

NCLA Biennial Reports

Children's Services Section—Biennial Report—1985-1987

Elected officers for the biennium included:

Chair: Rebecca Taylor, New Hanover County Public Library
Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Cal Shepard, Forsyth County Public Library

Secretary/Treasurer: Jacky Miller, Rockingham County Public

Directors: Mary Lou Rakow, Wilson County Public
Julie Walker, Central North Carolina Regional

Past Chair: Karen Perry, Archdale-Trinity Middle School

Also serving on the board were:

NC Libraries Representative: Bonnie Fowler

Membership Committee: Eileen Johnson, Sandhills Regional

Nominating Committee: Linda Hadden, Duplin County

Newsletter Editor: Margaret Miles, New Hanover

Bylaws: Sue Cottle, Wake County

Special committees appointed included: CSS History, Mary Lou Rakow, Chair; Publications, MJ Carbo, Chair; and Standards, Karen Perry, Chair.

The Board began the biennium with a retreat weekend in November of 1985. Two days of meetings were held at Kure Beach, North Carolina. The board spent the time evaluating past programs and projects and making plans for the upcoming biennium. Special committees were appointed.

Among the projects taken on by various CSS committees were:

- establishment of an award to a new children's librarian to attend his or her first NCLA. (Membership Committee)

- contact with library schools to promote CSS to their students. (Membership Committee)

- letters to new children's librarians in the state inviting them to join NCLA/CSS. (Membership Committee)

- publication of three issues and a conference sampler during the biennium. (Newsletter Committee)

- development of a biennial budget and possible fund raising activities. (Finance Committee)

- presentation of ALSC Notable Showcase at the NCASL Work Conference. (Program Committee)

- presentation of the ALSC Notable Showcase at the NCLA Biennial Conference. (Program Committee)

- scheduling and presentation of children's author Jack Prelutsky at the section's biennial breakfast at NCLA Conference. (Program Committee)

- nomination of a slate of officers for the 1987-1989 biennium and conducting the election for said officers. (Nominating Committee)

- compilation and documentation of a written history of CSS's 12 years of officers, activities, and programs. Publication and submission to the NCLA archives of this document. (CSS History Committee)

- planning and initial work on a publication of practical programming tips to be published as a money-making project. (Publications Committee)

Officers elected to serve in the 1987-1989 biennium are:

Chair: Cal Shepard, Forsyth County Public Library

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Julie Walker, Central North Caro-

lina Regional

Secretary/Treasurer: Jacky Miller, Rockingham County Public Library

Directors: Edna Jo Gambling, Hyconeechee Regional Library

Linda Hyde, Clemmons Branch, Forsyth County Public Library

Past Chair: Rebecca Taylor, New Hanover County Public Library

Documents Section—Biennial Report

October 1985 - October 1987

The major emphasis of the Documents Section for the past biennium has been the North Carolina Documents Depository Act. With awards from ALA-GODORT and NCLA, packets of information were prepared and distributed to various special interest groups and individuals throughout the state. Lobbying efforts were increased and intensified throughout the legislative session. Pat Langelier and members of the Depository System Committee worked tirelessly until the ratification of the bill on August 12, 1987.

Various workshops were presented incorporating the following topics:

October 3, 1986—How to Affect Public Policy

May 9, 1986—An Introduction to a Core Collection of North Carolina Documents and the Proposed Depository System

November 7, 1987—Unfolding Maps—New Directions in Map Collections

May 1, 1987—County Government Information

October 30, 1987—Government Information Showcase: Putting the Public into State Publications

During the 1985 and 1987 biennial conferences, the Documents Section has sponsored a table to market government information and has published a special conference edition of *The Docket*.

Ridley Kessler, Regional Depository Librarian, regularly attended the meetings of the Depository Library Council and was appointed to a seat on the council at its fall 1987 meeting in Washington, D.C.

The Documents Section officers for the 1985 - 1987 Biennium were:

October 1985 - October 1986

Janet Rowland—Chair

Waltrene Canada—Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect

Arlene Hanerfeld—Secretary/Treasurer

October 1986 - October 1987

Waltrene Canada—Chair

Pat Langelier—Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect

Arlene Hanerfeld—Secretary/Treasurer

The 1985 - 1987 biennium has been busy and profitable for the Documents Section. With preparations being made for the implementation of the documents legislation and other areas of

interest, we look ahead with anticipation to the next biennium.

Respectfully submitted,
Waltrene M. Canada,
Chair, Documents Section

Membership Committee Report October 27, 1987

The summer and fall months have been busy ones for the Membership Committee

Our system for monitoring selected professional publications to identify new librarians in North Carolina is still functioning. Each potential recruit receives a copy of our NCLA brochure and a letter of welcome inviting him or her to join NCLA.

