

# **Publications**

#### NOTICES

- Africana Directions is a new series of guides to be issued irregularly by the African Section of the Library of Congress. The guides will consist of brief bibliographies, reading lists, or reference aids on topics of current interest. The first issue is a 14-page list of references entitled Recent Afro-Libyan Relations, compiled by Joanne M. Zellers, which includes 105 entries and a map. Copies of the first and future issues are available free of charge from the Library of Congress, African and Middle Eastern Division, African Section, Washington, DC 20540.
- A Citizen's Guide to Changes in Human Services Programs, edited by Julie M. Sugarman (111 pages, September 1981), describes in considerable detail how the U.S. Congress responded to many dramatic changes in human services legislation and appropriations. An appendix provides a comprehensive catalog of over 250 program changes resulting from the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981. Copies are available for \$7.95 from the Human Services Information Center, 1408 N. Fillmore St., #7, Arlington, VA 22201.
- A Directory of Courses on Indexing in Canada and the United States, by James D. Anderson (2d edition, 147 pages, 1981), includes a course list, a list of textbooks, and a classification of indexing concepts and procedures. The book is available for \$5 to members of the American Society of Indexers, \$10 to non-members. Orders should be sent to ASI, 235 Park Ave. South, New York, NY 10003.
- Financing Online Services in Publicly Supported Libraries, by Mary Jo Lynch (55 pages, 1981), has been published by ALA's Office for Research. This report carries the results of a survey conducted among subscribers to BRS, Lockheed, and SDC online services to determine how the services were financed. Copies may be ordered for \$2 from the Order Department, ALA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611.
- Finding Answers to Copyright Questions: Guide to Publications on Copyright, compiled by the Government Relations Department of the National Audio-Visual Association (1981), emphasizes publications that deal with off-air copying, microcomputer programs, and software protection. Copies are available for \$4.95 from NAVA, 3150 Spring St., Fairfax, VA 22031 (free to NAVA members).
- The Guide to Credit by Examination (105) pages, 1981) summarizes examinations used in awarding credit for extra-institutional learning. The guide, produced by the American Council on Education's Office on Educational Credit and

Credentials, details ACE's test evaluation process and reviews the content validity and amount of credit recommended for test performance for such test series as CLEP, DANTES, and the Foreign Service Institute. Copies may be ordered for \$20 from ACE, Publication Sales, One Dupont Circle, Washington, DC 20036.

- Internships and Job Exchanges (91 pages, November-December 1981), SPEC Kit #79, has been published by the Association of Research Libraries. The kit contains 26 documents illustrating guidelines, policies, forms, and program descriptions for internship and job exchange programs in ARL libraries. SPEC kits are available by subscription from the Systems and Procedures Exchange Center, OMS/ARL, 1527 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20036. Individual kits may be purchased (prepaid only) for \$15, with checks made payable to the ARL Office of Management Studies.
- Library Compensation Review is a new quarterly journal that analyzes current salaries and benefits for librarians and information specialists. Each issue of the review will summarize data taken from over 1,000 position advertisements in the previous quarter and will feature an in-depth analysis of such special topics as benefits, years of experience required, language and special education requirements, and urban versus non-urban salaries. An annual subscription is \$25. Contact: Graduate Library School, Attn: LCR-P, College of Education, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721.
- The Maine Union List of Serials (3d edition, 1981) has been published by the Fogler Library, University of Maine at Orono. This edition includes 14,500 titles and 35,500 holdings statements for 69 academic, public, and special libraries in Maine. Copies are available for \$30 (plus \$1.50 postage and handling) prepaid from Fogler Library, University of Maine at Orono, Orono, ME 04469.
- MULS, Third Edition (12 volumes, 1981), a regional union list of serials, has been published by MINITEX and the Minnesota Higher Education Coordinating Board. This edition contains over a half-million holdings for serials held in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Iowa. Copies are available for \$450 (postage and handling included) from MINITEX, 30 Wilson Library, 309 19th Ave. S., University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455.
- The NASA Index, a subject index to astronomical publications of the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration, has been published by the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. To receive a free copy of the index, send two first-class stamps to NASA Index, ASP, 1290

24th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94122.

