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President's Message

—Submitted By Linda Minch

I perused the messages of former presidents to assist me in providing you with some unforgettable words of wisdom. In the past, the president's messages have provided inspirational quotes and thought provoking poetry. The messages have ranged in length from a few paragraphs to several pages. They have discussed the annual SLA and Kentucky Chapter conferences. [And the food at each, always an important issue!] They have also mentioned goals, upcoming events and the ever-present need for volunteers to serve on committees.

With that said here goes ...

An inspirational quote: “The quality of life is determined by its activities.” — ARISTOTLE

Some thought provoking poetry: There was an old woman from Nantucket,

(OOPS, better not go there!)

Oh well, I didn't locate a really good one, so here's another quote: You have not done enough, you have never done enough, so long as it is still possible that you have something to contribute. — DAG HAMMARSKJOLD

A few words about the Minneapolis conference: Speaking only from my own experience, I felt it was the best conference I have attended. I was proud to be a member of the Kentucky Chapter, particularly when I saw the photographs of two of our members, Veronica Walker and Kenneth Randles, displayed in the lobby of the Minneapolis Convention Center as award recipients. Along those same lines, we can all be proud of the participation of so many of our members at the National level; for a relatively small group we make considerable contributions to SLA. My personal thanks go out to all the Kentucky Chapter members who worked so hard to make the Minneapolis conference such a success and to all who were able to attend. Your commitment to our profession should not go unheralded.

What are the goals for the upcoming year?: “Not every end is the goal.” as Nietzsche so aptly stated. One of our goals for this year is to put to rest the lingering bylaws changes. With the assistance of our Past-President, Joe Miller, we will be putting the finishing touches and taking the final votes on the bylaw changes that have been in the works, so to speak, for several

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years. One of my personal goals is to get to know more of the members from outside of the Lexington area. And last but certainly not least, to help everyone have a good time being a member of the this organization! If you have suggestions for goals or fun, please let me know.

What is going to be happening?: As far as upcoming events are concerned ... the Executive Board is meeting later this month to discuss issues such as electronic voting, newsletter and web site concerns, programming and whatever else seems important for the upcoming year. On August 19th, we will hold an Open Board Meeting at The Old Stone Inn, in Simpsonville, Kentucky. All members are encouraged to attend. It is a great way to meet fellow members and catch up on the mischief of the board. The first Open Board Meeting I attended afforded me the opportunity to work on the Affirmative Action Committee. (See above quotes. Hint, Hint!)

As for the ever present need for volunteers ... : There is always something to be done, and the board cannot do it all so I am asking, before I plead, and hope springs eternal that I won't have to turn to groveling and begging, for

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Kentucky Chapter Represented at ALA Diversity Fair

—Submitted by Veronica Walker

The 1999 second annual ALA Diversity Fair was a real hit! Participants from all across the country came to display and share their innovative ideas for programs and services aimed at meeting the needs of diverse populations. The exhibit hall was filled with colorful displays (and people) that showcased tons of great ideas. The displays fell into several categories including: programs and services to children, youth and families; programs and services to people with disabilities; programs and services to Indigenous Peoples of North America; programs and services to gay, lesbian and bisexual communities - just to name a few.

The state of Kentucky was proudly represented by SLA Kentucky Chapter Affirmative Action Committee members ReINETTE Jones and Veronica Walker (Dee Wood could not attend). The title of the display was “Rejoicing in Our Many Differences” and included parts of a display the committee created to help the University of Kentucky celebrate its 50th year of desegregation. Another important contributor to the Kentucky display was the UK Law Diversity Group. We received many compliments on the colorful board and its contents. Almost everyone who stopped by to admire our display (approximately 150 people) was impressed by Kentucky being a “first” in so many categories.

We met some interesting people and learned some great new ideas that we intend to share with our library and fellow Kentucky Chapter members.



SLA Kentucky Chapter members ReINETTE Jones (L) and Veronica Walker.

Special Libraries Association Kentucky Chapter

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

July 23, 1999

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lexington Herald-Leader

PRESENT:

Linda Minch, Alice L. Marksberry, Joe Miller, Cindi Trainor, Veronica Walker, Nancy Hanaford

ABSENT:

Mary Vass

President Linda Minch called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

SLA Unit Officer Acknowledgment

Forms: The forms were discussed and completed.

Committees: Linda Minch.

Professional Development Chair:

Ann Woosley

Government Relations Chairman:

Joe Miller

Student Chapter Chair:

Joe Miller

Web Development Chair:

Cindi Trainor

Committees to be filed:

Membership Committee

Affirmative Action Committee

Recording Secretary: The Board decided that the duties of the Recording Secretary would include the responsibility of the Archives.

