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ELAINE DAY TO CHAIR STATE LIBRARY BOARD

Elaine Day of Salem, was elected to be the Chair of the State Library Board of Trustees in 2000-01. The election was held at the State Library Board meeting on June 16th. Governor Kitzhaber recently appointed Day to a second term on the Board beginning in July. Day is a manager in the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services. She is a long-time patron of Talking Book and Braille Services, and was a member and past chair of the Talking Book and Braille Services Advisory Council before being appointed to the State Library Board in 1998. The Board also appointed Jim Hayden to serve as Vice-Chair of the State Library Board for 2000-01.

BILL SULLIVAN APPOINTED TO STATE LIBRARY BOARD

Governor John Kitzhaber has appointed William L. "Bill" Sullivan of Eugene to the State Library Board of Trustees to serve a four-year term. Sullivan is a noted Oregon author and citizen library activist. He was instrumental in the campaign to build a new Eugene Public Library and is the current President of the Eugene Public Library Foundation. Under Sullivan's leadership the Foundation has raised \$3.9 million in the past year to complete the new library. He is also a founding member of the Lane Library League, a group seeking to extend library service to the 87,000 residents of Lane County who lack public library service.

STATE LIBRARY BOARD APPROVES 2001-03 BUDGET REQUEST

The State Library Board of Trustees approved a budget request for the 2001-03 biennium at their June 16th meeting. The request will include an increase in funding for the Ready to Ready Grant program to \$1.50 per child per year, and an increase in funding for Talking Book and Braille Services to accommodate increasing

use of TBABS services. The Board also approved recommendations from the LSTA Advisory Council. These included extending invitations to submit full applications for LSTA funds in 2001 and approving requests for unprogrammed LSTA funds from the Libraries of Eastern Oregon and the Oregon Library Association (see articles below). The Board also approved a recommendation from the Talking Book and Braille Services Advisory Council for the expenditure of TBABS donation funds, and approved a method for evaluating the State Librarian in 2000.

LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT  
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LSTA GRANT APPLICATIONS INVITED

At their meeting on June 6, 2000, the State Library Board of Trustees invited 13 organizations to submit 15 LSTA grant applications for funds expected to be available in federal fiscal year 2001. The invited organizations had submitted two-page project proposals that were evaluated by the LSTA Advisory Council. The Board approved the Council's recommendation in inviting the following organizations to submit grant applications: Falls City School District #57 for a combined school-public library; Independence Public Library for a Spanish language parenting collections project benefitting a total of five libraries in the Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service; Oregon Health Sciences University for an automation migration project to facilitate ORBIS membership; Wilsonville Public Library for an English as a Second Language project; Molalla Public Library for a demonstration of e-books in a public library; Newberg Public Library for a toddler totes project; Deschutes Public Library District for a homebound and remote patron delivery project; Umatilla Public Library to establish an after school program; Silver Falls Library District for a feasibility study of a county-wide library district; Multnomah County Library for three projects--1) a project to improve delivery of electronic resources to Spanish speaking residents, and share best practices in the state, 2) the second year of the Talk it Up! youth book discussion groups project, and 3) a planning grant to study the public library's role in student success; Literary Arts, Inc. to institute an Oregon Book Awards author tour; Portland State University for an automation migration project to facilitate ORBIS membership; and Jefferson County Library for a project to enhance service to students including making the library's collection searchable over the Internet. The LSTA grant applications will be due on August 21, 2000.

MORE FUNDING DECISIONS

The State Library Board also approved the LSTA Advisory Council's

recommendation to fund the requests from three organizations to use unprogrammed LSTA funds. Unprogrammed funds are those LSTA funds that have not yet been dedicated to a specific use in Oregon. The requests approved are:

1) Libraries of Eastern Oregon will receive a grant of \$6,000 to be matched with previously approved grant funds to conduct a public opinion survey about library service in Eastern Oregon; 2) the Oregon Library Association will receive \$20,000 to create a revolving fund to continue the ability of OLA to fund professional solicitation of corporate sponsors and grants for the statewide summer reading program; 3) the Oregon Center for the Book at the State Library requested \$20,000 to extend the "Mother Goose Asks "Why?" science skills for preschoolers project to other libraries. The funds will purchase kits for at-risk parents that will be matched by the participating libraries. The Center for the Book also requested \$10,000 to continue the book distribution component of "Reading for a Healthy Start." The Oregon Commission on Children and Families will serve as fiscal agent for the book distribution to first time parents.

#### PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS COLLECTION ONLINE SOON

Building upon last year's experiment with electronic data collection for public library statistics, the State Library Board approved the use of LSTA funds to license a statistics collection product from Bibliostat.com (formerly Management Dynamics). Collect will permit libraries to submit their annual public library statistical report via the World Wide Web. It requires a Pentium class computer running Windows 95 or 98, an Internet connection, and Internet Explorer 4.0 or better.

Library Development Services staff is currently reviewing a Beta test version of Bibliostat Collect that is based on the "Oregon Public Library Statistical Report." Bibliostat's promise is that a full version will be available for library testing after July 4th. At that time, staff will be contacting some of you to give it a try. If you don't hear from us and would like to participate in testing the online form, please call Christopher Rumbaugh. Estimated release of the Bibliostat Collect online tool is expected near the end of July. A live training session for Collect is being planned for that time. More information will follow about the training session.

In the meantime, a paper "work sheet" public library statistical report form will be sent in order that libraries may begin their statistical collection work. Look for this form in a mid-July mailing, along with the Interlibrary Loan Net Lender Reimbursement application form. The Ready to Read supplement reporting on last year's grant will not be included in this mailing. Rather it will be sent under separate cover with the Ready to Read application.

## READY TO READ GRANT APPLICATIONS TO BE MAILED JULY 5TH

The Ready to Read Grant application packets will be mailed separately from information about the Statistical Report this year. Library Directors will receive a packet containing the 2000-01 Ready to Read Grant application and instructions, 1999-00 Report Form, and 1998-99 Final Report. Children's librarians will receive working copies of the application and report form as well as a copy of the 1998-99 Final Report. September 1, 2000 is the deadline for the 1999-00 Ready to Read Report and the 2000-01 Grant Application. For more information contact MaryKay Dahlgreen.

## STATE PARTNERSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has recently notified the State Library that Oregon's application to participate in the State Partnership Grant Program for public libraries will be due November 30, 2000. Implementation of the project is still scheduled for 2002-03. The mission of the State Partnership Grant Program is "to bring access to computers, the Internet, and digital information to patrons in low-income communities in the U. S. and Canada."

Public libraries with buildings serving populations with a minimum of 10% of persons in poverty will receive public access PC's, printers, software and training from the Gates Foundation. Depending on the size of the building service area population, these libraries will receive one to six PC's. In addition, library systems serving populations greater than 100,000 will receive an 11 PC training lab.

One of the requirements of the application process is for the State Library to convene a "Public Library Leadership Coalition" to assist in planning for the grant project. According to the grant guidelines, the Coalition needs to consist of representatives of large, medium, and small public libraries as well as rural, suburban, and urban communities. We plan to convene our coalition later this summer to begin the planning process. Public librarians with an interest in serving on our coalition may contact Jim Scheppeke.

## "MOTHER GOOSE ASKS "WHY?" " WORKSHOP

The LSTA Advisory Council and Oregon State Library Board of Trustees have approved funding to provide ten "Mother Goose Asks "Why?" kits to those public libraries that participate in the September 15, 2000 training. The training will be held at the Springfield Public Library, and libraries must attend with their community partner, agree to purchase an additional five kits, and

present a "Mother Goose Asks "Why?"" session for fifteen families during 2000-01. Registration information has been sent to all libraries.

#### CELEBRATE READING

The State Library, in cooperation with the Department of Education, and the Department of Human Services Division of Adult & Family Services, and the State Office for Services to Children and Families has produced a brochure, "Celebrate Reading", designed for parents and foster parents of 2nd and 3rd graders to encourage reading and library use. The Department of Human Services has mailed the brochure to several thousand families in a variety of their programs and the State Library will mail a copy to each library in Oregon. The brochure includes reading lists for 2nd graders, 3rd graders, read-alouds and adult resources.

#### OTHER LIBRARY NEWS

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#### HOOD RIVER COUNTY LIBRARY FOUNDATION

Here is a success story for all communities with Library Foundations!

For its 85th anniversary in 1998, the Hood River County Library invited the community to a public meeting to determine the library's future needs. The current site, built in 1913, was too small to meet the current demands of patrons. Study committees were formed to review major elements of the library including the building, children's services and collections. Forty different people participated in each group and prepared a report for the county commissioners.

