Professional conferences and workshops are the events that let us exchange ideas and allow us to compare our work and libraries to those of our peers. This is where we learn, recharge our batteries, and motivate ourselves; where we look up from our daily work to the “big issues” important to us.

Our Fall Conference on November 12 “The Millennium Librarian. Information Mediators Still Needed!” will be one of those occasions. Take the opportunity to listen to the President of National ACRL, Dr. Larry Hardesty. Come and see what Dr. Ed Meachen, Associate Vice President for Information Technology of the University of Wisconsin system, has to say. Prof. Claire McInerney, OU, will address the changing information/knowledge environments.

Do you need more reasons to attend the ACRL Fall Conference?

1. Get a chance to meet the candidates for the OK-ACRL board in 2000 - and vote!

2. Introduce a library paraprofessional or interested student to academic librarianship.

3. Don’t miss your opportunity to vote on proposed bylaw changes as part of our chapter’s incorporation process.

4. Network with your colleagues at the conference, over lunch and during the discussion sessions.

5. Let the chapter officers know what concerns you have, give us ideas for conference and workshop topics.

A visit to our Chapter Website at <http://okacrl.okstate.edu> will provide full conference information. Registration forms and details will be mailed out early in October.

Consider becoming an active member of ACRL and volunteer to run for office. President-Elect Susan Hahn (shahn@ou.edu) will be able to tell you which officer or board member positions are vacant.

I hope to see you at the conference.

THOMAS THORISCH
President, Oklahoma Chapter of ACRL
Conference Program and Registration materials will be mailed and available on the OK-ACRL Website <http://okacrl.okstate.edu> in early October.

Please consider bringing a student to the conference. If you know a student currently enrolled in library school, or have a student employee who might be interested in pursuing a career in librarianship, we encourage you to bring them as a guest.

Conference Keynote Speakers—Edward Meachen, Larry L. Hardesty, and Claire McInerney—will address the changing roles of academic libraries and librarians as we move into the future. Areas of discussion will include the changing needs in library education and training, the changing face of the knowledge/information industry, relationships and collaborations between libraries and computing services, and building new partnerships with faculty.

EDWARD MEACHEN is Associate Vice President for Learning and Information Technology for the University of Wisconsin System. Prior to his current position, Dr. Meachen was the Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Services at UW-Parkside for eight years and the Director of the Library Learning Center at UW-Parkside for two years. He was appointed to the Council of Chief Information Officers for the UW System in 1995 and currently serves as its Chair. He has served as a member of the UW System Distance Education Steering Committee as well as the UW System Task Force on Academic Computing and Emerging Technology. Dr. Meachen received his B.A. in History from South Dakota State University and an M.A. in History from Midwestern State University, Texas. He earned his Ph.D. in History at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia and an M.A. in Library Science from the University of Chicago.

LARRY L. HARDESTY is the 1999-2000 President of ACRL, and has been the college library director and professor at Austin College since 1995. From 1983 to 1995 he was director of library services and professor at Eckerd College. He has been an ACRL member since 1978 serving on the ACRL Board of Directors from 1987 to 1991; the Appointments Committee from 1996 to 1997; and the College & Research Libraries Editorial Board from 1990 to 1996. He chaired the College Libraries Section from 1995 to 1996, served on the Planning Committee from 1991 to 1994, the Publications Committee from 1986 to 1989, the Standards and Accreditation Committee from 1982 to 1984, and directed the College Library Directors Mentor Program since 1991. Hardesty holds a B.A. and M.S. from Kearney State College, a M.A.L.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison; a M.S. and Ph.D. from Indiana University-Bloomington; and a Certificate of Public Administration from Indiana University-Purdue University of Indianapolis (UPUI).

CLAIRE McINERNEY currently serves as an assistant professor at University of Oklahoma School of Library and Information Science; she has been an adjunct instructor at the University at Albany/SUNY School of Information Science and Policy and an information coordinator at the New York State Center for Technology in Government. Her most recent publications include “Working in the Virtual Office: Providing Information and Knowledge to Remote Works: in Library and Information Science Research and she coauthored “Web Development and Management: Using the Cohort Model” in the Handbook on Electronic Commerce. She holds a B.A. in English from Creighton University; a M.A. in Librarianship from Central Michigan University; and a Ph.D. in Information Sciences from the State University of New York at Albany.

Advance Registration for OK-ACRL member, received by treasurer by Nov. 5: $40.00
Advance Registration for non-OK-ACRL member, received by treas. by Nov. 5: $45.00
On-site registration add $5.00
MLIS student: $10.00
Free advance registration for a student who is the guest of an Advance Registrant (registrations must be submitted together).
Any registration by a non-member includes membership for the following year.
DO YOU COMPUTE?
Technology in Technical Services
2000 and Beyond

Purpose: A workshop covering the use and influence of computers in Technical Services.

