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Spring Fling a success

*submitted by Lynn Pauley,
Public Library Chair*

A wonderful time was had by all at WVLA's Spring Fling held April 6th and 7th at the Days Inn in Flatwoods. Over 300 people registered for this annual conference and 17 vendors were on hand to showcase their products.

Thursday's programs were geared towards directors, trustees, and general library staff while Friday's programs concentrated on children's services. Judging by the comments I received in person and on the evaluation forms, the programs were, overall, informative and well presented. Of course, no conference ever proceeds without some minor problems, but I think that these minor glitches were handled with grace and ease by both the association members and the staff at Days Inn.

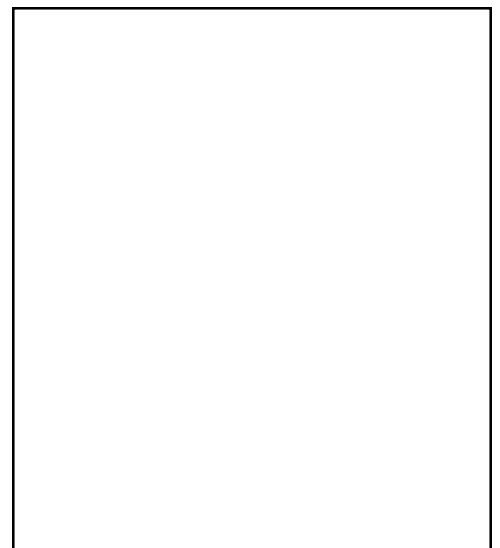
Thursday started off with a program outlining the responses to a survey regarding the Himmel and Wilson study that was mailed to every WVLA member. The Public Library Division wanted an open discussion on the responses to the survey and on the survey itself. The session was well attended and the comments and discussion were appreciated, noted, and will be addressed. After this session, attendees were free to attend other programs of their choice. The Joys and Problems of Small Libraries and How An Audio Book is Made were the highlights of the day according to comments on the evaluation forms. Comments included — "excellent", "needed to be longer", "best program of the day".

An all day program for trustees, Basic Trustee Survival Skills, was presented by Mr. Eric Anderson, director of OVAL (Ohio Valley Area Libraries). According to comments made by those attending, Mr. Anderson presented a well thought out program that imparted a wealth of practical information that trustees could use. Comments included — "an excellent speaker", "wonderful program", "kept us awake!".

Friday's sessions were devoted to children's services and the summer reading program. According to comments from the evaluation form and in person, Susanna Holstein's program, Storytelling without Stagefright, was the hit of the day. In the afternoon, Mary Jane Howard, conducted the Children's Roundtable meeting. Suggestions were made for the theme for the 2002 Summer Reading program, and a vote was taken. By vote of the members attending,

the theme for the year 2002 will be Farm and Farm Animals. Next year's (2001) theme will be Space. After the roundtable meeting, the floor was open to discuss and share

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Seeking additional WVLA membership

Spring has sprung and everything is in bloom. As public libraries across the state gear up for the summer reading programs, academic and school libraries gear up for finals and the end of the school year, everyone should also be volunteering to run for an office and/or serve on a committee. Yvonne Farley, chair of the nominating committee will be calling on members soon. Say yes. The experience of serving

this organization is unique in its benefits. From leadership to compromise to friendship, you find that small ideas blossom into great events.

One of my goals for this year is a membership of 700. We are still 40 members short. Please have your staff, your trustees and your friends join! Every member gives us another voice to speak for librarians

to our community and our state.

Some of the programs for the upcoming November conference are listed in an article elsewhere. The programs are almost set and we are anticipating a record crowd. The brochure detailing these programs will be available by June 1. The choices are many and the topics varied, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Report on ALA Midwinter, San Antonio, TX

January 2000

Monica Garcia Brooks, Councilor

At several of the general sessions and ALA Council, numerous legislative issues sparked lively discussions such as the current bill, H.R. 354, the Collections of Information Antipiracy Act. If passed, this Act would lock out users from longstanding access to facts and is detrimental to online freedom of information. The ALA Office of Government Relations urged ALA members to urge support for H.R. 1858, the Consumer and Investor Access to Information Act. Cognotes reported that this bill "...protects value-added, downstream uses of information while addressing the concerns of some database producers." School library supporters were encouraged to contact legislators to support S.1262 and ask that the bill be included as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization. In line with the WVLA resolution regarding school librarians and media specialists, the ALA Washington Office Executive Director Emily Sheketoff stated that "We know that children who go to a school with a good library and qualified library media specialist do better. Their learning experience is more rich and rewarding." She also indicated she would continue to further the ALA initiatives that benefit the members and constituents.

Does your institution receive funding based upon the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA), Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("E-rate"); or telecommunications discounts for schools and libraries; or other federal agency funding? In an open letter to public librarians regarding: Filtering legislation, Lynne Bradley Director, ALA, Office of Government Relations and Claudette Tennant, Telecommunications Lobbyist, ALA, provide the following recommendations and reiterate the ALA stance on this issue: "Libraries must continue to apply for E-rate discounts, even as threats of filtering are being considered in Congress.... Even if a bill were signed into law, it is far from clear that such a requirement would survive the Constitutional challenge that ALA would be almost certain to mount." This is certainly a topic that is on the minds of many West Virginia librarians. At my session during Spring Fling 2000, I will provide the latest legislative actions and ALA's reaction/support for issues that may affect all of us as library professionals or members of our library community.

On a lighter note, San Antonio weather was perfect! In addition to seeing my family for a REAL Texas barbecue, another highlight of my trip was attending a REFORMA session at the San Antonio Public Library, in which my family's circus, La Carpa Garcia,

was featured for its contribution to Mexican heritage and history. The curator of the Hertzberg Circus Museum collection, Barbara Celitans, received a programming grant from REFORMA SA, the local affiliate of the national ALA group composed of librarians interested in promoting Hispanic culture in library collections as well as encouraging more Hispanics to use Libraries as an information resource. Prior to the program, we enjoyed a beautiful reception with mariachis and wonderful ethnic foods.

Join in the discussion and get connected! Use the ALA website to stay abreast of these issues and more: <http://www.ala.org/>. I try to stay on top of various ALA discussions—if you would like to contact me for further clarification or information, feel free to drop me a line anytime: brooks@marshall.edu. If I cannot assist you, I will be more than happy to make a referral to the appropriate ALA staff member.

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SELA Report

by Judy K. Rule

Pam Coyle and Judy Rule attended the SELA Leadership Meeting in Atlanta on April 28 and 29. The program consisted of two speakers: Dr. Frances Lucas-Tausher and Dr. Carol Short. Dr. Lucas-Tausher gave the keynote address on Leadership with four main points.