Jim Kelly, publisher of the Hood River News, then inaugurated the Library Foundation. He believes the library is the "Town Center" and the community needs to work together to assure its future. As president of the Foundation, Kelly recruited local business leaders, influential community members and Rotary members to the Foundation. They have developed a strong image and gained support from the community for construction of a new building.

Direct mail plays an integral part in their efforts, and the Foundation regularly sends information to all 19,000 postal box holders in the county. Their '99 holiday appeal letter netted \$70,000! A man in a worn Pendleton shirt told Librarian June Knudson how much he and his family value the library, then handed her a check for \$10,000. Another woman gave \$20,000 in appreciated stock to the Foundation.

There are quarterly special events to benefit the Library Foundation including dinner galas, carousel rides and plant sales. Knudson said the focus of these events is raising visibility, not raising money. Recently, a woman sold rhododendrons and gave the \$1000 proceeds to the Foundation! More than \$250,000 has been raised toward their new building.

The estimated cost of a new Hood River County Library facility is \$4.5 million. The county commissioners approved a bond for \$3 million to be voted on in the November election. More planning and negotiating lies ahead before this new library can be built. However, with the Hood River County Library Foundation dedicated to its completion, success is assured.

#### LOIS LENSKI COVEY FOUNDATION SPONSORS GRANTS FOR LIBRARIES

The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation has annually awarded grants to rural and urban public and school libraries, and to agency libraries serving at-risk children. The grants have ranged from \$500 to \$5000. Funds are earmarked for purchasing books for young people rather than administrative or operational use. Successful applicants have proposed purchases to update their collections generally, or to expand their holdings in special areas. The Foundation welcomes applications from libraries with real need and limited book budgets. A user-friendly, two-page application form is available from the Lois Lenski Foundation, Attn.: Arthur F. Abelman, Moses & Singer, 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019-6076. To qualify for year 2000 grants, completed application forms must be received no later than September 30, 2000.

#### SALEM PUBLIC LIBRARY AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY WILL HOST GO FIGURE!

The Youth Services Departments of the Salem Public Library and Multnomah County Library are among the seventy-five public libraries that have been selected to host the Go Figure! traveling exhibition between September 2000 and December 2002, organized by the American Library Association (ALA) Public Programs Office and Minnesota Children's Museum (MCM). The National Science Foundation provided major funding for the exhibition with additional support from Cargill and 3M.

Go Figure! includes an interactive exhibition as well as interpretive and educational materials that bring the world of math and its everyday uses to children two to seven years old and their parents through children's literature. The project was developed in consultation with the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of ALA.

#### EMPORIA SLIM GRADUATES THIRTY-SEVEN

Congratulations to the Oregon II cohort of Emporia State University's School of Library and Information Management which graduated June 4th in a ceremony at Portland State University!

Nearly 400 family members and friends joined the 37 graduates in exercises which featured a commencement address by Randy Silverman, Preservation Librarian at University of Utah Marriott Library, and a member of the School of Library and Information Management national faculty. Degrees were conferred by Dr. John Schwenn, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Emporia State University. Hooding the graduates were Dr. Herbert Achleitner, Professor, and Robert Grover, Dean of SLIM. Student speakers were George Domijan and Amanda McKeraghan. Aarene Storms told a story.

Heidi Weisel received the Beta Phi Mu International Library Science Honorary Society Achievement Award. Awarded certificates for 4.0 grade point averages were Nancy Schutz, Nancy Anna Skinner, Charlotte Stanley, Hillary Steighner, Elaine Thomas, and Heidi Weisel.

Amanda McKeraghan and Seneca Gray were recognized for their representation of the cohort on the Student Advisory Council, and Deborah Babbitt was recognized for serving as a student representative on the SLIM Council last year.

