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THIRD ANNUAL LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY SUCCESSFUL

South Carolina's third annual Library Legislative Day was held in Columbia on February 29. Using the same schedule as in the previous two years, a morning coffee and reception was held between 9 and 11 to give library trustees, friends, and staff an opportunity to visit with members of the General Assembly attending. At 11, introductions of library supporters were made in both legislative chambers. Most county library groups also invited members of their legislative delegations to lunch, with many counties participating in a joint luncheon at the Carolina Inn.

In all, it is estimated that over 250 participated in the 1984 Library Legislative Day with at least 100 of these being members of the General Assembly. Forty-one of South Carolina's forty-six counties were represented.

Legislative Day is sponsored each year by the Association of Public Library Administrators of South Carolina, and by the Public Library and Trustee Sections of SCLA.

IMPROVING REFERENCE MANAGEMENT

A workshop, Improving Reference Management, is scheduled for May 10-12, 1984, at the Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Atlanta. Sponsored by the Reference and Adult Services Section of SELA and the Reference and Adult Services Division of ALA, the workshop is designed for those interested in reference and public service administration. Speakers include: Elizabeth Stroup, Library of Congress; Ruth Katz, East Carolina University Library; Tom Watson, University of the South; Tom Raines, Charleston County Library; Mary Reichel, Georgia State University Library; Melvin Drucker, Psychologist, Georgia State University; Trish Ridgeway, Winthrop College Library; Mary Canada, Duke University Library; Carol Jones, Georgia State University; and James Martin, Florida State University.

Participation is limited to 150, and participants are invited to bring manuals and other materials from their institutions.

The cost and other registration information was not given in the release to NEWS AND VIEWS, but may be obtained by contacting one of the following: Carl Stone, Anderson County Library; Trish Ridgeway, Winthrop College Library; or Peggy Cover, Clemson University Library.
FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION GRANT REPORTS

Jim Johnson, Deputy Director of the South Carolina State Library, gives the following status report on LSCA Title II construction grants. Clarendon County Library has begun construction on its project and five other county libraries should be taking bids within the next month. He expects several of these construction projects to be underway by summer.

USC ANNOUNCES NEW JOINT MASTERS PROGRAM

A joint program aimed at preparing professionals for career work in libraries, archives and record centers, museums, and historical agencies has been announced at the University of South Carolina by the Department of History and the College of Library and Information Science. The new master's degree program is one of the few of its kind in the United States.

The program offers students a chance to earn both the M. A. in Applied History and an M. L. in Library and Information Science through 60 hours of study. Separately, the two degrees require 72 hours of study.

Courses in the joint program include basic courses in both areas, plus electives to meet the special interests of participants, internship programs to provide hands-on experience, and thesis direction in related areas.

Special study projects, internships, and assistantships will be available for students to allow them to gain experience at such institutions as the University of South Carolina libraries, South Caroliniana Library, McKissick Museums, South Carolina State Archives, South Carolina State Museum, and historical editing projects such as the Laurens Papers and the Calhoun Papers.

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(803) 777-5195  (803) 777-3887

ALA CONTINUING EDUCATION BROCHURE

ALA has prepared a new information brochure entitled "ALA Is Continuing Education" which outlines continuing education activities available during 1984 from ALA. If you are interested in a copy, send a self-addressed, stamped envelop to the Office For Library Personnel Resources, ALA, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, ILL. 60611. Multiple copies for distribution also are available.
CAN WE TALK

A tried and true idea—the joy of reading and discussing books—is gaining new life in a major two-year project that will bring out-of-school adults, scholars, and literature together in community libraries nationwide. "Let's Talk About It: Reading and Discussion Programs in America's Libraries", sponsored by the American Library Association and funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, is based on the successful reading discussion programs found in libraries of all sizes in states as diverse as Vermont, Oklahoma, Massachusetts, Louisiana, Virginia, and New Hampshire.

The ultimate goal for this project is to encourage and assist as many public libraries as possible to share in the experience of reading discussion programs. To be successful with such projects, there will be three major components: (1) Workshops that will be conducted at three regional sites for state teams representing the state library, state library association, the state humanities council, and the humanities community; (2) Packets designed to provide information to help local librarians and scholars conduct their own reading discussion programs; (3) Subgrants for 10 to 15 states developing their own "Let's Talk About It" programs. Each state sending a team to the workshops will be eligible to apply for an award of money, consultation, or technical assistance. A total of $250,000 will be available for cash awards.

