

Academic librarians should find it easy to incorporate the “Global reach, local touch” theme of ALA President Barbara Ford into their plans for celebrating National Library Week (NLW). But to make it easier still, we provide you with Barbara’s own review of her theme and a list of “Ten things you can do to go global” that will help you celebrate NLW from April 19–25 (page 79).

Although, we, as librarians, know how to easily make use of the library and its resources, our research habits may not differ from the faculty as much as we may think, as we learn from Amy Brunvand’s revealing diary of writing a paper for presentation (page 80). I know I can identify with her comments about becoming more “selfish and willing to break rules,” as I have moments of panic as a deadline approaches.

Non-tenured librarians will appreciate Phyllis Shontz’s and Jeffrey Bullington’s suggestions for surviving the first year in a tenure-track position—remember, it is a political process (page 85).

I am always happy to have tips for personal finance and investments, and in this issue, Janice Lewis and June Chressanthis give us a Web of choices from which to get the latest information (page 90).

ACRL has two items of business for your consideration. As you prepare to vote in the ALA elections this spring, please review the proposed new bylaws presented on page 108. ACRL’s Board and Constitution and Bylaws Committee combined the ACRL constitution and bylaws into one document when it was learned that neither IRS regulations nor the state of Illinois require nonprofit organizations to have both. The Board encourages members to support the new bylaws with a positive vote.

The *News* is also pleased to present statements from the candidates for ACRL President—Jill Fatzer and Larry Hardesty (page 103). Spend some time with these articles and be an informed voter this spring.

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