Receiving Master of Library Science Degrees were: Laura Arthur, Longview, WA; Deborah Babbitt, Boise, ID; Debra Bogart, Springfield, OR; Kathryn Constant, New York, NY; Deborah Cook, Ashland, OR; Kimberly A. Dillon, Vancouver, WA; George Domijan, White Salmon, WA; Seneca Gray, Portland, OR; Anne Hall, Tillamook, OR; Gretchen Hoffman, Portland, OR; Mary Lou Irving, Clackamas, OR; Brian Johnson, Portland, OR; Mary Madland, Tigard, OR; Linda V. Malone, Portland, OR; Amanda Six McKeraghan, Corvallis, OR; Sally Miller, Gresham, OR; Kathleen Morley, Corvallis, OR; Krist Obrist, Portland, OR; Victoria Oglesbee, Portland, OR; Anna Papageorge, Portland, OR; Hamid Reza Peigahi, Portland, OR; Michelle Ritchie, Aloha, OR; Christopher Rumbaugh, Salem, OR; Heidi Schaub, Milwaukie, OR; Nancy Schutz, Olympia, WA; Baron Schuyler, Portland, OR; Anna (Nancy) Skinner, Portland, OR; Susan J. Smallsreed, Portland, OR; Jacqueline Solis, Portland, OR; Charlotte Stanley, Salem, OR; Hillary Steighner, Hood River, OR; Aarene Storms, Bellingham, WA; Elaine Thomas, Portland, OR; Carol Uhte, Vancouver, WA; Norma Walters, Portland, OR; Katherine Weiby, Portland, OR; Heidi Weisel, Corvallis, OR.

LIBRARY WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES, AND CLASSES  
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SSD GATEWAYS CONFERENCE



Support Services Division's Gateways Conference - "From Vision To Action" will be July 14, with a special Fireside chat Thursday evening for those who will be in the area. Please visit SSD's web page for more details and a registration form:  
<http://www.library.willamette.edu/ssd>

#### PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2000 LITA NATIONAL FORUM

What has more than thirty programs and two in-depth workshops on the latest information technologies and their impact on users, libraries and the profession? It's the 2000 LITA National Forum which will be held November 2-5, 2000 at the DoubleTree Hotel-Lloyd Center in Portland, Oregon. "High Tech/High Touch: The Human Aspects of Technology" is the theme for the third annual LITA National Forum. The Library and Information Technology Association (LITA) is a division of the American Library Association (ALA).

Three thought-provoking general sessions anchor the event. Michael Gorman, Dean of Library Services at California State University, Fresno and current LITA President, will speak on human values in a technological age. Doreen Carvajal, well-known writer for the New York Times, will examine the topic of the impact of e-books. The closing session features Anne Marie Gold, Executive Director of Stanford-California State Library Institute on 21st Century Librarianship, speaking on the role of libraries and librarians in a constantly morphing world of networked information. More than twenty-five concurrent sessions provide a wealth of practical information.

Add to the Forum experience with a choice of two pre-conference workshops, a full day on "Proxy Web Servers and Authentication," or a half day on "Technologies for Bibliographic Instruction Innovations and Best Practices."

Registration opens August 2000, and will be limited to 350. For details, visit <http://www.lita.org/forumY2K/index.htm>.

#### LINCC TO LEARNING 2000

The Library Information Network of Clackamas County's Annual Library Conference will be held Friday, October 20, 2000, at the Wilsonville Holiday Inn. For more information, contact Cassie Maringer [cassie@lincc.lib.or.us](mailto:cassie@lincc.lib.or.us) or watch LINCC's website [www.lincc.lib.or.us](http://www.lincc.lib.or.us) for future postings.

#### INTERNET WORKSHOPS

The University of New York at Buffalo's Department of Library and Information Studies roster of summer continuing education workshops includes five offered solely on the Internet: Cataloging

Basics, Documents Basics, Legislative Research, Regulations, and Sleuthing Serials: Serials Cataloging in Reverse.

Full descriptions of both Internet and on-campus workshops can be accessed at:

<http://www.sils.buffalo.edu/faculty/Robinson/summer/list.htm>. A paper brochure may be requested by e-mail from [ub-lis@buffalo.edu](mailto:ub-lis@buffalo.edu) (please include your mailing address). For more information contact, Judith Robinson, DLIS Associate Chair, School of Information & Library Studies, 534 Baldy Hall, Buffalo, NY 14260-1020; (716) 645-3327; FAX (716) 645-3775; [isrobin@buffalo.edu](mailto:isrobin@buffalo.edu); <http://www.sils.buffalo.edu/Faculty/Robinson/index.htm>

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS FOR ON-LINE NORTHWEST  
2001 EXTENDED TO JULY 14, 2000

This is a one-day conference focusing on the use of technology within libraries and attracting librarians from the Pacific Northwest and around the country. Presenters receive free registration to the conference.

The conference is Friday, January 26, 2001 (this will be the 18th annual conference) at Embassy Suites Hotel at Portland Airport, Portland, Oregon.

The coordinating committee is open to presentations on innovative uses of technology within a library setting. We are particularly interested in programs that incorporate interactivity; session rooms are set up with round tables. We encourage public, school, and special librarians to submit proposals. All topics relating to technology and libraries are welcome.