- Leadership is up to you.
- When you do the right thing not everyone will rise up and call you blessed.
- “Don’t quit”
- Lead by who you are—not by title or office

Dr. Short lead a three hour workshop on Leading in a Professional Organization. Some of the highlights of the program were defining of leadership as an activity not an attribute. “Mediocrity is self-inflicted; genius is self-imposed”. Lack of trust is a real detriment to groups achieving goals. Leadership is a shared function of the group, leadership requires active listening by leaders and by members, and leadership involves build-

ing a mature, productive group. Dr. Short is a consultant with a firm that deals with leadership development and employment assessment.

The Executive Board met on Saturday and we found that SELA was in a good financial state. The annual conference will be a joint conference with the Georgia Library Association on Jekell Island, October 11-13, 2000. Attendance is expected to be around 1200 persons. The Georgia Library Association has a joint meeting with the School Media Association, and two other groups in Georgia. There should be something for everyone at this conference.

There is a GALE/SELA Continuing Education Committee Professional Grant available for one person in each state. The purpose is to encourage professional development and participation by new SELA members in the SELA Conference activities. This grant will help finance attendance at the Conference in the amount of \$500 for a new professional from each of the member states. Judy Rule has copies of the application form.

STILL IN NEED

War Public Library picking up the pieces

The War Public Library has moved into new, temporary quarters on Main Street in War, WV. The building, which formerly housed a video store, is the new location to replace the library that burnt.

The library has received gifts of many books, tables, and chairs. The WVU Library has given the War Library three computers and printers and the library hopes to have Internet access by June 1st.

With all the generous gifts the library has received, the biggest problem it has now is space. The one small room has filled up

quickly and the library is now thinking about expanding into the store next door. Frances Blankenship, director of the War Library, anticipates making a trip to the University of Charleston to pick up some donated shelving to be used in this area.

What does the library need most right now? Mrs. Blankenship would love to be able to replace the puppets and other materials she used to do children’s programming and the library is in need of a book cart. Donations to the library’s building fund would also be appreciated.

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Mill Creek dedicates new library

Mill Creek, W. Va. -The Mill community dedicated its new 3,600 square foot library building on May 6, 2000. The Library building project took over three years to complete at a total cost of \$359,000. The project is a testament to the strength of the community and commitment to the future. Forty-six percent of the cost was raised at a local level.

The new library, serving the upper-middle Tygart Valley, is the center of its community. It is surrounded by the George Ward School, a new post office, new senior center, gas station and restaurant. Future plans also include the construction of new high school nearby.

The new library building offers public access to four computers, the Internet, a children's reading area and a conference room. The conference room has become the home of area Satellite classes and group meetings. The circulation of the library has increased by thirty-three percent due to the increased space for books and activities.

John Russell, who led the building project stated, "What a great achievement! Who would have thought in Mill Creek, West Virginia, we could put together that much money in thirty-four months."

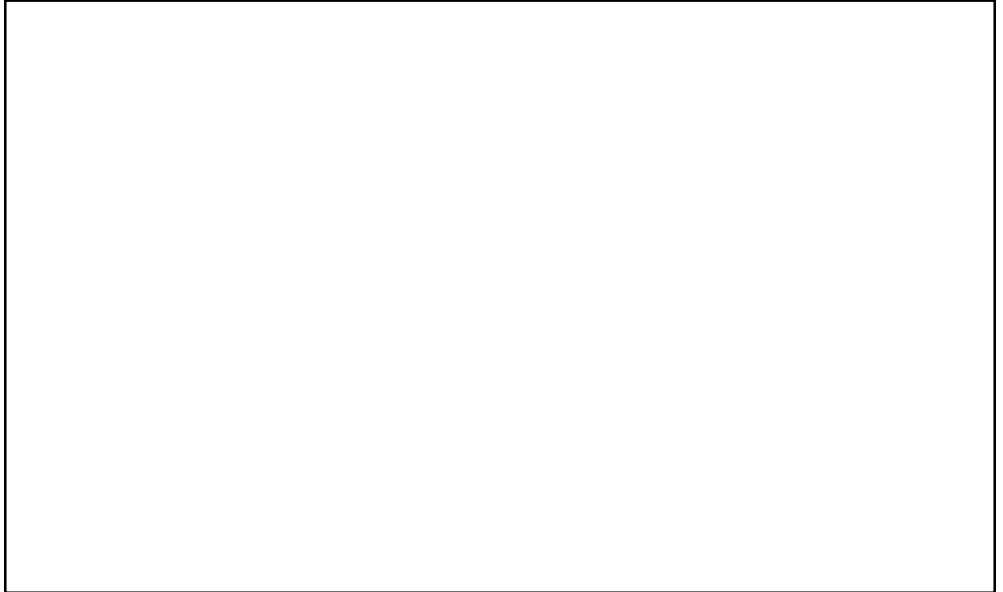
The first library in the area was begun in 1965 by Martha Cage and Linda Zickafoose. The new building replaces the two mobile units set on land leased by the Randolph County Board of Education.

The dedication ceremony featured speakers who had been involved in the building project. John Russell, Co-Chair of the Building Committee made the opening comments and several introduc-

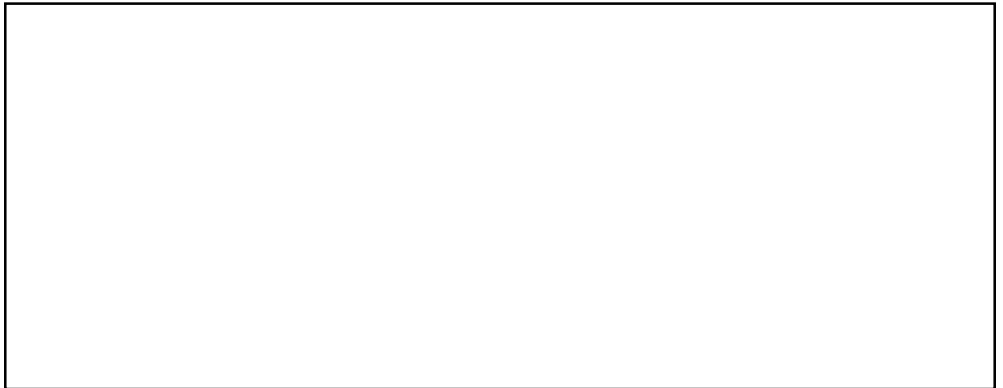
tions. David P. Price, Executive Director of the WV Library Commission expressed his warm congratulations. Linda Zickafoose, President of the Library Board of Directors, shared the news of two parts of the library being dedicated to several donors. Judge Robert Maxwell, WV Delegate Bill

Proudfoot, WV Senator Mike Ross, and Majority Leader of the WV House of Representatives also offered their congratulations.

Judge Maxwell remarked, "You are here this afternoon to be a part and witness the culmination of citizenship at its very best order."