The President noted the importance of filling Chair positions as well as providing committee support for the Chairmen. Her goal is to get more people involved.

By-Laws Revisions: Joe Miller.

Proposed changes in the By-Laws were presented and discussed. First

Issue: Article II, Section 5: delete the word "director," in the first sentence; Second Issue: Article VIII, Section 2: insert "at least" after the word present in the first sentence, replace the words "A candidate" with the word "Candidate(s)" in the second sentence. On motion of Joe Miller it was decided to accept the proposed changes.

A discussion on the language of Article 4, Section 4 was made. No action was recommended.

The membership must approve the bylaws updated before they are sent to SLA Headquarters for approval. By-Laws were last sent to SLA in 1994.

The Board was asked to read the bylaws.

Next Open Board Meeting: Linda Minch.

Dates were proposed for the Next Open Board Meeting and details will be announced as soon as the location is reserved.

Programming for the Year: Alice Marksberry; Linda Minch.

Alice Marksberry has been contacted by Carol Furnish, SLA Cincinnati Chapter, proposing a joint Fall Conference between SLA Cincinnati and Kentucky Chapters. The meeting could possibly be held in Florence, KY. The general topic: Locating Business Information and Individual Information via the Internet. She has two speakers in mind. It was the consensus of the Board that SLA/KY

join Cincinnati at the Fall meeting.

The Spring Conference will be held April 21, 2000, Jenny Wiley State Park

The Kentucky Library Association Conference will be held October 13-16, 1999.

Another program idea by Joe Miller was to offer the membership smaller programs put on by SLA/KY members in their area of expertise. The programs would be limited to 10 - 12 people and offer hands on training opportunities.

Newsletter: Cindi Trainor; Linda Minch

In an effort to save postage, Cindi Trainor suggested that we consider having the Newsletter electronically delivered on the web page with announcements to the listserv. Several points were raised in discussion:

1. the need to update the listserv list.
2. capability/preference of members to receive the newsletter electronically.
3. implication on advertising opportunities.
4. method of adding new members to the listserv.

Board consensus was to leave the Newsletter in hardcopy until a survey could be made to determine what the membership wants in their newsletter and how they would prefer to have it delivered. An appeal would also be made for the members to submit news items to the editor.

Electronic Voting: Linda Minch.

Clarification of electronic voting:

1. Electronic Elections: Each of the



**SLA Kentucky Chapter
Open Board Meeting
Thursday, August 19, 1999
12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Old Stone Inn
6950 Shelbyville Rd.
Simpsonville, KY
(502) 722-8882**

state incorporation laws does not allow for electronic voting for elections. 2. With regard to the electronic voting by the Board for other issues: according to all state laws, electronic voting is not allowed for legally binding authority. In order for a vote to be legally binding outside of a meeting, there needs to be adequate prior notice of a mail vote given to all Board members and there must be unanimous written consent. If you decide to pose any questions electronically, all electronic "straw" votes must be ratified at the following Board meeting.

Archives: Alice Marksberry.

Alice Marksberry gave a general report on the State of the Archives. She is in the process of organizing and indexing the documents. The SLA/KY Archives are housed in Special Collections at the University of Kentucky's King Library. The President recommended that the Archives become the responsibility of the Recording Secretary. The Board was in agreement. Committee Annual Reports should be submitted to the President of the Board.

Treasurer's Report: Veronica Walker. (See page 8)

A copy of the report was placed on file with the Recording Secretary.

Old business: none.

New Business: none.

On motion of Cindi Trainor, The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Nancy Hanaford, Secretary.

All Kentucky Chapter members are invited to attend. To propose agenda items, contact Linda Minch at (606) 231-3334 or lminch@herald-leader.com.

Andrew Jackson once stayed at the Old Stone Inn, which used to be a stagecoach inn. The menu for our lunch meeting will consist of a grilled chicken breast, a side salad, oven-roasted potatoes, steamed fresh vegetables, and your choice of beverage, with peach cobbler for dessert. Vegetarian entrees are available, if you'd like that option, just indicate it on the form below, or in your email or telephone response.

Directions: From I-64, take exit 28 and follow the signs to the inn, which is about a mile from the Interstate. The Inn's phone number is (502) 722-8882 should you need to call.

