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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Program planning is in full swing! Topics range from acquisitions-vendor relations to bibliographic quality control to an update on the California State-wide serials project. The discussion group leaders are hard at work preparing relevant and interesting programs for you.

The CLA Northern Region Technical Services Chapter members will be hosting the California Library Association Annual Conference. Chapter meetings in Oakland are scheduled for November 16 through 19, 1991. Roy Ortopan, Chapter Vice President/President Elect, is very busy preparing the meeting proposals to submit to the CLA Program Planning Committee. The programs and the dates are listed elsewhere in this newsletter.

Program topic ideas come from the suggestions provided by our members and attendees at our previous programs. If you do not see a program being announced in this issue that may be of interest to you, please contact a discussion group leader or officer to let us know of your interests.

A new and complete roster begins on page 2 of this Tech Notes issue. It includes revisions and the Northern Region discussion group leaders and program planning committee.

Diane Bebber
1991 CLA Technical Services Chapter President

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In the interest of reducing mailing and other expenditures as well as time, the Technical Services Chapter officers have decided that membership cards will no longer be distributed to members.

If anyone has a question about membership status or if proof of membership is required for business purposes, please call (714) 856-6077, **Ruth Boyer**, Treasurer/Membership Coordinator.

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Membership Renewal Time

Now is the time to renew your membership in CLA Technical Services Chapter for the year 1991. This issue of Tech Notes is the last one you will receive unless you have paid dues for 1991. If you have not already renewed, please do so as soon as possible using the membership form included with this newsletter.

The new, 1991 list of members will be distributed to officers and discussion group leaders in May. Tech Notes and chapter announcements will be distributed according to current membership information. Don't miss the news and the reduced cost of registration for Technical Services Chapter events and programs. Encourage your colleagues to join us as well! Feel free to post or copy the membership form to make it easy for others to join.

Submitted by **Ruth Boyer**, CLA Technical Services Chapter Treasurer/Membership Coordinator

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Tech Notes News

Four issues of Tech Notes are planned for 1991. The first one was distributed in January. The July issue will include election information, ballots, and information on fall programs. Included in the October issue will be annual conference program information and announcements.

To submit information for inclusion in the July edition of Tech Notes send copy to **Nancy Neal**, Tech Notes Editor, Palos Verdes Library District, 650 Deep Valley Drive, Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274. Deadline for the next issue is July 1, 1991. Mailing date for that issue is scheduled for July 16, 1991. Written submissions should be legible, and preferably typed and double-spaced. Submissions on diskette are encouraged. Tech Notes is produced on a Macintosh SE/30 on PageMaker 4.0. Send text, if possible, on 3.5" labeled diskettes in MS-Word files.

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Spring Program in the North

"Shifting Resources, Changing Responsibilities: How Can We Maintain Quality In Technical Services?" is the subject of the Spring 1991 meeting jointly sponsored by the Northern California Technical Processes Group (NCTPG) and the California Library Association Technical Services Chapter. It will be held Friday, April 26, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Radisson Haus Inn, Sunnyvale, CA. The registration deadline is April 12, 1991.

Speakers include **Tia Gozzi**, Director of Technical Services, Stanford University Libraries as keynote speaker; and **Jean Kan**, Operations Manager of Copy Cataloging Section, Stanford University Libraries; **Mercedes Untewale**, Head of Bibliographic Services Dept., UC Berkeley, **Lee Leighton**, Head of Cataloging Dept., UC Berkeley as panelists. **Marsha Leeman Conley**, UC Davis Academic and Staff Assistance Program Counselor and **Al Carlson**, Principal Librarian, Support Services, Fresno County Public Library will also speak.

Look forward to hearing the following topics discussed :

- *** Balancing Service With Increasing Demands and Decreasing Resources
- *** Changing Dynamics: New Roles for Paraprofessionals and Professionals
- *** The Changing Relationship Between Public Services and Technical Services
- *** Coping With Stress

Registration information was mailed in March. For more information or registration contact:

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Serials in the South

The Southern Region Serials Discussion Group leaders, **Kathy Cresto** and **Cecilia Chen**, announce that they are not planning a spring program but have been busy scheduling a meeting in the fall. Mark your calendars now for September 6 as that busy month has a way of filling up quickly. The working title of the program is "Serials in Transition." This theme will cover the topics of the impact of automation on serials operations, staff development and training, and the question of a need to reorganize serials activities.

Anticipate that more information will be forthcoming. The July issue of Tech Notes will include more details on the program.

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Colloquium In La Jolla

CLA Technical Services Chapter members are looking forward to the "Colloquium by the Sea for Catalogers" to be held Friday, April 26, 1991. **Sandy Smith** and **Martha Childers**, Southern Region Cataloging Discussion Group Leaders, have planned a blockbuster day to be held at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla. Not only is this an outstanding location but the program features two outstanding leaders in Technical Services information.

In the morning, **Dr. Barbara Tillett**, Head of the Catalog Department, Central University Library, University of California, San Diego will speak on "Quality Control In The Online Environment: Past, Present, and Future."

