



NEWS

May 1996

From the President's Desk

Caron Rollins

As my term as president of LISAA comes to a close, I realize that it has all gone by very quickly. It has been great fun, and I would encourage anyone interested in keeping in touch with the School and its Alumni to volunteer as a LISAA executive member. I intend to enjoy my new position of Past-President, and wish President-Elect Della Jacobsen success in her new role. I would also like to thank for their participation three members of our executive whose terms will end this May, Past-President Kerri Calvert, Treasurer Kathy Carter, and School representative Dr. Bertram. Kerri and Kathy's last duties included working on LISAA's Nominations Committee selecting two new executive members, Aleksandra Nowacka for Vice-President and Wanda Cacao-Stanka for Treasurer. Events to take place this spring include *LISAA's Annual General Meeting on May 31st*, with guest speaker Dr. Alvin Schrader.

Not to be missed is the *Celebration in Honour of Dr. Sheila Bertram*. Dr. Bertram is retiring in June, having been with the School since 1970, and Director since 1987. The announcement for this celebration is attached.

The 1996 recipient of our Honourary Alumni Award has been chosen, and will be announced in our September News. Nominations are still being taken for our 1996 Distinguished Alumni Award, an award for recognition of professional accomplishments of alumni. Please forward your nominations to me at my address listed on the reverse of this page.

Annual General Meeting

May 31, 1996

Please attend LISAA's Annual General Meeting which will be held on May 31st at 5:00 pm in Henderson Hall of Rutherford South. The meeting will consist of a short business meeting and a guest speaker. Included on the agenda for the business meeting is presentation of the yearly financial statement. Our new executive members will also be introduced.

Our guest speaker will be Dr. Alvin Schrader, School of Library and Information Studies. Dr. Schrader will speak on the topic of censorship in libraries, presenting issues explored in his recently published book "Fear of Words: Censorship and the Public Libraries of Canada".

Light refreshments will be served.

Rutherford South is located directly west of HUB, and visitor parking is available in Lots N & U directly east of HUB for \$3.00.

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YOU ARE INVITED TO A CELEBRATION
in honour of Dr. Sheila Bertram

Dr. Bertram will be retiring June 30, 1996 and
would like to take this opportunity to say **THANK**
YOU to her many colleagues and friends

and the School would like to thank everyone who
contributed to the
MLIS program this past year

Saturday, June 22, 1996

4:30 to 9:00 p.m.

at

Alumni House

11515 Saskatchewan Drive

University of Alberta Campus

Dress, food and entertainment will be informal

Please RSVP by June 7th

Please send to:

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Cost: \$10.00 per person (cash bar)

Name: _____

Enclosed is _____ for people _____

Enclosed is a donation of _____ towards a book prize for LIS 501 (Introduction to Library and Information Studies) to be named in honour of Dr. Bertram (Tax receipts will be issued by the University of Alberta)

The School would appreciate **separate** cheques for tickets and donations (payable to the School of Library & Information Studies)

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**Special Thanks to AGT Limited
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Fund Raising at the School

This year will be a pivotal one for the School as an interim Director begins the task of promoting the School to new markets. The School wishes to maintain the existing pool of strong applicants and begin to develop the Prairie and Pacific Northwest areas. They are embarking on a campaign that will strengthen the name of the School within those areas. Included in this campaign will be the production of posters, the information package itself and to revise the School's Website information. This all takes money and the School has asked the Alumni to help by donating money to this worthwhile project. You will all receive a membership renewal form in this package and we ask that you consider contributing in some way to this worthwhile project. Any amount will help!

Mark Your Calendar

*Thursday, October 3rd, 7 pm
Rutherford House on Saskatchewan Dr
Lecture by Bill Birdsall
Reception to follow*

Bill Birdsall, University Librarian, Dalhousie, author of *The Myth of the Electronic Library: Librarianship and Social Change in America*, speaks to librarians looking for alternative views of the profession and feeling the pressures of change. *Welcome everyone!*

Super Saturday - October 5/96

Our *Champagne Breakfast* (details attached) is the perfect start to Super Saturday. The following is a snapshot of the many Super Saturday lectures and events on campus.

For a complete Super Saturday brochure contact UofA Public Affairs at (403)492-2325.

Super Saturday Lectures Include . . .

