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CALENDAR

- November 11-30 Undergraduate Student Exhibit. Fine Arts Gallery and Rasdall Gallery. (Recent work from the department of art classes).
- November 16 Gallery Series: Uk theatre presents a one-act play, "Scenes from American Life." King Library North, 12:00 noon.
- November 19 Project Ahead Open House. (see story inside)
- Seminars on the theory of living systems, "Civilizations," by Raymond Betts, Honors Programs. Room 137, Chemistry-Physics Building. 7:00-9:00 PM.
- November 20 Council on Aging Forum, "Genealogy," by Charles Atcher, UK Archivist. Room 206, Student Center. 4:00 PM.
- November 21 Staff Development Committee program: Harry Snyder, Executive Director, Council on Higher Education. Gallery, King Library North, 10:30 AM.
- November 22 Thanksgiving Day Holiday.
- November 23 King Library buildings closed for fumigation.
- November 26 Seminars on the theory of living systems, "Social and psychological integration and collapse," by Lee Elioseff, English. Room 137, Chemistry-Physics Building. 7:00-9:00 PM.
- November 27 Faculty Forum Series: "New Directions - The Appalachian Center and Librarianship," by Dr. John Stephenson, Director, Appalachian Center and Anne Campbell, Librarian, Appalachian Collection, UK.
- November 29 Library Staff Organization Programs: "Introduction to Genealogy," by Bill Marshall. Gallery, King Library North. 2:00 PM.

EXHIBITS

King North The German Military Image, 1870-1945.

King South Portraits and Dreams.

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ABOUT THE LIBRARIES

ATTENTION! ATTENTION! IMPORTANT MEETING SLATED

The Staff Development Committee has invited Harry Snyder, Executive Director of the Council on Higher Education, to speak to the Library staff. The meeting will be held November 21, at 10:30 AM in the Gallery, King North.

The Council is the organization which coordinates the majority of activities concerning higher education in Kentucky. As Mr. Snyder will be explaining the organization and its related functions, it would be in your best interest to attend.

LIBRARY STAFF ORGANIZATION

A social and business meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 20th at 2:00 PM in the Staff Lounge, King North. Don't forget to bring your recipes for the LSO cookbook and goodies for Thanksgiving gift distribution.

PAY DAY INFORMATION

On Friday, November 23, the King Library buildings will be closed for fumigation. Since Friday is a pay date for the bi-weekly employees, the Director's Office will be open from 10:30 -12:00 AM so the checks can be distributed.

PROJECT AHEAD

Project Ahead cordially invites faculty, staff, and students to attend an Open House, Monday, November 19, from 12-3:00 PM at Ligon House, 658 S. Limestone (next to the Law Building). Refreshments will be served.

CONSERVATION WORKSHOP

On November 13 the Preservation Committee sponsored a conservation workshop conducted by Pamela Najar, Conservator at the Indiana Historical Society. The morning session was devoted to a slide show on care of collections in libraries and archives. Damage caused by high temperatures and humidity, acidic paper, improper binding, water, glue, tape, mold, insects, and dirt was stressed. The slides provided graphic examples of books and paper in various stages of deterioration and helped emphasize the need for concern in the area of conservation.

The afternoon session was devoted to demonstration of conservation techniques and included hands-on experience in mending paper tears, surface cleaning of paper, deacidification, and encapsulation.

Considered a success by all, the workshop provided a worthwhile opportunity for library staff to become more familiar with conservation procedures. It is hoped that an increase in conservation awareness throughout the library system will benefit all departments and lead to implementation of simple preservation precautions on a day to day basis. Further information on conservation topics can be found in the Preservation File located in Special Collections.

KENTUCKY SOLINET USERS GROUP

During last week's KLA annual convention at the Hyatt Regency, The Kentucky SOLINET Users group met for its second organizational session. About 40 people from a variety of libraries (and departments) were in attendance. Dawn Lamade, assistant training coordinator, was also present representing the network office in Atlanta.

Events of the meeting included election of officers, discussion of proposed bylaws and constitution for the group and a question and answer period in which Dawn responded to numerous queries from the audience.

Officers elected for 1979/80 are: chair--Gail Kennedy, University of Kentucky; secretary--Becky Heath, Jefferson Community College; and treasurer--Michi Kwak, Eastern Kentucky University.

An ad hoc committee on the constitution will immediately begin writing a document incorporating suggestions from the meeting and this will be distributed to the membership for final approval. Members will also be notified in the next few months about plans for the next meeting of the Group. Anyone who is interested in the Users Group but was unable to attend the meeting should contact Gail Kennedy. Welcome one and all!

KENTUCKY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING

This was the editor's first attendance at a KLA meeting so perhaps comments should be sparing (impossible!). Old friends were welcomed (not looking a day older!) and two delightful new acquaintances were made. One librarian quoted a little boy who said, "I always go to the library when I'm confused." Paul Willis chaired a meeting with his usual savoir-faire. It was a pleasure to see Gail Kennedy elected to run the new Solinet Users Group (amusingly there was no discussion on a apostrophe for "Users").

The Intellectual Freedom program was one of the most interesting, though, as Joy Terhune pointed out, everything that could be said has been said on that subject. Still one wants to keep up with the success or failure of our fight for freedom to read. "Catcher in the Rye" continues to lead the list of books that people want banned. One town is trying to restore McGuffey's readers to the curriculum!

Complaints about rooms at the Hyatt not being available till 2:00 PM, and in one instance, 5:00 PM, were heard. Gerry Webb rightly remarked on the aggravation of conflicting programs. Too many interesting ones were held at the same time on Friday. The price for the banquet seemed a bit steep. The pre- and post-conference meetings had to be cancelled due to lack of interested people (the registration fee was really discouraging).

So there were these poor features at KLA but there were many good ones. Indeed, the impression left on one of us, at least, is that librarians are still sincere caring individuals and that is still a worthwhile and satisfying thing to be a librarian in this day and age in Kentucky.

GREEN BEAN ON HOLIDAY

There will be no issue of the Green Bean for November 23.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Head, Original Cataloging Section, Monographic Cataloging Dept., Duke University. Salary from \$15,000, depending on qualifications and experience. Application deadline: December 31, 1979.

Head of the OUCL Media Center, University of Washington Libraries. Salary \$18,500 minimum. Application deadline: December 31, 1979.