Audience: Technical service librarians and staff from all types of libraries with different levels of expertise.

Agenda:

9:00-9:30 ................. REGISTRATION/REFRESHMENTS
9:30-9:45 ............................... WELCOME
9:45-10:30 .............................. KEYNOTE SPEAKER
     PAT WEAVER-MEYERS, OU
10:30-10:45 ............................. BREAK/REFRESHMENTS
10:45-12:15 .......... BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Choose from:)
     A. Windows Basics
        JANE CARVAJAL, METROPOLITAN LIBRARY
     B. Using the Internet for Technical Services
        LINDA WEST, NORTHEASTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
     C. Telecommunication Basics
        JONATHAN WOLTZ, SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY
     ........................................... Electronic Ordering
     LAURIE SUNDBORG and CHARLOTTE FRAZIER,
     TULSA CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY
12:15-1:30 ........................ LUNCH (on site)
1:30-3:00  ................... BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Repeat of 10:45 sessions)
3:00-3:30 ................. WRAP UP & EVALUATION

When: Friday, October 29, 1999

Location: Conoco Auditorium
Bizzell Memorial Library
University of Oklahoma
Norman, Oklahoma

Time: 9:00 am until 3:30 pm

Note: ** CEU credit is: .6 for public library certification and Verification of Attendance for school librarians will be provided

REGISTRATION FEE:
☐ OLA member ($40)
☐ Non-member ($80)

Deadline: 10/22/99
Register by Oct. 15 & receive a visitor’s parking permit

For more information: contact Ila Grice Coffman at OU (405) 325-5524 or e-mail at gricie@ou.edu
**Oklahoma Library Association (OLA) University and College Division/Public Libraries Division Workshop**

**Back by Popular Demand!**

**Tools for managing and accessing the Internet**

**Tuesday, October 19, 1999**

**Bird Library Auditorium**

**University of Oklahoma (OU) Health Sciences Center**

**Oklahoma City**

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**This workshop is intended for busy librarians who need to know about new, relevant web sites, but who may not have the time to explore the Internet.**

Visit our website: [www.pioneer.lib.ok.us/ola/ucd/](http://www.pioneer.lib.ok.us/ola/ucd/) (Includes map to site and parking information) (405) 744-5271

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<td>Carolyn Warmann, Assistant Professor and Access Services Librarian (Oklahoma State University)</td>
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<td>Anne Prestamo, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Digital Library Services (Oklahoma State University)</td>
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<td>Claire McInerney, Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Studies (University of Oklahoma)</td>
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<td>Panel: Representatives from school, public and academic libraries will discuss how they learn about new Internet sites and how they create and maintain gateways to Internet resources.</td>
<td>Kareen Boye, Public Service Librarian and Internet Trainer (Edmond Branch of Metropolitan Library Systems) Beth DeGeer, Youth Services Librarian and Web Master (Barbersville Public Library) Ann Miller, Library Media Specialist (Truman Elementary School, Norman) Anne Prestamo, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of Digital Library Services (Oklahoma State University) Linda H. West, Assistant Professor and Technical Services Director, Library (Northeastern State University) Sybil Connolly, Library Media Specialist (Kenneth Cooper Middle School, Oklahoma City)</td>
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<td>Taking Control: A summary with suggestions on strategies and tools librarians can use to regain “control” over the Internet.</td>
<td>Jennifer Goodson, Associate Professor and Head of Access Services, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center Library</td>
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**REGISTRATION FEE (INCLUDES LUNCH):**

- **OLA Member ($45) **
- **Non-member ($90) **

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**Deadline:** October 14, 1999
NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR
OUTSTANDING OU ALUMNI

The Alumni Association of the OU School of Library and Information Studies is seeking nominations for the Outstanding Alumni Award for the year 2000. The recipient’s name will be engraved on a plaque kept in the OUSLIS. A certificate of award will be presented to the recipient, and a $100 donation to the Irma Tomberlin Scholarship Fund will be made in the name of the recipient. Criteria for the award are:

Any person receiving a M.L.I.S. from the University of Oklahoma School of Library and Information Studies may be eligible for this award if:

1) the person has generated an active interest in the School and/or
2) the person has made an effective and innovative contribution to the library profession and/or,
3) the person has contributed to the professional literature.

The announcement of the award will be sent to all appropriate library publications. Please remember to consider alums practicing out of state. Please contact either of the nominating committee co-chairs listed below, and we will send you a nomination form.

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CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS,
AND NEWS ROUNDUP

Call for Proposals for Contributed Papers and
Poster Sessions For OLA Annual Conference April
26-29, 2000 University & College Division
All types of libraries are invited to participate.

