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SALLY McCALLUM TO RECEIVE DEWEY MEDAL

Sally H. McCallum, chief of the Network Development and MARC Standards Office (NDMSO), is the 2004 recipient of the Melvil Dewey Medal and Citation for recent creative professional achievement of a high order. She is recognized for a career devoted "to the continual development of library standards that have resulted in significant, ongoing improvements to global bibliographic control and access to information. She has also been an effective leader within the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) community, playing a major role in the recent changes that are making the federation a more open and inclusive organization," said the chair of the Melvil Dewey Award Jury, former Library of Congress Associate Librarian for Library Services Winston Tabb, who is now dean of the University Libraries and director of the Sheridan Libraries at Johns Hopkins University.

McCallum began her library career at LC's Network Development Office in August 1976, after earning a bachelor's degree from Rice University and a master's degree in library science from the University of Chicago. From the beginning of her career, she was actively involved in the development of the MARC formats and worked to promote the interoperability of MARC to ensure that the formats would be relevant in a networked environment. She was named the assistant to the director for processing systems, networks, and automation planning in 1980, assisting in the management of the Automation Planning and Development Office, Catalog Management and Catalog Publication divisions, Cataloging Distribution Service, and Serial Record Division, as well as the Network Development Office. In June 1984 she was named chief of the newly established NDMSO.

As chief of NDMSO, McCallum oversaw the advancement of the Z39.50 information retrieval protocol from a United States standard to an international standard and ensured that LC contributed to the Dublin Core Metadata Initiative. She chairs the MARC Harmonization Technical Committee, which carries out the technical support for the harmonization of USMARC, CANMARC, and UKMARC into the MARC 21 formats, and leads the continuing development of metadata standards including MODS (Metadata Object Description Schema), METS (Metadata Encoding and Transfer Schema), and the Encoded Archival Description (EAD). Over the past several years, she has led an expansion of

NDMSO's responsibilities to encompass planning and technical review for digital projects within the Library Services service unit.

McCallum became active in national and international collaborations early in her career. She was involved in early work by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) on international authority control and participated in the American National Standards Institute's Committee Z39 and collaborations led by the former National Bureau of Standards for defining character sets. She also represented the Library of Congress in various projects sponsored by the International Standards Organisation and UNESCO, the United National Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. Most recently, she became chair of the Networked Reference Services Committee of the National Information Standards Organization.

In IFLA McCallum moved from technical working groups to a leadership role in the governance of the organization, serving on the former Professional Board for many years and chairing the board from 1995 through 1997. In the 1990s she was instrumental in the revision of IFLA's Statutes and Rules of Procedure to open up the governance of IFLA to wider participation, especially by members in developing countries. McCallum was elected to the new Governing Board in the first elections under the revised Statutes in 2001.

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McCallum has received numerous accolades throughout her career. In 1981 she received the Esther J. Piercy Award, given by the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS), an ALA division, to a librarian with not more than ten years of professional experience who has shown outstanding promise for continuing contribution and leadership in the area of technical services. In 2002, she received the LITA/Gaylord Award for Achievement in Library and Information Technology for outstanding achievement in the creative use of information technology for improving or enhancing library services.

The Dewey Medal and Citation are donated by OCLC-Online Computer Library Center, Inc. to an individual or group for recent creative professional achievement in library management, training, cataloging, and classification and the tools and techniques of librarianship. Other LC employees who have been awarded the Medal in recent years are Tabb (1998) and David A. Smith, retired chief of the Decimal Classification Division (2003). McCallum will accept the Medal and Citation at the Awards Banquet on Tuesday, June 29, at the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in Orlando, Fla.

CONSER SUMMIT

The CONSER Summit on Serials in the Digital Environment was held Mar. 18-19, 2004. The seventy attendees represented all aspects of the serials industry and library service areas. The

program included panel discussions and facilitated breakout sessions that provided specific recommendations for shaping CONSER's efforts in providing metadata for electronic resources.

The idea for the summit was based on CONSER's involvement with electronic serials and the prominence of new developments in the control and delivery of electronic resources. In the past few years CONSER has been working on defining useful cataloging practices for electronic serials and making decisions about the type of data needed in catalog records. The CONSER Publication Patterns Initiative has been exploring the need for holdings and patterns data in controlling electronic resources. ILS systems, resource management services, indexing tools, publishers, and aggregators also create and make use of metadata about electronic resources. There are existing and new standards related to electronic resources including ISSN, OpenURL, ONIX (online information exchange) for serials, metasearch and DOI (digital object identifier). CONSER wanted representatives from all aspects of resource delivery and management to make recommendations on how the CONSER record could be more useful to end-users and to systems that make use of CONSER's metadata.

Recommendations and conclusions from the meeting are fully outlined in the summary available from the Summit Web site: <http://www.loc.gov/acq/conser/summit.html> [May 2004]. Acting on the recommendations will be the responsibility of CONSER, other members of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) and industry representatives. CONSER has begun to pursue the recommendation on providing input to the ISO working group investigating revision of the ISSN standard. One of the strong conclusions of the meeting was that a reliable work-level title identifier is needed for systems to work well in delivering full text. Revision of the ISSN standard may result in a more useful identifier. Also, recommendations to work with ILS providers to enhance user displays and to work with publishers in providing sharable metadata, require the collaboration of librarians and the information system industry.