- Hope: The Incredible Intangible
by Dr. Ronna Jevne
- Entrepreneurship: New Venture Creation
by Dr. Lloyd Steier
- Immune Power Through Nutrition
by Dr. Catherine Field
- Why is the Brain Smarter Than a Computer?
by Dr. Mike Dawson
- Burnout Among Professionals
by Dr. Harvey Zingle
- Families Caring for a Relative with Alzheimer Disease
by Dr. Sharon Warren
- Art for the Common Good: Painted Halls of State in the Italian Renaissance
by Dr. Jean Campbell
- Will Things Be Better for Our Children?
by Dr. Susan McDaniel



New Executive Members

At the Annual General Meeting held May 31/96 in Rutherford South at the UofA, the following people were elected to the 1996-97 LISAA executive.

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Samantha James, Student Rep 1st Year



Did you know . . .

To welcome new graduates to the profession and to assist them in maintaining a circle of support after university, LISAA gives all new MLIS graduates a *complimentary LISAA membership for one year*. At present, we have *30 new graduates* enjoying their special status! Welcome aboard everyone -- the opportunities in our profession are endless and endlessly exciting!

Congratulations!

Samantha James is the 1996/97 winner of the Library & Information Studies Alumni Association Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Ms. James comes to us from Don Mills, Ontario, with an Honours BA in English and Fine Arts from the University of Guelph. She has lived and worked in Guyana, South America and has been engaged in the field of video librarianship for prime time Canadian television.

All the best to you Samantha as you begin the MLIS programme!

School Receives Two Important Donations

The School has been fortunate to receive two very substantial donations totaling \$246,000. Over a period of three successive years beginning in 1994, Dr. Robert E. and Mrs. Gretchen Brundin donated \$21,000 to honour academic achievement and professional potential among students in the MLIS program at the University of Alberta. The first scholarship of \$850. will be awarded to a full-time entering student in 1996. In 1996, Dr. Leslie Muriel Heathcote generously donated \$225,000 to the University of Alberta to establish a new scholarship fund in recognition of academic achievement by students enrolled in the Master of Library and Information Studies program. Two scholarships valued at \$4,500. each will be awarded annually, one to a student entering the full-time MLIS program and the other to a full-time second year student. Two undergraduate awards of \$3,000 each will also be endowed to outstanding students in the Department of English at the University of Alberta who intend to pursue graduate degrees in Library and Information Studies.

The generosity of Dr. Heathcote and the Brundin family to the School and to Alberta librarianship is deeply appreciated by students and faculty and by the library community in the Province.

Biography - Dr. Lesley Muriel Heathcote

Lesley Muriel Heathcote was the youngest of the seven daughters of Henry and Annie Heathcote. She was born and raised in Edmonton, where her mother insisted that the girls go to school and become educated. Miss Heathcote attended the University of Alberta where she earned a B.A. in Honors French and German in 1924 and an M.A. in Philology (Historic Linguistics) in 1928. The following year she earned a B.S. in Library Science from the University of Washington, where she served as serials librarian for 15 years. In 1945-46, she worked at the International Labour Office in Montreal. She returned west in 1946 to work in the Montana State University (then Montana State College), eventually achieving the position of Professor and Director of Libraries in 1965, retiring in 1970. During her tenure as Director, she oversaw the expansion of the University Library collections from 75,000 to nearly half a million volumes, as well as the construction of two library buildings. Miss Heathcote served as president of the Pacific Northwest Library Association in 1951-52 and of Montana Library Association in 1953-54. In 1969, she was designated Librarian of the Year for Montana and in 1978 she received the Montana State University Blue and Gold Award. She was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Montana State University in 1981.

In addition to her extensive professional activities and numerous articles in library journals, Dr. Heathcote was a founding member of the Bozeman Symphony Society and served as Secretary from 1968-70. She became a flautist at age 54

and played for the Bozeman Symphony. An active outdoors person, she is a life member of the Alpine Club of Canada.



Brundin Scholarship

The School of Library and Information Studies is pleased to announce the establishment of a new scholarship fund at the University of Alberta, the Robert and Gretchen Brundin Scholarship in Library and Information Studies. Over a period of three successive years beginning with 1994, Dr. Robert E. and Mrs. Gretchen P. Brundin have generously donated \$20,000 to honour academic achievement and professional potential among students in the MLIS program at the UofA. The first Scholarship of \$850 will be awarded to a full-time entering student in 1996.

Dr. Brundin, professor emeritus, taught at the University of Alberta for 21 years and served the profession at large for 36 years, before retirement in 1995. He studied journalism and political science at the University of California and completed the MLS degree in library science and education there in 1959. He earned his PhD in higher education and library science from Stanford University in 1970.

