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Cover: Suzanne S. Levy, "Reaching Out: Developing Cooperative Programs," *North Carolina Libraries* 41 (Fall 1983): 129. Levy's article and others in this issue on archives are intended to combat the ignorance which too often obtains between librarians and archivists.

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After a long, hot summer, it is with eagerness and renewed vitality that we anticipate the freshness of *Fall* ... new professional experiences and relationships ... especially our October Biennial Conference.

According to all glowing reports, the Annual ALA Conference in June in Los Angeles was outstanding. For those of us who were unable to go, it was gratifying to partially participate by attending the ALA-TV Teleconference on June 28 at one of the three North Carolina sites.

All North Carolina librarians and friends are rejoicing over the additional three million dollars for *State Aid for Public Libraries* which was passed by the State Legislature in July. This was the result of much convincing lobbying and many personal contacts and letters. The NCLA Governmental Relations Committee, chaired by Louise Boone, was very active in seeking this and other legislation affecting libraries.

*Dr. Annette Lewis Phinazee*, NCLA President 1975-1977, was honored during an Appreciation Day Luncheon at Governor's Inn, Research Triangle Park on July 24. Tributes poured in from all over the United States. It was a moving experience!

Congratulations to the newly elected NCLA officers! They were invited to the Executive Board and to observe a "working session" as a preview of their future service.

The establishment of a new *Roundtable on Minority Concerns* was approved at this meeting

following the petition which was submitted in March by Mary Williams. Their organizational meeting will be scheduled during the Biennial Conference. Also, the revised North Carolina *Interlibrary Loan Code* was approved as presented by Patrick Valentine, Chair of the Library Resources Committee.

Recently, in a discussion about leadership in the Association, it was generally agreed that leaders emerge from those who actively participate in the Association, with the first step being membership. Therefore: *Membership* → *Participation* → *Leadership*!

The upcoming *Conference* will be full of action, with enticing features — speakers from the national, regional and state level ... mini-workshops ... authors ... outstanding exhibits and demonstrations of the latest in *library-high-technology*. Register early and reserve your rooms before September 23.

Serving as your President has been an exciting, rewarding, humbling and developmental experience for me! Thanks for your confidence and many supportive activities. Now we are looking forward to the next biennium and the gavel will resound with enthusiasm as it is transferred into the capable hands of Leland Park on October 28. *Excelsior!*

**Mertys W. Bell**, President

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