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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Beverley Geer-Butler

I was sitting around the other day, cracking pecans with that nice gavel you gave me and trying to think of what I wanted to talk about next when my cat, Jimmie Dale, stopped by and asked me if any Mexican members had signed up yet. So I got to thinking about that and decided to talk to you about it

I know that each and every one of you has read the Strategic Plan cover to cover at least five times. I know I have. The Plan, as I have come to call it, addresses everything from continuing education to electronic communications. When I appointed the committees for 1996/97, I handed each chair a revised committee charge which incorporated goals from the Plan. If you look at the section on membership, you will see that the Regional Councils and Membership Committee (RC&M) has quite a lot to do, namely:

1. Target increase in renewal level from 85% to 87% by 1997/98. The purpose of this goal is to guarantee the income from membership fees needed to support the operating expenses. As of today our membership totals over 1100. Each year we gain a few and lose a few. The RC&M has plans to survey the non-renewing members to ascertain why they did not renew their memberships. If the reasons show that we are not meeting their needs, then we will in-

vestigate how to improve or change so that we can attract those members back.

- Attract new members from Canada. To date there are 71 Canadian members, but few of those are from French-speaking Canada. In an effort to recruit from that area, a membership brochure in French has been printed.
- Attract new members from Mexico. Finally, after 11 years in existence, NASIG has one Mexican member. However, one is too few, and so the following steps have been taken to attract more members from Mexico:
 - a membership brochure in Spanish has been printed
 - Rogelio Hinojosa, a Mexican national working at Texas A&M International University, has joined the Regional Councils and Membership Committee and has assisted with the translation of the brochure. He also has made contacts for the RC&M and is actively recruiting new members. I believe we have him to thank for the one member we have. Good job, Rogelio!
 - Through the efforts of Dan Tonkery, I was able to get a slot on the program of the 5th Cycle of Conferences on Academic and Research Journals to be held 27-28 February 1997 in Mexico City. My talk will focus on the effect electronic journals are having on us and how NASIG works to provide a forum for discussion and education on issues that concern us. There will be simultaneous translation into Spanish as I speak and my presentation will be published in Spanish and distributed to the attendees. I also will have plenty of membership brochures handy.
- 4. Attract new members from other areas besides academic librarianship. To that end two things have happened:
 - a liaison to the Public Library Association has been appointed (Marsha Bennett, Boston Public Library)
 - with the assistance of John Tagler, a letter to publishers encouraging them to join was

written and sent to approximately 50 publishers in the United States and Canada.

Other outreach methods in the works are:

- non-members who attended the last conference have received letters inviting them to join
- the RC&M has been working with the Continuing Education Committee to see that membership brochures are available at regional workshops
- the RC&M is investigating having a NASIG membership booth at state and provincial library association meetings and other conferences
- Judy Johnston, who holds the position of publicist on the RC&M, has been busy sending announcements of our conference to various lists and to ALA for publication in the date book section of American Libraries. She also will work with the Continuing Education Committee to get the word out about continuing education events.

So, my friends, that is what is happening. Impressed, aren't you? You have the hard-working and very clever RC&M to thank. They are:

Judy Johnson, Chair David Fritsch Joan Griffith Rogelio Hinojosa Beth Holley Don Jaeger Judy Johnston Pamela Morgan Lynne Murphy Katy Nelson Ann Nez Gale Teaster-Woods Joyce Tenney

Also working behind the scenes are the state and provincial representatives. These folks are listed on the NASIG Web page. If you would like to help by staffing a booth at a conference or in any other way or if you have some recruiting ideas, please contact the RC&M or their very able Board Liaison, Birdie MacLennan. Tell them that Jimmie Dale sent you.

NASIG 12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE (1997): CONFERENCE PLANNING REPORT

Leighann Ayers and Thomas Champagne, Conference Planning Committee Co-Chairs

The theme for NASIG's 12th Annual Conference is "Experimentation and Collaboration: Creating Serials for the New Millennium." The Conference will be held on the Central Campus of the University of Michigan's Ann Arbor Campus May 29th through June 1st, 1997. Detailed conference information is included in the conference registration packet, scheduled to be mailed in late-February. The registration period will be March 1 through April 29, 1997.