We contacted all five library schools in the state to ask if they would like to have a committee member come to campus to talk with the students about NCLA and participation in professional organizations. One school invited us to send someone and others explained that their curricula covered these topics.

The major accomplishment of the committee was the production of a new NCLA brochure. A preliminary batch was printed in time for the conference, and the major final printing will be run soon after the conference.

You will find many of us at the membership table in Benton Convention Center during the next three days.

Respectfully submitted,
Rose Simon, Chair

North Carolina Association of School Librarians Section Report to NCLA Executive Board

During the last quarter of the biennium, the members of NCASL have been involved in beginning a new school year, much of which focuses on professional staff development that leads to attendance at the NCLA Conference. After seeing that their house is in order with scheduling computer time, providing orientation, processing new materials and planning with classroom teachers, NCASL members have an opportunity to participate in a full day of events that Chair-Elect Carol Southerland has coordinated for Friday, October 30.

NCASL members have been encouraged to begin their day by attending the Children's Services author breakfast featuring Jack Prelutsky. Under the association's sponsorship, a session on planning new facilities will be presented by the Supervisors' Special Committee.

Following an Executive Committee luncheon/business meeting, the General Session will be held with Peggy Parish featured as the guest speaker. The Administrator of the Year, Jeff Albarty, Principal of Mocksville Elementary School, will be recognized and presented with a plaque. The Appalachian Scholarship and the Garrett Scholarship will be presented during this session. The 1985-87 and 1987-89 Executive Committees of NCASL will be introduced to the membership.

Plans for School Library Media Day 1988 are being developed. One possibility is a state-wide television program. Successful activities from 1987 are being displayed at this conference.

One of the big thrusts for the coming year is the implementation of the National Guidelines. Helen Tugwell has asked Ronda Davis of Waynesville to chair NCASL's ad hoc implementation committee. On April 12, there is planned a nationwide teleconference to introduce the Guidelines and Chair.

Judy Knight has been asked to chair an ad hoc committee to revise the NCASL Handbook. No deadline has been set for the completion of this project.

The Executive Committee is planning a retreat which will be designed to focus on plans and projects of the new biennium.

Too often, committees and association projects do not receive the true attention they deserve because of the time factor. It is anticipated that such a retreat will help the association to spend quality time in planning for the future.

Long placed on the bottom of agenda items, the NCASL logo is a reality. T-shirts with the logo are being sold, and a banner bearing the logo has been prepared to appear at all conferences.

This biennium has seen a new scholarship, proposed guidelines in place for recognizing a media coordinator of the year, an official logo, increased member participation in national committees, successful conferences and nationally recognized media programs. NCASL is reviewing ways in which it can continue the contributions of the school library media program and the school library media coordinator to excellence in education for the young people in North Carolina.

Report of the Public Library Section October 27, 1987

The final meeting of the Planning Council of the Public Library Section was held on August 13 in Chapel Hill at the Chapel Hill Public Library. The meeting offered one last opportunity for the Chair and Vice-Chairs of the eleven committees of the Section to conclude the business of the Section for this biennium and to make final plans for the Conference.

The Adult Services, Literacy, Public Relations, and Young Adult Committees each have plans for programs and workshops to be held at the Conference. Additionally, the Public Library Section is one of the three co-sponsors of the Maya Angelou presentation.

The Trustee/Friends Committee and the Governmental Relations Committee reviewed their parts in conducting the biennial Legislative Day in Raleigh. This day provides an opportunity for public library trustees, patrons, and employees to have personal visits with legislators in Raleigh.

The Genealogy/Local History Committee has completed its manual for use in developing Local History collections in public libraries. The editorial board of *North Carolina Libraries* has agreed to publish the manual in the Summer 1988 issue.

Among the other committees producing documents this biennium have been the Personnel Committee and the Standards and Measures Committee. The Personnel Committee is completing a booklet containing copies of the performance appraisal forms used by public libraries in the state. The Standards and Measures Committee has worked very closely with a committee of the Public Library Directors Association to produce a revision of the *Standards for North Carolina Public Libraries*.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the excellent work of all the committees of the Public Library Section over the past two years. It has been a great pleasure to serve on this Executive Board as their representative.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Massey, Chair
Public Library Section

Resources and Technical Services Section Biennial Highlights: 1985-87

Fall Conference

Following the pattern established in the previous biennium, RTSS planned and held an off-year fall conference open to all NCLA members. In many ways the theme selected, "Coping with Change: Strategies for Survival," was an extension of the previous year's mini-conference on "The Changing Role of the Technical Services Librarian." The conference was held October