To submit a proposal, use the on-line submission form at:  
<http://www.ous.edu/onlinenw/forms/proposal.shtml>

FAST FORWARD - MANAGING LIBRARIES TODAY & TOMORROW

6th Annual Public Library Leadership Institute sponsored by the College of Library and Information Services University of Maryland; July 30 - August 3, 2000 Baltimore, Maryland.

It's time to register for this unique opportunity for public library administrators and experts in the field to come together in a retreat atmosphere to consider critical issues in managing public libraries in today's challenging environment.

The 6th annual program will focus on visioning the future and examining practical methods to keep you on track to meet the 21st Century.

For program and registration information, visit our website at:  
[www.clis.umd.edu/ce/institute.html](http://www.clis.umd.edu/ce/institute.html)

For additional information or to request a print brochure, please contact:

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#### ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

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#### OREGON WEATHER STATIONS

All National Weather Service weather stations in Oregon are listed and shown on a clickable map at the following site, hosted by the Western Regional Climate Center:

<http://www.wrcc.dri.edu/summary/clismor.html>

Clicking on a station brings up links to a wealth of weather data for that location. The one drawback is slow (sometimes extremely slow) response time, no matter what kind of connection you have.

#### NET QUESTIONS!

What are the most popular websites? How many people use the Net? How many e-mails are sent? How many websites are there?

The answers to these and similar questions can be found in the following handy compilations of frequently requested Net statistics: About com Internet Stats Center:

<http://internet.about.com/industry/internet/library/archivebl/stats/blstats.htm>

#### PERSONNEL NOTES

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#### CONGRATULATIONS!

Michael Thommen, Government Research and Electronic Services, will celebrate five years with the Oregon State Library on July 1, 2000.

Ron Stewart, Government Research and Electronic Services, Oregon State Library, will celebrate twenty-five years of state service on July 9, 2000.

Christopher Rumbaugh, newly graduated Librarian in Library

Development Services, will celebrate five years at the Oregon State Library on July 27, 2000.

PS. (FROM THE STATE LIBRARIAN)

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I have been watching with interest the progress of the Joint Interim Task Force on Cultural Development, a committee of legislators and citizens who are working on a plan to bring about nothing less than a "cultural renaissance" in Oregon.

'Renaissance' comes from the French and literally means a rebirth. It seems to me a bit of an exaggeration to say that culture in Oregon is in need of a rebirth. But it is true that many cultural organizations in Oregon struggle for public tax support. This is true of statewide organizations like the Oregon Arts Commission and the Oregon Historical Society, as well as local arts and heritage organizations. I have often thought it something of a scandal that historical museums, beginning with the Oregon Historical Society and including many local museums, are so terribly underfunded, especially in a state which has such a rich history.

Oregon's libraries are certainly part of the cultural infrastructure of the state, but we haven't sought to be a major partner in the Task Force. The reason is that we are already in the midst of a renaissance that has taken place without the help of a legislative committee.

Oregon's library renaissance has not been the result of a master plan, but is the sum of many individual efforts in communities and campuses throughout the state. If you stop to consider what has happened to Oregon libraries in the past two decades, it is not an overstatement to term what has happened as a "rebirth."

The elements of Oregon's library renaissance have been improved facilities, improved technology, and, for public libraries, improved governance and funding. I would date the beginning of Oregon's library renaissance to 1981, when the Oregon Library Association led passage of our public library district law. Since that time, 20 library taxing districts have been formed in the state, an average of about one per year.

Library facilities are a big part of Oregon's library renaissance. It is getting to be hard to find a community or a campus in the state that has not seen library construction in the past two decades. And technology projects like Orbis and the Oregon School Library Information System have kept Oregon at the cutting edge of library technology and resource sharing.

A measure of the strength of Oregon's library renaissance is the fact that it survived two major tax revolts in the 1990's, resulting in the passage of Measure 5 and Measures 47/50. As everyone knows, the revolution is still being waged, and this puts the continuation of our renaissance in jeopardy.

But for now the renaissance continues. The May election resulted in two new public library districts, in Klamath and Jefferson Counties, and 17 new or expanded public library facilities in West Linn and Jackson County. All of this says a lot about how Oregonians feel about their libraries. Our renaissance springs from the vision and leadership of our librarians and library supporters, but it is mostly due to the high value that Oregonians place on our services. - Jim Schepcke

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