New Mill Creek Library



Old Mill Creek Library



"Pooh Corner" at new library

Annual conference:

With Division and roundtable meetings included, over 55 programs are scheduled for the fall conference, which will be held at the Holiday Inn, Charleston House from November 2-4, 2000.

The Intellectual Freedom committee has planned a pre-conference on Internet filtering which will include the legal aspects, the software that is available, ethical aspects, etc.

Pat Feehan from the University of South Carolina will present two programs on services and materials for young adults.

Thanks to Cheryl Harshman, Mary Azarain, the 1999 Caldecott award winner, George Ella Lyons, Joseph Slate and Marc Harshman are some of the children's authors who will be presenters. Christie Cooke will present a program on using books to develop reading skills in young children.

Ann Green Associations will tell you how to manage the media when they are in your face and when you want them to help you. Warren Hairston, from Logical Operators, will talk the future of technol-

ogy. John Haskell from the College of William and Mary will discuss establishing Friends groups in academic libraries. Ryan McGinn Samples will let you in on the secrets of focus groups, how to use them for your advantage. We are working on getting a science fiction author, a romance and a mystery author in addition to Stephen Coonts.

From electronic links to serving institutions, there should be a program for everyone. Mark your calendars and share the information with your staff and Friends.

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Evansdale Library rededication

This February we held a rededication ceremony for the Evansdale Library, and it gave me an opportunity to look ahead, not only to the coming years but also to the more distant future. It also was a positive reminder for me that the nature of libraries is changing. November 1980 was the official date recorded as opening day for the new Evansdale Library. In the fall of 1980, *American Libraries* carried an article about Library of Congress staff overcoming their fear of the “alien” computers in the Main Reading Room; an article with flowcharts explaining how to file a new AACR2 heading in an unfrozen card catalog; and a report of a prescient colloquium at NYU in which Newton Minow described the information agenda with four topics — the concern for quality information, who should pay for it, the future of libraries, and the role of government.

The early 1980's were a period of notable development in academic libraries. We began large scale efforts to use electronic technology to make available book and journal content, and we created new systems of sharing library resources, including improved interlibrary loan services and cooperative collection development efforts among libraries. We're still dealing with the same basic problem today: Funding for libraries is insufficient to continue acquiring comprehensive on-site collections. User demand for more, and for a greater variety of networked information will continue to grow. This is not to say that print materials will not continue to be indispensable in any time frame that reasonably affects our present plans. We all are going to be managing two libraries — one print and one electronic — for the near future.

Libraries have always provided sources of information for our users, whatever the format. In the WVU Libraries' collections, we have clay tablets. We have a printed book from the year 1480. We have electronic resources, including online indexes, electronic journals, and our own electronic reserve and electronic theses and dissertations. From clay tablets to books to the Internet, the li-

brarians and staff of the WVU Libraries will continue to be at home with whatever form of information our users need.

WVU students and faculty expect the Libraries to deliver responsive personal service and needed information in congenial surroundings. The renovation of the Evansdale Library and the construction of the new Downtown Library Complex are very visible signs of our efforts to keep pace with change and to develop library programs and services that anticipate the needs of our users. From my earliest conversations with the search committee and continuing with discussions in department heads meetings, I've stated that I want the WVU Libraries to become more user centered, and to deliver high value and high quality resources and services. The Libraries should be a center of academic life, with resources and services that are easy to use. Our physical space will promote research, collaboration, and space for plain old-fashioned reading and reflection. Our virtual library space will offer resources and services anywhere, anytime.

Even with all our excitement about our new facilities, we must remember that people are still the Libraries' most important resource. I was impressed from the start with the hard work, dedication, and commitment of WVU Libraries employees. Li-

brary service in the year 2000 and beyond is possible only with the efforts of people willing to stay focused on the information needs of our users. WVU librarians and staff have proven themselves to be knowledgeable, energetic, and committed to the highest levels of service. I think now we have to put a new emphasis on collaboration. We have to get better at working with each other and with our University colleagues, and with colleagues in other libraries. We must work together to develop new resources, to seek new partners for effective service, and to find new ways to interact with learners. I'm reading a book now called *Organizing Genius: The Secrets of Creative Collaboration* by Warren Bennis. Like most management books, this one has elegant and vibrant ways of reminding us of the obvious. One of Bennis' take-home lessons is that “Great groups are full of talented people who can work together.” We all must make an effort, more so than in the past, to support each other while our jobs are ever expanding and changing.

The accomplishments of the WVU Libraries in the past are substantial. Together we can ensure that we move into the future with a positive, learning work environment for ourselves, and a haven for our users where they get the information they need. I am pleased to be a part of this mission for the WVU Libraries.

Building Partnerships for the New Millennium

Southeastern Library Association Conference

Make plans to attend this joint conference
with the Georgia Council of Media Organizations