Thursday evening's opening events will happen in the historic Michigan League. Hopefully, renovations in the building will be completed by the time we meet! Dinner will highlight Michigan specialties.

The evening's featured entertainment will be a concert by the fabulous Chenille Sisters, a local Ann favorite singers/songwriters/ Arbor trio of entertainers. (Cheryl Dawdy, one of the Chenille Sisters, worked as a library assistant at the University of Michigan before devoting her time to her music career.) People Magazine says the Chenilles' "quixotic music mixes warmth and wit," while The Chicago Sun-Times praises them for their "sensational, super-tight harmony and clever, campy tunes." The Utne Reader proclaims the Chenille's the hottest thing to come out of Detroit "since Motown blew out for the coast," and the Washington Post sums it up by saying the Chenille Sisters offer "plenty of reason to both listen and laugh." The Chenille Sisters have brought heavenly harmonies and loads of laughs to numerous national radio and television broadcasts, including National Public Radio's "All Things Considered," appearances on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion," ABC's "The Home Show," CBS's "Nightwatch," and a featured appearance on PBS's "Lonesome Pine Specials." (Editor's note: I've heard them -- they're gooooood!)

For a change of venue, Friday evening's activities will be hosted on North Campus, home of the new Media Union as well as a number of other libraries. Friday's dinner will feature an Italian theme. On the plaza around the new Lurie Bell Tower, we will feast and fraternize as we are entertained by the Community High Jazz Band. There will be the

opportunity to tour the Media Union and other North Campus libraries.

Saturday evening, conference attendees will have the opportunity to explore downtown Ann Arbor on their own. Downtown Ann Arbor is a five minute walk from Central Campus and features a very active night life. Besides restaurants that run an ethnic gamut from Amer's (Mediterranean) to Zanzibar (Pan-Tropical), there are innumerable coffee shops, three movie theaters (including a revival movie house), numerous bookstores for new books (including Borders and Shaman Drum) as well as many used book stores, and a number of Depending upon the schedule, there boutiques. might also be the option for attending a ball game! The Toledo Mud Hens, a AAA Minor League baseball team, play a very good game of ball! Further information on all of the possibilities will be available in the conference packet.

For those of you who would like to explore Ann Arbor before arriving, you can view selected World Wide Web sites via the Conference Web page. The Conference Web page features links to various entertainment and restaurant sites and also contains further information regarding the Conference, as well as full conference registration information. The conference homepage can be found at:

http://www.lib.umich.edu/libhome/acqser/nasiq

or simply follow the link from the NASIGWeb homepage:

http://nasig.ils.unc.edu/

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NASIG 12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE (1997): ADVANCE PROGRAM INFORMATION

Christa Easton and Karen Cargille, Program Planning Committee Co-Chairs

A recent cartoon in <u>The Chronicle of Higher Education</u> shows three colleagues planning a conference. Attentive to the needs of their audience, one suggests a way to improve the conference—"Instead of spending \$2,000 to bring in a boring and distinguished speaker, we spend \$1,000 to bring in a boring and *not*-so-distinguished speaker, and spend the rest to hire a decent dance band for the party." This makes NASIG seem all the more appealing, with distinguished and *not*-boring speakers, great entertainment planned by the Conference Planning Committee, and a variety of dance tapes that would make even the K-Tel Company dizzy.

This year's program takes advantage of the conference's location in Ann Arbor to draw "local" speakers with national reputations. Wendy Lougee. Assistant Director for Digital Library Initiatives, University of Michigan, will open the conference with her perspectives on the challenges of digital libraries. The University of Michigan will also be represented in the conference's Projects sessions. including CORE and JSTOR journal access projects. the Collaboratory for Electronic Work (CREW), and the Humanities Text Initiative. We'll also draw on resources throughout the region, with Erik Jul of OCLC speaking about the Internet Electronic Library Project and metadata, as well as speakers on OhioLINK and the National Library of Canada's electronic collection.

Plenary speakers Dan Tonkery and Arnold Hirschon will examine the future and present challenges that serials and serialists face with the approach of a new millennium and technological shifts. In a new

development in NASIG programming, Tonkery's plenary will be followed by discussion from a panel of reactors, in addition to the opportunity for audience discussion. To stimulate more discussion, the conference will include six Issues sessions, with topics including CONSER rules for cataloging multiple versions of serials, Internet publishing, archiving of electronic journals, and the ever-present licensing of electronic products.