If you'd like to attend, please send a check for \$18 made payable to Special Libraries Association, KY Chapter and send it to: Mary Vass, Education Library, 205 Dickey Hall, University of Kentucky, Lexington KY 40506. The cost will cover the meal and gratuity.

To register, please contact Mary Vass at (606) 257-1351 or maryvass@pop.uky.edu or Cindi Trainor at (606) 257-0500 X2115 or cindi@email.uky.edu. Reservations must be received by Wednesday, August 11, and refunds can be made by notifying Mary Vass by Monday, August 16. Questions? Contact Mary or Cindi at the numbers or addresses above.

Kentucky Chapter Programming Notes

—Submitted by Alice Marksberty

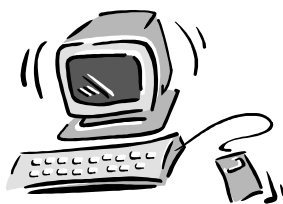
Each programming chair attempts to bring to you, the membership of the SLA Kentucky Chapter, quality programs that fit your needs. In order to do that, I need your input! Why don't we try something different this coming year? During the executive board meeting, this same sentiment was expressed and I really want to act upon this directive during the 1999-2000 year. It has been suggested to utilize the varied talents, expertise and skills of our own membership to bring training sessions to other members of the Kentucky Chapter.

Looking at our Chapter's traditional timetable, it appears as if our chapter activities slack off during the January/February, September/early October, and December periods. Since C/EKOUG may no longer be a viable organization, the late May slot is open as well. I would really like to RECEIVE YOUR COMMENTS and IDEAS regarding what YOU would like to have as a training session/workshop/class. I hope to work with the Professional Development Chair to perhaps cover any of these topics:

- how to care for your computer's hard drive (tricks of the trade)
- how to handle, create, cleanup graphics/photos for the web and other how to hints

- Adobe Acrobat training
- metadata management and generally "what is it and how it affects me"
- online (digital) licensing
- publishing issues (publishing a CD-ROM proceedings for example)
- current status/what should be used for magnetic media collection management
- public database protection
- html training and web design
- any vendors that we'd like to have and demo their product(s)
- any other ideas?

It appears that we are tentatively set to co-sponsor our Fall Conference with the Cincinnati Chapter; the meeting is tentatively scheduled for sometime during the first week of November with the general topic: "Information Sleuth: Locating Business and Individual Information via the Internet." Our Spring 2000 conference will be held at the Jenny Wiley State Park and should prove to be quite interesting.



My First SLA Conference

—Submitted by Dustin Larmore

Hello, everyone. I'm Dustin Larmore, and, as many of you know, I became the new president of the student group in April. In June, I was fortunate to have the opportunity to attend the SLA Annual Conference in Minneapolis. The conference was a great learning experience for me and gave me a chance to improve on my networking skills. Some of the meetings that I attended were the SLA President-Elect's reception for students; a session on the New Web Order, which dealt with future changes to search engines and the Internet as a whole; a discussion about the Agricultural Networked Information Center; and a meeting about networking for shy people. One highlight was meeting SLA President Suzi Hayes at the reception for new students. She was very helpful in providing tips about attending conferences.

At the President-Elect's reception, the University of Kentucky Student Group received three awards of honorable mention for its leadership, web development, and innovative programming. Kenneth Randles, Brandon Burnette, and I were very glad to be in attendance to receive these



Thrills and Chills in Minnesota!

—Submitted by Alice Marksberry

awards. I would like to thank everyone who has helped the student chapter over the past year. We could not have received this recognition without the assistance of professionals in the area.

I would also like to thank all the people in the Kentucky Chapter who helped me prepare for the conference by alleviating my fears and by giving me tips while I was in Minneapolis. I hope that I will be able to attend next year's conference in Philadelphia.

On SLA's Web Site

—Submitted by Cindi Trainor

There is a wealth of information on SLA's web site, <http://www.sla.org>:

The Virtual Bookstore
<http://www.slapublishing.org/>

Conferences and Meetings
<http://www.sla.org/conf>

Publications
<http://www.sla.org/pubs>

Kentucky Chapter
<http://www.sla.org/chapter/cky/welcome.htm>

Have you ever wondered what would happen if you were to “weave and waggle” or “tumble and toss” a librarian? We had the opportunity to answer this mind-boggling question at the 1999 SLA National Conference held in Minneapolis, Minnesota in June. Many of the week's activities were “mind-boggling” and instructive but the event referred to here was more of a walk on the wild side in the life of informational professionals everywhere. What I refer to is the SilverPlatter vendor party held at the Mall of America.

