

**ACQUISITIONS SECTION,
A.C.T. GROUP**

**Seminar on Automated Management
of Serials**

The LAA Acquisitions Section, ACT Group (who are the National Committee of the Acquisitions Section for 1985-1986) are holding a full day seminar in Canberra on Tuesday 21st May, on the automated management of serials. The venue is University House Common Room, and the cost will be \$35.00 for members and \$50.00 for non-members, including morning/afternoon tea, and a sandwich lunch.

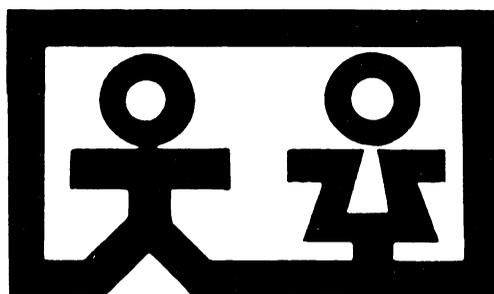
The chairman will be Richard Anderson. Topics covered will include the following:

- A panel discussion on what the serial supplier can offer the automated library. Speakers are: Valeria Hemmingway; Bennett Ebsco; Alfred Gans, International Subscription Agency; and a representative from D.A. Book Depot.
- Frank Austin, Urica Software Manager will deliver a paper entitled 'Blue Hills Revisited; Development of On-line Serials Control Systems — Desirable Features and Design Problems.' This paper was delivered at the 'Serials After 1984' pre-conference seminar in Brisbane, and generated considerable interest.
- Diana Killen from ICI will speak on the Dobis Libis system, a bureau system as the alternative.
- A representative from the State Library of Queensland, who are operating the Oracle System, will speak about installing and operating an automated serials system from the library's point of view.
- Andrew Clark, Cataloguing Librarian at the CCAE, will discuss the impact of current cataloguing of serials on an automated system.

The seminar will also be a useful precursor to that to be offered by Kuring-gai CAE in Canberra and Adelaide later this year.

Seminar co-ordinators are Maxine Stathis (062) 66 2350 (bh), and Janet Perfrement (062) 68 8713 (bh). Cheques should be made out to LAA Acquisitions Section and sent to PO Box E204, Queen Victoria Terrace, Canberra ACT 2600.

Inserts can go out with each issue of *InCite*, but book early! For more information phone Jenny Menzies on (02) 692 9233.



Changes at DA Book

John, Keith and Peter Krins have all retired from DA Book (Aust) Pty Ltd and the company has announced a new board of directors.

David Ratcliffe is Chairman; he has had extensive experience in computer consulting and business management.

The position of Director, Administration, will be filled by Adrian Kooymans, who has been with DA Books for eight years as accountant, a job he will continue to do.

Also with a background in computing consulting is John Dwight who will be Finance Director.

The Managing Director will be Nick Krins who has been with DA for ten years.

All staff will retain their present positions.

**The Future Now: Changing
Information Services**

There's still time to book to attend the 1st Asian-Pacific Special and Law Librarians' Conference. To be held in Melbourne from 1-6 September 1985, it will cover a wide range of topics of interest to both law and special librarians as well as to members of the legal and information technology professions.

Among the major overseas speakers are Professor Robert C. Berring, who will be speaking on changing information sources, and Dr Dennis Lewis who will look at professional development.

More information is available from the Conference Secretariat, PO Box 29, Parkville, Vic. 3052, (03) 387 9955.

Literacy list

The ACAL range of publications on literacy are now distributed by Melting Pot Press. They also handle the distribution of *Literacy Link*.

Details of these and other publications on literacy are available from Melting Pot Press, 732 Harris Street, Ultimo, NSW 2007. (02) 211 1660.

News from DIALOG

Insearch Ltd has announced the appointment of Robin Kench and Rita Marshall as DIALOG training specialists.

Robin has a BA (Hons.) degree, with a major in geography, from the University of Sydney, and a diploma in librarianship from the University of New South Wales. She has worked for the last 15 years as a research assistant in the School of Librarianship at the University of New South Wales, where her projects have included studies of the diffusion of university research to industry, and the use of new information technology by Australian manufacturers.

Rita has a BSc, with a major in chemistry, from the University of Sydney, and a graduate diploma in library science from Kuring-Gai College of Advanced Education. She has worked as an analytical chemist with the Australian Government Analytical Laboratory, and most recently, as an information scientist with Cooper's Animal Health Australia Ltd.

New DIALOG System Seminar

DIALOG's introductory training course, the System Seminar, has been revised to incorporate the new DIALOG Version 2 system features. The Seminar is one day in length and costs A\$160.

DIALOG Update

The first DIALOG users' conference (DIALOG Update) held in the southern hemisphere will be on Saturday January 18, 1986, just before Information Online 86 (January 20-22). Update provides an opportunity for DIALOG users to learn about the very latest DIALOG system features and databases from DIALOG staff and database producers, Dr Roger K. Summit, DIALOG's President, will be present.

The venue for Update is Sydney's Manly Pacific International Hotel. Enquiries to (02) 212 2867.

INCITE DEADLINE DATES

To ensure the inclusion of *new* listings for Happenings, the information must reach LAA House by the deadline date. If you do not have a complete listing of deadline dates and advertising information please ring (02) 692 9233 so that a leaflet may be sent out to you.

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