the NELA Nominating Committee.

As I look forward to the second year of my term as RILA's representative to NELA, I urge everyone to help me do an effective job of sharing library issues and news. Please share your ideas, concerns, news, plans, etc. with me so that I can truly represent all Rhode Island libraries.

Jacquelyn B. Toy



ALA COUNCILOR

- Represented Rhode Island on the ALA Council at the 1982 Midwinter meeting and the 1983 Annual Conference, and at: 1) Council Caucus, 2) Chapter Relations meetings. Elected to Council's Planning and Budget Assembly (1983-84) which plans this year to take a more active, participative role in ALA's budget process and decisions.
- Served on the RILA Executive Board, and as liaison between the Executive Board and ALA on all matters pertaining to ALA.
- Served the library community of Rhode Island on inquiries regarding ALA, its offices, services, etc.
- Prepared documentation, gathered letters of endorsement, and gained (with the able assistance of the Deputy Director of DSLS) ALA Executive Board (unanimous) approval in naming Senator Pell as Honorary Member of ALA.
- Presented RILA's Minimum Salary resolution to all other state Chapter Councilors at the Midwinter Conference. Introduced a resolution amendment at Midwinter requiring that ALA give immediate priority attention to the proposed OPM Standards (deprofessionalizing federal librarians), explore legal options, and report continuously and currently to the profession.
- Supported the resolution, adopted by the RILA Executive Board, permitting all members of a state association to vote for ALA Councilor.
- Distributed ALA Council Documents of interest to RILA Committees: Government Relations, Intellectual Freedom, Federal Relations, and to the Executive Board.
- Brought the Fairfax County (VA) Pay Equity suit to the attention of the RILA Personnel Committee, and arranged for Michele Leber, to be the Committee's program speaker at the 1983 RILA Conference.
- Served on the Federal Relations Committee.
- Introduced a nuclear freeze resolution for the Executive Board to consider and endorse as a membership resolution.
- Submitted articles to the RILA Bulletin on library issues; and reports of ALA Conferences.
- May co-sponsor a RILA Conference "ALA Interests and Activities" forum featuring Rhode Island librarians and their activities in ALA.
- Will serve on an "ALA Issues" panel with New England State Chapter Councilors and ALA President-Elect, E.J. Josey, at the NELA Conference.
- Have been elected to the Steering Committee of ALA's Feminist Task Force and appointed to the Library Organization and Management Section (LOMS) Program Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody Bush

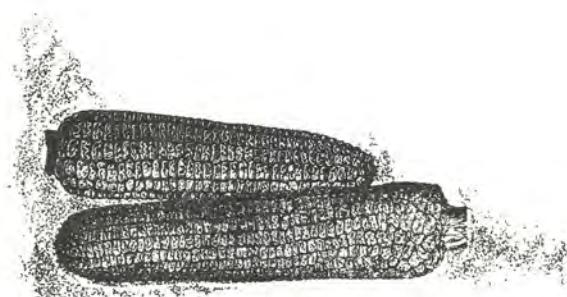
## TRUSTEES COMMITTEE

After a number of years of inactivity, the Trustees Committee was revived by the Executive Board in December, 1982 and charged with developing recommended procedures for maintaining ongoing communications between RILA and trustees of public libraries.

At its first meeting, the committee decided that before any formal means of communication was established the following steps had to be taken: (1) to inform trustees of the committee's existence, (2) to find out what trustees expected from the committee, and (3) to better acquaint trustees with one another through a committee-sponsored social event. To this end a letter was sent to the chairperson of every public library informing them and other trustees that there was a small but active committee in existence. The letter also mentioned that plans were underway for a reception for trustees to be held the evening of May 25 at Aldrich House. Forty-five trustees representing each of the five regions attended the reception and were delighted to have the opportunity to meet their counterparts. The committee was also pleased with the cooperation shown in completing an opinion survey that was distributed to each trustee (a 100% response).