- On-Line Services in Some Academic, Public and Special Libraries: A State-of-the-Art Report, by Marcy Murphy (24 pages, November 1981), has been published as Occasional Paper number 151 of the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science. The report describes the results of a survey of 309 libraries in 13 states that inquired about online reference services. Available for \$3 (single copy, prepaid) from the Publications Office, GSLIS, University of Illinois, 249 Armory Bldg., 505 E. Armory St., Champaign, IL 61820-6291.
- Public Access to Library Automation, edited by J. L. Divilbiss (128 pages, 1981), contains the proceedings of the 1980 Clinic on Library Applications of Data Processing. Copies may be ordered for \$10 from the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, University of Illinois, 249 Armory Bldg., 505 E. Armory St., Champaign, IL 61820-6291.
- Re:sources (Vol.1, no.1, Winter 1981), a quarterly environmental newspaper that provides background on ecological issues, access to environmental organizations, and in-depth bibliographic listings on a wide range of topics, including transportation (Winter 1982) and occupational health hazards (Spring 1982), is published by the Environmental Task Force. Libraries qualify for a special rate: \$12 for one year, \$22 for two years. Send orders to the Environmental Task Force, 1346 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 918, Washington, DC 20036.
- The Role of the Information Science Community in a National Network, prepared by the ASIS Networking Committee and the ASIS Special Interest Group on Library Automation and Networks (16 pages, 1981), contains five "think pieces" intended to stimulate ideas on the role of the information community. Free copies may be ordered from ASIS, 1010 Sixteenth St., NW, Washington, DC 20036.
- Who's Who in Information Management (128 pages, 1981) lists the names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of over 800 information managers. The directory may be ordered for \$25 (or free to AIM members) from Associated Information Managers, 316 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20003.

### NONPRINT NOTICES

- A tape of the talks given at the ground breaking ceremonies for the \$23 million central library of Boston College may be obtained for \$5 from the University Librarian's Office, Gasson 102, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167. Speakers include Jill Conway, Smith College; J. Donald Monan, Boston College; Philip J. McNiff, Boston Public Library; and Thomas F. O'Connell, Boston College.
  - How to Use Biological Abstracts, a slide/tape

program by Eva S. Jonas (enlarged second edition, 1981), describes the 1981 format of *Biological Abstracts*, its indexes and basic research techniques. The cost is \$115 for mail orders within the U.S. Send orders to Eva S. Jonas, Librarian, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, 26 Oxford St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

# Local Academies: An Opportunity for Professional Involvement

Academic librarians looking for professional growth opportunities should take note of the various state and local academies in the U.S. There are at least 44 such academies in the country at present, and they offer various avenues for involvement. Most academies are involved principally with the sciences, but many have humanities and social science interest groups, if not separate sections. At least two academies, those of Michigan and Ohio, already have library science sections.

Many state and local academies would probably welcome overtures to form separate sections for librarians; such sections provide a way for librarians to deliver papers and interact with colleagues without incurring long-distance travel expenses. The experience in Michigan during the last three years since we formed our section is that many librarians are emboldened to attend and deliver papers because of the friendly local atmosphere; our meetings have become a focal point for librarians' intellectual interaction.

It is also possible to interact with other sections of the academies, in various ways. Papers may be delivered to other sections, and published in the academy journal or newsletter. One could, for instance, do a joint presentation with a biology professor on a library instruction project, and disseminate the information to the rest of the academy afterwards through publication. One could also mount open forums on instruction, or on new developments in academic libraries as these affect research scholars. Opportunities for involvement in local academies are various, and available to any enterprising librarian willing to take an interest and make a commitment.

To find out more about local academies, order the Directory and Handbook of the National Association of Academies of Science (at \$5 per copy) from the Archivist, Ohio Academy of Science, 445 King Street, Columbus, OH 43201, or contact Bill Miller, Chair of the BIS Cooperation Committee, c/o Reference Department, Michigan State University Libraries, East Lansing, MI 48824.—William Miller.



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