October 11-13, 2000

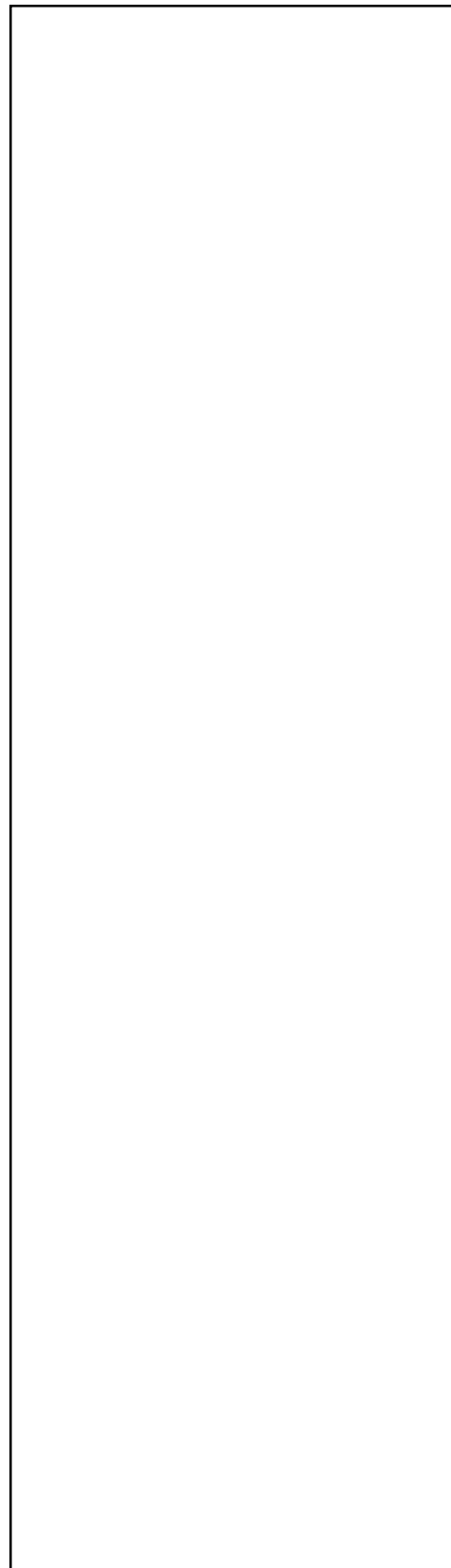
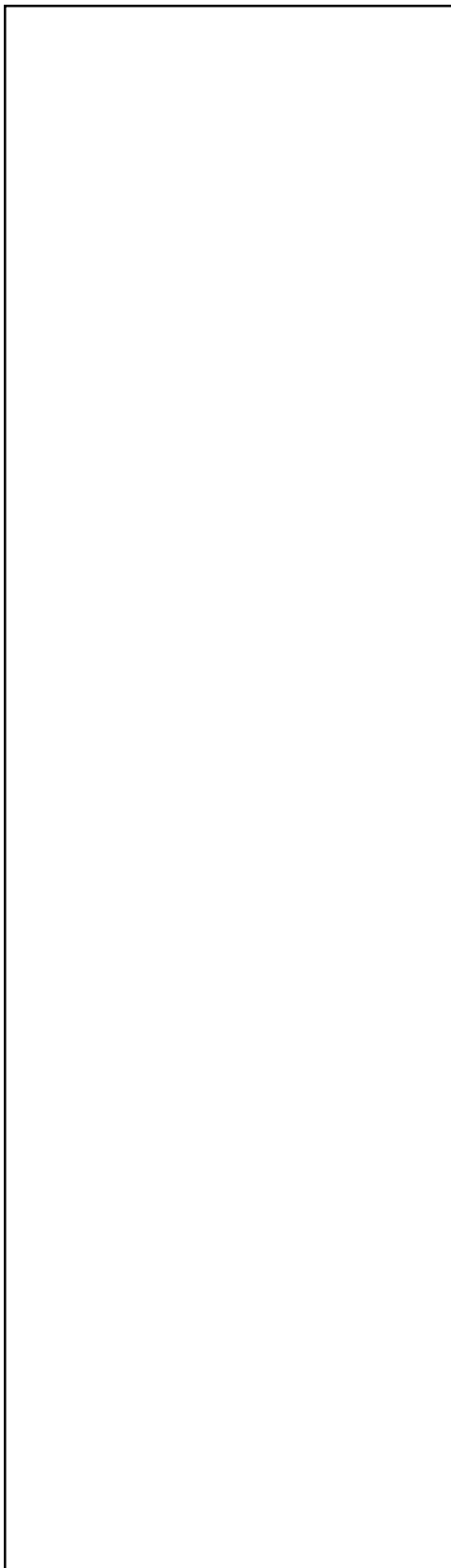
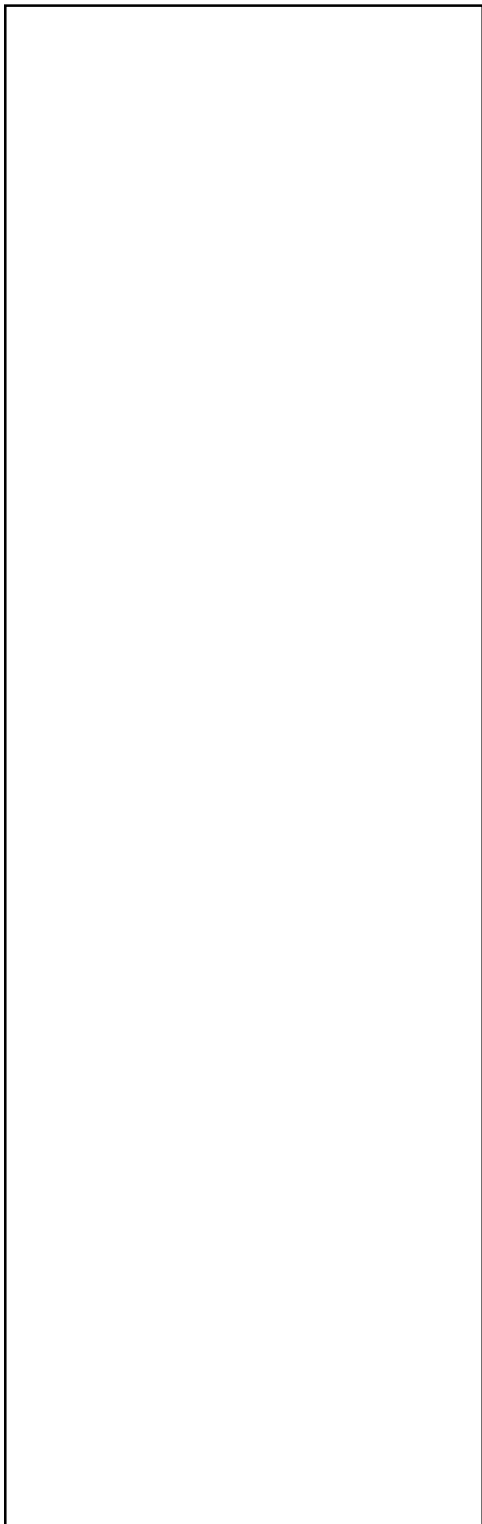
Jekyll Island, Georgia

Additional conference information can be found
at the SELA Web Site (<http://www.SEFLIN.ORG/SELA/>).

A Century of West Virginia Authors

by Phyllis Wilson Moore, 1999[©]

This is the third of a three-part listing of West Virginia authors. The first was listed in the June '99 issue of *West Virginia Libraries* and the second can be found in the August '99 issue.



Spring Fling

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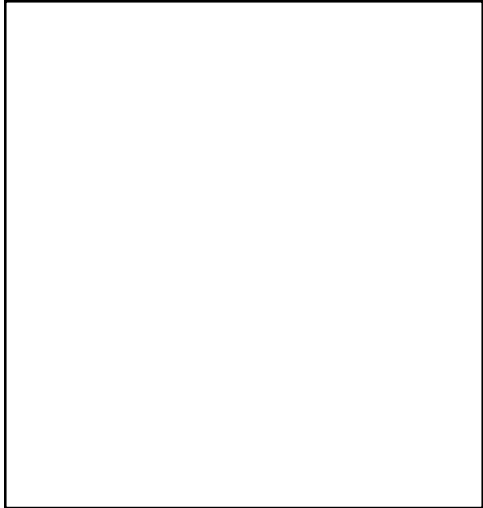
ideas for this year's summer reading program — Celebrations. Some of the libraries present were already hard at work on next year's theme, and presented some ideas for that as well.

