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# NCLA Conference

## Awards and Resolutions

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### Mildred S. Council, Life Membership



A former president of NCLA, Mildred S. Council has been active in the library profession for many years. She was supervisor of the WPA Library Project in Wayne, Lenoir, Jones, Sampson, Duplin and Johnston Counties and was the first Library Supervisor for the Wayne County Schools. Mrs. Council was also the first professional librarian at Mt. Olive College and was a member of the Library Science faculty at Appalachian State University from 1965-67. Mrs. Council has also held positions at Wayne Community College, Maui Community College in Hawaii (1970-73) and was Territorial Librarian of American Samoa (1973-75).

### Senator Harold W. Hardison, Honorary Membership



Senator Harold W. Hardison has been a champion of public libraries in the legislature. After years without significant increases in state financial aid, public libraries became the beneficiaries in 1980 of legislation introduced by Senator Hardison which increased state aid by 10 per cent and provided \$1 million in matching funds for public library construction. In 1983, Senator Hardison was instrumental in developing a new state aid formula for allocation of state aid to public libraries.

Due to the efforts of Senator Hardison, state aid appropriations to public libraries have increased from \$4.35 million in 1980 to \$10.8 million in 1985.

### H. William O'Shea, Life Membership



H. William O'Shea served as director of the Wake County Public Libraries from 1966-1981. During that time the library's system grew from the two libraries of Raleigh to a confederated type of library system made up of city-county-municipalities libraries which provide service throughout Wake County. Mr. O'Shea has participated in NCLA for many years in various capacities, most notably as a president of the association. Even in retirement Mr. O'Shea continues his involvement in NCLA as a member of the Futures Committee.



### Eleanor and Elliot Goldstein, Honorary Membership

Eleanor and Elliot Goldstein are the owners of Social Issues Resources Services, Inc., which reprints articles on social issues for use in schools and libraries. The Goldsteins are also great defenders of intellectual freedom. Mr. Goldstein is active on the board of A.L.A.'s Freedom to Read Foundation and supports the Intellectual Freedom Round Table. Through these organizations, SIRS funds awards for individuals and institutions "who show courage in defending the principles of intellectual freedom." NCLA was the first recipient of the SIRS Intellectual Freedom Award. NCLA expresses appreciation to the Goldsteins for their untiring work against censorship.

### Representative George W. Miller, Jr., Honorary Membership



Representative George W. Miller, Jr. has been a friend to libraries ever since he was elected to the General Assembly in 1971. As a member of the Legislative Commission on Obscenity Laws, he repeatedly spoke in support of the librarian in the areas of intellectual freedom and freedom to read. During the 1985 session of the General Assembly, Representative Miller introduced the bill "Confidentiality of Library User Records" and followed it to passage into law.

### Dr. Samuel T. Ragan, Honorary Membership



North Carolina's poet laureate, Dr. Ragan is the author of a number of books, including "The Tree in the Far Pasture" and "Journey into Morning" and is a former editor of the *Raleigh News and Observer* (1957-1969). As the first secretary of the combined North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources (1969-73), he strengthened the work of the State Library and pressed in the General Assembly for more state appropriations for local libraries. Dr. Ragan is also a member of the North Carolina Library Resources Commission.

### Paynter and Russell are Ray Moore Award Winners

Ray Nichols Moore, 1914-1975, was assistant director of the Durham County Public Library and public library editor of *North Carolina Libraries* at her death. NCLA chose to memorialize her by establishing the Ray Moore Award, now given at the conference for the best article published about public libraries in *North Carolina Libraries* during the biennium preceding the conference. The award recipient is determined by the *North Carolina Libraries* editorial board.

The editorial board chose co-winners for

1983-85. David Paynter, director of the New Hanover County Public Library, was a winner for his article, "Branch Library Use in North Carolina Metropolitan Areas," published in the Fall 1984 issue of *NCL*. Robert C. Russell, director of the Elbert Ivey Memorial Library in Hickory, won for his article, "Collection Development in a Municipal Public Library," published in the Spring 1985 *NCL*.



Dr. Gene D. Lanier, Professor of Library Science at East Carolina University, was honored with two awards at the Biennial Conference of the North Carolina Library Association held in the Raleigh Civic Center October 2-4, 1985. He was cited for his dedication and contributions toward protecting First Amendment rights and fighting attempts at censorship in the state. Lanier, a former president of the organization, has served as chairman of the organization's Intellectual Freedom Committee since 1980. He has been the major spokesman for the freedom to read in communities throughout the state as well as in the General Assembly.

