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AEROSPACE DIVISION

The objectives of the Aerospace Division are to encourage the free exchange of ideas and information between libraries and librarians who are directly concerned with aerospace technology and related sciences; and to maintain a dialog with NASA and other governmental agencies upon whom we rely as sources of technical data and bibliographic sources.

From the Chair

Now that the holidays are past, I hope you are enjoying a happy new year. Was one of your resolutions to attend the SLA annual conference? If not, I hope the following program descriptions may entice your thoughts toward Denver. We hope the variety of topics will be appealing and that the programs will offer practical information that you can take back to your libraries.

Monday, June 13, 10:00-12:00

"How to Get It: A Guide to Acquiring Government Publications," co-sponsored by the Military Librarian Division. Speakers representing government agencies will be Kurt Molhorn from DTIC, Van A. Wente from NASA, and Dr. Joseph Caponio from NTIS. They will discuss how they acquire information with a primary emphasis on technical report literature. Jay R. McKee, from Martin Marietta, and Ralph Lewis, from Lockheed Missiles and Space Company, will give an industry perspective of how to overcome problems in acquiring information.

Tuesday, June 14, 10:00-12:00

"Sources of Information for DoD/Aerospace," co-sponsored by the Military Librarians. The program focuses on vendors who support the aerospace industry. Representatives from AIAA, Information Handling Services, Mead Data Central, Defense Marketing Services, Jane's Publishing, and McGraw-Hill Book Company will discuss sources they use to acquire information and how they develop their products.

Tuesday, June 14, 12:00-2:00

Division Business Luncheon Meeting. This is a ticketed event but plan to join us for it is an excellent way to meet and become more involved with the division. If you haven't attended in the past, we hope to see you there.

Tuesday, June 14, 2:00-5:00

"Expert Systems in Libraries," co-sponsored by Information Technology and others. De-

signed not for the technical user but to inform us as practicing librarians where artificial intelligence stands today and how it will impact you and your library. Linda Veekner, of Price-Waterhouse, will moderate the panel which includes Dr. Bruce Bennion of the Science and Engineering library at USC who will discuss what AI is all about. Dr. Douglas Melzler of the University of Pittsburg School of Library and Information Science will talk about language design and three speakers will discuss practical applications. They include Paul Reisinger of Allstate, Allan Kuhn, DTIC, and a representative of the National Agricultural Library.

Wednesday, June 15, 3:00-4:00

"Power Job Descriptions: The Hay Plan and Information Services," co-sponsored with library Management and Insurance and Benefits. Tom Flannery of Hay Associates will explain the Hay plan which is a widely used method of evaluating professional and managerial jobs. Nancy Norton, Information Manager at Martin Marietta and Energy Systems, will explain how this plan works in her organization. If you'd like to see better evaluation of library jobs in your organization, this program is for you.

Thursday, June 16, 8:00-4:00

Field trip to the Air Force Academy, co-sponsored by the Military Librarians. The tour will include the library with emphasis on special collections, the wind tunnel, the chapel, and the gym which contains the swimming pool used for Olympic training. Lunch will be at the Broadmoor Hotel. Estimated cost for the day is \$35.

We're all looking forward to a great conference and hope you are beginning to make plans to attend.

Veronica Hsu
Chair

Federal Regulation of Information

At ONLINE '87 in Anaheim, CA, October 20-22, the main issue was federal regulation of information access. It is not a dead issue. During

the half-day session on "Coping with Change: Databases and the U.S. Federal Government," it was reported that after a 'fact-finding mission' by the Air Force, FBI, and CIA, these agencies put together a classified report recommending restriction of scientific information. This recommendation is made on the premise that bits and pieces of unclassified information can be pieced together to create classified information. Their report is likely a case in point.

Ken Allen, Information Industry Association, agrees with the concept of classified from unclassified. However, as Mr. Allen said "when I was in college, that's what I called research."

Anyway, Bob Simon, DIALOG Information Services, Inc., and Ken Allen said that they think there is a very recent, unclassified version of the classified report available from the Air Force Public Affairs Office, perhaps entitled "Exploitation of Data Bases." If anyone knows more, please tell us.

For those of you trying to obtain unclassified but limited documents, Joseph Coyne, DOE, Oak Ridge, TN, suggests you ask this question when your request is denied: "What is the legitimate authority for the limitation?" Challenge the denial.

**Lee Stocks, Library Manager
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Announcement of Chemistry Division Travel Stipend Award

SLA student members who are first time conference attendees may apply for a travel stipend of up to \$500.00 toward payment of expenses incurred while attending the Association Annual Conference in Denver, June 11-16, 1988.

If you qualify, write and submit a one to two page statement on the benefits of attending the Association Annual Conference. The awardee will be expected to present his or her statement at the Chemistry Division Business Meeting.

Submit name, address and a statement of qualifications on one page. Also state on the same page if you are applying for travel awards given by other Divisions or Chapters of SLA.

To preserve anonymity, submit statement on separate sheets of paper. The statement must be typed double spaced. Statements exceeding two pages will be disqualified.

The Chemistry Division reserves the right not to award a stipend.

Applications must be received by February 15, 1988. Submit entries to: Mr. Loren D. Mendelsohn, Awards Chair, Science and Engineering Library, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202.

News Items, Questions, Comments are Welcome

I would like to thank Lee Stocks for her contribution to this issue. If you're interested in writing something or if you'd be willing to help me gather news, please contact me at my new address: Technical Library EE-5, Westinghouse Electric Corp., 401 E. Hendy Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3499.

**Betty Tyson
Bulletin Editor**

Planning Ahead

We felt that it might be useful to have handy the dates of future SLA meetings.

- 79th Annual Conference
June 11-16, 1988 — Denver, CO
- Winter Meeting
January 25-28, 1989 — San Francisco, CA
- 80th Annual Conference
June 10-15, 1989 — New York, NY
- Winter Meeting
January 24-27, 1990 — St. Louis, MO
- 81st Annual Conference
June 9-14, 1990 — Cleveland, OH
- Winter Meeting
January 24-26, 1991 — Washington, DC
- 82nd Annual Conference
June 8-13, 1991 — San Antonio, TX
- 83rd Annual Conference
June 6-11, 1992 — San Francisco, CA
- 84th Annual Conference
June 5-10, 1993 — Cincinnati, OH
- 85th Annual Conference
June 11-16, 1994 — Atlanta, GA
- 86th Annual Conference
June 10-15, 1995 — Montreal, PQ
- 87th Annual Conference
June 8-13, 1996 — Boston, MA

**Barbara S. Palanjiano
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