Dr. Brundin's library career began in 1959 with his appointment as a librarian with the San Jose City College Library. In 1963 he was appointed Director of Library Services at the College, a

position he held until 1975. During this time, Dr. Brundin also taught Spanish and Library Science courses at the College.

In 1972-73, Dr. Brundin taught in the School of Library Science at the University of Alberta as a Visiting Associate Professor. He was invited to join the School at the rank of Associate Professor in 1975, and was promoted to Professor in 1980. He retired as professor emeritus in 1995 after 21 years of service to the University and 36 to the profession. Dr. Brundin's teaching and research interests included reference and information services, academic libraries, special collections, library buildings, and history of librarianship.

In honour of the 25th anniversary in 1993-94 of the founding of the library school, Dr. Brundin wrote a history entitled *From Codex to the Computer: Twenty-Five Years of the School of Library and Information Studies*.

In addition to his research activities and extensive involvement in the affairs of the University of Alberta, Dr. Brundin has belonged to several local and national professional associations. He maintains an active interest in the history of Canada, especially the Canadian Arctic. The third edition of his *Books on Canada and the Arctic: A Bibliography and Price Index* is in preparation.

Gretchen P. Brundin has been a high school teacher of home economics and a university lecturer in family studies, and over the years has maintained strong contact with, and interest in, the library school, its students, and faculty. The Brundins have four adult children. In

retirement, they garden, cycle, hike, read, and travel, and Dr. Brundin continues to teach as needed.

The Brundins' generosity is greatly appreciated by both students and faculty.

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Your News About YOU!

LISAA's members (aka enquiring minds!) are interested in YOU. Tells us about yourself and give us your contact info. We'd love to hear about YOU and would like to include your news in the next newsletter. Drop us a line at:

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New Publication

Dr. Brundin, professor emeritus, taught at the University of Alberta for 21 years. His 36 year library career began at the San Jose City College Library, where he served as Director for 12 years, and ended with his retirement from the School of Library and Information Studies in 1995. His teaching and research interests included reference and information services, special collections, library buildings, and history of librarianship. In honour of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the library school, Dr. Brundin wrote a history entitled **From the Codex to the Computer: Twenty-Five Years of the School of Library and Information Studies**. We are pleased to announce the availability of this 140-page, illustrated publication at the low price of **\$15.00 per copy**. Copies are available from:

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Champagne Breakfast

Saturday, October 5, 1996

10:00 am to 12:00 noon

Henderson Hall

Rutherford South Room 1-17

All SLIS graduates and LISAA members are invited to start Super Saturday and Reunion Weekend with an exquisite Champagne Breakfast.

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Welcome SLIS Acting Director, Dr. Alvin Schrader

Tuesday, October 1, 1996, 7:00 PM

Nose Hill Branch, Calgary Public Library
1530 Northmount Drive NW
(parking available in lot and on street)

For further information contact:

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People News . . .

Sharon Nuttycombe, Technical Services Coordinator, Peace Library System, writes:

In the last 6 months, I have learned an INCREDIBLE amount, and have also driven a 20-foot truck nearly 1000 km to pick up some computers. I have also had my photo taken with former Prime Minister Kim Campbell. I was unfortunately dressed as Wormsworth at the time. Nobody ever said librarianship was dull! P.S. I have also won the Grande Prairie Public Library-sponsored short story contest!



Marina Verhoeven, writes:

After graduating I moved back to Ontario (Toronto) and secured a 6 month position at CIBC Headoffice in the Operations & Technology Division, PC/LAN Services Department, as a trainer/facilitator and documentation writer. At the same time, I was hired on a 4 month contract as an independent information consultant at Consumers Gas Co., in the training/education department. There, I conducted classes on LAN-based email. At present, I am working as a Prospect Researcher at the Hospital for Sick Children Foundation in the Research Department. I have been a very lucky graduate!



Adrienne Brown, writes:

Finishing up a 1 year contract at the Grande Prairie Public Library (July 31/96) as Reference Librarian. Still hanging around with Sharon Nuttcombe,

who moved up to GP in November to work as TS Coordinator at Peace Library System. Currently looking for other professional positions, ideally FT/Perm and closer to Edmonton/Calgary or another Big City - GP is nice but very small . . . major culture shock for a city mouse from Vancouver to move to a city of 30,000 people so far removed from everywhere. Sharon & I had fun driving a 20' long, 12' high, 3-ton truck (manual transmission) to Edmonton and back the week after LAA -- just another thing they don't teach one in Library School!