PRESENTATION IDEAS:
• Reports of Research Studies
• Analyses of Practical Problem-Solving Efforts
• Descriptions of Innovative Library Programs or Projects

POSTER SESSIONS:
• Presentations may include graphics, diagrams, pictures, data & presenter’s narrative
• During the assigned time, the presenters will have the opportunity to discuss their poster with conference attendees
• Bulletin boards (4 ft X 6 ft) will be provided

PAPER PRESENTATIONS:
• Overhead and slide projectors will be provided
• Twenty-minute talks will be conducted on each project

PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS SHOULD INCLUDE:
• Title of poster session or paper presentation
• Author’s or authors’ name(s)
• Institutional affiliation of each author, including city & state
• One author designated as contact person, and provide address, telephone, fax, and email address
• Abstract of less than 200 words

SUBMIT PROPOSALS ELECTRONICALLY:
<http://www.library.okstate.edu/ucd/call4presentations.htm>

OR

SUBMIT PROPOSALS HARDCOPY TO:
DAN BELL
Edmon Low Library
Oklahoma State University
Stillwater OK 74078

DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 19, 1999

The approximate fee for the class will be $1000.00 total. We are hoping to find other institutions that might benefit from this class and share the cost of the $1000.00 fee. We would be pleased to act as the host for the workshop here at the UCO and facilitate all of the organizational duties. Please contact Gwen Dobbs at <gdobbs@ucok.edu> or (405) 974-2874, for further information.

AMIGOS GRANT PROPOSAL
WRITING CLASS

The Reference Department at the University Central Oklahoma Chambers Library is looking for other academic libraries in and outside of the Oklahoma City metropolitan area to help shoulder the cost of the above class. The class will be scheduled and taught by Tom Clarson of AMIGOS this fall. The class will be held at the UCO Chambers Library one day for 8 hours. It’s focus will be grant writing in the academic environment. It will consist of a lecture on the different types of grants available to academic libraries, a portion on grant components, exercises, including a review of existing grants, and a grant writing exercise to be completed and emailed to Tom Clarson, for further individual criticism.

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THE FOUNDATION CENTER COOPERATING COLLECTION (FCCC): A HIGHLIGHT

The Foundation Center Cooperating Collection (FCCC) at Oklahoma City University’s Dulaney-Browne Library is one of some 200 such specialized reference sites around the country affiliated with the national Foundation Center. The only other FCCC in the state is sponsored by the downtown branch of the Tulsa Library System. Both Collections serve as depositories of information on resource and organizational development for the nonprofit sector and on grants to individual citizens.

The principal focus of OCU-FCCC’s materials is on the policies and practices of grant-making foundations. There are approximately 50,000 private, corporate, and community grant-makers in the United States whose annual contributions collectively constitute around ten percent of total philanthropic giving. However, the Collection also contains information on other forms of fund-raising, as well as on program management, vital to the larger operations of voluntary and public agencies.

Effective searching for potentially available foundation grants involves three levels of activity.

1) The first phase, known as primary search, can be initiated at the OCU-FCCC. The best primary search tool available is the Foundation Center’s CD-ROM, “FC-SEARCH.” All of the Foundation Center’s core materials are featured, along with print texts of foundation data from other publishers. Its objective is determination of possible matches between the represented nonprofit organization and grant-makers listed by the search methods employed. This phase may take only one step, but could require additional measures for confirmation of eligibility for making application. (You may visit the Dulaney-Brown Website at www.okcu.edu/library/fdn.htm for more specifics about the FCCC’s holdings.)

2) The second search level commences when the nonprofit contacts the selected foundations by the means ascertained through the primary search.

3) The search enters the third phase when the approached grant-makers respond to informational requests or proposal submittals. This follow-up activity by foundations can range from provisions of additional information (i.e. application forms or proposal guidelines), calls for supplemental proposal data, and/or advisements on funding decisions. Whether or not requests for funds are sustained on the first application (it is estimated that only one in ten requests are awarded), grant-seekers are urged to be open to possible longer-term relationships with foundations when warranted in order to enhance mutual service goals and later support options.

Representatives of Oklahoma libraries are most welcome to use the Collection. For details about parking, orientation assistance, etc., please contact John Fleming, (405) 521-5822, or jfleming@okcu.edu.

OLTN STATEWIDE INFORMATION DATABASES UPDATE

The Department of Libraries reports that databases provided through OCLC FirstSearch and Gale Group InfoTrac are changing their look this fall. The new interfaces require changeover to new URL’s.


A new database was added in April, Electric Library Elementary. Academic libraries should try this out because of access to some newspapers including Dallas Morning News and USA Today. Good Morning America transcripts are also available. A stock picture file and Reuters newspicture service are available. Most libraries in the OLTN project were automatically registered for Electric Library Elementary. If you cannot locate your username/password call Gary Phillips at ODL 1-800-522-8116 or 521-2502.

There will be a mailing in the fall to confirm or correct your present registration information. A survey regarding the database project is also on tap this fall.