

IN THE NEWS

Library technician prize

At the recent WACAE graduation ceremony in the Perth Concert Hall, Sally Kenton was awarded the Raeco Library Media Prize for overall performance in the Associate Diploma in Library Media. Sally, who is working as a library technician at St Stephen's School, Dunraig, a Perth independent school, completed the course as a part-time student.

The prize was sponsored this year for the first time by Raeco/Wooldridge Dominie; a well-known Perth firm. The prize takes the form of a one year library technician membership of the LAA. Raeco see this as a way of encouraging recent course graduates to continue their professional development after they start work, and to become involved in library and information activities.

Dr L. Anne Clyde

Waste not

The Graduate School of Environmental Science at Monash University has recently republished *Opportunities for Recycling*, originally published by the Community Research Action Centre at the University.

Copies are available at \$5.00 plus postage and packaging, from the Librarian, Monash University, Clayton, Victoria, 3168. Enquiries to Ian Thomas, (03) 565 4621.

Multiculturalism and libraries

Multicultural Communities: Guidelines for Library Service will provide a landmark in the international work being carried out by the IFLA Section of the Library Service to Multicultural Populations.

The *Guidelines* attempt to define what is required of librarians providing library services and materials in societies of mixed ethnic, linguistic and cultural makeup. It is hoped the *Guidelines* will be of use to those beginning to respond to today's changing populations and that they will provide standards for improvement in the quality of service already established.

The *Guidelines* were compiled by Australian librarians Derek Whitehead and Anne Holmes, in consultation with members of the IFLA Section of Library Services to Multicultural Populations. They have been developed from Standards published in 1982 by the Working Group on Multicultural Library Services of Victoria, and since adopted by other Australian states.

Copies of *Multicultural Communities: Guidelines for Library Service* are available at £1-50 plus postage from Michael Foster, Commonwealth Institute, Kensington, High Street, London W836N0. Enquiries: 01-603 4535 X233.

Distributing CD-ROMs

C.D. ROM and Associates has been recently established in Melbourne to market CD-ROM related products and services throughout Australia. All stages in the distribution chain, from sourcing CD-ROM products to complete CD-ROM workstation installation will be offered by the company.

C.D. ROM's Managing Director (and Library Services Manager of D.A. Book (Aust) Pty Ltd), Richard Siegersma, believes that new infrastructures need to be established to provide expertise that will allow a successful integration of this new technology into the information community. 'We have combined the necessary experience enabling us to offer the services libraries require. My fellow Directors, Nick Krins, John Dwight and David Ratcliff (Directors of D.A. Book), provide the necessary skills through extensive experience in the library and information industry.'

Congratulations Val!

Val Watson, NSW President of the LAA Children's Libraries Section, was the NSW recipient of the 1987 CBC Lady Cutler Award recently.

The award was presented to Val, Deputy Librarian of Bankstown City Library, Sydney, for her long standing contribution to children's literature in NSW. It was the first time the award has been given to a local government librarian.

At the official opening of Children's Book Week in NSW, Val received the prestigious award amongst 250 children, guest authors and illustrators.

Val has been involved with children and libraries since 1954, and is a foundation member of the Association of Local Government Librarians and LAA's School Libraries Section. She is also editor of *Orana*, one of the oldest journals mainly devoted to children's literature.

So congratulations go to Val on receiving this award which reflects her valuable contribution to the world of children's literature.

Who's where

Jennifer Casey has been appointed as a Library Consultant at Computer Library Services International (Australia) Pty Ltd.

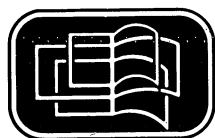
Ms Casey joins CLSI with extensive library and administration experience which she gained in both France and Australia.

For over 12 months, Ms Casey worked for the Australian Embassy in Paris, and on her return to Australia was employed in the Central Library at RMIT.

• Dr Brian Cook has been appointed Assistant Director (Services) at the Brisbane College of Advanced Education. Brian, LAA Queensland Branch President in 1985/86, was formerly Head of the Resource Centre at BCAE. His new role will encompass oversight of the College's Computing Services, Publicity, Publications and Printing Services, Extension Services (Continuing Education, External Studies and Overseas Students) as well as the Resource Centre (Library and Audiovisual Services). Gaynor Austen has been appointed as Acting Head of the Resource Centre for the remainder of 1987.

Electronic Ordering Now Available

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