Joan Martin, writes

I am working (full-time, permanent) for the Southam New Media Centre as a Researcher/Librarian. The Centre is the production facility for Southam's web site (<http://www.southam.com/nmc>) and a research centre/support centre for the individual newspaper sites. I help identify sources of information for our web sites, I compile some of that info, help manage a multimedia database, do some current awareness services for the staff -- and a lot of other things!



Jill Cerezke, writes

I had a baby girl last August and am now starting to look for work again.



Wayne Wicks, writes

Worked at John A. Weir Memorial Law Library (UofA) and Concordia University College Library (Edmonton):

circulation services, collection development, interlibrary loans, reference work. Experienced in both automated and manual service, LAN and Internet environments. Used IBM, IBM-compatible and Apple/Macintosh computers. Accustomed to both MS-DOS and Windows. Hold executive and board positions for non-profit organizations overseeing government-owned seniors' residences. Enjoy music, sports, reading and research. Currently unemployed. 462-4683. wwicks@freenet.edmonton.ab.ca

Brent Roe, writes

Since October '95 I have been working as a reference librarian at York University. I also do collection development in history as a history biographer. I am enjoying life in Toronto but I have a rather long commute to work. I do miss my favorite places & people in Edmonton.

Diane Tinnish, writes

I'm now employed as the Resource Centre Coordinator, Career & Placement Services, UofA.

A man can stand a lot as long as he can stand himself. He can live without hope, without friends, without books, even without music, as long as he can listen to his own thoughts and to the singing of a bird outside of his wind and to the far away voice of the sea. Munthe

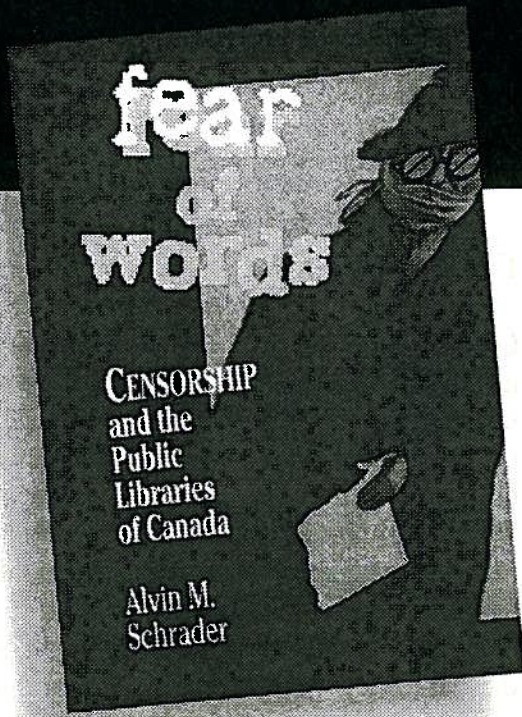
From the AGM...

On May 31, 1996 after LISAA's business meeting, Dr. Alvin Schrader gave a fascinating talk entitled *Exploring Issues of Censorship*. Dr. Schrader expressed his belief in the value of public debate of ideas and the importance of opposing hate propaganda law in Canada's Criminal Code. A few of his current ideas in the area of censorship relate to the Internet, music, child proofing software, and selective targets for labelling. "Labelling, a cataloguer's nightmare", in Dr. Schrader's words, include the Odeon Theatres "Warning Legend". This legend includes the following labels:

- violent scenes
- brutal violence
- violence, coarse language
- brutal violence & coarse language
- violence & coarse language throughout
- gory violence, coarse language, & sexual content
- coarse language
- coarse language throughout
- language warning

Dr. Schrader went onto to discuss community standards, the sponge theory, and nostalgia syndrome. He closed his talk with the following quotation from an "Afterword" to Margaret Laurence's *The Diviners* written by Timothy Findley:

Books, like dreams, are essentially private realms. Nothing should be allowed to detract from each person's right to read a book privately and to interpret it freely in the light of what each person has experienced and knows of life.



Fear of Words

Censorship and the Public
Libraries of Canada

Alvin M. Schrader

This timely volume sheds new light on the prevailing climate of intellectual freedom in Canadian public libraries. It is the first national study to document the various forms of censorship experienced by public libraries. The findings should be of interest to all public libraries and also students of human freedom, especially the freedom to receive information.

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⌘ This book contains a chapter by **Dawn L. Kerr**, UofA graduate 1992 entitled *Helmut Kallmann: Pioneer Canadian Music Historian/Librarian* and a chapter by **Dr. Robert Brundin** entitled *Sydney B. Mitchell and the Establishment of Graduate Education for Librarianship*. ⌘

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