FROM THE PRESIDENT:

This column contains two messages. Speaking personally, I want to say that I look forward to serving as president of the Section. The CUS is an active section of NJLA and I look forward to working with the Executive Board and Committee chairs. Our meetings to date have been very lively and productive. I also look forward to interacting with my colleagues throughout the state and I encourage you to let me know if there is an issue you think the Section should address.

Speaking on behalf of the Section, I encourage you to become an active member of ACRL NJ. This summer, Joan Getaz, ACRL NJ past president, and I prepare the annual report of last year's activities which ACRL chapters file with the national organization. In preparing the report, one thing was very clear: ACRL NJ accomplished as much as it did last year because they had very active members.

I once heard an aphorism that a volunteer organization is only as strong as its members are active. I encourage you to get involved. I think you will find the experience personally and professionally rewarding. Refer to committee information later in this newsletter.

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FOCUS ON PEOPLE

BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

N.J. Wolfe was appointed Director of the Sidney Silverman Library, effective July 6, 1998. Mr. Wolfe received his MS from Drexel University and a BS in Education from Kutztown University. Previously, he was the Associate Director at the Ehman Medical Library at NYU Medical Center. Mr. Wolf most recently co-authored a chapter in Information Access and Delivery in Health Science Libraries, entitled “FEE-BASED SERVICES” published by Scarecrow Press.

Trilby Taylor Kinzey, Reference librarian, has taken a sabbatical for the Fall semester.

Caldwell College

Brian Dubrule has joined the reference staff as a part-time librarian.

COLLEGE OF SAINT ELIZABETH

Amira Unver has joined the staff of the Mahoney Library as Library as the Head of User Services.

Susan Kadezabek has joined the staff of the Mahoney Library as an Evening/Weekend Reference Librarian.
GEORGIAN COURT COLLEGE  
**Pamela Dong** joined the staff of the Georgian Court College Library on July 1, 1998 in the position of Information Technology Librarian. **Dong** has her MS degree in Library Science from Long Island University and formerly worked in the library at Ramapo College.

KEAN UNIVERSITY  
**Hongyi Sun** has joined the Kean University Library as a Technical Services Librarian.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE  
**Andre Gittens** was promoted to Assistant Professor, with tenure. Mr. Gittens serves as Reference Librarian with collection development responsibility for the Division of Social Sciences and Humanities.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY  
**Susan Kuykendall**, Associate Librarian, has been serving as Interim Dean of the Library since the resignation of Dr. Richard Cochran, who accepted a position at Ferris State University in Michigaan.

**Mei-Lih Chen** has joined the Professional library staff in the position of Acquisitions/Reference Librarian.

**Dr. Mary Mallery**, Systems Librarian, has been appointed to the position Acting Associate Dean / Systems Librarian. This Spring she was elected to the position of Vice President/President Elect of the CUS. Dr. Mallery is constructing a Web site devoted to personal artwork of Lewis Mumford under a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities. Visit the site at: www.monmouth.edu/irs/library/mumford.html.

**Joann D'Esposito**, Reference/Special Collections, has been elected president of DANJ. She has prepared a starting kit for new librarians in federal depository libraries.

MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY CON'T  
**Aurora Ioanid**, Head of Bibliographic Control, was appointed Chair of the NJLA/ACRL Nominating Committee.

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY  
**Mei Ling Joyce Chow** has been appointed as Cataloger, Librarian III/Instructor at Harry A. Sprague Library, Montclair State University. She graduated from Rutgers University in May 1998.

COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS  
The Learning Resource Center at County College of Morris is pleased to announce that **Heather Craven** joined the staff as Reference Librarian during this past summer. Heather previously worked as a Reference Librarian at DeVry Institute in North Brunswick. Her MLS is from Rutgers.

OCEAN COUNTY COLLEGE  
**Torris Andersen** joined the staff as a Reference Librarian. Andersen has a J.D. degree from Rutgers School of Law and a MLS also from Rutgers. His reference experience includes work at Rutgers University Library, Atlantic County Library and Richard Stockton College University Library.

RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
**Debbie Dulepski** has been hired as the new Head of the Serials/Circulation Department. **Birte Nebeker** has assumed the duties of Electronic Services Librarian. **Bob Egan** has been appointed Library Chair.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES  
**Samuel J. McDonald** has been appointed as the new Webmaster for the Rutgers University Libraries. As Webmaster, **McDonald** will be responsible for coordination of all aspects of the libraries presentation on the Internet.
RUTGERS UNIVERSITY CON’T

McDonald earned a BA degree with a double major in English and Speech Communications, from the University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, and an MIS degree from Indiana University School of Library and Information Science.

Julia DiMelo has been appointed as the new Director of Development for the Rutgers University Libraries. DiMelo will direct RUL’s efforts to secure major donors.

UNION COUNTY COLLEGE

Andrea MacRitchie was appointed Assistant Director. Previously, she was the Head of User Services at the College of St. Elizabeth in Convent Station where she was also an adjunct professor in Art History.

Margaret Deng is now Branch Librarian at UCC’s Elizabeth Campus. In her previous position she was a Senior Reference Librarian at Paterson Public Library.

Kym Kirkley, Branch Librarian at UCC’s Plainfield Campus is serving on the NJLA/ACRL Nominations Committee.

Pamela V. Holmes, Head of Technical Services Department had an article published in the ALA/NMRT newsletter entitled, “WHAT EVERY GOOD NOVICE LIBRARIAN SHOULD KNOW...............”

UCC Libraries have three new part-time Reference Librarians. Caroline Geck, also works at Elizabeth Public Library full-time and part-time at East Brunswick Public Library. Geck, has an MBA from Rutgers in addition to her Rutgers MLS. Lisa Bruckman previously worked in the Reference Department at the County College of Morris and was a Business Librarian at Dean Witter. John Burchard is also working at New York Public Library in the Music Department. Burchard is in the process of completing his PhD in Music at Rutgers University.

NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Derry C. Juneja has been appointed Assistant University Librarian. Mrs. Juneja was formerly Assistant Director, Support Services, Las Vegas-Clark County Library District, Las Vegas, NV.

Ray Schwartz has joined the library staff in the newly created position of Interlibrary Loan/Serials/Database Librarian. Previously, Ray was the Multimedia/Reference Librarian at Rutger’s Dana Library, Newark, New Jersey.

Michael Bynes has been appointed Technical Reference Librarian. Previously, Mike was Head Reference Librarian at Mohave Community College, Bullhead City, AZ.

AROUND THE STATE

ATLANTIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Atlantic Community College recently signed a joint venture agreement with Cape May County to establish a new community college which will serve the two counties of Atlantic and Cape May. Legislation has to be passed at the state level to provide a new funding formula which will support the new college (legislation is currently working its way through both the Assembly and the Senate). Though the new college has yet to get an official name, plans are underway to develop a library facility at the Cape May campus.

BERGEN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Sidney Silverman library received a Perkins Grant for 16 Dell Pentium computers to expand the electronic information resource access workstation to students. These workstations will also have Microsoft Office 97.
CAMDEN COUNTY COLLEGE

A new cooperative venture began among Camden County College, Rowan University and Rutgers University in the City of Camden. In late spring the three institutions agreed to provide a full range of library services to students and faculty associated with their respective Camden campuses through the Robeson Library of Rutgers in Camden. To that end, a liaison librarian, Vibiana Kassabian, was added to Rutgers reference staff to provide general reference service, and to do outreach to these new constituencies.

The branch library that Rowan University which operated for Camden County College was dismantled, Rowan library staff were re-assigned to the main campus and the space turned into tutoring and computer labs. Thanks to the goodwill and hard work of all parties, the new arrangement is off to a good start!

MIDDLESEX COUNTY COLLEGE

The College dedicated its new Instructional Resource Center, which includes a 15,500 sq. ft. expansion for the College Library. Library study space was doubled; shelving for 18,000 volumes was added. The library expansion includes a second Library Instruction Lab, an Open Computer Lab, a Multi-media Language Lab, a Legal Studies Reading Room, and an ITV classroom.

NEW JERSEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

The Robert W. Van Houten Library received a NJ State Library grant of $29,348 in Federal funds to purchase DRA software to implement the web based catalog access as well as Z39.50 access (NISO Standard for electronic information retrieval).

