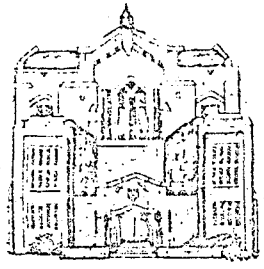

BIBLOS

SPRING IS HERE!

and like the world around us, Biblos has a new look. We have changed the format and we hope that you will find the many new features informative and amusing.

In this period of the Library's history, personal contact between the 400 staff members is almost impossible. We trust that the Biblos will help to implement the channels of communication between: the branch libraries and the Main Library, Professionals and non-professionals, administration and the staff.

This is <u>your</u> magazine, and you are welcome to express your views here, although the editorial staff will have to protect contributors from libel suits (if feelings are running that high) - freedom of expression being no license to be unnecessarily hurtful to people.

So this is your publication. Biblos - The Staff Newsletter. Let's hear from you.

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A Hearty Welcome to:

Dale Thomas	L.A. I	Circulation
Joan Swan	K.P.O. I	Systems
Holli Donnelly	L.A. I	Cat. Preparations
Helen Kellosalmi	L.A. I	Woodward
Lillian Dueckman	L.A. II	Serials
Denise McCormac	L.A. II	Serials
Sheila Kerrad	L.A. III	Cat. Preparations
Valda Olsen	L.A. I	I.L.L.
Rosemary Caskey	L.A. II	Law
Andrea Paterson	K.P.O. (L.A.II)	Systems
Mark Perret	L.A. I	Cat. Preparations
Katsuko Iida	L.A. II	Cat. Preparations

Congratulations To

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Lenka Novak	L.A. I Woodward	L.A. III Law

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Claire Dolsen	L.A. II	Serials
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Jean Irwin	L.A. I	Catal.
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Ruth Bruckshaw	L.A.II	Catal.
Jeff Barker	L.A. I	Catal.
Madelle Quring	L.A. II	Catal.
Pat Bolton	L.A. III	Systems
Esi Shafie	L.A. I[illegible]	Circ.
Carol Emmons	L.A. III	Sedge.
Bev Smigelski	L.A. II	R.R.

Allen was There

The Copyright Committee of the Canadian Library Association met in Toronto on Tuesday, March 14. The committee agreed on certain matters of principle and left details to be worked out at a later date.

The Copyright Committee opposed any restrictions on the present freedom of Canadian libraries to purchase books in the worlds markets. The committee also considered and approved of a "lending" right. Fundamental to any "public lending right" in Canada was the proviso that it benefit Canadian authors and creators, and not be used as a trick for diversion of Canadian tax dollars to foreign countries.

The committee discussed photocopying and its impact on libraries at length and concluded that any new copyright law give libraries the clear right to copy for the purpose of preserving the collection; we presently have the right to copy for purposes of research.

The status of non-print media is not yet clear. However, the committee thought that the same general principles in respect of printed materials would be our guide.

Allen H. Soroka
Assistant Law Librarian
Chairman, CLA Copyright Committee

BOUQUETS AND BRICKBATS DEPARTMENT

How about send us your oberservations on the Library scene, nothing heavy, just every day comments. Here's two to start.

A dozen theoretical roses to Claudia Kerr, Cat/Maint., Jane Ainsworth, Curric. Lab., and Nick Omelusik, Acq. who keep the L.A.A. private ordering project rolling merrily along. 'Tis a great job they are doing

Some rose coloured glasses to imprcve the sense of humour of the idiots who add their witless comments to Library signs.

Tis a great pity they have so little else to do!

Send your future Bouquets or Brickbats to David Miller, Acq.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Biblos Editor: April 5, 1972

I would like to know why the Brock Faculty and Staff parking lot at the back of the library cannot be watched by the Physical Plant Department and kept in good condition. I can understand when a few pot holes appear and remain for a short while, expecially in our inconsistant weather, but I cannot understand why, when each staff member pays a yearly parking fee of $22.00 (and I'm sure the price will go up), we have to put up with dangerously deep holes for weeks at a time.

The present conditions are not safe for drivers or vehicles and even pedestrians have to watch out for swerving cars which are trying to avoid the ruts. This is to say nothing of the tempers which are aroused upon seeing that one more day has gone by without anything being done to alleviate the conditions. Surely the administration of the library could put pressure on the Physical Plant Department (or whoever takes care of these things) to improve the parking lot conditions and keep the lot in good shape.

