

ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES

EASTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

HUDSON VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MAY 18, 2009

AGENDA

**Welcome and Call to Order
Susan Zappen, President**

Approval of May 19, 2008 Business Meeting Minutes

Annual Reports

**Election Results
Susan Zappen, President**

**Call for Old Business
Susan Zappen, President**

**Call for New Business
Susan Zappen, President**

**Raffle Drawing
Suzanne Turner, Vice President/Program Chair**

Adjournment

Poster Sessions and Vendor Displays

**Minutes of the ENY/ACRL Annual Business Meeting
May 19, 2008
Syracuse University**

I. Welcome and Call to Order

President Fran Apollo called the meeting to order at 12:37 PM.

II. Minutes of May 2007 Business Meeting

Fran asked the membership to review the minutes for any changes or corrections. None were noted. Pat Markley made a motion to accept the minutes. Lorraine Melita seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried by the membership.

III. Committee Reports

Fran noted that the committee reports are presented in the agenda brochure.

IV. Reports/Announcements

Fran announced the results of the recent election. The new Treasurer is Yu-Hui Chen and the new Program Chair is Suzanne Turner. She recognized the past presidents in attendance and encouraged everyone to volunteer for a committee. She also noted that we are in need of a Government Relations Liaison.

The Program Planning Committee thanks:

- Catherine Brozaitis and her team for wonderful food
- Sue McArdeLL and her team for setting up the room and furniture
- Rosie Johnston for making the beautiful signs and coordinating the team of volunteers:
 - Bren Price and Brian McLaughlin for giving directions
 - Elaine Coppola and Bevan Angier for help with registration
 - Barbara Jackson for providing guided tours
 - Charlene Martins for help with evaluations
 - Mr. Gurnek Singh for providing an item for the raffle and overseeing the display items of Syracuse University Press.
- The Local Arrangements Committee:
 - Suzanne Preate for web pages, signs formatting, attendance folders
 - Tasha Cooper for guidance, directions and mentoring.
 - Dung-Lan Chen for coordinating vendors' contributions to the conference, raffle items and display.
- All members of the Program Planning Committee, colleagues in the Syracuse library and all the conference attendees for making it a success.

V. Raffle/Awards

The winner of the ALA conference registration was Inga Barnello. A NYLINK training class coupon was won by Winnie Kutchukian. Karina Ricker and Kate Bouman won NYLINK portfolios. Inga Barnello won a copy of *The Encyclopedia of New York State*. Jean Williams was the winner of a DVD from Bullfrog Films. Judy Briden was also a winner.

The final installments of the Newkirk Scholarship were awarded to Michael V. Daly and Briana R. Falconer. Each student received \$3,875.

VI. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Peter Bae and seconded by Suzanne Preate. The motion was accepted and voted on. The meeting was adjourned at 12:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jane Kessler

President's Annual Report 2008-2009

It has been my pleasure to serve as Program Chair last year and as President this year. As Program Chair I was impressed by the creativity, energy, and dedication of the Program Committee members. There is something extraordinarily invigorating about a group of librarians tossing ideas back and forth to develop a stimulating conference.

In October 2007 we were able to initiate the Brown Bag Lunch in three different locations. This idea, originally discussed by the previous Program Committee, was well received and has continued to be a fall event. The Brown Bag Lunch allows librarians to leave their work for a couple of hours, eat their lunch, and enjoy a lively discussion with other librarians from their region.

As President I have enjoyed working with a Board of talented, thoroughly professional librarians who are dedicated to the profession and to ENY/ACRL. They also happen to be wonderful individuals. We met as a Board on May 19, 2008 at Syracuse University and on August 4, 2009 at Skidmore College. We met again via conference call on January 8, 2009. Board members, in constant contact via email and our own listserv, are able to deal quickly with issues as they arise. How did ENY/ACRL function before email?!!

The Board proposed two changes to the by-laws that the membership approved. The change to Article V removes the Janice Graham Newkirk Research Award Committee from the by-laws to reflect that the scholarship award fund was spent down last year. The change to Article VI allows the President to choose to attend ACRL rather than ALA if the conference of choice is deemed to be more beneficial to the chapter.

One of my responsibilities as your president has been acting as a liaison between ACRL and our chapter. To keep you informed of the many workshops, programs, and other opportunities offered by ACRL, I sent many messages from ACRL to our listserv, forum-enyacrl.org@lists.enyacrl.org. I also kept ACRL informed of our activities with copies of approved Board minutes and with submission of the ACRL Strategic Plan Implementation Report Form that identifies what our chapter is doing to support the goals of the ACRL Strategic Plan 2020.

