

# ENY/ACRL

## Eastern New York Chapter of ACRL Newsletter

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### President's Letter

Happy Winter!

As I watch it snow and blow for the umpteenth time so far this season, even though I am a winter lover, shoveling is definitely losing it's charm! I hope everyone is staying warm, and safe this winter.

This past fall has seen a lot of change for ENYACRL. First, our Past President Suzy Palmer moved to Kentucky, leaving a void in our midst. We all miss her a great deal. Shortly after Suzy's move, Deb Schmidle, our Government Relations Chair, started her new position at NYLINK and subsequently resigned her Board position with ENYACRL. We are currently looking into replacing her on the board, and will hopefully have someone in place shortly. We will miss Deb's presence on the Board, but wish her the best at her new position.

Our fall conference, held in Syracuse, was once again a success. Playing on the ACRL President's theme, our theme "New York Realities-New York Relationships" was well received by all who attended. We were fortunate to have Patricia Wand, University Librarian at American University in Washington, as our Preconference Dinner speaker. We were also able to coincide our conference with the Syracuse University School of Information Studies 21st Century Librarian Awards and Luncheon. It was wonderful to be a part of this great new award.

This spring we will be traveling to Utica for our Annual Meeting and conference, "2003: a (Library) Space Odyssey" on May 9th, 2003. The SUNY Institute of Technology will be moving into their new library building this coming March, and it seemed to be a perfect fit with our spring topic. Dan Schabert, Library Director, will be hosting. Thank you to Dan and his colleagues!

This summer we will have the luxury of having an American Library Association Annual meeting within driving distance. The combined ALA/Canadian Library Association Conference will be held in Toronto, this coming June. I would like to encourage everyone to attend as we don't get this travel opportunity too often. Stay tuned for more information on transportation, and crossing the boarder.

Please consider volunteering for either a Board position, or a committee. You can contact any board member for more information.

Take care, and stay warm,

Kristin

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## **ENY/ACRL LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

NOMINATION DEADLINE, March 15, 2003

Help us honor a deserving colleague. Do you know someone who is an outstanding member of the chapter and whose contributions have benefited the chapter and our profession? We are currently seeking nominations for the annual ENY/ACRL Librarian of the Year Award. The Librarian of the Year Award is in recognition of an ENY/ACRL member who has exhibited a dedication to fulfilling the ACRL mission and furthering the goals and objectives of ACRL and ENY/ACRL in particular. The award includes a plaque and a \$250 honorarium, which will be presented to this year's winner at ENY/ACRL's spring conference this coming May.

Previous ENY/ACRL Librarian of the Year Award recipients are:

- Mary Alice Lynch, 1994
- Janice Newkirk, 1995
- Elaine Coppola, 1996
- Carla List, 1997
- Gillian McCombs, 1998
- Cerise Oberman, 1999
- Michael Engle, 2000
- Mary Jane Brustman, 2001
- Barbara Via, 2002

ENY/ACRL covers a wide geographic region and the Nominations Committee relies on suggestions from members for this important award. Please take a few moments to consider nominating a colleague. The nomination form is available on the ENY/ACRL website <http://www.enyacrl.org>. Completed Nomination forms should be sent to Kristin Strohmeyer, President ENYACRL, by March 15, 2003.

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## **Run for a Position on the ENY/ACRL Board!**

It's that time of year again! We are looking for people to fill the following elected positions on the Eastern New York Chapter of ACRL Board of Directors. Positions include about three meetings per year held in scenic Clinton New York, pleasant company of colleagues, and a great way to interact with many professional and dedicated librarians across New York.

### **Vice-President/Program Chair/President Elect (3yr. Term)**

Year One - Oversees the planning process for the fall and spring conferences, locates host institutions, contacts speakers, prepares publicity, and prepares conference budget. Convenes meetings of the program committee as necessary (generally 3 times per year) to develop conference themes. May represent chapter at the ACRL Chapters Council Meeting at ALA (midwinter and summer).

