OCULA President 2003 Martie Grof-lannelli. Fanshawe College



his issue of InsideOCULA is being written at one of the peak times of the academic year. Amid the hustle and bustle of providing students with exemplary services I urge you to look at OCULA's sessions for the Super Conference. Mark Robertson and Cynthia McKeich have worked hard to organize and assemble one of the strongest programs planned to meet the needs of University and College Librarians. A total of 28 sessions has been assembled, including Blaise Cronin as our keynote speaker.

We entered the current year slightly down in membership. After sending a letter to nonrenewals outlining the benefits of OCULA membership we are now 399 members strong (OLA member number, 4192). You can help in member recruitment by encouraging your colleagues who are not currently members, especially any new librarians and technicians, to join OLA.

There was no annual Spring Dinner this year as one of the original Toronto hosts could not participate. New partnerships in hosting are being explored and we are confident that the Annual Spring Dinner will resume in 2004.

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Take advantage of the benefits membership brings!

our membership in the Ontario Library Association, the oldest and largest library association in Canada, brings with it many benefits. The OLA endeavours to seek out deals where your investment in the Association results in benefits to you or your institution. The goal is to give to you a very tangible reason to be a member of OLA, in addition to all the professional benefits.

For example, as an OLA member you have access to both of these databases: Library Literature and Information Science Full Text and Library and Information Science Abstracts. This is a unique service among library associations and is offered entirely free with your OLA membership. Take advantage of this resource to enhance your research, presentations and professional decision-making. OLA's license covers all personal uses of this full text database by OLA members in good standing.

Another great benefit is that OLA members and members of other provincial library associations save 50% or more on Paper of RecordTM (PoR). PoR is a searchable 7,000,000 page collection of historical newspaper titles primarily from Canada, but with some content from the United States and other parts of the world. Coverage begins with newspapers from 1752 and extends to the present time.

With your membership you also receive OLA's Access Magazine, as well as significant discounts on Super Conference registration and Education Institute events. Members of OCULA also receive the division's newsletter, InsideOCULA, and discounts on all OCULA events.

Enhance your professional expertise and experience by getting involved with OCULA and participating in OLA events. We invite you to come out to Super Conference, consider serving on OCULA Council or OCULA committees, and to participate in OCULA initiatives and professional development activities. Contact any OCULA council member for more information. You may also access OLA's Member Benefits page and OCULA's web site by visiting the OLA site at http://www.accessola.com.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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The Education Institute (EI) of OLA has some wonderful opportunities for professional development. Please take advantage of the variety of sessions offered. OCULA has two representatives on the EI, and Council looks forward to adding sessions of specific interest to OCULA members.

OCULA is making its presence known in a variety of ways and formats. New brochures have been produced which outline who we are and the advantages of being a member. An OCULA banner will be seen at the OLA booth at Super Conference. The OCULA website will soon have the same look and feel as OLA's website. This represents a tremendous amount of work by Deborah Wills, Sophie Bury and Andrew Ryther in the OLA office.

Once again OCULA will be having an election for Councillor, proving that members are interested in participating in the governance of the division and in OLA! Our new VP/President elect, by acclamation, is Sharon Munro, who has proven to be an outstanding Council member and is greatly involved in OLA matters.

As this is my final message as President of OCULA, I wish to thank and commend the Councillors: Candice Dahl (editor InsideOCULA), Sophie Bury (Website), Eva MacDonald (Treasurer), Jeff Moon (Past President), Sharon Munro (incoming VP/President elect and Membership) and Delia Antonacci (incoming President) for their commitment, diligence and hard work. Their dedication to the division and to the OLA is inspiring and OCULA is richer for their contributions.

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Around the Province

Brock University

Special Collections and Archives at Brock University recently acquired a major donation from Canadian advertising executive Terry O'Malley. O'Malley was the creative director and president of Vickers and Benson Ltd. (now Vickers and Benson Arnold), a Canadian advertising agency that represented world famous clients. A winner of nearly two hundred national and international awards, including CLIOS and the Cannes Festival Lion, Terry O'Malley is remembered for his Show Your Cheddar More Warmth, Mellow Yellow – Just Butter It and the Red Leaf Liberal campaign that helped elect two Canadian Prime Ministers.

