

Feed-back

Special Libraries Section — NSW Group

The Maria Geminis Award

Maria Geminis encouraged librarians, particularly special librarians, to be active LAA members and to be involved in the professional issues of the times. The Maria Geminis Award for Outstanding Contributions to Special Librarianship has been established to encourage the members of the Special Libraries Section NSW Group to contribute to Section activities and to continue the work which Maria so actively carried out.

Nominations are now being called and perhaps you know of a special librarian who has made a significant contribution in the areas outlined in the award criteria in the Call for Nominations notice included in this issue of *InCite*.

Library and Information Services for People with Disabilities SIG

Guide to Resources

In 1989, the National Committee of the LISPD SIG will be based in Victoria, and all stocks of the *Guide to Resources* will be held at ALIA head office, Sydney. When placing orders, please add \$1 for postage and packing. The 1989 addendum, which is in preparation, will be included in all issues sold from now on, and will be sent free of charge to all who purchased the original *Guide*. Please direct comments or suggestions to either the National convener, Jan Murray (03) 341 8219 or the Sydney convener, Alla Kamaralli (02) 893 1000. The committee still has places for two more members, and would like to hear from any inter-State LISPD members willing to act as a contact person. Those interested should contact Jan Murray.

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For those who missed out on seeing DOBIS/LIBIS demonstrated last year or for anyone who is interested in finding out more about this integrated library automation system, the Special Libraries Section, NSW Group is holding an evening meeting at the AMP Society on

10 May 1989. The starting time will be 5.30 for 6 pm and those wishing to attend should notify us as soon as possible, as the numbers may have to be limited.

The demonstration will include background information on the package, how it has been adapted for use by the AMP Corporate Library, and how each module works to provide an integrated system. The contact is Terri-Anne Blackall, phone (02) 257 7118.

Who's Where

Mrs Denise Dryburgh MA, has been appointed Principal Librarian in charge of the Central Reference Services in the University of Queensland Library (UQL). Mrs Dryburgh has had very substantial experience in various capacities at the University Library, and has been instrumental in introducing new technologies in the Reference Services area.

Dr Elizabeth Arden has been appointed Principal Librarian, Physical Sciences and Engineering, UQL. Dr Arden, whose doctorate is in high energy physics from the University of Bristol, has extensive library experience, including

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special responsibilities for developing on line services for the science and engineering areas at UQL.

In Victoria, the Director of the Ministry for the Arts, Paul Clarkson, has announced the appointment of Mr Ross Gibbs as Assistant Director, Victorian



Library Services. Ross Gibbs has an extensive background in library services with the State Library of Victoria and the Library Council of Victoria and has served on a number of key policy making and professional library organizations. He will be responsible for the implementation of the new policy of funding for public libraries.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

MARIA GEMENIS AWARD

for outstanding contribution to special librarianship

Nominations are called for the Maria Geminis Award.

The award criteria are as follows:

The award will be made to a person who has made a significant contribution in the following areas —

- Willingness to share professional expertise.
- Breaking down the barriers of librarians in isolation.
- Successful promotion of the library/information service, achieving outstanding recognition from their parent organisation.

Rules of nomination:

1. Only members of the Library and Information Association of Australia, Special Libraries Section, NSW Group may be nominated.
2. No current member of the Special Libraries Section NSW Group Committee may be nominated.
3. Each nominee must have a proposer and a seconder, with the consent of the nominee.
4. The proposer and the seconder must submit a brief résumé, in writing, about the nominee and send it to the Maria Geminis Award at the address which has been nominated in the Call for Nominations.
5. The decision of the Committee will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
6. The presentation of the award will be reported in the September issue of *Australian Special Libraries News* (or nearest date after presentation) and will include a photograph and the résumé of the recipient.

Nominations close 30 May 19:00

Nomination forms are available from:

The Secretary, Special Libraries Section NSW Group,
Attention: Angela Dunstan, GIO Library, GPO Box 3999, Sydney,
 NSW 2001 (02) 228 1066.