The NCLA Intellectual Freedom Award plaque was presented by Amanda Bible, Director of the Columbus County Public Library, a former recipient of the prestigious award and a member of the committee. Elliot Goldstein, president of Social Issues Resources Series, Inc. of Boca Raton, Florida, presented Lanier with the SIRS Intellectual Freedom Award citing his contributions in the area of intellectual freedom. The SIRS award includes \$500 to the recipient and a \$500 contribution in Dr. Lanier's name designated to the ECU Department of Library and Information Studies.



Winners of the Public Library Section Public Relations Committee's PR awards are, from left to right, Barbara Cashwell, Cumberland County; Vivian Beech, New Hanover County; Carol Walters, Montgomery County; Kem Ellis, High Point; Brenda Stephens, Orange County; and Suzanne Niver, Davidson County.



Baker and Taylor/Junior Members Round Table Grassroots Grant winner Melanie Collins, and JMRT Young Librarian Award winner Warren Gary Rochelle.

## Resolutions, North Carolina Library Association Conference, 1985

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Library Association has been assembled in its biennial conference in Raleigh, North Carolina October 2 to 4, 1985, and

WHEREAS, the members of the association have experienced successful and highly beneficial meetings;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Association express their gratitude especially to Dr. Leland Park who has served with distinction as the President during the 1983-85 biennium and to Vice President and Program Chairman, Pauline Myrick and to all members of the Executive Board, officers of sections and committee members, all of whom have given many hours of dedicated service in furthering the goals and aims of the Association.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Association formally extend its appreciation to Governor and Mrs. James G. Martin for the gracious open house at the Governor's Mansion and their presence at the President's Dance; and to Lieutenant Governor Robert B. Jordan III and the Honorable Patric Dorsey, Secretary of Cultural Resources, as well as E. J. Josey, immediate Past President of the American Library Association, for their participation in the conference;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Association extend thanks to all of the Conference Committee who worked diligently to make the Conference a success, especially Arial Stephens, Conference Manager and Johnny Shaver, Local Arrangements Chairman and his secretary, Pat

Watson, for their untiring efforts; and to Janet Freeman and Dr. Martha Smith, who co-chaired the Registration Committee as well as Jean Johnson, Coordinator of personnel for registration and to all who staffed the registration table; to Exhibits Chairman William Kirwan and his secretary, Sharon Kimble; to the managers and staffs of the Raleigh Civic Center and the Radisson Plaza Hotel as well as to the staff of Ogden Foods for excellent meeting and banquet arrangements; and to Mary Lee Moore and the Vocational Educational Ornamental Horticulture Class of Chatham County High School for the lovely flowers at the Conference banquet; and to the Davidson College Jazz Ensemble for music that provided the special touch to an enjoyable evening; to North Carolina State Librarian David McKay and the staff of the N. C. State Library for hosting the outstanding conference reception; to Joseph Ruzicka-South, Inc. for printing the conference program, and to Raymond Weeks and Laurie Stephens for designing the program logo; and to all the exhibitors for their excellent displays and helpfulness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that special thanks be given to all speakers and program participants, including those who spoke at the general sessions: The Honorable Lacy H. Thornburg, N. C. Attorney General, Dr. Dudley Flood, Associate State Superintendent of the N. C. Department of Public Instruction, and Dr. Charles V. Petty, former Director of the Governor's Office of Citizen Affairs and to all who by their efforts and presence contributed to the success of the conference.

*I. T. Littleton, Chairman, Judie Davie, Arial Stephens*



Mary Avery and Mertys Bell share a laugh with John Berry, editor of *Library Journal* and featured speaker for the Community and Junior College Libraries Section.



NCLA Conference Committee opens the exhibits. From left to right are Fred Marble, Ariel Stephens, Sharon Kimble, Leland Park, Pauline Myrick, William Kirwan, Johnny Shaver and Larry Roland.



NCLA Exhibits were the best ever — 100 spaces were sold.



Janet Freeman and Marti Smith coordinated registration, with lots of help from Wake County schools personnel.



Secretary of Cultural Resources Patric Dorsey spoke on "Libraries and Literacy" at the Trustees Section luncheon. With her is Jake Killian, chairman of the Trustees Section.

# WELCOME NCLA



This was the biggest NCLA ever, with over 1400 people registered.