On the evaluation forms, attendees were asked to make comments and to make suggestions for programs for next year's Spring Fling. We received not only some flattering comments, but also some that pointed out problems and areas where we could do

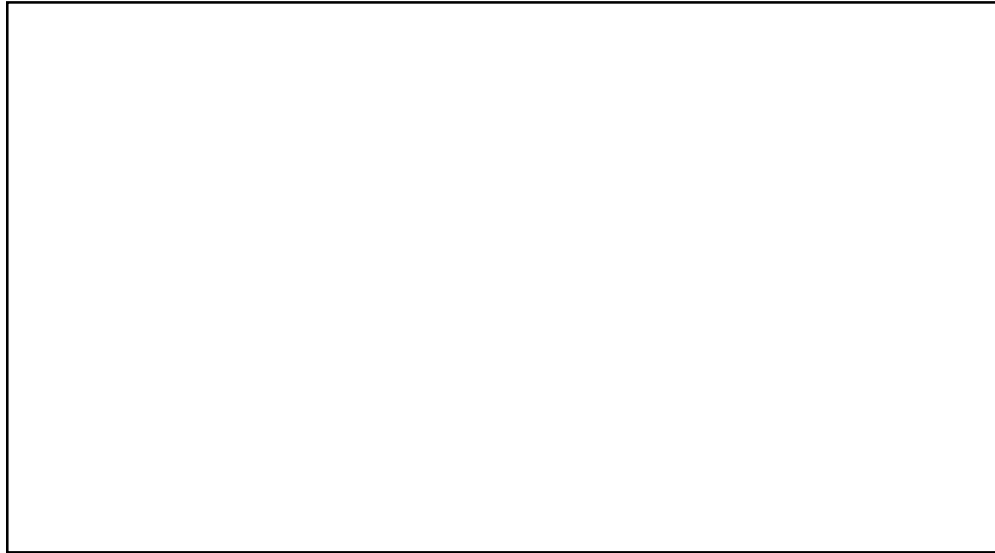
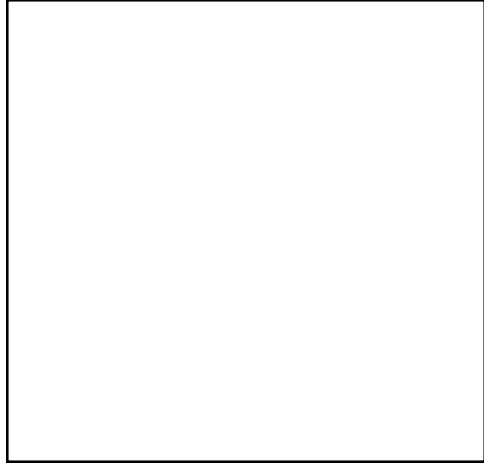
better. Some areas of the conference are beyond our control, however, all the comments will be passed on to the Executive Board and to the incoming Public Library Chair. These comments will be taken into consideration when planning next year's conference.

Listed below are many of the suggestions that were made regarding programs for next year's Spring Fling. If you know of anyone who could present one of these programs, if you have an idea for a different program, or if you just want to make comments regarding the program suggestions, please feel free to contact Yvonne Farley, incoming Public Library Chair and next year's Spring Fling coordinator. Yvonne may be reached at the:

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Some of the suggestions for programs include: trustee networking; information on finding funding sources; grant writing; budget planning; policy making (library policies, internet policies, personnel policies, etc.); weeding (what, when, how); copyright issues regarding web pages and the Internet; more info on using the Gates server; more information on using Front Page; automation systems (pros & cons, costs, recommendations, etc.); programming on issues concerning public libraries by more recent MLS graduates; more programs geared towards small public libraries; a small library directors discussion; resources that small libraries can use to help those patrons taking distance education classes; establishing reading clubs; programming ideas for adults; book talks with teens; how to run a successful YA program; workshop on preschool storytimes with handouts (printed ideas, pictures, flannel stories, etc.) and exchange of ideas; "lap sit" programs; how to find entertainers and programs for summer reading; more sessions geared towards special libraries; how to handle services that the public wants versus services that can be provided with a limited budget and staffing; and custom service and selling your services to the public.



Literacy Roundtable formed

In early March, 2000, the WVLA Board of Directors recognize the formation of a Literacy Roundtable to the State Organization. Several WVLA members signed a petition as evidence of the interest and increasing need of librarians to specialize with the 22% of the WV population that doesn't have the literacy skills necessary for a class 1 classification or those under four grade abilities.

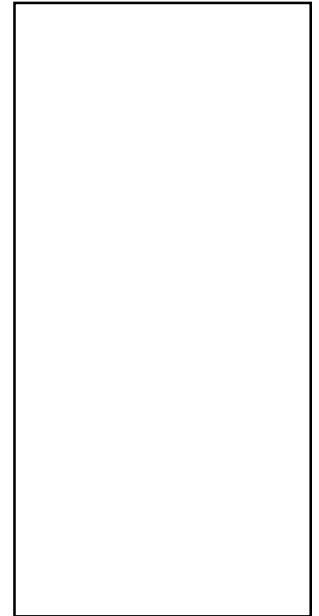
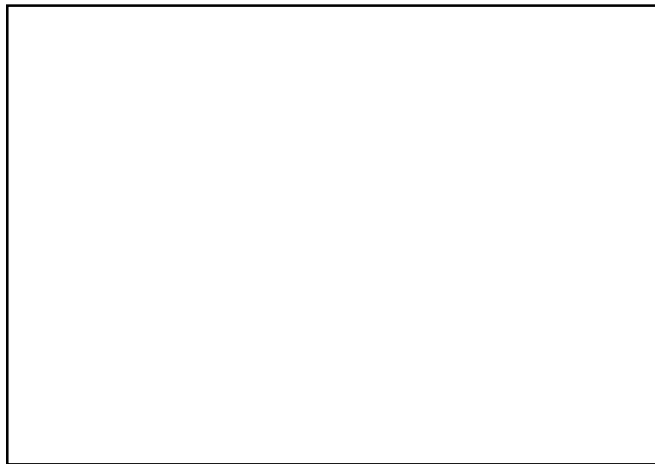
This roundtable will support and encourage to the best of our professional skills, the concepts of family literacy, adult new readers, and ESL in libraries working with the existing literacy services outside of libraries in the state of WV.

During the annual WVLA Conference, the Literacy Roundtable will convene it's first meeting on Thursday, November 2nd, 3 p.m. I hope all the librarians that signed the petition and other librarians who are commit-

ted to a literate West Virginia will plan to attend or contact me. For information and anyone interested as organizational volun-

teers please contact: Susan Hayden, Literacy Consultant, WVLC, ph. 800-642-6021 x 2, E-mail: haydens@wvlc, lib.wv.us.

More scenes from the fling!



WVLA Cookbook

The Marketing Committee is proud to announce that the cookbooks are available! This cookbook contains approximately 200 recipes from WVLA members and library staff.