In the afternoon, **Michael Gorman**, Dean of Library Services, California State University, Fresno and editor of AACR2r, will speak on the topic "To Serve You Better: Organising Technical Services for the Age of Service."

An optional tour of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Library will be available to early morning arrivals. Seventy-five pre-paid parking spaces have been reserved and carpooling is highly recommended.

The University of California, San Diego Central University Library Cataloging Department is co-hosting this special event along with CLA Technical Services Chapter Cataloging Discussion Group.

DON'T MISS THIS PROGRAM!

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Bad Vendors?

"No Bad Vendors: How To Get Good Service From Library Materials Suppliers," is the title for the upcoming spring program for the Southern Region Acquisitions Discussion Group. The program will focus on practical tips and general principles that can be applied to develop and maintain good service relationships with library vendors. Both librarians and vendor representatives will speak to the issue of service and developing good working relationships.

The program will be held on Friday, May 17, at the West Covina Branch of the County of Los Angeles Public Library from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Speakers for the program will be announced later. Registration materials will be sent in late April to Chapter members.

For more information on the program or for information about registration, please contact **Edward Asawa**, County of Los Angeles Public Library, (213) 940-8578 or **Stephanie Beverage**, Midwest Library Service, (714) 256-2750.

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Interdependence with Vendors

The joint Spring meeting of the Northern Region Acquisitions Discussion Group and Serials Discussion Group will be held Friday, May 31, 1991, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Alameda County Library, 2400 Stevenson Boulevard, Fremont, CA in the Fukaya Room.

The meeting will focus on the increasing interdependence and the mutual benefit developing among vendors, acquisitions and cataloging departments arising from the growing sophistication of automation and the development of national standards. Duplicative efforts are decreasing as a result of increased cooperation and a willingness to become more interrelated.

Topics to be discussed include:

*** The development of the X12 standards and its relationship to the BISAC standards

*** Vendor-supplied bibliographic records (MARC and non-MARC format) for serial subscriptions and monographs

*** The utilization of pre-cataloging/order records for bibliographic control.

Announcements will be sent to CLA Technical Services Chapter members later this month. For more on this program, "Growing Interdependence of Libraries and Vendors: Automation and Developing National Standards" please contact either **James Matthews**, Chabot Community College, Hayward, CA 94945, (415) 786-6764; or, **Aimee Algier-Baxter**, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, (408) 554-5556.

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Networking Cataloging Expertise

"Networking Cataloging Expertise" is the theme of the Northern Region Cataloging Discussion Group and Microcomputer Discussion Group joint spring program scheduled for Friday, June 14, 1991, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Alameda County Library, 2400 Stevenson Boulevard, Fremont, CA. in the Fukaya Room.

The program will consist of three presentations on the theme of sharing cataloging expertise:

*** 1. For non-English language materials;

*** 2. For non-book materials such as audiovisual media, computer files, maps, manuscripts, and serials;

*** 3. For maximizing technological support for resource sharing in technical services via the use of e-mail, electronic bulletin boards, FAX, local area networks, etc.

Following the panel presentations, participants will have an opportunity to share each others expertise in small discussion groups.

Registration information will be mailed to CLA Technical Services Chapter members in April. For more information on this program, please contact **Suzanne Sweeney**, Stanford University, Jackson Library, Stanford, CA 94305, (415) 725-2005; or, **Jessica Marshall**, Associate Dean, University of the Pacific Library, Stockton, CA 95211, (209) 946-2434.

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APRIL 26, 1991

Colloquium by the Sea for Catalogers
La Jolla, Ca

*Shifting Resources, Changing Responsibilities:
How Can We Maintain Quality In
Technical Services?*
Sunnyvale, CA

MAY 17, 1991

*No Bad Vendors: How To Get Good Service
From Library Materials Suppliers*
West Covina, CA

JUNE 14, 1991

Networking Cataloging Expertise

*Growing Interdependence of Libraries and
Vendors: Automation and Developing
National Standards*
Fremont, CA

JUNE 29 - JULY 4, 1991

American Library Association Conference
Atlanta, GA

JULY 1, 1991

Tech Notes July issue deadline

SEPTEMBER 6, 1991

Serials in Transition
Southern California location to be announced

SEPTEMBER 26, 1991

Southern California Cataloging Discussion
Group meeting topic to be announced
Cerritos, CA

Future CLA Conferences

NOVEMBER 16 - 19, 1991

Oakland Convention Center

NOVEMBER 14 - 17, 1992

Long Beach Convention Center

Fall Conference Programs

The headliner program for the CLA Technical Services Chapter is scheduled for Sunday, November 17, 1991, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, on the topic, "Cooperation in Technical Services in the 90's." There will be a presentation on the California State database, a discussion of the California State Serials Project (CSSP) and the X-12 standard, and a discussion of the future of networking in technical services.

The Technical Services Discussion Group meetings are scheduled for Monday, November 18th. The joint Acquisitions and Serials Discussion Group program, scheduled for 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon will feature presentations by vendors with questions and demonstrations. The joint Cataloging and Microcomputer Discussion Group program, scheduled for 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. will cover database cleanup, continuing conversion, authority control, quality of records, and ongoing maintenance.

Plan to attend these programs and place them on your calendar now.

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