Thanks for whatever you can do.

Signed
A Very Disgruntled Staff Member

P.S. Please do not tell me that if I am unhappy with the situation, I should park elsewhere. First of all, other parking lots are often full, Second, I expect to be able to park conveniently in the Faculty and Staff lot I choose; and Third, parking elsewhere is not the question involved.

ED. NOTE:

If everyone would phone the Traffic Office anytime the condition of the parking lot annoys them, it would greatly help to improve the said conditions. A quick memo written in the heat of the moment and mailed to the Superintendent, Traffic & Security Department, would be even better. This does bring results. The number to phone is 4721.

ST. WIBBY REPORTS....

Tuesday, April 4th, was a record breaking day for the Circulation Division when they handled 22,411 transactions!!!

HOPE there is no connection but this month we extend our get well wishes to three members of that department who have all been in V.G.H. for surgery. Pat Gibson, Hilda Uit den Bosch & Pat O'Rourke have all been sadly missed from the Circulation Division.

THE PERIODICALS survey carried out in the Main Library from March 13th - 22nd ran smoothly although the results will not be available for several weeks. We will try to keep you posted.

VACATIONING in the sun! Walter Harrington, Reading Rooms has just returned from a leisurely trip to Hawaii and Mavis Balshaw of Cataloguing has been travelling in Peru and Mexico

CONFERENCE travellers. Maureen Wilson, Maps and Frances Woodward, Sp. Coll., attended a Tri-University Map Conference in Victoria April 2nd. Judy Combs, Spec. Coll. attended the Pacific Northwest History Conference in Walla Walla, Wash. on April 13 and 14. Bert Hamilton, Admin. will be travelling to the World Orchid Conference in Medellin, Colombia Apr. 18-27.

AT THE SAME conference, Suzanne Dodson of Gov. Pubs. will be exibiting a collection of paintings of B.C. Orchids and, as an added attraction, her illustrations of the Dogwood. Unfortunately she will not be present at the conference.

CONGRATULATIONS to Nick (Acq.) Omelusik and wife Judy on the birth of a baby girl, Kim, born Easter Sunday. What an Easter Present that was!

ALSO to Wendy Chambers formerly of S.S.D. who announces the arrival of a daughter named Morgan in February.

AND to Rosemary (formerly of Sedgewick) and John McCandless on the birth of daughter Suzanne Elizabeth who weighed in March 29th at 7lbx. 1 oz.

Three gals all in a row.

Acquisitions - Hey Martha, that's quite a pin-up above your desk. If anyone hasn't seen THE Centre Fold that's where it's at.

St. Wibby Reports cont'd...

TWO DISPLAYS of interest in Woodward Library this month HOLIDAY READING set up by Brenda Sutton in the main entrance hall features cookbooks, and books on travel, birds and animals 2nd floor display case AUSTRALIAN TRAVEL with information material collected by Helen Allen Go over one lunch hour and have a look at the displays which will be changed through the Summer months.

TWO RETIREMENT this month: Margaret Jamieson of the Bindery will be retiring at the end of April. Congratulations to Margaret on completing 15 years of service and for tolerating our Percy, Fryer, that is, for that length of time!! Margaret is planning a trip to Memphis, Tenn. to visit her son who teaches at Memphis State University, then on through the Eastern U.S. and Canada as so to retirement in sunny Richmond.

Molly Buckingham of the Law Library will also be retiring at the end of April after 8 years of faithful service as head of Law Circulation. Molly will be sadly missed by her fellow workers and by the many students and faculty to who she gave service above and beyond the call of duty. Mrs. B. as she is affectionately known was guest of honour at a dinner given for her at the home of Tom Shorthouse and to which the members of staff had donated their culinary specialities. Amongst those present were Mr. and Mrs. (Doreen) Ingram and Mr. & Mrs. (Donna) McKenzie. Doreen and Donna of course were with Mrs. Buckingham at separate periods during her career. Mollie B. was presented with a broiler oven which will no doubt be most useful in her new home at Sydney on Vancouver Island.