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WVLA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2000

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Pam Coyle at 10:30 a.m. Those in attendance were Pam Coyle, Charley Hively, Dottie Thomas, Monica Brooks, Mary Strife, Judy Rule, David Price, Peggy Turnbull, David Dalzell, Cheryl Harshman, Betty Gunnoe, Lynn Pauley, Suzette Lowe.

II. Minutes

Betty Gunnoe moved, Charlie Hively seconded, that the minutes of the previous executive board meeting be approved with the following changes:

Page 3, Part XIII, Number 1, the phrase "to the Webmasters of the WVLA homepage" be deleted so that the sentence reads, "The honoraria to the editor of WV Libraries has been approved and does not need to be approved at each meeting."

Page 5, Part X, New Business C: Any change in the ALA Councilor's term needs to be referred to the Constitution & Bylaws Committee. Dottie Thomas made the motion; Charlie Hively seconded that the item be referred to the committee mentioned. Motion carried.

The minutes with changes were approved.

III. President's Report

Inserts and copies of the Association's Constitution and Bylaws were brought for those needing them. Board members were reminded to be thinking of honorees for resolutions and awards for the annual conference and to contact the secretary with suggestions.

Pam recommended that Sue Eichelberger's name be removed from the Resolution and Awards Committee, as she is no longer eligible to serve. New members of the Intellectual Freedom Committee were noted. Cheryl Harshman moved, Monica Brooks seconded the motion to accept the changes in committee memberships. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Due to the absence of the treasurer, there was no report.

V. Membership Report

Forty-two new members have been added in 2000. The president's goal is 700 members in the association and encouragement was given to add one new member per county to reach this goal.

VI. Division Reports

A. College and university division

Peggy Turnbull noted that there is progress in the long-time effort to promote faculty status for college and university librarians. The Shepherd College librarians have succeeded in obtaining this classification and are expecting to have it offered for the 2000/2001 academic year. The Division actively participated in Legislative Day and some academic librarians lobbied their legislators. The Division has its own listserv and has published a newsletter in order to promote communication among its membership.

B. Public libraries:

Lynn Pauley reported that spring fling registrations have been sent out with the deadline for registration being March 16, 2000. The public library program for the annual conference will be a lunch or dinner with a romance author. Lynn made the motion that a permanent spring fling committee be appointed. Judy Rule stated that any proposal for a new standing committee must be sent to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. Lynn amended her motion to send the proposed committee addition to the aforementioned committee. Peggy Turnbull seconded. Motion carried. David Dalzell suggested that a notebook be kept of all the details for spring fling so that it could be passed to the incoming public library chair.

C. Special libraries

Mary Strife reported that the special libraries are looking for a copy of their constitution and bylaws and may have to write their own, modeled after the college and university division, if one is not available.

D. School libraries — No report

E. Friends — No report

F. Trustees

David Dalzell stated that the two goals of the trustee division are (1) to be proactive and (2) to help trustees understand the roles of the trustee. Eric Anderson will be a speaker at Spring Fling and will address these issues. There are still plans to have mini-meetings around the state.

VII. Roundtable Reports

Charley Hively presented a request, with 21 signatures, that a Literacy Roundtable be established. Charley made the motion, with Peggy Turnbull seconding, that pending approval of the membership committee and the confirmation of the signatures, that a new literacy roundtable be established. Motion carried.

The question was raised about the status of roundtables that have not been active for the past two years. A consensus was reached that at the next meeting, the executive board would visit roundtables to determine whether to keep the inactive ones.

VIII. ALA Councilor

Monica Brooks reported that the ALA's legislative issues' status would be known by annual conference. One of the hottest topics at ALA was filtering.

One area of controversy was ALAction 2000 for which the president of ALA had not sought approval from Council before printing. Monica voted to approve ALAction 2000 which did pass.

Monica will keep members alerted through the listserv and anything that the association requests will be addressed there.

She further stated that ALA is concerned with the certification of school librarians. The chapter representative is ready to send people to lead conference sessions, along with literature, at a cost. ALA is constantly fighting legal battles on intellectual freedom and access. ALA will also offer WVLA members training and this would then enable them to lead conference sessions on issues and topics.

IX. Federal Relations Coordinator

ALA Day in Washington, D.C. will be May 1 and 2, with the first day being a workshop and the second day the implementation. Betty Gunnoe reported that she had received a packet and will forward it to Monica for inclusion on the WVLA web site. All five Congressional representatives from WV will be visited. Anyone who plans to attend ALA Day needs to contact Betty Gunnoe by April 15, 2000. Pam requested that an article be placed in WV Libraries. Betty also reported that Senator Rockefeller had requested some facts and figures from Martinsburg Library and others around the state for a speech he planned to deliver concerning e-rate.

X. SELA Representative

Judy Rule reported that the Leadership Conference will be April 28 and 29 in Atlanta. This is in conjunction with Solinet and anyone who wishes to attend should let Judy know. The SELA conference will be held October 11-13, 2000 on Jekyll Island, Georgia. This is a mid-size conference with poster sessions being offered. Pam suggested that there be a poster session from WV.

XI. West Virginia Libraries

Pam Coyle reported that the current issue of WV Libraries should be out shortly and that the next deadline would be March 15. Pam has asked Frances O'Brien, dean of WVU libraries, and the new dean of the Fairmont College Library submit articles. The association is looking for someone to take over the editorship of WV Libraries and Pam requests that anyone with a suggestion contact her.

XII. West Virginia Library Commission

David Price stated that the WVLC was happy to host the Legislative Day reception but deferred any discussion to Pam Coyle.

The main issues of the WVLC are the proposed Strategic Plan. Mr. Price reported that three meetings of affiliates, designate, and service center libraries have been completed at which very strong comments and concerns were voiced. Some common issues were a strong desire/demand for clarification of roles, affiliates vs. service centers and the 20% administrative fee, funding formula, and the census. Mr. Price stated that the disturbing idea that the WVLC would be closing libraries is untrue because the commission has no legal authority to do so - it is the responsibility of the local library. He and the Commission are trying to deal with misinformation. Public meetings addressing the Strategic Plan begin March 22, 2000. Pam Coyle commented that this should not just concern the public libraries, but academic and special libraries as well. Judy Rule stated that the academic and special libraries should have copies of the Strategic Plan as well because they are eligible for LSTA funds as long as they apply in conjunction with a public library. Cheryl Harshman suggested sending letters of invitation to special and academic libraries.

Mr. Price presented the WV Library Commission's budget request, which must coincide with the governor's proposed budget, to the Senate Finance Committee. He was given permission to address statewide databases as well which showed a cooperative effort between public and academic libraries.

Discussion was held on House Bill 4572 which proposes to redefine the GIA formula to allow 1/3 of the state funds to go directly to county commissions which would then distribute to their county libraries and 2/3 to be based strictly on per capita and go directly to libraries.