University of Toronto

WEB-4-ALL, developed by the Adaptive Technology Resource Centre (ATRC) at the University of Toronto Libraries, was launched in Winnipeg. Web-4-All "smart card" technology enables computers to adjust to individual user needs, such as having typefaces enlarged or text read aloud. This technology makes Community Access Program sites more accessible to those requiring non-standard computer technology.

York University

On September 24, York University Libraries celebrated the 2.5 millionth volume added to their collection since the beginning of the Libraries in 1961. The occasion was marked by a reception hosted by University Librarian Cynthia Archer and attended by Chancellor Avie Bennett, President Lorna Marsden and others. Over the 43 years of the Libraries, an average of 58,140 volumes have been added each year.

In October, York's Archives & Special Collections received an exceptional and rare collection of antiquarian books by and on philosopher John Locke. The donation, valued at over \$150,000, was made by York Professor Emeritus John Yolton, and his wife, Jean. The collection is considered to be the finest and most complete compilation of Locke monographs in the world and includes many early editions.

The Scott Library recently opened its new Reading Room on the second floor. This 12,000 sq. ft. space includes 200 seats (lounge seating and wired tables), lots of laptop drops, a wireless network, the current periodicals area, and a subtle but effective sound-masking system.



PEOPLE NEWS

Lakehead University

Trudy Mauracher is the new Collections
Development/Reference Librarian at the Chancellor Paterson
Library.

McMaster University

Sheila Pepper retires as Associate University Librarian (Services) in December 2003. **Vivian Lewis** (formerly Business Librarian) has been appointed to this position effective December 15, 2003.

Tafila Gordon-Smith, Interlending & Document Supply Librarian, is taking early retirement in December after 31 years of service. **Donna Millard** has been appointed to this position for a four month term starting in January 2004.

Nipissing University and Canadore College

The Education Centre Library, North Bay, which serves Nipissing University and Canadore College, has filled the following positions to help meet the demands of increased service for the double cohort:

Laura Sinclair is the Manager of Reference and Information Services. Laura was previously employed by the Education Centre Library as Distance Education librarian.

Donna Bourne-Tyson is the Manager of Library Technical Services. Donna's previous position was Systems Manager and Head of Reference & AV at the North Bay Public Library. Prior to that she worked in public, government and special libraries and as manager of technical support for a healthcare software company. Donna is currently serving as treasurer and past-president for OLITA.

Charlotte Innerd is the new Distance Education librarian. Charlotte is a recent graduate of FIMS at UWO. As a library student she did a four month co-op term at the University of Windsor's Leddy Library and worked part time at Huron University College Library.

Ontario College of Art and Design

The OCAD Library is pleased to announce two new employees: **Harriet Mulder** (BA, BFA, Library Techniques Diploma) joined the Library Services team in the new position of Library Technician, Circulation & Print Archives. Previously, she worked for 12 years at Centre AlphaPlus Centre.

Robert Fabbro (BA Japanese Studies, BEd, MLIS, MA Applied Linguistics, MA Art History) was hired in the new position of Librarian - Reference & Access Services. He comes to OCAD from the Pratt Institute where he worked as an Associate Professor.

Ryerson University

Ophelia Cheung and Susan Patrick, Librarians from the Borrower Services Team of Ryerson Library, presented the paper "Unmediated is the message: consortially-facilitated, user-centred approaches to enhancing interlibrary loans: one academic library's experience" at a plenary session of the 8th IFLA Interlending and Document Supply International Conference in Canberra, Australia, on October 30, 2003. The theme of the Conference was "Breaking barriers: reaching users in a digital world". It was held from October 28 to October 31, 2003 and was attended by 271 delegates and presenters from 24 countries from around the world. Ophelia and Susan's presentation covered the OCUL consortial purchase of netLibrary eBooks, Ryerson Library's CISTI Source document delivery project, and RACER, OCUL's VDX interlibrary loans system. Apart from presenting the paper, the librarians promoted RACER to other Zportal/VDX users and made initial contacts for future resource sharing. Both the paper and PowerPoint presentation are linked from the conference website at http://www.nla.gov.au/ilds/abstracts/unmediatedisthe.htm. The conference convenor also created a link from their paper to an OCUL questionnaire for Zportal/VDX users on the RACER staff support page, and responses from various institutions are being received.