Aurevoir and loads of luck to both ladies in retirement, And until next month s'all for now, happy gardening....Wibby

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SPECIAL EVENTS REPORT

The First Annual Tricycle Race was held in the Faculty of Law March 17th, 1972 under the auspices of the Law Student Association Mr. Paul Ayriss, Administrator for the Faculty resplendent in bowler hat and long school scarf, and equipped with stop watch and pistol conducted a ten count'down to the official start in the Main Reading Room of the Library.

Competition was great with 15 enthusiastic starters comprised of students, faculty and staff members racing to find their tricycles in the pile, at the explosion of the starting pistol.

The riders pedalled with great vigor round the course which ran through corridors, down the ramp, round the faculty office building and back to the main steps where each vehicle, complete with rider, had to be carried up the steps by the waiting pit crews, and back through the halls to the finishing post in the Main Reading Room.

Fortunately the Red Cross Student personnel on duty where not needed and a course time of 1 minute and 45 seconds was recorded. The first track record for this event.

Mr. Grey a "dignified entry" according to the green sheet, came in first, Mr. Peter Barton, member of Faculty, "used to more agile machine" came second and Rob Fenton, "student at large" was third.

One large plastic dill pickle on wheels was presented to the winner. The trophy, suitably inscribed, is now on show in the Law Circulation department.

Consolation prizes were presented to all entrants complements of Mr. Tom Shorthouse and the Law Library Morgue.

Everyone agreed that a most entertaining time had been had by all. Female members of the Library staff pratically broke their respective necks dashing from starting post to front door, to see the competitors carried up the steps and back again to the finish line. It is to be hoped that the first "annual event" will not be the last— next year you can all come and see the great TRICYCLE RACES in the Law School.

A SURVEY OF THE READING OF THE U.B.C. LIBRARY STAFF

SURVEY GROUP

There are 397 employees on the staff of the U.B.C. Library. Of these, 274, or 69.8% responded to a questionnaire during the period March 1 - 6, 1972. Of the respondents, 217 were female and 57 were male. Over half of the respondents are between 20 and 29 years of age, and nearly a quarter are between the ages of 30 and 39.

READING FREQUENCY AND LEVEL OF EDUCATION

For the purpose of this analysis, a division was made between respondents with thirteen years or less of formal education, and fourteen years or more of formal education.

In the questionnaire, frequent reading was defined as reading almost every day. Occasional reading was defined as reading at least once a week. And infrequent reading was defined as reading le than once a week.

In the case of books, magazines and newspapers, i.e. all readin it appeared that the greater the number of years of formal education the greater the likelihood that individuals will be frequent readers This is most striking in the case of books. Conversely, the greates percentage of infrequent book readers is found in the group with fewer years of formal education.

READING FREQUENCY AND AGE

In the case of all reading, it would appear that reading activi reaches a peak between the ages of 40 and 49, and drops off there- after. For the frequent readers, the book appeared to be the most popular format, except for those over forty, who turn to newspapers in greater number. Over half of the persons under twenty years of age described themselves as occasional readers of magazines and news- papers.

As might be expected in the case of library employees, response to questions about reading frequency revealed the group to be heavy readers; the great majority read books, magazines and newspapers at least once a week. This degree of reading would probably not be fou within the general public.

Survey of the Reading of the U.B.C. Library Staff cont'd

OURCES OF READING

Not surprisingly for a group of library employees, libraries roved to be the main source of books. Of the books being read by he respondents, or which they had last read, nearly half came from ibraries. About a third were purchased, and a fifth were borrowed r came as gifts from a friend or relative. Almost equal numbers f hardbacks and paperbacks were read.

Very few hardback books were purchased, the preferred source or these being the library. Paperbacks, on the other hand, were urchased in nearly three-quarters of the cases.

ANADIAN CONTENT IN READING

Of all the books which staff members were reading or had last ead, 13.2% were by a Canadian author, or on a Canadian subject, r both.

OOK SELECTION

Of the factors influencing reading selection, serendipity roved to be the strongest; most respondents simply happened upon he book. In the case of men, references in other sources were the trongest second influence, whereas in the case of women, a re- ommendation from a friend or relative came second. Interests and obbies were factors for many readers.

NFLUENCES ON THE READING HABIT

Parents, university, friends, and school were the dominant actors in developing the reading habit, in that order. Some re- pondents were unable to attribute the development of their frequent eading habit to any external influence, and suggested that they ere self-motivated or curious.