Mr. Price reported that the search for the new Dean of Libraries at Marshall University is moving along.

Mr. Price reported that he attended the meeting of COSLA, Chief Officers of State Library Associations at which he is chair of

the Continuing Education Committee. He stated that LSTA is three years away from re-authorization. Mr. Price further stated that on the matter of E-rate that WV has benefited more than any other state. COSLA passes a resolution that the process and forms be simplified.

Mr. Price reported that the proposed UCITA (Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act), which is being tested in Virginia, is the proposed state law that will provide a uniform framework for the licensing of software and computer information products, allowing vendors to have more control over licensing terms. This will affect fair use and copyright law which will directly impact libraries. COSLA encourages continuing education on this issue. Mr. Price urged the legislative committee of WVLA to get this on the agenda of the fall conference.

XIII. Committee Reports

A. Auditing — No report

B. Conference

Dottie Thomas reported that there will be a meeting in mid-March. Pam Coyle stated that there are very few slots open for the conference and if anyone wishes to have a session, contact her right away. She is still working on a keynote speaker for the banquet.

C. Constitution and Bylaws — No report

D. Continuing Education

There will be a genealogy workshop, free to libraries in the state with information being sent only to public library directors who are then encouraged to share the information with their staffs.

E. Elections — No report

F. Finance — No report

G. Handbook — No report

H. Intellectual Freedom

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the Intellectual Freedom committee voted to recommend that the executive board pass a resolution promoting a standing display developed at the Free Library of Philadelphia. Co-sponsored by the Kanawha County Public Library and the WVACLU, the display on censorship, called “Burning Issues” will be viewed the entire month of September. Charley Hively moved, Monica Brooks seconded the adoption of the resolution as presented by the Intellectual Freedom Committee. Motion passed.

The committee also discussed current legislative issues regarding pornography/filtering and public libraries. It was decided that the committee would sponsor two programs at the WVLA’s annual conference, “The ALA Bill of Rights - Is It Relevant?” and “Current State of Internet Filtering Technology.”

I. Legislative/J. Library Appreciation Day

Pam Coyle reported that the Legislative/Library Appreciation Day went well for a first year. There was a lot of publicity. The librarians and staff met with their legislators. One complaint was that there was little mention of the cooperative effort of academic, special and public libraries. Another was the length of the day’s activities. These complaints will have to be addressed next year.

No letter was sent to all legislators announcing events along with the invitation and perhaps there should be next year. Another suggestion was the idea of a dinner/author during the interim meetings of the legislators in addition to Legislative Day. Next year’s day will, hopefully, be earlier in the session. The smaller area at the WVLC reference department was good for the reception.

A discussion was held on the status of WVLA’s legislative lobbyist. Monica Brooks, seconded by Betty Gunnoe made a motion, to authorize Pam Coyle and a representa-

tive from the legislative committee, to see information concerning the performance and duties as per the current legislative session by the legislative lobbyist. Motion passed.

Pam Coyle sent a letter of support for statewide electronic databases to the chairs of the finance committees of both houses of the Legislature. She stated that this issue needs to be lobbied for next year.

Peggy Turnbull suggested that a meeting the morning of Legislative Day would have helped. Comments were made that the information concerning the day was disseminated well.

K. Marketing

A question was submitted asking if the marketing committee needs to request permission to purchase new items. Consensus of the board was that it is already the understanding that if marketing shows a profit they do not need to seek approval of the board concerning proposed sale items.

L. Membership — No report

M. Nominating

WVLA needs to fill the positions of 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, and ALA Councilor

O. Public Relations — No report

P. Resolutions and Awards — No report

Q. Site Selection — No report

R. Web Page

Monica Brooks reported that there is reorganizing of the page behind the scenes.

IX. Old Business

A. Legislative Day

Report given in committee reports I/J

B. New logo contest

Information will be given at Spring Fling. Cheryl Harshman asked for input about what the WVLA would like to see on the logo.

Pam Coyle said that she would seek funding for appropriate prizes.

C. Approval of committee appointments

Addressed in the President’s Report

X. New Business

A. The secretary requested that a new tape recorder be purchased. The Board instructed that she investigate prices in conjunction with the treasurer.

B. Peggy Turnbull made the motion, with Charley Hively seconding, that the following issues be referred to the Legislative committee so that lobbying can begin: UCITA, Grants in aid, filtering, Senate Bill 591, statewide databases, and any other issues deemed of importance by the executive board.

C. Cheryl Harshman moved, Mary Strife seconded, that WVLA encourage participation in public budgetary hearings from all types of libraries and users. Motion passed.

XI. Correspondence — None

XII. Announcements

Pam Coyle stated that a magician would be strolling among vendors at WVLA’s fall conference

David Price stated that Senator Kiss sent a letter of apology for failing to attend and speak at the Legislative Day reception.

XII. Adjournment

By consensus, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the executive board will be June 15, 2000 at the Holiday Inn Charleston House.

WVLA pioneers recognized

While we work on unlocking the future, here's a little recognition of those members who helped forge WVLA's key.

51 years of membership

- Floyd Miller, Academic

45 years

- Lennel Stutler, Public

40+ years

- Josephine Fidler, Academic
- Dora Ruth Parks, Honorary
 - Betty Wade, Public
- Nicholas Winowich, Trustee
- Mildred Moyers, Academic
- Charles Patterson, Friend

40 years

- Ruth Powell, Academic
- Nancy Taylor, Special

35+ years

- Jean Elliott, Academic

30+ years

- Merle Moore, Trustees
- Dave Childers, Honorary
- David Gillespie, Academic
 - Ann Lorentz, Public
- Barbara Maxwell, Academic
 - Judy Rule, Public
- Donald Hansen, Special
- Judith Prosser, Public

25+ years

- Helen Jenkins, Academic
 - Susan Reilly, Public
 - Virginia West, Friends
- Kenneth Slack, Academic
 - C.L. Wilkerson, Trustees
 - Joel Beane, Public
 - Karen Goff, Public
 - Guilda Neese, Public
 - Sandra Tucker, Public
- Rosetta Anderson, Public
 - Alice Behr, Special
- Ben Crutchfield, Academic
 - Anita Doss, Public
 - Judith Duncan, Public
 - Evan Rogerson, Trustee
 - Janice Stiles, Public
- Pamela Williams, Academic