Workshops will be held in April and October of 1984. For further information, write or phone "Let's Talk About It" project, c/o ASCLA/ American Library Association, 50 E. Huron Street, Chicago, ILL. 60611, (312) 944-6780.

PERSPECTIVES ON BIBLIOGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION

This is the title of a workshop sponsored by the SCLA Bibliographic Instruction Interest Group scheduled for April 6 at the Town House in Columbia. Cost of the workshop is $12 which includes lunch. Workshop leaders include Jane Presseau of Presbyterian College in Clinton, Drucie Reeves of Brookland-Cayce High School and currently SCLA President, Helen Ivy of the College of Charleston, and Dennis Bruce of Spartanburg County Library. Registration deadline is March 31. Register by sending a check, made payable to SCLA, along with your name, address, name of library and phone number to Susan Casbon, Chairman BI Interest Group, Augusta Circle Elem. School, 100 Winyah St., Greenville, S. C. 29605.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SCLA EXECUTIVE BOARD Meetings for 1984: April 28, July 27, and September 13. (All Board meetings are at the State Library in Columbia unless designated otherwise.)
SCLA ANNUAL CONVENTION: September 13 - 15, Carolina Inn, Columbia.


*March 30: Microcomputer applications in libraries: Academic. $45. 2:00-8:00 PM. Registration limited to 20 people. Instructors: Linda Lucas and Chris Billinsky.

*April 6: Investment information sources. 2:00-8:00 PM. $40. Instructor: Robert Williams.

April 6: Perspectives on bibliographic instruction. Workshop sponsored by SCLA Bibliographic Instruction Interest Group. (See Page 3 of this newsletter).

*April 7: The Black experience in children's literature. Specific registration information to be mailed. Instructor: Augusta Baker.


*April 13: Microcomputers in libraries: Business, health science, law and government. Registration limited to 20 people. 2:00-8:00 PM. $45. Instructors: Joseph Donahue and Chris Billinsky.

*April 20: Improving basic skills and standardized test scores using microcomputers. Registration limited to 20 people. 2:00-8:00 PM. $45. Instructors: Larry Mills and Daniel Barron.

*April 27: Microcomputer applications in libraries: Public. Registration limited to 20 people. 2:00-8:00 PM. $45. Instructors: Charles Curran and Chris Billinsky.

*May 10: DIALOG refresher seminar. Registration limited. 8:30 AM-12 Noon. $45. To register call DIALOG (800) 227-8282.

*May 10-11: DIALOG systems seminar. Registration limited. May 10: 1:00-5:00 PM; May 11, 8:15 AM - 4:30 PM. $135. To register call DIALOG (800) 227-8282.

May 10-12: Improving reference management. Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Atlanta. (See page 1 of this newsletter for details).

Those events in the calendar marked (*) are Professional Development events. For complete information call or write:

College of Library and Information Science
University of South Carolina
Columbia, South Carolina 29208
Attn: Continuing Education Coordinator
(803) 777-3858.

FUTURE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK DATES

1985 -- April 14-20
1986 -- April 6-12
1987 -- April 5-11
1988 -- April 17-23
1989 -- April 9-15
1990 -- April 22-28

SOUTH CAROLINA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please Print or Type

Please make checks payable to SCLA and return card, with check, to:

Mrs. Lou Whitmore
SCLA Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 25
Edisto Island, SC 29438

* Public Services members may also join these Interest Groups (no extra fee):

- Bibliographic Instruction
- On-line Users
NEWS AND VIEWS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

To keep SCLA members informed as to happenings affecting South Carolina libraries of all types, please send your news to NEWS AND VIEWS. The deadline for the March-April edition is April 1.

NAME OF LIBRARY OR ORGANIZATION:

PEOPLE INVOLVED (personnel changes, awards, officers, etc.):

PROGRAMS, MEETINGS: (Please include all vital information such as dates, costs, how to register, deadlines, etc)

DATES TO NOTE:

OTHER NEWS:

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