The results of the opinion survey were then used to plan a program of interest for trustees at the time of the 1983 annual conference. "Almost Everything You Wanted To Know As A Library Trustee" will be held Sunday, November 13 at the Newport Officers Club from 2:30-5:30 p.m. The program will include a panel discussion followed by a mini-buffet supper. It is the intent of the committee at the program to encourage other trustees to take an active part in planning further activities and programs for public library trustees via RILA. Broader representation will insure that a wider range of trustees' concerns and needs can be addressed by the committee in the future.

Connie Lachowicz, Chair  
Barbara Bridge  
Albert C. Henry, Jr.  
Christian King  
Joan Ress Reeves  
Kathleen Stewart



GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The 1982-83 legislative year was remarkable for many reasons -- first, because three RILA-sponsored bills were passed by the R.I. General Assembly; second, because of the spirit of cooperation which prevailed on all levels during the year; third, because a legislative handbook was completed substantially by the committee; and finally, because most of the committee's goals were achieved.

Highlights of the year included: a well-attended "Open Meeting" which presented possible legislative issues for discussion and advice; the last day of the legislative session which saw H5840 (State Publication Clearinghouse), H5562 (Services to the Blind and Physically Handicapped) and S-546B as amended (Library Property) finally pass both houses after exhaustive lobbying; the successful legislative breakfasts; timely, well-written and informative newsletters which informed RILA members of the issues and news; the reception honoring our legislative sponsors and especially our Legislators of the Year at the Naval War College Officers' Club in Newport; and planning for a workshop to be held concerning interpretation of the "Library Property" bill.

Libraries were again well-represented on the legislative scene. Individuals took it upon themselves to help the committee by increasing their legislative contacts, attending hearings and breakfasts. All of this gave libraries a highly-visible image at the State House. Our legislative friends gave us good advice, and good communications allowed us to be in the right places at the right times!

Issues still to be addressed include amendments to the Library Property bill, printing of the Legislative Handbook, increasing librarian participation in the legislative process, increasing support for libraries and increasing library funding. RILA has made great strides in the legislative area, but more can and should be done -- by RILA members as well as the RILA leadership. If R.I. libraries continue to work within the legislative process many more positive results can be achieved.

Beth Perry, Chair	Peggy Shea
Anne Parent	Dale Thompson
Chris LaFauci	Joan Schaefer
*Mary Kiernan	Christian King
*Art Young	Roberta Cairns
*Bruce Daniels	Donna Roberts
Peter Fuller	Judy Bell
*Judith Stokes	

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NEWS  
from the  
RILA EXECUTIVE BOARD

At the Executive Board Meeting of August 30, 1983 the following motions were voted:

- Approved a motion 4 to 3 that the Executive Board endorse the resolution of the Minnesota Library Association in favor of a nuclear freeze.
- Approved a motion 5 to 2 that the Minnesota Library Association resolution be presented to the membership for approval at the Annual Conference.
- Vice-President/President-Elect Frances Farrell-Bergeron named the following committee chairpersons:

Government Relations - Anne Parent and Peter Fuller  
Intellectual Freedom - Melody Brown  
Membership - Charlotte Schoonover  
New Technologies - Jean Nash  
Nominating - Paul Drake  
Personnel - Florence Doksansky  
Publications - Chris LaFauci

At the September 27 Board Meeting the following actions were taken:

- Approved a motion that RILA's President, Vice-President, and Government Relations Committee Chairperson meet with Bruce Daniels on the proposed state library funding legislation in order to:
  - a) find out if there is room for compromise as far as the proposal is concerned;
  - b) find out if the Special Research Center proposed legislation (G.L. 29-6-9) will be affected by the pending report of the Special Resource Centers Committee;
  - c) take up the question of accountability;
  - d) find out if D.S.L.S. has sponsors in mind and report back to the Executive Board at the October meeting.
- Approved a motion that the RILA Executive Board convey its support for the actions of the Ad Hoc Joint RILA/RIEMA Committee on the Basic Education Program of the Department of Education in strengthening the library portion of the Basic Education Program.
- Approved a motion that RILA adopt a policy whereby members of state library associations other than Rhode Island be accorded RILA membership rates for attending RILA's annual conference along with a request that other state library associations reciprocate.
- Approved a request for the Personnel Committee to have eleven members.
- Approved a motion that the Executive Board update the Minimum Salary Resolution of RILA with the \$13,500 salary recommended by the Personnel Committee.