Year Two - Serves as official spokesperson for the chapter and as chair of the Board of Directors. Represents (or designates someone to represent) chapter at the ACRL Chapters Council meetings at ALA midwinter and annual conferences.

Year Three - Solicits nominations and conducts elections for chapter Board of Directors, and serves as Chair of the Librarian of the Year Award Selection Committee. May represent chapter at the ACRL Chapters Council Meeting at ALA (midwinter and summer).

### **Secretary: (2yr term)**

Responsible for preparing notes and distributing minutes of Board of Directors and Chapter business meetings. Also maintains current Chapter records, including the Officers' Handbook. Previous experience as a stenographer or court reporter a plus. Assertive personality and ability to insist that a conclusion to a discussion be reached and duly recorded a must.

Take a moment to consider running for an office yourself, or see who in your organization would be a great fit!

Thanks,  
Kristin  
President, ENYACRL

## **New Government Relations Chair**

Michael Matis, University at Albany, has been appointed by the Board to fulfill the one-year term of Government Relations Chair for the Eastern New York chapter of ACRL. Michael is completing the term of office left recently by Deb Schmidle, now at NYLINK. We wish Michael and Deb the best, and look forward to working with Michael in the coming year.

## **Notes from the Field Winter 2003**

### **Adirondack Community College**

The ACC Library hosted the "Safeguarding our Patrons' Privacy " teleconference" on December 11. We were happy to have several colleagues from public libraries in attendance for a lively discussion.

ACC welcomes **Dr. Ron Erickson**, Dean of Academic Affairs, previously from Minnesota.

### **Dutchess Community College**

We welcome **Armando Padilla**, our new part-time reference librarian.

We also welcome to our new part-time circulation clerk **Kathleen Montross**, who is replacing **Jeanine Ravenelle**.

On November 14, 2002, librarians **Ron Crovisier**, **Evelyn Rosenthal** and **Tom Trinchera** and faculty members **Grace Austin**, **Carol Kushner** and **Michele Murasso** presented "Making the Connection: Integrating Information Literacy into Your Courses", a faculty development workshop.

**Tom Trinchera** wrote the guest editorial "Cut and Paste Plagiarism: What It Is and What to Do About It" for vol. 10(3) 2001 of *Community & Junior College Libraries*.

On January 8, 2003, the Dr. Mary Louise Van Winkle Professional Staff Teaching/Learning was dedicated. Dr. Van Winkle, retired Dean of Academic Affairs, was instrumental in establishing the center, which assists faculty in incorporating technology into the classroom.

## Hudson Valley Community College

**Valerie Lang** has been hired as the Periodicals librarian, at Hudson Valley Community College.

## New York State Library

**Sally Legendre** is now Acting Head of Public Services.

**MaryElizabeth Jones**, Library Development, is retiring as of January 10, 2003. Other recent retirees are **Mary Chen** (Cataloging), **Henry Ilnicki** (Cataloging), **Terry Strasser** (Public Services), and **Darrell Welch** (Interlibrary Loan).

**Patricia Keegan** has joined the State Library's Cataloging Unit as a cataloger. She previously had worked at SUNY Oneonta.

**Liz Lane**, former Director of the State Library's Research Library, received the "Spirit of Librarianship" Award from the the Academic and Special Libraries of the New York Library Association at the 2002 NYLA Annual Conference in Buffalo.

## SUNY Oswego

**Blanche Judd**, Assistant Director, has retired after many years at Penfield Library. Blanche will most likely spend her time enjoying her grandchildren and her personal pursuits. Though retired, she will be seen at the Reference Desk once in a while, as she has agreed to serve as an Adjunct Librarian. We all wish her a long and healthy retirement, as well as many Law and Public Justice questions while she is at the Reference Desk!