We will also offer two preconferences in collaboration with the NASIG Continuing Education Committee and the Electronic Communications Committee. "Back to the Basics, the Serials Acquisitions Elements," in which distinguished speakers will provide a grounding in serials acquisitions, is likely to be of special interest to NASIG first-timers, as well as people in other areas of serials who are eager to expand their knowledge. "Maximizing the Web for Serialists" will include a plenary session on uses of SGML for publishing and a choice of four hands-on sessions.

We plan to offer twenty-two workshops which will cover a wide variety of topics of interest to serialists. In addition to a number of workshops on topics relating to electronic publishing and the Web, we have also included workshops on cataloging topics, preservation, training, management, and publishing concerns. Once again workshops will be repeated so that you will have more chances to hear from our outstanding group of presenters.

We hope that you share our enthusiasm for the program, and that we will see you in Ann Arbor this Spring!

NASIG 12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE (1997): NASIG NETWORKING NODES AND USER GROUP DISCUSSIONS

CALL FOR TOPICS
Connie Foster, NASIG Secretary

It's time to think about NASIG Networking Nodes and User Group Discussions! We invite your participation in the NASIG Networking Nodes at the Ann Arbor conference, May 29-June 1, 1997. These nodes offer opportunities for informal exchange of ideas, problems, solutions, and opinions relating to serials issues. They are scheduled for Saturday,

May 31, 4-5:30 p.m. Last year's topics covered serials services and vendors, EDIFACT, getting published, holdings and union listing and paraprofessional concerns.

We seek topics and discussion leaders for THE NODES. Deadline: March 1, 1997, so that the

topics can be published in the April Newsletter. We will also post the topics on NASIG-L and later in the conference packets. (Late submissions will be accepted as long as room arrangements can be made, but publicity will be limited).

The traditional Users Groups will meet on Sunday afternoon, 1-2 p.m., after the conference closing and in keeping with NASIG's no-conflict, non-commercialism policy.

We need names of groups and coordinators by April 1, 1997. Any received by March 1, however, will be

listed in the April <u>Newsletter</u>. Late additions will be posted on NASIG-L and included in the conference packets.

Please contact the NASIG Secretary for scheduling Nodes or User Groups:

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NASIG 12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE (1997): 2ND ANNUAL MENTOR PROGRAM

Linda Golian, NASIG Mentor Program Co-Chair

Application forms are now available for those interested in participating in NASIG's Mentor Program during this year's conference at the University of Michigan. The Mentor Program is a service of the NASIG Continuing Education Committee.

Mentees (those being mentored) may be library science students, new librarians, and new NASIG members. NASIG membership and first time NASIG Conference attendance is required.

Mentors (those providing mentoring) need a sincere interest in helping someone get the most out of the NASIG Conference and general membership. This involves being a good listener, acting as a professional role model, and being an experienced NASIG Conference attendee. Mentors are expected to contact their mentees prior to the conference. Mentors should expect to meet with their mentees a minimum of two times during the conference to answer questions, provide quidance, introduce mentees to other members, and to listen. More contact during the conference, and afterwards, is strongly encouraged. Mentors must also be NASIG members.

ALL Mentees and Mentors are invited to attend the First Timers Reception, which is provided as a means of facilitating networking. NASIG Board members and chairs of standing committees will join the mentees and mentors at this event. The reception will take place on Thursday, May 29th from 3:34-4:45 at the Michigan League to help facilitate networking.

Qualifications:

- Mentees: First time NASIG Conference participants attending the 12th Annual NASIG Conference in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Student members, NASIG Student Conference Grant Winners, NASIG Horizon winners, and new NASIG members are especially encouraged to apply. Conference on-campus housing is required for participation. A total of 25 mentees will be selected to participate for the 12th annual conference.
- 2. Mentors: Seasoned NASIG members with several years' conference experience willing to volunteer a few hours of conference time sharing, advising and assisting new NASIG members. NASIG Executive Board and NASIG Standing Committee members are especially encouraged to apply. Conference on-campus housing is required for participation. A total of 25 mentors will be selected to participate for the 12th annual NASIG conference.