# BULLETIN BOARD

**BUSINESS DOCUMENTS REVIEW:** The CRIARL Government Documents Committee is arranging an exhibit of U.S. government publications that would be of interest to the business community. The collection of approximately fifty titles covers the spectrum of materials published by the U.S. government. The books and magazines provide valuable information for librarians and members of the business community. Each item will include a descriptive card and order information. The five locations and dates for this business review are:

Roger Williams College Library, Bristol, R.I.: Thursday, October 20-  
Monday, October 24.

Woonsocket-Harris Public Library: Thursday, October 27-Monday, October 31.  
Providence Public Library: Thursday, November 3-Monday, November 7.

Warwick Public Library: Thursday, November 10; Saturday, November 12-  
Monday, November 14 (Library is open Sunday afternoon)

University of Rhode Island Library: Thursday, November 17-Monday, November 21  
(Library is open Sunday)

These last four libraries are federal depository libraries and will have many other valuable information publications from the U.S. government.

**RHODE ISLAND NEWSPAPERS PROJECT:** The Rhode Island Historical Society recently announced the project staff and advisory council members for its NEH-funded Rhode Island Newspapers Project. Historical Society Librarian Paul R. Campbell will oversee the entire project as its Director, with the assistance of Constance H. Andrews, Head of the Periodical/Microfilm Dept. at Providence Public Library as Project Consultant. Elliott E. Andrews, recently retired State Librarian is Planner/Consultant. The advisory council consists of the following members: Dr. Patrick T. Conley, Professor of History at Providence College; Father Robert W. Hayman, Assistant Pastor of Our Lady of Mercy Parish in East Greenwich; Joseph O. Mehr, Librarian at the Providence Journal Company; William G. McLoughlin, Professor of History at Brown University; Leonard J. Panaggio, retired Chief of Tourism Division of the R.I. Department of Economic Development and member of the R.I. Press Association; Samuel A. Streit, Assistant Librarian for Special Collections at Brown University's John Hay Library; Dr. Daniel Snydacker, Director of the Newport Historical Society; and Fay Zipkowitz, Director of the R.I. Department of State Library Services.

**PPL BOOK TO TOUR INTERNATIONALLY:** A volume from Providence Public Library's Wetmore Collection of Illustrated Books will be going on tour as part of the exhibition "Cubist Prints/Cubist Books." The book, Ne Coupez Pas Mademoiselle, ou les Erreurs des P.T.T., by Max Jacob, contains lithographs by cubist artist Juan Gris. The Wetmore Collection of Illustrated Books contains more than 400 artists' books and fine bindings from the U.S. and Europe. It is particularly strong in French illustrated books from the 18th through 20th centuries. The collection was given to Providence Public Library by the late Edith Wetmore of Newport in the 1950's. The cubist exhibit will be on display at the Franklin Furnace Museum in New York City, Oct. 15-Dec. 3, 1983; at the Marion Koogler McNay Art Institute in San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 18, 1983-Jan. 29, 1984; at the Berggruen Gallery in Paris, Feb. 27-April 14, 1984; at the Center for the Fine Arts in Miami, Florida, July 14-Sept. 9, 1984; and at the Achenbach Foundation for Graphic Arts in San Francisco, California, Sept. 20-Nov. 27, 1984.

LIBRARIES SPRUCING UP: Two libraries in West Warwick have had some recent improvements. Using capital funds from the town, the Champlin Library has completed the addition of storm windows on the upper level in the adult circulating collection area. The Crompton Branch Library was painted in August by the Lions Club of West Warwick freshening up the 107-year-old building that is on the National Register of Historic Places.

