

The University of Kentucky Libraries Staff Organization's supplement to
The Green Bean March 1983

FROM LSO 1983

THANK YOU

Between 45 and 50 people braved the snow on February 11th to attend the LSO Valentine's Day Tea. Special thanks go to the Social Committee, chaired by Barbara Randolph, for doing such a terrific job on such short notice. She was ably assisted by the other members of the Social Committee, Linda Raines, Teresa Starns, Patty Hornbeck, Mary Geyer, Jeanne Trimble and Hank Harken, with help from Phil Dare and Mary Welch. Jean Robinson served as consultant and provided much needed technical assistance when the coffee pot went on the blink. We were glad to see so many people. Thanks for coming and making the first event of 1983 a success!

Many thanks also to the folks who call to inform the LSO officers of illnesses and deaths that affect members of the library staff. We are working on written guidelines in order to respond to these situations. We will be drafting some procedures and distributing copies for discussion before anything is decided.

FRIDAYS

Some people have been getting together down at Starthrower's Cafe on the corner of Rose and Euclid after work on Fridays. Most folks arrive between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. or so and you can stay as long as you like. Why don't you check it out this Friday?

NOTE ON THE 1982 LSO TREASURER'S REPORT

As you look over the 1982 LSO Treasurer's report, closely examine the receipts and expenditures. Dues covered only a portion of expenses last year. Fund-raising activities involve the same people (or so it seems) nearly every time. Some LSO members have suggested that dues be increased and fund-raising activities be decreased for 1984. (Dues will remain at an unbelievably low \$3 for 1983. You can pay the treasurer, Barbara Hale, GPD, King South.) Do you remember when the last increase in dues occurred? (Answer next time.)

QUESTIONNAIRE

The LSO officers decided to sent out a questionnaire to get an idea of what you all wanted LSO to do this year. Perry Bratcher prepared to

the questions and Cecil Madison printed, addressed and distributed the questionnaire. We urge you to complete your copy and return it as soon as possible to Perry Bratcher in SOLINET, King North. This is YOUR organization. Let us know what you want to do or to participate in. Let your voice be heard! (On the other hand, if you don't want to do anything, the officers will no doubt abscond the funds in the treasury and have a moderately wild party some night at Starthrower's.)

THE RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF LSO MEMBERS

If you 1) complete and return your questionnaire,

2) pay your dues,

3) support the fund-raising activities of LSO,

4) make your views known on issues concerning LSO,

5) attend LSO events and functions,

and, at the end of the year, you feel that LSO has done nothing for you, THEN, you can complain -- and be an LSO officer next year! Karen

SPRING SALE

If so, have you Have you started your spring cleaning yet? wondered what to do with those extra magazines? Do you have zillions of extra cents off coupons you don't need? Don't throw these things away, donate them to the LSO for the first annual SPRING SALE! It is a combination Bake Sale/Coupon Exchange/Magazine Sale. Bake something for your family and a little extra for LSO. Labeled boxes will be provided for your coupons. If you wish, magazines may be sent to Jesse Adams in Bindery for storage (make sure she knows what thay are for) or just bring them over early the day of the sale. Don't forget - March 29 -10:00 - Staff Lounge - Be there - Aloha!

ABOUT THE STAFF

BESS CLOTFELTER, head of Monographic Cataloging Section of the U.K. Library, retires this summer after 33 years of service. The daughter of a minister, Bess graduated from Paris High School in 1935. She received (History) in 1953 and her M.S.L.S. in 1957, both degrees from her M.A. U.K. She taught high school for 8 years before coming to U.K.

Bess strongly believes that education is a process which goes on throughout life and that everyone should continue to improve themselves. As a matter of fact, she has had classes in four languages (French, Latin, German, and Italian) and plans to continue her education after retiring by becoming a Donovan Scholar, taking courses in elementary education. She is doing so in order to become a tutor of the Lexington Public Library's "Operation Read" program. She is also active in a program at her church which sponsors Vietnamese refugees.

Since being at U.K. many things have changed in the library. Bess believes that the educational quality of the staff is higher today it has ever been. She also believes that technical training in the use of machines will become more important in the library's future. Bess will retire but not disappear from the library completely. On any given day one will "just find me at the card catalog".

Perry Bratcher

A GET WELL wish to JOYCE TAYLOR (Acquisitions Department). We hope to see you back soon.

CONDOLENCES to JOYCE TAYLOR on the recent loss of her mother-in-law, Martha Taylor. On behalf of the staff LSO sent a plant.

CONDOLENCES to RON LLOYD (Music Listening Center) and PAT LLOYD (Director' Office) on the recent loss of Ron's father Jesse Lloyd. On behalf of the staff LSO sent a donation to the Council on Aging for the Study of Altzheimer's Disease.

THANK YOUS TO THE STAFF

I want to thank all of you who attended my farewell reception. I cannot begin to tell you how much I appreciated your many kindnesses and words of encouragement. Leaving UK was one of the most difficult decisions I've ever had to make, mainly because I didn't want to leave my friends. You're in my thoughts and I carry with me many fond memories. I hope our paths will cross in the future. I only regret that I did not have more time to talk with each of you individually.

Sincerely Barbara A. Galik

Thank you for the donation to the American Diabetes Foundation in memory of my father. Your thoughtfulness is appreciated by my family and by me.