To apply, please complete the form at the end of this <u>Newsletter</u> and return it by MAY 1, 1997 to:

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

Emma Cuesta, Chair, NASIG Nominations & **Elections Committee**

Pursuant to Article VII Section 2 of the Bylaws, notice is herein given of a general election to be held by mail ballot between February 15, 1997 and March 15, 1997 for the following Executive Offices:

> Vice-President/President Elect 1997/1998--1998/1999

> > Treasurer 1997/1998--1998/1999

> > Member at Large 1997/1998--1998/1999

All active members on record as of January 1997 shall be eligible to cast one original ballot that they shall receive solely by:

- 1. Correctly marking no more than one (1) vote for Vice-President/President Elect, no more than one (1) vote for Treasurer, and no more than three (3) different votes for Member-at-Large. In each instance, up to an equal number of write-in votes may be substituted.
- 2. Returning the ballot in the pre-addressed "Official Ballot Envelope* provided, postmarked no later than March 15, 1997. Results of the election will be published in the June 1997 Newsletter and announced during the Business Meeting at the 1997 conference.

Please address any questions regarding the general election to:

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TITLE CHANGES

Carol MacAdam

Note: Please report promotions, awards, new degrees, new positions and other significant professional milestones. You may submit items about yourself or other members to Carol MacAdam. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the person mentioned in the news item before they are printed. Please include your e-mail address or phone number.

Congratulations and best wishes to all!

SUSAN ANDREWS is now Serials Librarian at Texas A&M University -- Commerce. Her previous position was that of Serials Catalog Librarian at East Texas State University in Commerce, Texas.

Susan writes, "The job title change occurred Fall 1996, when the Head of the Serials Department retired, although I have been acting Serials Librarian since February. The name of the University changed with Fall 1996 also, when East Texas State University officially joined the A&M system. Basically. I used to work primarily with cataloging serials (but not the periodicals) and supervising the periodical bindery operation. I now handle cataloging all serials (including the periodicals), supervise binding, and am in charge of basically all of the operations of a serials department, including serial and periodical acquisitions, union listing, processing, and maintenance, all within the DRA environment. If it has to do with serials, you name it and I probably do it or supervise its being done." Susan's new addresses are:

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DANA BELCHER, Library Information Technician at the USEPA SPRD Library (GCI) (that is the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Subsurface Protection and Remediation Division of the National Risk Management Research Laboratory (located in Cincinnati) Research Library) reports address changes and additions to her current listing in the Membership Directory:

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In December 1996, JULIA C. BLIXRUD was appointed Senior Program Officer at the Association of Research Libraries. She has responsibilities in two major programmatic areas of the association — statistics and communications — with interesting and challenging duties. For the statistics program, she

is in a job-sharing position. A colleague is managing the data compilation and analysis, while Julia will do the meetings, handle efforts to explore new ways to measure library performance, and design and conduct workshops. For the communications program, Julia is the initial point of contact for conveying ARL policy to the scholarly community, to members, and to the press. "I'm having a great time so far," says Julia. "I worked for ARL when I first came to the D.C. area to manage the CONSER A&I Project. It's a wonderful organization to work for." Julia left her CAPCON job with some sadness (networks are also great places to work), but thanks the NASIG friends who she called on to conduct workshops for her. Can she call on you in her new position(s)? Julia's new addresses:

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RICK BLOCK began his new position as Head of Cataloging at Boston College on September 1, 1996. He was formerly Head of Cataloging at Tufts University. Rick writes that he is looking forward to the challenges and opportunities of working with a larger department in a larger library. Rick can be reached at:

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This is the news from Cape Fear, NC. ALAN CORDLE, formerly a cataloger at New Hanover County Public Library in Wilmington (yes -hurricanes Fran and Bertha) North Carolina, began his first professional position on October 1, 1996. He is the reference librarian at Cape Fear Community College, two blocks from his former employer. He loves his new library, which overlooks the historic downtown area and the U.S.S. North Carolina, which is docked in the Cape Fear River. A part-time librarian handles the serials at CFCC, but Alan works with her to make serials-related deci-

sions. Alan spends most of his time assisting students with electronic resources. His recent study of past participants of the Poets in Person Library Discussion Series helped the Modern Poetry Society to secure a \$285,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Alan was a 1995 NASIG student grant recipient and a 1996 graduate of North Carolina Central University's MLS program. Alan's new addresses are:

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JUDY DEBUSE was the Serials Manager at Washington State Library. Her new title there is State Employee Reference Librarian. Judy writes, "Here's why I'm no longer a serials librarian -- there no longer is such a position at the Washington State The Washington State Library recently Library! reorganized, not only from top to bottom, reducing the levels of hierarchy from 6 to 2, but from side to side, so to speak, restructuring its 4 divisions into 36 self-directed work teams based on TQM principles. Many librarian jobs disappeared (like mine in serials) only to reappear in new service areas. happens that after 18 years in technical service I find I've become a reference librarian! I'm having fun but I sure miss serials. (A note: there is no longer a librarian with managerial responsibility for serials acquisition and control.)" Judy's addresses now look like this:

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From GENE DICKERSON we hear: "I left Villanova on Oct. 9, 1996, just short of completing 10 years there (hard to believe!). I started here at NLM on Oct. 28, 1996. My title at Villanova was Serials Librarian, where I devoted most of my time to serials cataloging and union listing activities. My title at NLM is: Head, Selection and Bibliographic Control

for short) in the Serial

Records Section. My unit creates and maintains the records which form the basis for SERLINE, the version of NLM's Master Serials System which is available to other libraries. It was a tough decision for me to leave Villanova after 10 years. I thought that this opportunity at NLM would allow me to grow professionally while remaining in the serials community. It's been an adjustment for me to leave academic libraries after so many years. It's also new to me to be living in a new city. I grew up in Trenton and had spent all my life in NJ, PA or DE thus far. I do like the DC area, though, but miss the Philadelphia area."

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ELLEN DURANCEAU has a new title and new responsibilities at MIT Libraries. Ellen was Associate Head of Serials and Acquisitions Services, and is now Assistant Acquisitions Librarian for Digital Resources. Ellen writes, "In my new role, I am assuming primary responsibility for the acquisition of digital resources in a variety of formats and with local or remote access. I am also responsible for monitoring the marketplace for electronic products. acting as a resource for library staff on product developments and options. One of my primary roles is to facilitate the process of acquiring electronic products by communicating with vendors, defining access options, arranging tests and demos, and managing license negotiation and compliance." Ellen's new job start October 1, 1996. All her addresses remain the same.

From DAVID FRITSCH we learn that though he has been a regional sales manager for Faxon in the past, as of April 1, 1996, his primary responsibility now is to promote the professional growth and development of the Faxon Sales Staff. David writes, "We (Faxon) inhabit a niche business that is, to put it as mildly as possible, arcane and unusual. My job is to insure that the sales representatives under-

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stand the business, understand and practice good selling techniques, and have the tools they need in order to be successful." David's addresses:

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KYM HAINES is now Kym Bumbaugh. All her addresses, including email, remain the same.

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MARY LEHMAN is now unit head for Serials Cataloging in the newly established Serials Department in University Libraries of the University of Notre Dame. Prior to this change in November 1996, Mary had been Coordinator of Special Projects in Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library Cataloging Department, a position which included responsibility for retrospective conversion of the Libraries' serials holdings. Mary is enjoying working with new materials in contrast to those "oldies" encountered in conversion work from prior years. Mary's addresses remain the same, but a correction in her email address should be noted:

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MARILYN LEWIS has a new job as Director of Library Technical Services at the Wildenthal Library of Sul Ross State University. She moved to Texas from Florida in August 1996, leaving her position as Circulation Librarian at Florida State University. Marilyn writes about the change: "It was ideal for me. The Sul Ross staff is small enough that while all of us have our primary assignments, we all are on call to provide reference services on a scheduled basis. I learned from my volunteerism in the public libraries in Florida that I enjoyed public services...something that I had shied-away from in all my years in technical services. Sul Ross had just completed their initial automation efforts with their online system (Sirsi). Everything was in place -- or so I thought! In late September the Director of Library Technical Services informed me that she was leaving for a promotion out of state (and NOT because of me!). In a brief time, I was appointed to my present position. Given the small staff, I'm in an ideal position to put my "two cents worth" into just about everything -including my first love -- SERIALS!!! There's always things to do in serials!" Marilyn's new addresses are:

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About a year ago, ANA TERRY left her job as Business Development Manager with MCB

University Press, and her home in Virginia, to move to Fort Collins, Colorado and accept a position as Director of Business Development with NetPubs international. Here is what Ana has to say about that move: "I've changed jobs to pursue a very exciting opportunity in a new field. At NetPubs International, we are providing Internet publishing program services such as journal presentation, pre-prints. tables of contents, journal discussion lists, continuous publishing, e-publishing consulting, etc. I'm particularly pleased that my new position gives me the opportunity to continue to work publishers and librarians in the academic and professional arenas. I've also been appointed Managing Editor of IP News (http://www.netpubsintl. com/IPNews.html), an online and print publication that offers independent sources of educational and practical information about Internet Publishing. I'm proud to be part of an editorial team that includes the likes of respected professionals such as Barbara Meyers (editor), Fred Bowes, Janet Fisher, Chet Grycz, Dan Tonkery, and Eduardo Ulibarri." Ana's new addresses are:

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SERIALS-RELATED REPORTS

CONSER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE WILL HOLD ITS MEETING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NASIG MEETING

Jean Hirons, Acting CONSER Coordinator, Library of Congress

The Operations Committee of the CONSER (Cooperative Online Serials) Program will hold its annual meeting at the University of Michigan, May 28-29th. Normally the meeting is held at the Library of Congress during the first week in May, but because this year's NASIG meeting is being hosted by a CONSER institution and because the University of Michigan has been so actively involved in electronic projects, we decided to change the venue for this year only. The meeting will be open to Operations representatives, US Newspaper Program (USNP) participants, and other catalogers from CONSER member institutions who are attending the NASIG meeting, including CONSER Enhance members.

Holding the CONSER meeting in conjunction with NASIG will increase the CONSER presence at NASIG and make it possible for some catalogers to attend the CONSER or NASIG meetings for the first time.

CONSER and USNP catalogers will be participating in several NASIG events, including a concurrent session that will address the single record approach for electronic resources and a workshop devoted to newspaper cataloging.

NVB SERIALS GROUP AND EDI

Sandra Hurd

Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) standards are growing and evolving. The international impact and day-to-day implications of standards development were addressed at a recent afternoon conference in the Netherlands organized by the Serials Group division of the Nederlandse Vereniging voor Bibliotecarissen (NVB), or Dutch Organization for Librarians.

This conference of about fifty acquisitions and serials librarians and technical representatives from publishers and subscription agents represents the first time the Dutch library world and their most important suppliers have convened to discuss standards in the Netherlands.

After an introduction by Marion A. T. van Brunschot (Head of the Acquisitions and Serials Department, University of Amsterdam), David Martin of Great Britain opened the session by addressing EDI standards and the progress made by EDItEUR, the Pan-European book sector EDI group in his presentation "EDItEUR and EDI Standards for the Serials Business." Martin is very involved in the conversion of X12 serials standards to UN/EDIFACT standards.

Sandra Hurd, Assistant Vice President and Director of Library Automation for EBSCO Information Services and current chair of the Serials Industry Systems Advisory Committee (SISAC), also participated in the conference's program. Her topic, "Pathways in Serials Communication: Which Way Now?," focused on what standards mean to librarians, library system vendors, subscription agents, and publishers.

Also on the panel was Margot Wiesner, Head of the Department of Acquisitions, City and University Library of Frankfurt am Main. Wiesner described in detail an EDI book ordering project conducted at the University in her talk entitled "EDI Between Libraries and their Suppliers: A Long and Hard Way."

The afternoon closed with questions from the audience facilitated by Nick C. C. Vos, Head of the Acquisition and Cataloguing Department at the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences Library in Amsterdam, the site of the conference.

NASIG GOPHER FROZEN

Maggie Rioux, Co-Chair, Electronic Communications Committee

The NASIG gopher has been frozen as of 1 January 1997. This means that no new information will be mounted on the gopher. All new resources and material will go on the NASIGWeb WWW site instead. The gopher will remain up in its present state for several months while the ECC continues to convert past <u>Conference Proceedings</u> and <u>Newsletters</u> to html for mounting directly on the Web.