RIEMA COMPUTER USERS GROUP: The Rhode Island Educational Media Association has organized a Computer Users Group which will meet monthly from September through June. Future meetings will include demonstrations of hardware, such as IBM, Apple, Atari, etc.; applications, such as computer graphics, word processing, interactive video, etc.; tours of innovative facilities, and noted speakers with timely topics. For information contact Jim Kenny at Rhode Island College, 456-8063.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES WITH SUNDAY HOURS: The following public libraries are offering Sunday service to their communities:

Champlin Library, West Warwick: 2 to 5 p.m., starting in October  
Cranston Public Library: 2 to 5 p.m., starting Sunday after Labor Day  
Pawtucket Public Library: 1 to 5 p.m., starting in October  
Warwick Public Library: 2 to 5 p.m., starting Sunday after Labor Day

NORTH SCITUATE CONSTRUCTION: Director Janina D'Abate has reported the awarding of the contract for the addition to the library. Construction is scheduled for this Fall and arrangements have been made with the North Scituate Baptist Church across from the library for temporary space during the time the library must leave its present building.

MINIMUM STANDARDS: The D.S.L.S. Advisory Board of Library Commissioners adopted the Minimum Standards for Rhode Island Public Libraries on August 11. Copies are being sent to each public library director and board chairperson, and during the Fall and Winter D.S.L.S. will be conducting an initial standards review with each public library. The standards become effective July 1, 1988.

ELECTRONIC MAIL SYSTEM: Digital Equipment Corporation has received the contract to replace the Rhode Island Interrelated Library Network's teletype system with a mini-computer system. The Implementation Committee has been meeting to discuss the operation of the system, the necessary customization, and the training to be provided. D.S.L.S. will be providing a program at RILA's Annual Conference on the new system.

LIBRARY MOVE: Deirdre Donohue, Librarian at the Institute of Mental Health, has moved both her patient and medical libraries from the A building to the Adolph Meyer Building. The libraries occupy an entire ward with the individual rooms occupied for staff and patient reading areas, a listening room, an audiovisual room, indices, periodicals and professional collections. She was aided in the move by volunteers, IMH patients, the work release crews of the Adult Correctional Facility and D.S.L.S. consultants.

PROVIDENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY EXHIBITS: Providence Public Library's exhibits will include paintings by two local artists, Joan Boghossian and Jan Gaudreau, during October, and an exhibit of works in several media by members of the Bristol Group during November. The November exhibit includes painting, lathe work, photography, works in oil, watercolor and papier-mache, and weaving.

# ★ PEOPLE IN THE NEWS ★

- David Murray, formerly Head of URI's College of Continuing Education Library in Providence, is now Director of the Library at Upsala College in New Jersey.
- John B. Etchingham of URI's staff has been temporarily assigned as Head of the Continuing Education Library in Providence.
- Dorothy Gleisner will be resigning as Life Sciences Bibliographer at the URI Library at the end of December.
- Virginia Hanke DeWys has resigned as a classified librarian in the URI Government Publications Office.
- Jan Sieburth, URI Reference/Bibliographer, has successfully survived her stint as coordinator of NELA's Annual Meeting in Hyannis.
- Academic Promotions:
- Beth Perry, Assistant Director of the Library at Rhode Island College, has been promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor.
- Nadine Baer, Serials Cataloger at URI, has been promoted to Associate Professor.
- Sam Streit and Fred Lynden of Brown University have been promoted from Librarian III to Librarian IV.
- Mark Brown and Bonnie Buzzell of Brown University Library have been promoted from Librarian II to Librarian III.
- Richard A. Olsen, Director of the Library at Rhode Island College, has been appointed to the American Library Association Committee on Program Evaluation and Support (COPES). He is also the COPES appointee to the J. Morris Jones and Bailey K. Howard - World Book Encyclopedia - ALA Goal Awards Jury. The Goal Awards are two annual grants of \$5,000 to encourage and advance the development of public, academic, and/or school library service and librarianship through recognition and support of programs which implement the Goals and Objectives of ALA.
- Christian King, President of the Board of Trustees of the East Providence Public Library, has been appointed by American Library Trustees Association President Barbara Cooper to a two year term on the ALTA Publicity Committee (1983-1985).
- Lucinda Manning, formerly Reference Librarian at Providence Public Library, is now Head Librarian at The Long Island Historical Society Library in Brooklyn.
- Carol DiPrete, formerly Information Services Librarian at Cranston Public Library, has been appointed Assistant Dean for Academic Services and Library at Roger Williams College.