CATALOGING OF ELECTRONIC RESOURCES IN THE CATALOGING DIRECTORATE

The Cataloging Management Team has endorsed two sets of recommendations to expand bibliographic access to digital content, which is Goal IV in the Cataloging Directorate Strategic Plan:

"Recommendations for Modes of Cataloging for Electronic Resources" calls for the Cataloging Directorate to apply three modes of cataloging for digital content: AACR2/MARC 21; MODS; and Web guides. The modes apply to monographs and integrating resources, both digitized and born-digital. A major recommendation calls for specifying an "access level" bibliographic record for electronic resources. The report sets bibliographic access into the context of the Digital Lifecycle Planning Framework, a planning tool to be used jointly by Library Services and the Office of Strategic Initiatives. This report was written by the Processing Rule Analysis Group, chaired by David Reser, senior cataloging policy specialist, Cataloging Policy and Support Office. The full report is available at

<http://www.loc.gov/catdir/stratplan/goal4wg2report.pdf> [May 2004].

"Recommended Workflows for Cataloging Electronic Resources" describes a workflow featuring: 1) summaries of content to be supplied by recommending officers; 2) a selection review to ensure that digital content meets Library of Congress collection policy guidelines before it is cataloged; 3) an online traffic manager, TrackER, that will permit tracking and monitoring of all digital content submitted for cataloging. The report was written by the Workflow Analysis Group, chaired by Sharon Tsai, acting chief of the Arts and Sciences Cataloging Division. The full report is available at <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/stratplan/goal4wg4report.pdf> [May 2004].

North To Alaska

John Mitchell, cooperative cataloging specialist, Regional and Cooperative Cataloging Division, conducted a pre-conference workshop on subject analysis at the Alaska Library Association (AkLA) annual conference held Mar. 25-28, 2004, in Fairbanks. The workshop addressed the subject cataloging training needs of a diverse audience with a wide variety of cataloging skills and included a module on Library of Congress Subject Headings, Cataloger's Desktop, and Classification Web.

Using as examples topics unique to Alaska, the Arctic, and the peoples of Alaska, Mitchell also conducted a workshop on the Program for Cooperative Cataloging's SACO program. This workshop emphasized contributing new and/or updated subject heading proposals to SACO. In the succeeding month, Alaskan librarians have submitted more than two dozen subject proposals.

Based on the success of the SACO workshop, Alaskan librarians have persuaded the State of Alaska to fund training to create the first Alaska NACO funnel project.

CLASS WEB ENHANCEMENT FOR G SCHEDULE USERS

The Cataloging Policy and Support Office (CPSO) has completed an enhancement to Classification Web that makes the maps of places that are included in the printed edition of Class G available online as well. Digitized, color versions of these maps have been posted to the CPSO Web site, and links to them have been made at the appropriate locations in the G schedule in Classification Web.

Colleen Cahill of the Geography and Map Division (G&M) provided the digitized versions of the maps.

TECHNICAL REPORTS AND WORKING PAPERS IN BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

The Bibliographic Enrichment Advisory Team (BEAT) of the Library of Congress announces the availability of a new Web site on technical reports and working papers in business and economics at <http://www.loc.gov/rr/business/techreps/techrepshome.php> [May 2004]. The site is an outgrowth of BEAT's Web Access to Publications in Series Project

<<http://www.loc.gov/catdir/beat/web.series.html>> [May 2004], which is designed to link "working paper/discussion paper" type serial publications to their Web-based electronic versions, while at the same time creating bibliographic records in the Library's online catalog <<http://catalog.loc.gov>> [May 2004] for either the series and/or individual monographs of selected series available in digital form. These pages present brief information provided by the Business Reference Team on the organizations creating these working papers and reports. The pages thus offer an additional access point for researchers to both the electronic versions as well as, through links to the OPAC, to the print versions of these publications at the Library of Congress. This project opens up an avenue of information for researchers who may now obtain timely--sometimes as just published--access to the abstracts and/or full electronic texts of these publications. For additional information on these projects, please contact Gabriel Horchler ghor@loc.gov or Carolyn Larson clar@loc.gov.

EDUCAT DISCUSSION LIST

The "Educat" discussion list has recently been established as a forum for issues in teaching cataloging and metadata principles and techniques for electronic resources, as well as broader issues relating to cataloging education and training. The list is an outgrowth of workshops held in conjunction with Preparing 21st Century Cataloging and Metadata Professionals: A Workshop for Educators and Trainers, sponsored by the ALA Association of Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS), the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE), LC's Cataloging Directorate, and OCLC.

An initial focus of the list will be a continuation of the workshops' discussions, such as the "levels of expertise" delineated in Ingrid Hsieh-Yee's report, and the role of catalogers and cataloging education in preparing professionals to work with digital resources and collections.

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