Sandra Muenks

I am sorry to be so late in writing to tell you how very much I enjoyed the Christmas Luncheon of the Staff Organization. It is always a pleasure to come back to the library -- to see old friends and to meet new members of the staff. It is kind of you to remember the retired members.

Thank you again for a delightful party and best wishes to each of you for 1983.

Very sincerely, Catherine L. Katterjohn

OOPS -- In the last issue of the WAX BEAN there were two unsigned thank yous (actually the signature was there but it was too light to duplicate). To set the record straight the thank yous were from Frances Williams in the Education Library. Sorry Frances.

Did you like the picture in the last WAX BEAN? Thanks go to Cecil Madison who worked out the duplication of it. Thank you Cecil for doing such a nice job.

More to come on the next page --

LIBRARY STAFF ORGANIZATION 1982 ANNUAL REPORT

I. Officers and Committees

LSO was governed during the year 1982 by the following Board:

Karlheinz Boewe, President Cathy Hunt, Vice - President Janet Sutherland, Secretary Gwen Curtis, Treasurer Jim Birchfield, Ombudsperson

Duties were assumed on February 5, 1982; we were fortunate to be composed of a quite congenial group with a good sense of humor.

Departmental Representatives of LSO were:

Acquisitions Alan Schaplowsky B & E Info Center Paul Thompson Cataloging Christine Robinson
Circulation Roxanna Jones Circulation Roxanna Jones
Collection Devlpt. Ruth Vaughan
D.O./Admin. Services John Bryant Government Publ. Kathy Holden I.L.L. Reference Special Collections Emily Lihani
Microfilm Center Lil Blackburn
Period./Newspapers Bill Richardson Agriculture Diane Brunn Law Cathy Penberthy Medical Center Barb Lucas Law Math/Eng/BioSc/Geo. Karen Croneis Education Francis Williams Art/Arch/ChemPh/Mus. Cathy Hunt

Vivian MacQuown Norma Jean Gibson

These members have been very helpful in the recruitment of new members, passing around picture albums, collecting money for the Christmas hospital gift fund, disseminating information to the general membership, etc.

The Staff Lounge Committee was informally but very effectively organized and maintained by Alan Schaplowsky, with many unnamed souls pitching in to keep the vermin out.

The Social Committee, the very backbone of LSO, consisted of

Pam Sogge Barb Randolph Joyce Welch Jean Robinson Ruby Herald Cecil Madison Andrea Bryant Robin Barnard Libby Potts Janet Sutherland ex-officio

Roxanna Jones Co-Chairperson Co-Chairperson

The major events would not have been possible and would not have been what they were without the hard work and imagination of this great group.

II. Major LSO Events

4/6/82 Brown-bag lunch program on gardening

4/20/82 Spring-Fling

4/22/82 Booksale

6/11/82 Summer picnic

11/30/82 Christmas bazaar 12/17/82 Christmas luncheon

III. Special Thanks

- to Jean Robinson, Loraine Bates, and Joyce Welch for collecting funds and foods for a needy family on Thanksgiving.
- to Cathy Hunt, Perry Bratcher, and Andrea Bryant for organizing the Christmas bazaar.
- to Gwen Curtis and all departmental representatives for arranging the special collection of funds for the hospital patients on Christmas.
- to Paul Willis for his warm support of the organization.
- to all members and friends of LSO for their concern and support.
- to Toni Powell and Gerry Webb for editing LSO announcements in the Green Bean and the Wax Bean.

IV. Narrative Report

Membership month for LSO was March; 96 members signed up. On balance, we had a good year with the 'standard' events occurring at intervals which kept the organization in view and sustained the membership's feeling of having joined a worthy group.

In view of the employment situation of 1982, the focus of the spring event was not concentrated primarily upon the welcoming of newcomers to the library sytem. It was a chance for recognizing deserving individuals as well as for informal interacting of the staff in the various departments of King, the branches and associate libraries.

The choice of location for this year's picnic was most auspicious and well-timed--before Kentucky's summer flies had reached their population peak. The scenery was pleasant, the food delicious, the beverages well-tempered, and the participants quite jolly.

The Christmas luncheon was again the highlight of the year. We hope that more participants will consider joining LSO in 1983. The food, served in surroundings of festive atmosphere, could not be topped. We were happy to entertain as guests a few retirees of the library system.

Unfinished business is the purchase of a volley-ball set and the question whether LSO should sponsor the purchase of a microwave oven for the staff lounge.

On behalf of the 1982 Officers, wishing the newly elected Board well,

respectfully submitted,

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Karlheinz W. Boewe

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Jan. 20, 1983

s for his warm support of the organization.

LIBRARY STAFF ORGANIZATION TREASURER'S REPORT JANUARY 1983

Balance brought forward, 1982		\$330.65
Receipts Membership dues Non-members fees Booksale Cookbooks Pictures Christmas Bazaar	\$291.00 22.00 66.19 9.00 49.50 80.65	<u>518.34</u> \$848.99
Expenditures Membership cards printed Spring Fling Film, processing, albums Picnic Lounge Gifts, memorials, cards Christmas party Bank charges	18.17 40.42 73.77 184.54 18.86 158.14 154.53 21.00	669.43
Balance		\$179.56

Respectfully submitted,

Swendolyn Curtis

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January 20, 1983