- Elizabeth G. Johnson, Professional Assistant, Reference/Readers Advisor at Providence Public Library, has been appointed Information Services Librarian at Cranston Public Library.
- Valerie Simpson has resigned as Librarian at East Greenwich High School to become Librarian at St. George's School in Newport.
- Rita Barbone has become the Librarian at East Greenwich High School. She has been with the school system for 13 years as a school nurse. She received her MLS at URI and her undergraduate degree from RIC.
- Janina D'Abate, Director of the North Scituate Library, has been selected for entry in Who's Who in the East.
- Maria Baxter, formerly Librarian at the Adult Correctional Institutions, is now Adult Services Librarian at the Cumberland Public Library.
- Norma Jean Cauldwell has been appointed Professional Assistant in the Reference/Readers Advisor Department at Providence Public Library. She comes to Providence from the Mansfield (MA) Public Library where she has been Circulation Librarian since 1978. She holds her B.A. degree from Acadia University in Nova Scotia, Canada and her M.L.S. from URI.
- Victoria Lederberg has recently been appointed by Governor Garrahy to D.S.L.S.'s Advisory Board of Library Commissioners. At the Board's last meeting, State Representative Mary F. McMahon was elected Chairperson. Other members of the Board are: Senator Robert McKenna, Patti Folsom, Mrs. Velma Brown, Professor Nancy Potter, and Joseph Doherty.
- Nancy Satalino has joined the staff at the East Greenwich Free Library as circulation clerk. She recently moved to Rhode Island from New York where she worked in the children's room of the Saratoga Springs Public Library.
- Miriam Haas, retired Head of Technical Services at D.S.L.S., and her husband, responding to a Volunteers in Action column, are working on an inventory of Champlin Library in West Warwick.
- Marcia Sessions will be beginning new duties in January 1984 as Assistant Librarian at Barrington College Library. She is currently serving as temporary Reference Librarian at the Warwick Public Library while Carol Drought is on maternity leave.
- Mary Jo Munroe has been appointed School Librarian at South Road and West Kingston Elementary Schools in the South Kingstown School System for one year while librarian Joseph Light is on sabbatical. She will also continue her duties at "The Sign of the Unicorn" antiquarian book shop in Peace Dale. Mary Jo was acting librarian at the Pontiac Free Library while Michele Tomasso was on leave.
- Chris LaFauci was elected Chair-Elect of the North Atlantic Health Sciences Libraries at NAHSL's annual meeting held recently in Hyannis.



## JOBLINE

The RILA Bulletin editors ask local library employers in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Connecticut to send us news of upcoming openings in their libraries. There is no advertising fee. The RILA Bulletin will also list qualifying volunteer positions. Write or call Sheila Carlson, Department of State Library Services, 95 Davis Street, Providence, R.I. 02908.

### RHODE ISLAND

**STATE LIBRARIAN:** Rhode Island State Library, Office of the Secretary of State. Energetic and creative individual to direct a legislative reference library of over 150,000 volumes, 3 professional and 7 support staff. The R.I. State Library provides service to the General Assembly, State Agencies and the general public. Requirements: MLS and significant professional experience in a law or legislative library. Strong administrative and communication skills essential. Experience with computerized legislative information systems required. Salary is in the mid-twenties. Send resume and names of 3 references to: Mr. Frederick Lippet, Chairman, State Library Search Committee, Secretary of States Office, State House, Providence, R.I. 02903. Application deadline November 1, 1983. Equal opportunity -Affirmative Action Employer.

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**CHILDREN'S LIBRARIAN:** Providence Public Library. Provides reading guidance and reference service to children; Selection of children's books; Conducts story hours, book talks, agency visits and other programs for children. Qualifications: MLS from ALA accredited library school. Salary: \$13,044-\$17,472 plus benefits. Apply to: Dan Austin, Personnel Officer, Providence Public Library, 150 Empire Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903.