When I moved to New York in 1985 I was told by my RPI colleagues that I really should join ENY/ACRL, a professional group with affordable, relevant conferences. How right they were and are! ENY/ACRL is also a mentoring organization. As I learned from others I was encouraged to serve and I will continue to learn and serve. I hope that if you are new to the profession or if you are a seasoned professional, you will consider joining a committee or running for office to both learn and serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Zappen

Past President's Annual Report 2008-2009

It's that time now to bid you farewell for a time. As I complete my third year of service to our wonderful organization, I have been reflecting on the last three years. As Program Chair/VP/President Elect I didn't feel much different. My service on the Program Committee was long enough for me to be pretty comfortable with that role and with you. I will always remember the comment made by Meredith Farkas when we met at SUNYIT. In talking about our theme, "Who's Driving the Technology Bus?" Meredith told us that her students didn't want her on social networks because she was old. Well that got a lot of laughter from those even older than she! I continued my normal cheerleading to try to encourage members to be more active and to consider a leadership role.

My year as President flew by and I found myself presiding over our conference in Syracuse in 2008. Despite the speed with which that year passed, I found time to talk with many of you, and to encourage you to be more active in ENYACRL. Thinking back, I think one of the best things from that year was implementation of the Brown Bag Lunch Meetings that came out of the work done by the Program Committee the previous year. We were ahead of the curve and prepared to meet our memberships' needs with regional meetings that saved time, money and gasoline.

This year was a whole new rhythm as I had to reach out to many of you hoping to find people to run for our open offices. You did not disappoint; true to the tradition of ENYACRL membership, candidates graciously allowed their names to go forward in the election process and we have some fine new officers joining our more seasoned ones following our Annual Meeting. Congratulations again, to Brenda, Jean and Glynis! In addition, I found some time to talk to some of you about becoming more active. Do you see a pattern here? I hope you do. As I said, when I accepted Inga Barnello's (LeMoyne College) request to run for office (Thanks again, Inga), Sean Maloney (Siena College) introduced me to the organization in the mid 1990's and told me I had to get involved. Thank you, Sean, you were so right!

Service to ENYACRL took me to several ALA Annual Meetings. It is no exaggeration to say that I know many of you could hold your own nicely if you chose to serve our profession at the national level. The meetings were fast, furious and sometimes fun. What the meetings were for me was an affirmation of the strength of our chapter. Explaining my role to colleagues on my own campus often left me feeling like a proud mother hen (I'm in an agricultural area, after all) when I talked about ENYACRL and its work. The membership changes a bit every year; our leaders cycle through and remain in our midst. That is surely my intention. I'll take a break and then come back to serve where I may assist you.

So, I'll say Ciao for now my friends. I hope the 2009 Annual Meeting is wonderful. I won't be with you this time; we have a happy family event to attend but as always, you'll be in my thoughts!

Respectfully Submitted,

Francine M. Apollo

Program Chair/Vice President's Annual Report 2008-2009

Fall Brown Bag Lunches:

The Eastern New York ACRL Chapter held three brown bag lunches during October, 2008 in order to offer the opportunity for members to participate over the wide geographical area represented by ENY/ACRL. Organizers of the lunches were Francesca Livermore at Colgate University, Jane Kessler at the University at Albany SUNY, and Elin O'Hara at SUNY Plattsburgh. The purpose of the gatherings was to provide an opportunity for area librarians to take a few hours out of their schedules to meet and discuss topics of relevance to the members. The gatherings built upon the Chapter's previous success with the fall brown bag lunch concept, and the informal format provided an opportunity to network with area colleagues. Dessert and beverages were provided by the host library. This year's theme was: "Reinventing Services: Innovations @ Your Library". Topics discussed included 24 hour reference services, managing e-book collections, faculty-librarian relationships, different models for an information commons, and digital repositories. Attendance and comments received about this year's brown bag lunch series indicate that this format continues to be popular with our membership.

Spring Conference:

The Program Planning Committee met on June 17, 2008 and again on November 11, 2008 at the University at Albany to plan for the brown bag lunch sessions and the spring conference. After the November meeting, remaining conference details were resolved via the committee's e-mail listserv. This was very much a team effort.

We launched the spring conference "Exploring Access in 2009 and Beyond" with an access and discovery theme, in recognition of Henry Hudson's exploration of the Hudson River in 1609. The conference was held at Hudson Valley Community College in Troy, New York on Monday, May 18th, 2009. Our keynote address, "Getting our Bearings: Open Access and the Murky Waters of Scholarly Communication" was delivered by Charlotte Hess, Associate Librarian for Collections and Scholarly

Communication at Syracuse University. Paul Rapp, Intellectual Property Lawyer and Adjunct Professor, Albany Law School, delivered a talk entitled “River of Tears: Copyright or Not in the Digital Age”. Cyril Oberlander, Associate Library Director, SUNY Geneseo presented, “Future of Access: Rethinking Library Service to Provide Context, Convergence, and Disambiguation”. Holly Heller-Ross, Interim Associate Dean, Library and Information Services, SUNY Plattsburgh, moderated the panel, “ Bridge to Somewhere: Connecting the Digital Spaces between Distance Learners and Library Services”. Holly’s panel members were: Jean Green, Head of Special Collections, Preservation and Archives, Binghamton University Libraries; Mila Su, Coordinator of Access Services, Feinberg Library, SUNY Plattsburgh; Dana Longley, Lead Information Resources Coordinator, Empire State College; and Holly Chambers, Distance Learning Library Services Coordinator, SUNY Potsdam Libraries. There was an enthusiastic response to the call for poster sessions. In all, thirteen poster sessions were accepted for presentation at the conference.

