



Conferences coming up

Information, communications and technology transfer is the theme selected for the 43rd Conference and Congress of the International Federation for Documentation (FID).

To be held for the first time in Canada, the Congress has been placed under the responsibility of FID's national member in Canada, the Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI) of the National Research Council of Canada (NRCC).

The conference will be from 14-18 September 1986. More information is available from:
Local Organizing Committee
43rd FID Conference and Congress
C.P. 1144
Succursale Place Desjardins
Montréal, Québec
Canada
H5B 1B3

Dr Brian Lewis from Aslib and Professor Robert C. Bering, Professor of Law and Law Librarian at the University of California will be among the speakers at the 1st Asian-Pacific Special and Law Librarians' Conference to be held in Melbourne from 1-6 September 1985.

Planning for the Conference, which is to be held at the Hilton, is now well advanced, and a large trade exhibition is being organised.

The VALA 3rd National Conference on Library Automation will be held in Melbourne from 25-27 November 1985. A call for papers and participation appeared in *InCite* of 8 March 1985. Keep watching Happenings.

The Third International Conference on Geoscience Information is to be held from 1-6 June 1986. Papers have been called for and resumé's are required by 1 May 1985. Information from Secretary, Organising Committee 31CGI, Australian Mineral Foundation, PB97, Glenside. SA 5065.

WAIT student prize

Hilda Munyua, a former student of the Department of Library and Information Studies at the Western Australian Institute of Technology, has won a contest for the best student essay on AGRIS. Hilda completed the Graduate Diploma in Library Studies in 1983 and stayed for a period of additional study at WAIT during which time the essay was written. She has now returned to Kenya where she is at the Ministry of Agriculture's Kenyan Agricultural Documentation Centre. Her prize is \$500 and a trip to FAO headquarters in Rome.

Second Library History Forum

Following the success of the first Forum on Australian Colonial Library History held at Monash University in June 1984, the Centre for Library and Information Studies at Canberra CAE is organising a second forum concentrating on the twentieth century, on 19 and 20 July 1985.

To receive a provisional program and application form please contact Dr Maxine Rochester, Centre for Library and Information Studies, Canberra CAE, P.O. Box 1, Belconnen, ACT 2616.

In brief

The SA State Library has an exhibition organised by the Wilderness Society until April 4. 'Arid Wilderness in South Australia' is the title of the exhibition, which includes plant and animal specimens, Aboriginal artefacts, extracts from the journal of explorer Ernest Giles and a number of rare books portraying South Australia's birds and mammals.

In 1983 AACOBs adopted a definition of official publications. Copies of this are now available on request from the Secretary, AACOBs, at National Library, Canberra ACT 2600.

The First Fifty Years, the story of the Rachel Forster Hospital by Lysbeth Cohen is now available again. Enquiries should be directed to the Rachel Forster Hospital, 150 Pitt Street, Redfern NSW 2016. (02) 699 3222.

The Thomas H. Woodrow Memorial Trust Award for 1984 will be presented at Camberwell — Waverley Regional Library's Balwyn Branch on March 27. The award is for an outstanding student of librarianship and the guest speaker will be Hon. Sir Rupert James Hamer.

Archivists' Conference

The Australian Society of Archivists will be holding their 5th Biennial General Meeting and Conference in Canberra from 5-8 July 1985.

Early registration is recommended as size restrictions in the venue mean that only 200 people can be accommodated. Enquiries should be directed to Timothy Godfrey at ANU Archives of Business and Labour on (062) 49 4077.

Futures report published

The Library Association advises that the report of the Futures Working Party has now been published.

Ross Shimmon, Divisional Secretary for Manpower and Education of the LA, has asked us to mention that they are interested in receiving comments, the closing date for which is 30 April 1985.

Enquiries should be directed to the Library Association, 7 Ridgmount Street, London WC1E 7AE.

Information available

Dr N.F. Dufty's Background Information Paper on Library Board (WA) funding is now available.

It costs \$5 per copy and should be ordered from Mr T. Knapp, Publications and Promotions, Library Board of Western Australia, 102 Beaufort Street, Perth WA 6000.

Telecommunications guidelines

EUSIDIC — the European Association of Information Services — has released a collection of 10 'Guidelines' to its members on what can be regarded as fair and reasonable in so far as telecommunications for publicly-available information services are concerned.

For more information about EUSIDIC and their guidelines contact Helen Henderson, EUSIDIC, PO Box 429, London W4 1UJ, England.

Children and reading

The Children's Book Council is conducting a series of talks under the umbrella title of 'You and Your Children's Reading'. Starting on March 13, they will run for five weeks, on each Wednesday, at 7.30 pm at Willoughby Central Library. Details of speakers should be available in the next issue of *InCite*.

In the meantime for more information contact Nancy Shearer at Shearer's Bookshop (02) 498 2406.

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