23-24, 1986, at the Sheraton Hotel in Southern Pines with 113 persons attending from various types of libraries. The stated objectives of the conference were: 1) to provide a general theoretical overview of the library automation revolution in progress; 2) to offer models to encourage strategic planning processes; 3) to stimulate creative thinking in determining library priorities and the best use of staff time; 4) to identify some of the major practical concerns and problems related to library automation; 5) to offer concrete examples of various approaches to solving automation problems; 6) to bring participants up-to-date on state and national events related to library automation. Nine speakers covered a wide range of topics in general sessions entitled "Rethinking Priorities and Strategic Planning for the Automated Library Environment," "Creating the New System and Training Its Users," and "Automation Update." There was also an engaging after-dinner talk given by North Carolina romance novelist Dixie Browning. A successful grant application for LSCA Title III funds assured adequate resources to invite speakers with noteworthy experience in the topics covered. Five of the nine speakers were, in fact, asked to come to North Carolina from out of state. Review of the conference evaluation forms revealed that the above stated objectives had been successfully met.

Membership

Beatrice Kovacs served as this year's Chair of the RTSS Membership Committee. Her activities included liaison work with the Board's Membership Committee and conducting an RTSS membership survey at the 1986 fall conference. Her study revealed that membership in the section ranged between 195-203 during the biennium, representing six types of libraries. Her study included a section on the geographic concentration of members throughout the state and types of positions members held in libraries. She also assisted with updating the description of RTSS in the general NCLA membership brochure and tabulated membership survey responses regarding topics for future programs and the format for their presentations.

Bylaws

The Section's Bylaws Committee, consisting of Amanda Harmon and Catherine Leonardi, worked to present RTSS Bylaws changes concerning the Conference Program Planning Committee and replacement of officers who unexpectedly cannot meet their obligations. These changes were approved at the business meeting of the 1986 RTSS Fall Conference with a copy of the changes submitted to the NCLA Bylaws Committee.

Response To Futures Committee

With the distribution of the Futures Committee Report and Recommendations in October 1986, the Resources and Technical Services Section found itself deeply involved with formulating responses for discussion at the 1987 Spring Board meeting. All six of the major points for the vote were addressed with formal reactions in writing by the Section and submitted to the Board by Chair, April Wreath. Several of the changes proposed by RTSS regarding the Association's goals and objectives were subsequently adopted by the Board.

Publishing

Two of the Section's key presentations at the 1985 Biennial Conference were on the NACO (Name Authority Co-Op) Project. These were later published in the Winter '85 conference issue. RTSS has also continued its work to encourage quality writing and publishing through its Best Article Award. This year's recipient is Donald Beagle of the Lee County Public Library System and author of "Decision Points in Small Scale Automation." (Fall

1986 NCL). This year the award also took on a new and special significance with the RTSS Executive Committee's recently naming it after the late Doralyn J. Hickey in acknowledgment of her distinguished career and close ties to North Carolina. Gene Leonardi has consented to serve another biennium as the section's editor to *North Carolina Libraries* and liaison with *Tar Heel Libraries*.

1987 Biennial Conference

The section continued its encouragement of new librarians to attend the NCLA biennial conference through offering a cash prize conference grant. Screening the several well-qualified applicants was a difficult task. Finally, both a recipient, Pamela Pittman of Western Carolina University, and a runner-up, Gail S. Neely of East Carolina University, were selected. Both were asked to report back to the Executive Committee with their evaluations of the various conference programs. The theme of the main session on October 19 was "The Impact of Automation on Libraries and Their Users," featuring the speakers Elizabeth Nichols of the Stockton San Joaquin County Public Library and Dr. Ching-chih Chen of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Simmons College. Each of the four RTSS Special Interest Groups also held a program Friday, October 30. The Cataloging Interest Group conducted a panel discussion on "Subject Access in the Online Catalog." The Acquisitions Interest Group featured talks on "Acquiring Software for the University and Public Library," while the Collection Development Interest Group examined the topic "Video Collection Development Policies." Mary Youmans, Chair of the Serials Interest Group, successfully applied for an LSCA Title III Grant to sponsor Norman Desmarais of Providence College as its speaker on "The Impact of Optical Information Systems on Library Operations and Services."

NCLA T-shirts were again sold at the biennial conference by RTSS.