### MASSACHUSETTS

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES LIBRARIAN:** Responsible for children's and young adult materials selection, varied programming, also helps in adult reference and circulation. Position open October. MLS required. Salary \$11,500 - \$13,000. Experience with children's programming or microcomputer helpful but good first

position for variety of experience possible. Equal opportunity employer. Send resume with references to Sydney Wright, Richards Memorial Library, North Attleboro, MA 01760.

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## *InfoEx* 1983-84

Tuesday November 8	Legal Information for the Layperson	R.I. State Law Library 250 Benefit Street, Providence
Thursday December 15	Libraries in the Context of Municipal Funding	Middletown Public Library 700 West Main Road, Middletown
Wednesday January 18	Loading Noah's Ark: How to use your disaster plan when the water really comes	Pawtucket Public Library 13 Summer Street, Pawtucket
Tuesday February 14	Maps	North Kingstown Free Library 100 Boone Street, North Kingstown
Wednesday March 7	Medical Information for the Layperson	Conference Center, Regan Building, R.I. Medical Center, Cranston
Tuesday April 10	Reference Service Policies	Rochambeau Branch Library 708 Hope Street, Providence
Tuesday May 15	Output Measures	Barrington Public Library 285 County Road, Barrington
Tuesday June 12	Business References	Providence Public Library 150 Empire Street, Providence

All meetings start at 10 a.m.

Come at 9:30 for coffee.



# CALENDAR

November 7, 1983	Event: NELINET Regional Meeting Place: Dept. of State Library Services - Meeting Room 95 Davis Street, Providence Time: 1:00-4:00 p.m.
November 8, 1983	Event: InfoEx Topic: Legal Information for the Layperson Place: R.I. State Law Library 250 Benefit Street, Providence Time: 9:30 Coffee, 10:00 Meeting Contact: Margaret Shea, 277-2726
November 9, 1983	Event: R.I. Library Film Cooperative Preview Topic: Children's Films Place: Foster Public Library Howard Hill Road, Foster Time: 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Contact: Donna Barkman, 739-2278
November 14-15, 1983	Event: RILA Annual Conference Place: Sheraton-Islander, Newport
November 22, 1983	Event: APP Workshop Place: Cranston Public Library 140 Sockanosset Cross Road, Cranston Time: 6:00-8:30 p.m. Contact: Melody Brown, 277-2726
November 28, 1983	Event: YART Topic: Non-print Materials: Tapes, Video & Sound Place: Cranston Public Library 140 Sockanosset Cross Road Time: 9:30 Coffee, 10:00 Meeting Contact: Margaret Shea, 277-2726
November 29, 1983	Event: APP Workshop Place: Cranston Public Library 140 Sockanosset Cross Road, Cranston Time: 7:00-9:30 p.m. Contact: Melody Brown, 277-2726



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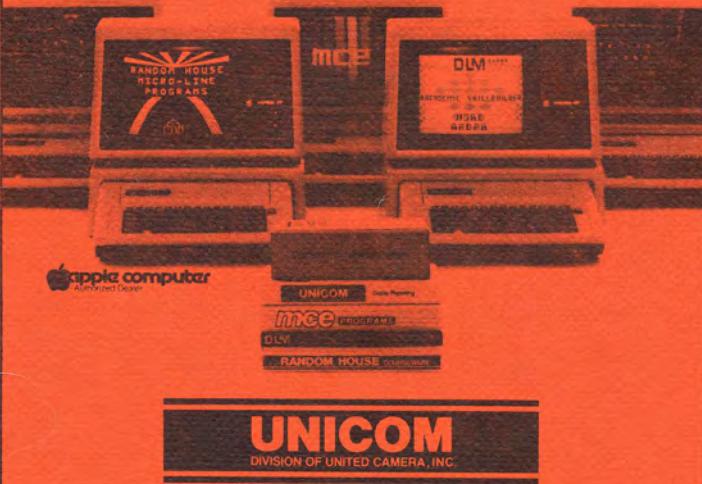
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