

**Nebraska Library Association
College & University Section**

**Fall Meeting
October 23, 1998 - Grand Island, Nebraska**

The College and University Section of the Nebraska Library Association held its Fall business meeting on Friday, October 23, 1998 at the Riverside Inn in Grand Island, Nebraska during the NLA/NEMA 1998 Convention. Ella Jane Bailey, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

The minutes of the 1998 Spring meeting were distributed and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was distributed and approved. As of October 23, 1998, the Section had a balance of \$4,905.29.

1998 SPRING MEETING PROCEEDINGS

Tracy Bicknell-Holmes reported that the proceedings of the spring conference had been put on the Section's web site. The papers will also be sent to ERIC. Ella Jane thanked Sue Ann Lewandowski (UNL) for her work in serving as the Section's representative in evaluating paper proposals for the joint meeting with the ILA/ACRL Iowa Chapter in Des Moines.

RESEARCH GRANT PROPOSALS

Ella Jane reported that she had not received any Research Grant proposals this year.

NEW STAFF AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF RETIREMENTS

No new staff or retirements were announced.

LOUISE A. NIXON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Ella Jane delivered the sad news that Irple Ruby, Library Director at McCook Community College had passed away on Thursday, October 15. On behalf of the Executive Committee, she recommended that the Section donate \$1,000 in Irple Ruby's memory to the Louise A. Nixon Scholarship Fund. Sharon McCaslin (Peru State College) moved that the amount be increased to \$1,500. Donna Jurena (Doane College) seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

FALL PROGRAMS

The Section sponsored two programs at the annual convention: "One Style Doesn't Fit All: Maximizing Web Page Design for Users with Special Needs" by Judith Thornton Jarine (UNL) and "Writing for the Web" by Marc W. Davis (UNO).

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Section's 1998 Distinguished Service Award was given to Sharon Mason (UNK). Sharon donated the monetary portion of her award (\$100) to the Louise A. Nixon Scholarship Fund in memory of Irple Ruby.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Ella Jane thanked the members of the Nominating Committee, Joan Latta Konecky, Chair (UNL) and Tom Boyle (Midland Lutheran College) for their efforts in putting together the slate of candidates for the 1998 election. Ella Jane also thanked Dorothy Willis (Dana College) and David Sherwood (Creighton University) for their willingness to run for office. Jim Shaw (UNO) was introduced as Vice Chair/Chair-Elect and Julie Swann (UNL) was introduced as the new Treasurer.

RETIREMENT OF THE TREASURER

Jim Shaw was thanked for his two years of service as Treasurer and was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation.

NLA DIRECTORY

The NLA Membership Directory is now available online at <http://www.nol.org/home/NLA/members>.

NLA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The NLA Scholarship Committee is planning to hold a silent auction at the Fall 1999 NLA/NEMA Convention and needs "items/donations" for the auction, as well as volunteers to staff the auction and help with other details. Anyone interested in donating items or otherwise helping out should contact Nancy Busch, Chair of the NLA Scholarship Committee at (402) 471-4002 or (800) 307-2665 or email at nbusch@neon.nlc.state.ne.us. Proceeds from the auction will go to the Louise A. Nixon Scholarship Fund.

NMRT RAFFLE

The New Members Round Table's 1998 Raffle features \$800 worth of prizes. Tickets can be purchased for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5. The drawing will be held October 28, 1998. NMRT is also sponsoring a "Map Librarian for a Day" raffle at \$1/ticket. The winner will receive a day-long visit from Sue Ann Lewandowski, Cataloguer and Map Librarian at UNL, to consult on map collections. The drawing will be held the week of October 26, 1998.

NEW SECTION CHAIR

Ella Jane Bailey turned the meeting over to the incoming Chair, Tracy Bicknell-Holmes. Tracy thanked Ella Jane for her service over the past year as Chair and presented her with a plaque.

1999 SPRING MEETING

Tracy reported that a joint conference with the Paraprofessional Section was proposed and accepted. The conference will be held on Friday, May 14, 1999 at the University of Nebraska-Kearney. The proposed theme is "Old Wine in New Bottles." The "Call for Papers" will be sent out in the next couple of weeks. Anyone having ideas for speakers was asked to contact Tracy.

C & U SECTION DIRECTORY

The 1998-1999 C & U Section Directories were distributed. A brief discussion was held on the possibility of putting the directory on the Section's web site.

GUESTS

Pat Hughes (Hastings College) introduced former Hastings College Library Director, Charles Gardner and his daughter, Sally Gardner Reed, Director of Libraries in Norfolk, Virginia, who delivered Thursday's Keynote Address: "Power and Influence: Librarians as Leaders in the Information Age."

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Nash, Secretary