Brenda Hazard graciously served as the Conference Local Arrangements Chair and was ably assisted by Patricia Kaiser and other members of the HVCC library staff. Brenda and HVCC are to be commended for the many ways in which they contributed to the successful arrangements for the conference. Additionally, the Program Committee members whose ideas and effort contributed tremendously toward the success of the brown bags and conference are: Glynis Asu (Hamilton), Dung-Lan Chen (Skidmore), Yu-Hui Chen (Albany), Tasha Cooper (Syracuse), Barbara Grimes (SUNY IT), Linda Hoffman (Skidmore), Jane Kessler (U. Albany), Winnie Kutchukian (U. Albany), Francesca Livermore, (Colgate), Pat Markley (Siena), Suzanne Preate (Syracuse), Elizabeth Putnam (Skidmore), Joyce Rambo (NYLINK), Christine Rudecoff (Morrisville), and Uma Sharma (Syracuse). It’s been a great pleasure to work with such talented and dedicated people.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzanne Turner

Government Relations Chair’s Annual Report 2008-2009

The main focus of my activities this past year as Government Relations Chair was to formalize the process of passing along current topics of interest to our members. The National Office sends out email messages and posts information on various topics it believes to be of interest, and I have tried to send out email alerts on these topics and to let our member know what action we can take on them.

I was also able to include an article about Government Relations in our Newsletter, written along with Michael McLane, in an effort to raise awareness of Legislative Advocacy.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Walker

Communications Chair's Annual Report 2008-2009

The chapter newsletter published two successful theme issues this year; the fall issue focusing on digital projects and the spring issue featuring articles on disaster recovery. Both issues provided useful information on the activities of members of ENY/ACRL and the institutions they work for.

The chapter website continues to be maintained with up-to-date documents and links. Website management and listserv management was provided, in cooperation with the Membership committee who maintained the email addresses.

It has been an honor to serve as the Communications Chair. I'd particularly like to acknowledge Tammy Gobert, co-editor of the newsletter, for the valuable contributions she has given to that publication.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Hults

Treasurer's Annual Report 2008-2009

ENY/ACRL is in excellent financial condition.

Our checking account balance as of March 31, 2009 was **\$19,482.93**.

Spring Conference 2008, Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

ENY/ACRL received 86 paid registrations and \$700 in vendor support.

Total Conference Income:	\$4,336.00
Total Conference Expenses:	\$2,618.28
Net Gain:	\$1,717.72

Based on our healthy financial status, ENY/ACRL will be able to continue providing vibrant programs for our members. We continue to subsidize our conferences to keep the direct cost to membership as low as possible.

Newkirk Fund

Two Newkirk scholarship awards were given on May 19, 2008 for a total of \$7,750 which depleted the fund and ended the Newkirk Award program.

Respectfully Submitted,

Yu-Hui Chen

Membership Committee Chair's Annual Report 2008-2009

The 2008/09 Membership Committee is comprised of:

- Mary Lynn Bensen, SUNY Oneonta
- Amy Hillick, Orange County Community College
- Kathleen Horton, SUNY Canton
- Jane Kessler, University at Albany
- Mary Mullin, Herkimer County Community College
- Suzanne Preate, Chair, Syracuse University
- John Thomas, Jefferson Community College

As of May 4, 2009 ENY/ACRL has 189 paid members representing 51 institutions/companies and three library graduate programs. We benefit from the ongoing support of 28 institutional liaisons and we have welcomed 23 new members, thanks in large part to the draw of our annual conference.

In an effort to reduce our environmental impact whenever possible, we distributed membership renewal forms in the fall via email rather than postal mail. Membership renewals went smoothly due to the promotion and support of the institutional liaisons. Please contact me if you are interested in serving ENY/ACRL in this capacity. Liaison responsibilities are very manageable and it is a great way to become involved. As a liaison, you would:

1. Serve as contact person for ENY/ACRL and distribute mailings
2. Be an active recruiter for ENY/ACRL and encourage membership renewals
3. Promote our conference and other events
5. Report member activities to ENY/ACRL Communications Chair for inclusion in the online newsletter (three times per year)
6. Review directory entries for members of your institution for accuracy and report corrections to the Membership Chairperson
7. Be a participant in the ENY/ACRL Liaison listserv

I would like to thank everyone who contributes to the ongoing care and feeding of the ENY/ACRL membership, especially our membership committee, our institutional liaisons and all others who have encouraged our growth through the consistent provision of quality programming and resources year after year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Suzanne Preate

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