25 years

- Steve Christo, Public
- Flo Smith, Friends

20+ years

- Peggy Batten, Public
- Betty Brown, Schools
- Frances Fike, Trustees
- Harold Forbes, Academic
 - Karen Hiser, Public
- Clarice Reid, Trustees
- Lucy Stillings, Trustees
- Kay Wildman, Academic
- Virginia Benham Public
 - Betty Burley, Public
 - Donna Calvert, Public
 - Betty Cantwell, Public
- Charles Julian, Academic
 - David Dalzell, Trustee
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 - Jo Ellen Flagg, Public
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 - Elmer Vicent Trustees
 - Marjorie Zirk, Public
 - Karen Arnett, Public
- Jo Ann Calzonetti, Academic
 - Mary Heineman, Trustees
- Duke Horstemeyer, Trustees
 - Sharon Kastigar, Public
- Howard Metheny, Trustees
 - Ed Rauh, Public
 - Fay Stump, Schools
- Wayne Williams, Trustees

20 years

- J. Dietz, Public
- Beulah Handy, Public
- Wilma Saunders, Public

BEG. DATE	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DIV. CODE
1949	Miller	Floyd	Ac
1955	Stutler	Lennel	Pu
1957	Fidler	Josephine	Ac
1957	Parks	Dora	Ho
1957	Wade	Betty	Pu
1957	Winowich	Nicholas	Tr
1958	Moyers	Mildred	Ac
1958	Patterson	Charles	Fr
1960	Powell	Ruth	Ac
1960	Taylor	Nancy	Sp
1962	Elliott	Jean	Ac
1967	Moore	Merle	Tr
1968	Childers	David	Pu
1968	Gillespie	David	Ac

1968	Lorentz	Ann	Pu
1968	Maxwell	Barbara	Ac
1968	Rule	Judy	Pu
1969	Hansen	Donald	Sp
1969	Prosser	Judith	Pu
1971	Jenkins	Helen	Ac
1971	Reilly	Susan	Pu
1971	West	Virginia	Fr
1972	Slack	Kenneth	Ac
1972	Wilkerson	C.	Tr
1973	Beane	Joel	Pu
1973	Goff	Karen	Pu
1973	Neese	Guilda	Pu
1973	Tucker	Sandra	Pu
1974	Anderson	Rosetta	Pu
1974	Behr	Alice	Sp
1974	Crutchfield	Ben	Ac
1974	Doss	Anita	Pu
1974	Duncan	Judith	Pu
1974	Rogerson	Evan	Tr
1974	Stiles	Janice	Pu
1974	Williams	Pamela	Ac
1975	Christo	Steve	Pu
1975	Smith	Flo	Fr
1976	Batten	Peggy	Pu
1976	Brown	Betty	Sc
1976	Fike	Frances	Tr
1976	Forbes	Harold	Ac
1976	Hiser	Karen	Pu, Tr
1976	Reid	Clarice	Tr
1976	Stillings	Lucy	Tr
1976	Wildman	Kay	Ac
1977	Benham	Virginia	Pu
1977	Burley	Betty	Pu
1977	Calvert	Donna	Ac; Pu; Sp
1977	Cantwell	Betty	Pu
1977	Julian	Charles	Ac; Sp; Tr
1978	Dalzell	David	Tr
1978	Fesenmaier	Steve	Pu
1978	Flagg	Jo	Pu
1978	Price	Marjorie	Sp
1978	Vincent	Elmer	Tr
1978	Zirk	Marjorie	Pu
1979	Arnett	Karen	Pu
1979	Calzonetti	Jo Ann	Ac
1979	Heineman	Mary	Tr
1979	Horstemeyer	Duke	Tr
1979	Kastigar	Sharon	Pu
1979	Metheny	Howard	Tr
1979	Rauh	Edwin	Pu
1979	Stump	Fay	Sc
1979	Williams	Wayne	Tr
1980	Dietz	J.	Pu
1980	Handy	Beulah	Pu
1980	Saunders	Wilma	Pu

New members to WVLA

<u>LAST NAME</u>	<u>FIRST NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>DIV.</u>
Bean	Barbara	Bridgeport Public Library	Trustees
Benedict	Cleve	Greenbrier Co. Public Library	Trustees
Blessing	Toni	WV Supreme Court Law Library	Special
Bosley	Janet	Glennville State College	Academic
Brewer	Crystal	Wyoming Co. Library System	Public
Britton	Edna	Terra Alta Public Library	Trustees
Carroll	Sally	Ohio Co. Public Library	Trustees
Carter	Melba	Fayette Co. Public Library	Trustees
Dwire	Bonnie	Morgantown Public Library	Public
Elliott	Barbara	Greenbrier Co. Public Library	Trustees
Galenza	Louise	Gilmer Public Library	Public
Garvin	Danette	Raleigh Co. Public Library	Public
Goodwin	Susan	Bridgeport Public Library	Trustees
Herriott	Dot	Hampshire Co. Public Library	Trustees
Hess	Edgar	Bridgeport Public Library	Trustees
Jochum	Sister	Ohio Co. Public Library	Trustees
Keepers	Mary	Keyser/Mineral Co. Library	Public
Knight	Miriam	Greenbrier Co. Public Library	Trustees
Koenig	Susanne	Bolivar-Harpers Ferry Pub. Lib.	Public
Kovalan	Joanne	Bridgeport Public Library	Public
LaGodna	Barbara	Evansdale Library WVU	Academic
Leggett	Everett	Doddridge Co. Public Library	Trustees
Lively	Loretta	Fayette Co. Public Library	Trustees
Matthews	David	Fairmont State College	Academic
McComas	Susan	Wayne Co. Public Library	Public
McCormick	Robert	Greenbrier Co. Public Library	Trustees
McMillan	Mardi	Greenbrier Co. Public Library	Trustees
Millecchia	Lyndell	Morgantown Public Library	Trustees
Moreland	Steve	Hampshire Co. Public Library	Trustees
Morgan	Heather	Hanover Public Library (Wyoming Co)	Public
Morgan	Ryan	Sistersville PL?	Trustees
Musgrave	Stephen	Bridgeport Public Library	Trustees
Nesbitt	Ted	W. Liberty State College/ Elbin Library	Academic
Patterson	Randall	Fayette Co. Public Library	Trustees
Rannells	Anita	Hampshire Co. Public Library	Trustees
Riffle	Brenda	Hampshire Co. Public Library	Public
Rinaldi	R	Davidson Titles, Nichols Techn.	Friends
Ritter	Diana	Ritchie Co. Public Library	Public
Rugeley	Virginia	Kanawha Co. Public Library	Trustees
Seymour	Celene	Marshall Univ. Grad. College	Academic
Sherman	Joyce	Hardy Co. Public Library	Public
Shilling	Robert	Hampshire Co. Public Library	Trustees
Simms	Lottie	Cabell Co. Public Library	Trustees
Snyder	Sally	Roane Co. Public Library	Trustees
Stark	Felice	Fayette Co. Public Library	Trustees
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September

Library Card Sign-up Month

- 1 Deadline for annual reports from WVLA Division, Roundtable and Committee Chairs
- 6 Deadline for mailing ballots
- 15 Executive Board Meeting at Moorefield

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