This decision was reached after carefully considering the various comments provided by many NASIG members over the past few months. In particular, thanks to everyone who took the time to contribute many thoughtful comments via NASIG-L in response to the request for feedback.

At some time in the future, the gopher will be taken down entirely. This will be announced when it happens. Meanwhile, for current NASIG information, publications and news, as well as other resources for serialists, point your Web browser to:

http://nasig.ils.unc.edu

Please note that some parts of NASIGWeb are intended for members only and require a username and password to access them. The username is nasigweb and the password is the name of the city where our conference will be held this year. Enter it in all lower case except for the last letter and with no spaces (e.g., sanfranciscO if we were going there instead).

If you have questions, please post them to NASIG-L or e-mail Maggie Rioux:

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Thanks to Birdie MacLennan and Marilyn Geller -- our gopher pioneers -- for paving the way.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Carol MacAdam

Note: Please send announcements concerning meetings of interest to the NASIG membership to Carol MacAdam.

February 14-20, 1997 ALA Midwinter Meeting Washington, DC March 10-12, 1997 Computers in Libraries 1997 Hyatt Regency Crystal City Washington, DC

April 7-9, 1997 UKSG 1997 Annual Conference Heriot-Watt University Edinburgh, Scotland

May 15-16, 1997 ARL Spring Membership Meeting Albuquerque, NM

May 15-18, 1997 Feather River Institute Feather River, CA

May 23-28, 1997 Medical Libraries Association Annual Conference Seattle, WA

May 29-June 1, 1997
12th NASIG Conference
"Experimentation and Collaboration:
Creating Serials for a New Millennium"
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI

June 2-4, 1997 American Society for Information Science Mid-year Meeting Scottsdale, AZ

June 4-6, 1997 Society for Scholarly Publishing Annual Meeting JW Marriott Washington, DC

June 7-12, 1997
Special Libraries Association Annual Meeting
Seattle, WA

June 19-22, 1997
Canadian Library Association
52nd Ánnual Conference
"Reinventing libraries"
Ottawa, Ontario

June 26-July 3, 1997 ALA Annual Conference San Francisco, CA July 19-24, 1997 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting Baltimore, MD

August 31 - September 5, 1997 63rd IFLA Council and General Conference Copenhagen, Denmark October 14-17, 1997 ARL Membership Meeting Washington, D.C.

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12TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN MAY 29-JUNE 1, 1997

NASIG's Continuing Education Committee is sponsoring a Conference Mentoring Program to help make new conference attendees feel more at ease, highlight membership benefits, and help create new networking opportunities. The program will match experienced NASIG conference attendees with new NASIG conference attendees. For effective development, the 1997 program will be limited to the first 25 mentors' and the first 25 mentees' application forms received. Applications are accepted on a first come, first served bases, with a DEADLINE of MAY 1, 1997.

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NOMINATIONS FOR 1996 WORST SERIAL TITLE CHANGE OF THE YEAR

Each year the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS) Serials Section's Worst Serial Title Change of the Year Committee solicits nominations for its awards.

The presentation for these prestigious awards for 1996 will take place during the ALCTS President's Program at ALA's annual conference in San Francisco, June 26-July 3, 1997.

The 1996 award winners will be announced in the ALCTS and NASIG newsletters.

AWARDS CRITERIA INCLUDE:

- 1. A frivolous title change for NO APPARENT REASON and producing no advantage
- 2. The unnecessary change of an old, respected title
- 3. Repeated changes, the latest being no better than any earlier ones
- 4. "Snake in the Grass," or "Et tu, Brute?" category for LIBRARY publications
- 5. The title change must have occurred during 1996 to be considered.

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Photocopies of relevant pages or cataloging printouts are useful as verification, including historic title changes for titles which have changed often over time.

Thanks to those of you who have contributed over the years for making the work of this committee ever so entertaining. The committee looks forward to this year's nominations.

Please use a separate copy of the following form for each nomination.
WORST SERIAL TITLE CHANGE OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATION
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