OOK READERS AND THEIR CHILDREN

A strong and direct correlation was established between frequent ook reading on the part of parents, and their practice of making ooks available to their children. It seems clear that the reading abit is to a large extent rooted in family tradition.

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DON"T FORGET TO SEND YOUR ADS TO TANNIS

NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY ASSISTANTS ASSOCIATION

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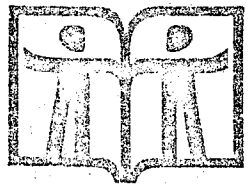

International Book Year

How can you help to celebrate this occasion? Watch for information on the UNESCO Gift Coupon Programme, which will be coming your way in the very neat future. See how "Penny Power" can help those less fortunate than ourselves.

The Choice is Yours!

Interim Report to Members of the J.C. Community

JAPANESE CANADIAN ARCHIVES PROJECT

VANCOUVER — The project has had a generous and enthusiastic reception from the Japanese Canadian communities in British Columbia and Ontario. Over one hundred individuals have contributed or loaned materials to the Library. Since the summer, we have received over forty books, ten directories and three hundred and fifty pictures, none of which are known to be available in any other archives. The Library has also received files of three newspapers and three bulletins, and is receiving four gift subscriptions to newspapers and bulletins. In the category of unique, unpublished archives, the Library has received about fifteen cartons of diaries, memoirs, correspondence and other personal documents.

Among the contributors to the project have been many well-known Japanese Canadians: Mr. & Mrs. T. Sato have donated long files of newspapers, and have offered much helpful advice and information; Mrs. Hide Shimizu has kindly consented to the copying of the diaries of her late husband, the Rev. Shimizu; many important documents and pictures have been contributed by Mr. Tokikazu Tanaka, the Rev. Yoshio Ono, and Mr. Sasaki; books of great historical interest have been provided by Mr. T. Kadoguchi, Mrs. A. Tsuji, Mr. J. Yamake, Mr. Tagashira and Mr. Miyamoto.

With the help of these supporters and many others, the basis of a Japanese Canadian Archives has been well established. Dr. M. Shimpo of the University of Waterloo, and Mr. T. Gonnami of U.B.C. Library are continuing their work of contacting members of the community and obtaining their cooperation in these developments. The University Library is seeking assistance from a Canadian foundation, in order to expedite and accelerate the growth of the archives.

B. Stuart-Stubbs
University Librarian

Oriental Times

VANCOUVER LITTLE THEATRE

...has been around for the past 51 years, beginning in 1921. We have been located in our theatre building, the YORK, since 1923. The YORK is located at the corner of Georgia and Commercial, a 20 minute drive from the University gates, and is one of the very few old live theatres left in Vancouver. The acoustics are marvelous. A wonderfully happy place to work, the YORK has been the beginning home of many professional theatre people.

Currently, VANCOUVER LITTLE THEATRE continues to produce plays of all types, usually 5-6 shows each season (Sept. - June) with workshops and one act plays being done in between the major shows to train new mwmbers. The training that one would find, when working with the theatre, would be lighting, sound, makeup, costuming, set-design, set-construction, set-painting, set-dressing or properties, acting and directing. All these disciplines are combined to give the audience a good show. To belong to V.L.T.A. does not mean that one expects or wants to go on the professional theatre.

Community theatre is an activity that is probably one of the most rewarding to be found. It combines liveliness and thoughtfulness, joy and sorrow, love and hate, individuals from all different walks of life working and laughing together. Working on a production is a tremendous experience; a family feeling is usually developed and it is not unusual to hear people speaking of shows they were in together 10 or 15 years ago. You do not have to be rich to belong. A $5.00 membership gives you four tickets to our shows, the right to work as hard as you wish and the right to call the YORK "my theatre". If you do become actively involved it will cost you time, but timespent in some of the happiest days of your life. Having been with V.L.T.A. twelve years, loving and hating it, I know!

Our (V.L.T.A.) productions are, on the whole, good ones. They are reviewed by the two or three critics in Vancouver, and receive mostly good reviews. The audiences always seem to enjoy the shows and I would say that there are only about three shows in the past 5-6 years that I have been unhappy about.

Interested? If you would like to sit in on a rehearsal, phone me and I will give you our working dates.

Sheila Neville (4608)

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