Mandissa Arlain began work in November as the new AV/ILL Library Technician on the Borrower Services Team. Mandissa graduated from the Seneca College Technician program in 1999. For the past three years Mandissa has worked at Seneca and since 2001 has been at the Seneca@York Campus facilitating Interlibrary Loans, in-person and online Reference, and Web support.

Lei Jin has been appointed to the position of Serials Librarian, Collections Team. Lei has a Masters degree in Information Studies from Rutgers University as well as a Masters degree in Communication from Illinois State University. Prior to coming to work on contract at Ryerson in February 2003, Lei worked as a teaching assistant at Rutgers. During the summer of 2002, Lei worked as an research intern at Factiva, a Dow Jones and Reuters Company. Lei's appointment began on December 1, 2003.

Cecile Farnum has been appointed to the position of Librarian, Borrower Services Team. Cecile has a Masters degree in Information Studies from the University of Toronto as well as an MA in Art History from York University. Most recently, Cecile worked as a research librarian providing research support to develop the Canadian Directory of Patient Safety Definitions. She was also a Graduate Assistant Library Technician at the Gerstein Science Information Centre at the University of Toronto, where she provided reference and research assistance to students and faculty. Cecile will begin work the first working day of January 2004, January 5th.

The Borrower Services Team has hired **Krista Murray** for the new, one-year term position of Lead hand continued on page 4

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Copyright, effective January 5, 2004. Krista has a BA (History) from the University of

Toronto and has been working in the Ryerson Bookstore for the past three years as the Coordinator of Custom Publishing. This experience will be extremely valuable to the Ryerson Library as we advance our e-Reserves capacity, begin investigations of digital image collections and monitor more closely the impact of copyright legislation on the services we offer to our users.

University of Toronto

Sandra Langlands-Melvin, from the Gerstein Science Information Centre, University of Toronto Libraries, was accepted to the weeklong National Library of Medicine 2003 Fellowship Program in Medical Informatics at the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, Mass. The program is a prestigious one, which accepts 30 applicants, mostly from the US, in each of the two sessions offered annually. It ran from Sat. 28 September to Sat. 4 October. The fellowship covers travel, tuition, course materials, and room and board.

The Executive Director of the Health Science Information Consortium of Toronto, **Laurie Scott**, is the 2003/04 President of the Canadian Health Libraries Association/Association des bibliothèques de la santé du Canada (CHLA/ABSC). She assumed office during CHLA/ABSC's annual conference in Edmonton. Laurie also was elected this year to a two-year term as Director of the Biological and Life Sciences Division of the Special Libraries Association.

University of Windsor

The Leddy Library is pleased have **Jason Yu** join us as our new Data Librarian. We also have recently bid a fond farewell to our Social Sciences librarian **Karen Bonasso** (nee Baracat). Our loss has been the Windsor Public Library's gain as she has taken a position there as Supervisor of Adult Services.

Associate University Librarian at U of W and LIS doctoral student at UWO, **Cathy Maskell** was awarded a CLA Library Research and Development Grant worth \$1,000 to help support her doctoral research. In January she will be teaching Course #506: Management at UWO's FIMS.

Art Rhyno of the Leddy Library recently published a book through Libraries Unlimited called Using Open Source Systems for Digital Libraries.

In September, Leddy Library's **Tad Venkateswarlu** was awarded a Governor
General's Meritorious Service Medal for his
work with the Educational Organization for
Orphans and Handicapped Children, which he
founded to help needy children in India.

York University

Brent Roe has assumed the position of Associate University Librarian, Information Services effective September 2003. This is one of two positions that assist the University Librarian in the administration of York University Libraries. Brent moves from the Scott Library Reference Department where he contributed to reference and information literacy activities, and served as the subject librarian for history and classical studies.

Ilo-Katryn Maimets has been appointed as a Science Librarian in the Steacie Science Library effective July 2003. Ilo graduated from the University of Toronto in 2002 with a M.I.St. She also holds B.Sc., M.Sc., and B.Ed. degrees, all from York University.

Jennifer Dekker began a contractually limited appointment as a Librarian at Frost Library, Glendon College, effective August 2003.

Jennifer will also contribute directly to library activities on the Keele Campus, working on projects in the Scott Library Reference

Department, Bibliographic Services, and Archives and Special Collections. n n n

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