**Inez Parker**, one of the longest lasting CSEA staff in captivity at Penfield Library has also retired. Inez has worked in just about every area of the library, most recently as a Reference Clerk. Inez will be missed by many on this campus, but can be seen at the Bon-Ton frequently. We wish her a glorious retirement as well.

## SUNY-Plattsburgh

**Holly Heller-Ross**, Associate Librarian, will be working on an information literacy ethics project as a Fellow in Plattsburgh State University's Institute for Ethics in Public Life during the spring 2003 semester. Her project involves a study of ethical theories, academic honesty, plagiarism prevention, and institutional responses to academic dishonesty.

**Wayne Miller**, Associate Librarian for Special Collections, was recently elected President of the Franklin County Historical and Museum Society, which operates the Franklin House of History in Malone and is the Franklin County Historian.

## SUNY-Potsdam

**Marianne Hebert** co-presented a session on "Migrating to a New Library Management System" with Laurie Kutner and Paul Philbin (University of Vermont) at the Annual New England Library Association Annual Conference held Oct. 22, 2002 in Sturbridge Mass. The presenters discussed managing the planning process, coordinating leadership and communication structures, and addressing technical issues such as data standards, record conversion, and the migration of system policies. Details of the presentations are available online at:

[http://www2.potsdam.edu/hebertm/Systems\\_Migration\\_files/v3\\_document.htm](http://www2.potsdam.edu/hebertm/Systems_Migration_files/v3_document.htm)

<http://www.nelib.org/files/nelaVermontLMS.zip>

The presentation was co-sponsored by the Academic Library Section of NELA and the New England Chapter of ACRL.

**Edward Komara** has assumed the position of Chapter Chair of the New York State/Ontario Chapter of Music Library Association the end of October. **Jane Subramanian** then assumed the position of Past Chair of the organization at that time.

**Jane Subramanian** gave a presentation " Milestones in the History of the Crane School of Music: Julia Crane, Helen Hosmer, and Beyond" at the New York State/Ontario Chapter of Music Library Association Annual Conference hosted at by the SUNY Potsdam College Libraries on October 18 and 19, 2002.

## Syracuse University

**William Garrison** has been appointed as Associate University Librarian for Technical Services, effective December 1, 2002. Garrison comes to SU from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

**Susan Berteaux** has been appointed as Head of the Science and Technology Library, effective December 16.

**Christian Dupont** is our new Head of Special Collections, effective January 16.

Acquisitions Librarian **Robert Cleary** attended the 22nd annual Charleston Conference on Issues in Book and Serial acquisition from October 31 through November 2, held at the College of Charleston in South Carolina.

Music Librarian **Carole Vidali** attended the annual meeting of the New York/Ontario Chapter of the Music Library Association at SUNY Potsdam on October 18 and 19.

**Elizabeth Wallace**, Earth Sciences Librarian and Publications Manager for the Geoscience Information Society (GSIS), attended the society's annual meeting in Denver, Colorado in October.

**Peter Verheyen**, Conservation Librarian and **Donia Conn**, Assistant Conservator, presented posters at the Friday Forum of the Guild of Book Workers annual Standards of Excellence seminar in Minneapolis.

**George Abbott**, Head, Media Services, served as a member of the ALA Committee on Accreditation, External Review Panel that visited the Library and Information Science Program at Wayne State University in Detroit on October 12-14.

Syracuse University Library hosted the ENY/ACRL Fall Conference entitled, "New York Realities - New York Relationships" on Friday, October 18 at the University Sheraton. **Suzanne Preate**, Information Services Librarian and **Lisa Moeckel**, Head of the Research and Information Services Division co-chaired the Local Arrangements Committee. Other committee members included **Michael Pasqualoni**, **Donna Sullivan**, **Jason Hawkins** and **Tasha Cooper**, vendor support coordinator. A preconference dinner was held on Thursday, October 17 featuring speaker **Patricia Wand**, University Librarian at American University (Washington, DC).

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