

# Melbourne librarians win research prize

## The Anita Morawetz Research Prize

Proving that librarians make significant contributions in other fields, Mari Davis and Lorraine Lipson were awarded the 1995 *Anita Morawetz Research Prize* by the Victorian Association of Family Therapists for their bibliometric research in the field of family therapy.

They subsequently presented a paper entitled *An overview of the structure and content of family therapy in Australasia: a bibliometric analysis of the first decade of the Australian and New Zealand journal of*

*family therapy* at the fifth biennial conference of the International Society for Scientometrics and Informetrics in Chicago this year. An article based on this research will be published in a forthcoming issue of the *Australian and New Zealand journal of family therapy*.

Mari Davis works at the Australian Institute of Family Studies and is completing a PhD on interdisciplinarity and information use. Lorraine Lipson is the librarian at the Victorian College of Optometry and is also a trained social worker. ■

## The year ahead (part II)

In December we ran a profile on anticipated activities and previous successes by the various sections and special interest groups of ALIA. Here is an entry that didn't quite make it into the January edition...

The Acquisitions Section throughout 1995 has continued to contribute to the professional development of library staff in the serials and acquisitions areas by providing a variety of events, including tours, talks, a demonstration and a seminar for the profession.

Our first event was *Children's books trash or treasure* held in March which provided an opportunity for Juliana Bayfield, the Manager of the Children's Literature Research Collection at the State Library, to share her wealth of knowledge and experience in all aspects of maintaining an internationally

recognised children's literature collection.

The tour of the paper restoration area of Artlab in June was well attended and provided a very valuable insight into the problems associated with the preservation of paper and, therefore, books.

The Acquisitions and Cataloguing Sections jointly supported a session by Professor Hirshon, called *Re-engineering technical services*, which was part of the National RAISS conference in August 1995.

The highlight of the year was the *E-Journals seminar* held on 13 October at the

Orphanage Teachers Centre attended by over 60 people. The conference covered all aspects of E-Journals including subscriptions, access, production, content and cataloguing. Due to the generosity of Swets and Blackwells, which funded two of the interstate speakers we were able to keep costs to a minimum and the registration fees down.

After a very full 1995, the Acquisitions Section is looking forward to a very busy 1996 with many interesting events already planned.

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569 7155, (h) 02 747 1346, fax (02) 564 1083, or your States Schools Section committee. Contact by 10/2.

• **14/2 NSW Specials Committee meeting.** Contact Moya Lum, phone (02) 257 5481, fax (02) 257 7756.

• **15-29/2 Insearch/Knight-Ridder Information Seminars** Introductory DIALOG (15/2), Introductory DIALOG (20/2), DataStar (27/2 am) Biomedical (29/2). Sydney. Contact (02) 212 2867.

• **17/2 NSW Branch Council meeting**, including reports from regional representatives. Jean Garling Room, Mitchell Wing, SLNSW, 10am - 4pm. RSVP to Jo-anne Fuller or Nichole Hmelnitsky on (02) 9906 6000 for catering purposes. Observers welcome.

• **19/2 NSW Specials networking dinner** at Bali Bagoes, 6pm. Prepayment essential, ALIA Specials \$22, ALIA \$24, others \$26 by 12/2. Make cheque payable to ALIA NSW Specials Section and send to M Shepherd, Strategic Information Coordinator, Lend Lease Design Group, PO Box H186, Australia Square, Sydney NSW 2000. Phone (02) 237 5584, fax (02) 236 6499.

• **23/2 NSW Specials Visit** to the Rabbi Falk Library, the Great Synagogue, 166 Castlereagh Street, Sydney. Meet at 12.30pm. RSVP Moya Lum, phone (02) 257 5481, fax (02) 257 7756.

• **24/2 School Libraries Section (NSW) Surfing the Internet.** Comprehensive course covers all key aspect of the Internet and is tailored for teacher-librarians. Contact Heather Gorrell (02) 9939 1885, Di Simpson (02) 922 3547, or Lee Fitzgerald (02) 808 9501.

• **27/2 NSW Special Library Section.** WORLD 1 demonstration. Free 5.30 for 6pm. KPMG Auditorium, Level 27, 45 Clarence Street, Sydney Refreshments provided. RSVP to Therese Bendeich (02) 228 3178, fax (02) 228 3289, e-mail thereseb@lanet.slnsw.gov.au.

• **1/3 NSW Public Libraries Section.** *Being competitive — an introduction to the competitive environment.* Presented by Chris Aulich, Uni of Canberra. 9.30am-1pm. Practitioners 2-4.30pm. Randwick City Library. \$45 members, \$55 non-members. Contact Diana Oliver (02) 710 0353, fax (02) 710 0597.

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