Executive Committee 1987/89

The RTSS Nominating Committee, chaired by Sandra Dunn, presented the following slate of officers for approval at the October 29 business meeting:

Chair

Harry Tuchmayer
New Hanover County Public Library
Wilmington, NC

Vice Chair/Chair Elect

David Gleim
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Immediate Past Chair

April I. Wreath
Head Catalog Librarian, Jackson Library
University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Secretary-Treasurer

Georgianna Francis
Elbert Ivey Memorial Library
Hickory, NC

Director

Elizabeth C. Meehan-Black
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Director

Keith R. Stetson
Hunter Library
Western Carolina University
Cullowhee, NC

Section Editor

Gene Leonardi
N.C. Central University
Durham, NC

Chair, Acquisitions Interest Group

Ronnie A. Pitman
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, NC

Chair, Cataloging Interest Group

Bao-Chu Chang
North Carolina State University
Raleigh, NC

Chair, Collection Development Interest Group

James W. Romer
Jackson Library
University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Chair, Serials Interest Group

Evelyn Council
Fayetteville State University
Fayetteville, NC

Summary:

The Resources and Technical Services Executive Committee has had a very full and gratifying year. Its objectives of supporting the continuing education needs of its members were met through major programs sponsored in 1986 and 1987 and through encouraging quality publishing and attendance at the NCLA biennial conference. The Section has also participated actively in examining and articulating the ongoing goals of the Association through its reactions to the Report of the Futures Committee. RTSS has also done considerable self-study and has identified a growing interest by its members in automation-related topics and in the management of technical services workflow, along with the traditional concerns represented by its Special Interest Groups. The past Chairman would like to express great appreciation for the work done by members of the Executive Committee, and also to thank the NCLA Executive Board for its continued support of this section.

April I. Wreath

SELA Representative Report

The Nominating Committee of SELA has selected the following persons as the slate of officers for 1988-1990;

President-Elect

James Ward, David Lipscombe College, Tennessee
Kathleen Imhoff, Broward County Division of Libraries,
Florida

Secretary

Myra Jo Wilson, Delta State University, Mississippi
Rebecca Ballentine, Institute of Government, University
of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Treasurer

Wanda Calhoun, East Central Georgia Regional Library,
Georgia
James Damico, University of South Alabama Library,
Alabama

SELA personal membership statistics as of August 10, 1987,
are as follows:

Alabama	139
Florida	185

Georgia	283
Kentucky	74
Louisiana	99
Mississippi	88
North Carolina	197
South Carolina	142
Tennessee	158
Virginia	93
West Virginia	22
Other	13
TOTAL	1,493

North Carolina is in second place with the most memberships, following Georgia.

A SELA membership table is being set up for the registration area of the NCLA Biennial Conference, with a special display board provided by SELA headquarters. Membership forms and SELA ribbons will be available at the table, which is coordinated by Rebecca Ballentine of the Institute of Government.

SELA President Charles E. Beard will be attending the NCLA Biennial Conference and will bring greetings.

Nominations for the 1988 Rothrock Award are being solicited. The Rothrock Award recognizes outstanding contributions to librarianship in the Southeast. This is the highest honor bestowed by SELA on leaders in the library field. Send all nominations to Dean Burgess, Chair, Rothrock Awards Committee of SELA, Portsmouth Public Library, 601 Court Street, Portsmouth, Virginia 23704.

Nominations are also being sought for the SELA Outstanding Authors Award that recognizes authors for current works of literary merit in states of the SELA. The author should be a native or bona fide resident of a SELA state at the time the work was written or published. Two awards may be made, one in fiction and one in nonfiction. In each category, works must have been published within five years prior to December 31st of the year preceding the biennial conference. Submit nominations to Diane E. Guilford, Media Specialist, Fairfax County Public, Reston, Virginia 22091, by April 1, 1988.

October 25-28, 1988—Joint Virginia Library Association and Southeastern Library Association Conference at Norfolk, Virginia. (The Creative Spirit: Writers, Words and Readers.)

Jerry A. Thrasher, SELA Representative

CAUTION!

SOME PEOPLE CONSIDER THESE BOOKS DANGEROUS

AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY • THE BIBLE • ARE YOU THERE, GOD? IT'S ME, MARGARET • OUR BODIES, OURSELVES • TARZAN
ALICE'S ADVENTURES IN WONDERLAND • THE EXORCIST • THE
CHOCOLATE WAR • CATCH-22 • LORD OF THE FLIES • ORDINARY
PEOPLE • SOUL ON ICE • RAISIN IN THE SUN • OLIVER TWIST • A
FAREWELL TO ARMS • THE BEST SHORT STORIES OF NEGRO
WRITERS • FLOWERS FOR ALGERNON • ULYSSES • TO KILL A
MOCKINGBIRD • ROSEMARY'S BABY • THE FIXER • DEATH OF A
SALESMAN • MOTHER GOOSE • CATCHER IN THE RYE • THE
MERCHANT OF VENICE • ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF IVAN
DENISOVICH • GRAPES OF WRATH • THE ADVENTURES OF
HUCKLEBERRY FINN • SLAUGHTERHOUSE-FIVE • GO ASK ALICE

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