

ALA Midwinter Report

American Library Association Midwinter Conference 1988

1. The Association is healthy. There are now 45,145 members of the association whose dues pay \$1.00 out of every \$4.73 of ALA costs. Publications, rental of office space and other costed services make up the rest. Over 6000 persons attended the San Antonio meeting (in spite of the weather—if you won't tell me your travel horror story, I won't tell you mine).

2. A new ALA Federal Legislation Policy is now in place. I have copies for everyone.

3. Cora Paul Bomar was honored by being placed on the Centennial Honor Roll of Library Educators. She was nominated for that Roll by NCLA.

4. Gene Lanier was honored once again for his role in defending the right to read and the Library Bill of Rights.

5. The ALA Council paid tribute to Leonard Johnson at the final Council meeting. (attached).

6. Bill Roberts (Forsyth County) is a petition candidate for ALA Treasurer.

7. ALA continues to move to accrual budgeting from a cash flow basis, and continues to have small fund balances because of that shift. The association is *in the black* and will continue to be that way.

Look for These Coming Events

1. President Chisholm has selected leadership as her

theme. There will be grant funding for future leaders' training programs sponsored by ALA. The theme "Motivate, Inspire and Lead" will be heard a great deal in New Orleans.

2. A variety of actions to stimulate more voting in ALA elections including special sections in *American Libraries*, loan videotapes, and perhaps a move of the election time so that members can vote at annual meetings.

3. More ALA publishing ventures including CD-ROM and other media. Cost of publications for members will become an issue.

4. A new wave of censorship legislation under the banner of "Child protection acts" which will be opposed by the Freedom to Read Foundation and other library groups, but which will be very skillfully worded.

5. Freedom of Information Day will be celebrated this Spring.

6. The "let's pay our way" and "marketing" philosophy of ALA will continue to demand that committees, divisions and units take up a greater and greater part of ALA costs.

The Committee on Accreditation is now proposing increased visitation fees and fees for the review of annual reports to the committee. A "let's make sure our activities make some bucks" philosophy is very evident across the association.

7. Extensive exhibits at New Orleans in July (in spite of the heat) with over 300 program, committee, and public meetings.

Kieth C. Wright, ALA Councilor

National Library Week April 17-23

School Library Media Day April 20

JOIN NCLA

What is NCLA?

- the only statewide organization interested in the total library picture in North Carolina whose purpose is to promote libraries, library and information services, librarianship, and intellectual freedom.
- an affiliate of the American Library Association and the Southeastern Library Association, with voting representatives on each council.

What are the goals of NCLA?

- to provide a forum for discussing library-related issues.
- to promote research and publication related to library and information science.
- to provide opportunities for the professional growth of library personnel.
- to support both formal and informal networks of libraries and librarians.
- to identify and help resolve special concerns of minorities and women in the profession.

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 - (b) "Friends of Libraries" members;
 - (c) Non-salaried \$25.00

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