

News from the Divisions

WA INFORMATION SCIENCE SECTION

The Information Science Section (WA Group) is once again actively promoting online information retrieval during Information Technology Week (16-22 August). A large demonstration has been organised with the generous assistance of equipment suppliers, database vendors, the Perth Building Society (for the attractive and spacious venue), Telecom and OTC, and the staff of a number of Perth libraries and members of the Medical Librarians' group. A programme of different special subject demonstrations each day (including a daily medical demonstration) and visits by school groups has been planned in addition to the general public sessions. A display and brochures on the various databases will support the online demonstrations.

Louise Jones

LITERACY SECTION

The Section's Annual General Meeting was held on 15 June at Ashburton Public Library, Melbourne.

The AGM was well-attended and the guest speaker was Des Pickering, Senior Lecturer in Special Education at Burwood State College. Des gave a provocative and entertaining talk on reading research and theories of reading disability.

Helen Modra

VIC CHILDREN'S LIBRARIES

This Section 'missed the boat' so to speak, and was not included in the 1981 Divisional Elections. Call for Nominations form which appeared in *Incite* no11, 3 July.

The Section are calling for nominations for 12 Committee members. Please use the nomination form which appeared in *Incite* no11 and send to Margaret Fox, Nunawading Public Library, 379 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading, Vic 3131, by 8 September.

HAPPENINGS

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September 2-4 Insearch Ltd/DIALOG Information Retrieval Service DIALOG INTRODUCTORY SEMINAR, plus advanced seminar in government documents. CANBERRA. Contact: Jennifer Affleck (008) 22 2077 (toll-free).

September 3 LAA ACT Branch COUNCIL MEETING 5.30pm READERS LOUNGE, NLA. Meetings for 1981 will be held on first Thursday of each month, same time, same place as above. Dates of future meetings: 1 Oct, 5 Nov, 3 Dec. Contact: Janet Perfrement (062) 66 3572.

September 9-10 LAA Cataloguers Section ACT Group ADDRESS by Ben Tucker (Head, Descriptive Cataloguing Policy, Library of Congress). More details later. Contact: Philip Keane (062) 89 8177.

September 10 LAA Cataloguers Section ACT Group COMMITTEE MEETING 5.30pm MACDONALD ROOM, MENZIES BLDG, ANU LIBRARY. Meetings for 1981 will be held second Thursday of each month, same time, same place as above. Dates of future meetings: 8 Oct, 12 Nov, 10 Dec. Contact: Philip Keane (062) 89 8177.

September 30 Canberra Online Users Group MEETING "Legal databases in use at Attorney-General's" 5.15pm to 5.30pm NLA Speaker: Roy Jordon (Attorney-General's Library). Contact: Jean Geue (062) 83 2354.

October 27-29 Insearch Ltd/DIALOG Information Retrieval Service DIALOG INTRODUCTORY SEMINAR, plus advanced seminar in search strategy. CANBERRA. Contact: Jennifer Affleck (008) 22 2077 (toll-free).

SCHOOL LIBRARIES SECTION

The papers of the LAA/NZLA Post Conference Seminar 'Selecting Resources for Children and Adolescents' have now been published and are available from the LAA, 473 Elizabeth St, Surry Hills, 2010. Price: \$9.50 (\$7.00 to LAA members).

Four cassettes containing eight talks of the seminar have also been produced and copies have been deposited with LAA Branches in each state. Any section or group who wish to make copies of the tapes is welcome to do so.

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HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

ONE OF THE FUNCTIONS of the Hospitality Sub-committee of the 1982 LAA Conference Steering Committee is to co-ordinate all social events at the Conference. Letters have been sent to Sections and Special Interest Groups about what functions they wish to hold.

The Sub-committee would now like to hear from any other affiliated or related groups, or library schools who may wish to hold social and/or alumni functions at the conference.

The available times are lunch-times and evenings from Monday, 23 August to Thursday, 26 August 1981.

Please write giving details of the event required and, if possible, the name and telephone number of an Adelaide person willing to act on your behalf, by 30 September, to Anne Harris, Convener, Hospitality Sub-committee, GPO Box 742, Adelaide 5001.

Memos to Divisions

The following is a list of memos sent from LAA Headquarters to Divisions between 1 January and 30 June 1981.

Date	To	Subject
2 March	Branch Secretaries	Support for ABN
8 April	Division Secretaries	Staff changes in Association office
20 May	Branch Secretaries	Distance subsidies
20 May	Division Secretaries	Sections and Special Interest Groups
20 May	Branch and Section Secretaries	Proposal for a market survey of public attitudes to librarians
20 May	Branch and Section Secretaries	Volunteer workers in libraries
22 May	Division Secretaries	Section representation on General Council
3 June	Division Secretaries	Election of division office-bearers for 1982
18 June	Division Secretaries	Date and venue for 1981 Annual General Meeting
18 June	Division Secretaries	Statement on copyright in non-book materials
22 June	Branch Secretaries	'Ask a librarian' buttons

ALPC'S PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARDS

THE AUSTRALIAN LIBRARY Promotion Council are now inviting entries for the 14th Annual Public Relations Awards, open to libraries of all types throughout Australia. The Awards will be made to the best programs, innovations or developments to interpret, explain, interest or market library services and facilities to users or potential users, or to governing authorities.

The Awards will be judged in five sections:

- 1 Annual Reports;
- 2 Printed publications;
- 3 Audiovisual;
- 4 Single event or activity;
- 5 Public relations program, which may include one or all forms of media.

Entries may consist of: a single publication in any format; a collection, series or album; or a description of an event or series of events, functions or programs, supported by publications, reports, press cuttings, etc, associated with the event.

The period from which the entry material may be drawn is 1 January 1980 to 30 June 1981. However, supporting material produced prior to 1980, and used in public relations work during the admissible period may be submitted as well.

The prize for each section is \$250 and the Award Certificate. The prize money for Section 1 (Annual Reports) has been donated by Footscray Institute of Technology Library, Victoria. The Library won the Printed Publications section of the 1980 Public Relations Awards for two booklets *Libraries of Sydney* and *Libraries of Melbourne*.

For more information contact the ALPC, 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne, 3000. Closing date for entries is 28 August 1981.

CHILD/YOUNG ADULT GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

An Extended Continuing Education Course for Librarians and Information Workers

Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education
School of Library and Information Studies

A SIX DAY PROGRAMME in 1981

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

The course will be of value to people engaged in supplying library and information services to children and young adults.

FEE: \$150.00 excluding meals.
For further information please contact Ann Enderby
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Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education,
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