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Year in Review

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The past year has gone by with amazing speed, and the Louisiana Chapter of ACRL has had a busy year.

The Annual Meeting, with its theme of "Cyber Trek, the Last Chapter" or "Why Do We Need a Library Now That We've Got the Net?" was held at the University of Louisiana at Monroe on October 7. (This was actually the second "annual" meeting held that year, since the previous year's meeting took place in February. We returned to the original fall schedule for annual meetings because of the proliferation of conferences in the spring.) Speakers included Ann-Marie Breaux from YBP Library Services, who discussed issues involving statewide cooperative collection development efforts and other recent marketplace changes; Aimee Fifarek, Systems Librarian at Louisiana State University, demonstrating e-books; and a panel of librarians covering issues in collection development, budgeting, facilities planning, instruction, and access. A demonstration of netLibrary was also included. The meeting piggy-backed on the LOUIS Users' Conference, ensuring us a healthy crowd of attendees.

The annual business meeting took place at the Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference in Alexandria on March 16. Plans to increase our membership via contacts in the academic libraries were presented.

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Dear Fellow Members of ACRL/Louisiana,

As you know, the state chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries, ACRL/Louisiana, provides academic librarians in the state with an annual meeting focussing on current topics of interest to them, an occasional newsletter, and a program at the Louisiana Library Association Annual Conference. We are trying to double our membership this year, and to do so need your participation.

Membership in the state chapter is free to all national ACRL members. Non-national members pay only \$10 per year, and students pay \$5. Would you please consider renewing your membership by using the application form in this newsletter, and encourage your colleagues to join ACRL/Louisiana? If they are already either state or national members, ask them to renew their memberships as well. The state chapter receives funding from ACRL based on its membership numbers, so with your help we can boost our funding and increase our activities.

Thank you for helping us build your state chapter of ACRL, ensuring increased funding and even more programs and activities.

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**Coming Soon!
New ACRL-LA
Directories**

News Briefs

Jeannette Thompson attended the Voyager Users' Group Meeting in Chicago on April 6-8, at which she gave a presentation on Howard-Tilton Memorial Library at Tulane University's distinctive use of contract cataloging directly on the Voyager server at a cataloging session, "Voyager and the Outsourcing of Technical Services Functions."

Alice Permenter (Tulane) presented a program entitled "The USMARC Format for Holdings Data: the basics," at the 2000 Voyager Users Group Meeting, in Chicago, April 6-8.

Dr. Robert G. Sherer, Tulane University Archivist, delivered a paper, "Preservation of Paper Records of the Past," to a session of the American Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) on April 11, 2000 during its annual convention in New Orleans.

Edward J. Rock (Tulane) has been appointed Information Services Librarian for Humanities/Reference. He chairs the ALA New Members Round Table Leadership Development Forum for 2000 (NMRT/LDF) and is a member of the ACRL/Instruction Section - Management of Instruction Services Committee. Previously, Ed was Reference Librarian at Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio and served on the OhioLINK User Services Committee in Columbus. This is Ed's first time living and working in Louisiana.

Barbara Wittkopf (LSU Libraries) co-authored a paper with **Trish Del Nero** and **Beth Orgeron** (Loyola) in the *Ninth Off-Campus Library Services Conference Proceedings*, entitled, "Louisiana Academic Libraries: Partnering to Enhance Distance Education Services." It included the results of a statewide survey of students taking distance education classes on their knowledge and use of library distance education resources and services. The conference was held in Portland, Oregon, April 26-28.

Barbara Wittkopf (LSU Libraries) has been appointed to the Editorial Board of the new *Journal of Library and Information Services for Distance Learning*.

Deborah Lenares (UNO) and **Sigrid Kelsey** (LSU) have collaborated on a successful "E-struction" program to increase awareness and ability of users regarding electronic library resources. Visit <http://www.lib.lsu.edu/louis/> for more details.

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Karen Leeseberg, Nunez Community College, and **Stephen Banister**, Nicholls State University, graciously consented to run for the office of Vice-President/President-Elect; Karen was elected. She will begin her duties in July. **Mona Niffenegger** resigned as Newsletter Chair, and **Sigrid Kelsey**, LSU Libraries, took over her duties, to my extreme gratitude.

In May letters and membership forms were sent to contacts in all the academic libraries in an attempt to build membership in the chapter. I'm hoping that we can increase our membership total by 50%.

I'd like to thank a very hard-working and spectacularly congenial board for their efforts this year. Here's to continued success of ACRL/Louisiana in the coming year!

ACRL-LA/LUC Meeting

ACRL-LA/LUC will hold their second annual joint meeting on Thursday-Friday, October 12-13, 2000. The meetings will be held at Nunez Community College in Chalmette.

The ACRL-LA portion, held on Columbus Day, is entitled "Charting the Rough Seas: Joys and Sorrows of Consortial Living." It will feature **Tom Sanville**, Executive Director of OhioLink speaking on serials and other purchasing in a consortial environment. Other consortial related topics will be addressed. It is planned that one session during each break out time during LUC will focus on a non-LOUIS topic.

The LUC (LOUIS Users Conference) portion, which continues through Friday the Thirteenth, is entitled "Good LUC knowing what the future brings!" Break out sessions will address a variety of LOUIS initiatives.

If you are interested in leading any of these sessions, have other ideas or would like to present on a different topic, contact **Karen Leeseberg**, kleeberg@nunez.cc.la.us.

Complete registration information will come out in August. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU OCTOBER 12-13!

For our record keeping, please fill out the membership form on page 3, even if your membership does not need to be renewed.

Thank You!

Association of College & Research Libraries

Louisiana Chapter

Please complete this form to apply for new membership or to renew your membership. Check off the appropriate membership category:

- National – Member of the National ACRL. Membership in ACRL/LA is free for national members, but please fill out and return this form, to confirm your interest in remaining on our mailing list!
- State – Not a National ACRL member or a student. Dues: \$10.00
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THANK YOU!

ACRL X – Crossing the Divide

The ACRL 10th National Conference will take place in Denver, Colorado, March 15-18, 2001.

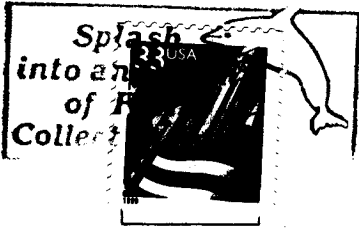
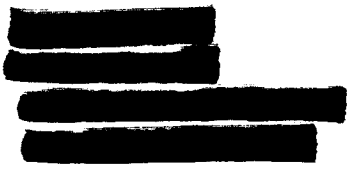
ACRL invites you to attend its 10th National Conference in Denver, Colorado, the home of the great divide, as we symbolically “cross the divide” between millennia, and face a variety of crossroads in librarianship. ACRL wants you to consider a host of issues, including values, partnerships, advocacy, collections, information literacy, leadership and management, distance/distributed education, and user services. Some of these are old friends in new clothes; others we are only just beginning to understand.



We invite you to think carefully about the conference themes and join your colleagues as we “cross the divide” into the 21st century.

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