As you may know, the Mall of America is the largest indoor mall in the country and has a full-blown amusement park in its center. Until seeing it, I just could not quite believe that last statement or at least thought it would be a few small kiddie rides. However I was taken aback when I entered by the big Snoopy bowl... WOW! Even for an amusement park enthusiast like me, it was actually a quite good little amusement center complete with rides and all the other fixins.

Valerie Perry, myself and Stacey Lazarow (an “adopted Kentuckian”) rode the bus and had dinner at a wonderful Italian restaurant inside the mall. Unbeknownst to us, Cindi Trainor was just “over the way” dancin' her heart out at the SilverPlatter party, to the tunes of a lively swing band. She was kicking



her heels up with some friendly Canadians that decided she should have the benefit of their wisdom and companionship. When we entered the party, to what should our wondering eyes should appear but Cindi and Canadians feeling no fear! We of course all banded together, like the good global informational specialists we are (Canadians, Coloradans and Californians alike), to have a night on the amusement park rides.

You should have seen us go! There was the merry-go-round but much too tame for our tastes. However the roller coaster seemed just the ticket along with the “rocket blasting” haunted house ride. Then there was the log flume ride. Wet was the word I would use to describe it and how'd I end up in the front?? Next came the swings which were much more of a thrill than any of us had anticipated nor really needed at that time of night. It was then off to the simulated roller coaster but we all agreed the real thing was better and thus another roller coaster ride, at midnight, was in order. Who ever said Kentuckians (or librarians) don't know how to have fun?

Treasurer's Report, 7/23/99

—Submitted by Veronica Walker

GRAND TOTAL (available for expenditures)	\$2,313.19
Operating Budget (7/12/99)	\$1,117.19
Savings Account Balance	1,064.79
Student Sub-account Balance	132.00
Checking Account Balance	\$1,820.28

Deposits and Expenses made since last Treasurer's Report (3/3/99):

Deposits

\$342.00	Spring Board Meeting registration (3/3/99)
\$525.00	1999 portion of SLA dues allotment
\$ 84.60	KY Laws Document sales (3/16/99 and 4/20/99)
\$951.60	Total Deposits

Expenses

\$308.28	Spring Board Meeting expenses (3/3/99)
\$338.42	Kinkos -- newsletters (5/5/99 and 5/15/99)
\$125.00	Affirmative Action stipend
\$ 81.09	Awards committee reimbursement (Veronica Walker)
\$165.00	Expenses for 1999 SLA Conference (reimburse Joe Miller)
\$200.00	Student stipend for 1999 SLA Conference (Dustin Larmore)
\$1,217.79	Total Expenses

UK Student Wins SLA Scholarship

—Submitted by Joe Miller

Congratulations to Ken Randles, who recently was awarded a SLA student scholarship. Ken was the president of the UK SLA student group and has just finished his program here. He has gone on to a position with the University of Arizona as a science/engineering librarian. In a creative and flexible move, SLA allowed Ken to apply his scholarship to his student loans.

Students should remember that many opportunities like this exist in SLA and that they need to get involved to find out about them!

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volunteers to serve on committees as chairs or supporting members. There are many sizes and styles to choose from so contact me early for the best choice to fit your qualifications and needs. (See above quotes again!)

I believe I have touched upon all of the presidential message highlights with the exception of food. How's this for incentive ... I'll take any member, who volunteers to serve as a chairperson of a committee, to lunch during my term of office. OK so it's a bribe, but I believe it's the least the organization can do for your service and talent. Hope to hear from many of you soon and for those of you that I know only as a name in the directory, I hope to get in touch with you soon



SLA Kentucky Chapter Member Survey

—Submitted by Alice Marksberry and Cindi Trainor

We want to hear from you! Please take a moment to answer the questions below, tear off this page, fold it up and mail it to:

Cindi Trainor
Electronic Resources
2-1 Young Library
University of Kentucky
Lexington, KY 40506-0456

How many years have you been a an SLA member? _____ Kentucky Chapter member? _____

What is the primary focus of your library/information center?

What is the primary type of information provided by your library?

What topics of interest would you like to be covered by the Chapter?

Are there other organizations that we should be contacting for joint programming? Please name.

Why did you join the SLA organization? (and thus the KY Chapter)

Are you aware of the KY/SLA listserv/discussion list? If already subscribed, do you find it useful? If you are not subscribed and would like to be added, please write your email address below.

Would you like to become more involved in KY/SLA activities? Serve on a committee or as an officer?

Would you be willing to receive your copy of this newsletter electronically, either via email or the web? Why or why not?