

Year in Review

ACRL/LA held its **Annual Meeting** this past spring in Hammond. The conference theme, *Bringing It All Back Home*, focused on practical tips and techniques. The keynote speaker was Dr. Judith Lin Hunt, Dean of Library Services at Montclair State University, Montclair, New Jersey. Conference highlights can be found on the web at <http://library.mcneese.edu/acrl/>. Papers associated with the conference will be published in the Summer & Fall issues of *LLA Bulletin*. Thanks to the 1999 Annual Meeting Committee for their hard work in organizing the conference: Eric Johnson, Chair; Barbara D'Angelo, co-chair; J.B. Hill, co-chair; Janie Branham; Jean Caswell; Richard DeFoe; Stephen Sanders; Todd Spires; and Bonnie Bess Wood.

Under the presidency of Nancy Khoury in 1998-99, the Louisiana Chapter of ACRL was **officially incorporated**. Thanks for your efforts, Nancy!

All 160 copies of the new *Directory of Academic & Research Librarians* have been sold!

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ACRL held its 9th National Conference, *Racing Toward Tomorrow* in Detroit, Michigan, on April 8-11. The conference was attended by directors and librarians from around the state, including McNeese, Southeastern, LSU and UNO. Two librarians from LSU, Ola Riley and Ramona Niffenegger, received scholarships to attend the conference. The scholarship included complimentary registration and a check to cover travel expenses.

The abstracts and full text of keynote and invited papers can be found at <http://www.ala.org/acrl/paper99.html>. Session reports will also be included in the July & August issues of *C&RL News*. ❖

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Schwing Lecturer Announced

Baton Rouge--James G. Neal, Dean of University Libraries at Johns Hopkins University, is this year's speaker for the Schwing Library Lecture at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. The lecture is at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 28, at the Lod Cook Alumni Center, 3838 W. Lakeshore Drive. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Neal speaks frequently at national and international conferences on issues of intellectual property and scholarly communication. He testified in January at the Hearings on Distance Education Through Digital Technologies, held by the Library of Congress, saying that "Educational institutions, including libraries, are the primary means by which our society permits the free and open exchange of information and

ideas. The Copyright Act and subsequent revisions, such as the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, encourage such exchange in recognition of the clear public policy benefits..."

The Schwing Library Lecture Series began in March 1965 as the LSU Library Lectures. In 1981, the title was changed to honor Ella V. Schwing, sponsor of the series since 1966. Schwing's professional career included classroom teaching in Louisiana high schools, work as a librarian at LSU, membership on the faculty of the LSU Library School, and leadership of the LSU Department of Books and Libraries of the College of Arts and Sciences. Her service to LSU also included membership on the Board of Supervisors. The lecture serves as a source of enrichment for the library community and as a means of highlighting the significant role of libraries in the academic environment. ❖

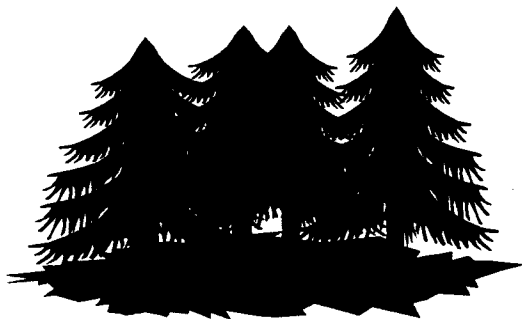
DEED-Net Meets Needs of Distant Students

Jane Kleiner and D.W. Schneider have worked on library resource sharing activities for many years. The most recent of these activities, DEED-Net, will meet the need to deliver paper-based materials, making up the bulk of Louisiana's academic library collections, directly to the distant student.

DEED-Net, the Distance Education Electronic Delivery Network, meets that need with enhanced Ariel technology, providing a system that supports delivery of compact scanned images, facilitates electronic transmission to other Ariel sites, and decompresses the image for printing on a laser printer. By using the Internet to transmit documents, delivery is fast and cost effective. And by using high-end flatbed scanners, image resolution remains high, permitting the tele-transmission of medical and technical images, and articles containing formula and graphs, without the loss of resolution.

According to Kleiner, Principal Investigator of the project, most of the equipment has been received. Once all of the equipment is installed, a meeting will be scheduled to distribute materials and to review expectations and equipment.

DEED-Net is a project of the Resource Sharing Committee of the Louisiana Academic Library Information Network Consortium (LALINC). One of the strengths of the project is the collaboration of 22 LALINC libraries, and the active role of librarians from throughout the state. DEED-Net has the potential to not only impact students and faculty in distance education programs, but also to affect all academic pursuits statewide.



*The ACRL 10th National Conference, ACRL X:
Crossing the Divide will be held in Denver,
Colorado, March 15-18, 2001*

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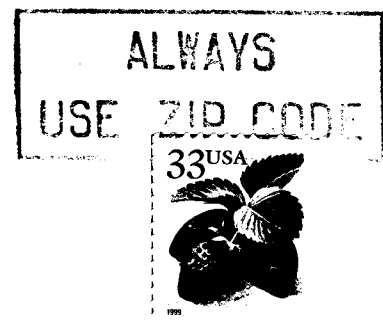
The State Library of Louisiana's Section for the Blind and Physically Handicapped loans materials to adults and children who cannot read regular print, as well as to schools with eligible students. The library contains more than 350,000 volumes of books in non-print formats, including fiction and non-fiction.

Services from the Section for the Blind and Physically Handicapped are free. The program is made possible by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped at the Library of Congress. For more information, click on the Departments link from <http://pelican.state.lib.la.us>. ❖

Minutes from the most recent ACRL/LA Executive Board & Committee Chair Meetings can be found at the ACRL/LA Web Page located at <http://library.mcneese.edu/acrl/>. The site was initially created and maintained by Dr. Sue Forrest, ACRL/LA Past President. Stacy Magedanz, Reference Librarian at McNeese, has assumed responsibility for the page. The **membership renewal** form can also be found on the page. ❖

ACRL's Legislative Agenda includes the monitoring of database protection legislation to ensure that the historical balance in copyright law is not upset. To monitor H.R. 354, the Collections of Information Antipiracy Act introduced by Sen. Coble, go to <http://thomas.loc.gov/>. H.R. 543 and H.R. 368, addressing filtering, can also be monitored from the THOMAS web site. ❖

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