This will mean that the user with a web browser on their PC, can search the catalog (NJNEER), and using the same browser can search other library catalogs that are Z39.50 compatible. It will also allow users to connect from a citation directly to some electronic resources, including multimedia files. Users will be able to search other libraries using the same familiar interface and commands.

WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY

Amy Job is working as a liaison from NJLA for on National History Day, a program/contest for junior high and high school students, that is co-sponsored by NJLA, among other institutions. The theme for the 1999 contest is Science, Technology, Invention in History: Impact, Influence, and Change. Job will actively participate in helping students prepare for the contest which involves not only papers but also exhibits, performances, and documentaries. Please contact her for information on this event.

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Call for nominations

From the Nominations Committee

This is a call for nominations and recommendations for officers and members of the Executive Board of the New Jersey ACRL for 1999/2000. Officers of the Board include:

President Elect
Secretary
One member-at-Large

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Honor Thy Colleague

Do you know a librarian who has been a role model for you? Is there someone in your library who consistently mentors other librarians? A systems librarian who always manages to keep users needs uppermost? Someone who seems to make your job really worth doing? You have an opportunity to thank that person!

Every year, the College and University Section recognizes a librarian in the state with the section’s Distinguished Service Award, which is given in acknowledgment of “outstanding achievement in the library profession and enrichment of higher education in New Jersey through significant service.”

New Jersey is fortunate to have so many talented and service-oriented librarians that enrich higher education in the state in so many ways that make us all proud to be librarians. Let’s recognize these colleagues and thank them for their contributions to the library profession and to higher education. Submit nomination for the 1999 Distinguished Service Award.

Send a letter of nomination, including a brief description of the librarian’s contributions, by Friday, January 8, 1999 to:

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The Research Committee of the College and University Section, New Jersey Library Association, seeks nominations and applications for its annual Research Award to honor the best published research completed by a New Jersey librarian. All types of research published in 1998 will be considered. Doctoral dissertations and Master’s theses are not eligible for the award, but publications based on them will be considered. The Research Award will be presented at the NJLA spring conference (Long Branch, NJ Apr. 28-30, 1999).

Individuals may nominate themselves or a colleague. Send letters of nomination and copies of publications by February 15, 1999 to:

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The Research Committee of the College and University Section, New Jersey Library Association, seeks presenters for the Research Forum to be held at The NJLA spring conference (April 28-30, 1999). New Jersey librarians who are involved in, or have participated in, any type of research project are invited to give a brief (5-10 minutes) summary of their project during the Forum. To be eligible, request a submission form or send name, address, and brief summary of project to:

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**HELP WANTED!**

**A few Good Active Members Needed for Committee PARTICIPATION**

In order for the chapter to continue to provide programs for academic librarians in New Jersey and the tri-state area, we need your support and involvement. Louis Rodriguez NJLA/ACRL-NJ Chapter President and our current active members encourages you to join any of NJLA/ACRL-NJ committees listed below:

**Newsletter Committee:** publishes the biannual newsletter which is distributed to ACRL-NJ and NJLA-CUS members.

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**Technology Committee:** Sponsors programs and other activities for meeting the technological challenges facing libraries and librarians.

**1997/98 highlights**

This committee sponsored the following programs:

* Internet 2 and the National Information Infrastructure initiative workshop.
* A day-long program on policy issues in webmastering.
* A tour of the Scholarly Communication Center at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey.
* A tour of the Center for Electronic Texts in the Humanities at Rutgers.

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**Research Committee:** Promotes research among academic librarians by sponsoring the annual research forum at the NJLA Spring Conference and other activities that encourage sharing information about research projects.

**1997/98 Highlights**

* This committee sponsored an annual research forum at the NJLA Annual meeting.
* Also sponsored a program entitled, "Are Two Heads Better Than One?, a program on the pros and cons of collaboration research.

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User Education Committee: Presents formal and informal programs and workshops of interest to Academic instruction librarians.

1997/98 Highlights
* This committee sponsored a day-long program, at the college of NJ, titled, “Using Chalk, Sparks and Bytes: Teaching Strategies for Bibliographic Instruction”.
* The committee sponsored a program at the NJLA Annual conference on Multimedia in Bibliographic Instruction.

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Please volunteer to serve on a committee!
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