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Denver Conference Schedule

Sunday, June 12

6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Open House

Monday, June 13

1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

"Energy and Environment:
Where Horizons Meet"

5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Speakers' Reception

7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Open House

Tuesday, June 14

8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m.

BSD Executive Board
Meeting

10:30 a.m.-12 noon

"Hazardous Materials and
Wastes: New Resources
for Information Managers"

11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Denver Botanic Gardens
Lunch and Tour

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Annual Business Meeting

5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Open House

Wednesday, June 15

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

"Food Safety Update:
Issues Surrounding the
Latest Food Safety
Controversies"

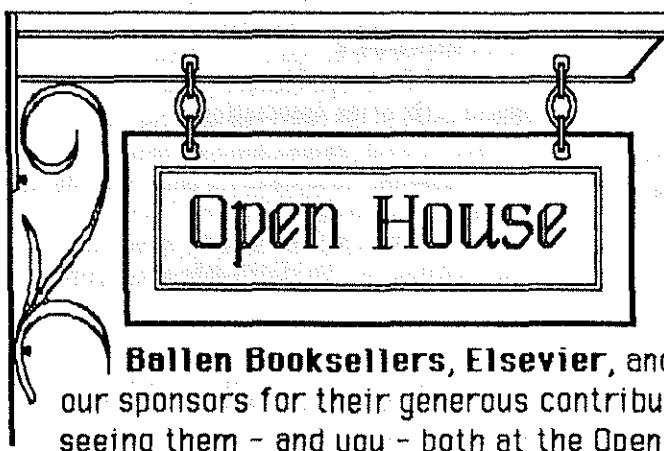
4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

"Biosis Roundtable"

Thursday, June 16

8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Field Trip to Estes
Park and the Rocky
Mountain National Park



Ballen Booksellers, Elsevier, and BIOSIS. We would like to thank our sponsors for their generous contributions and will be looking forward to seeing them - and you - both at the Open Houses and in the Exhibit Hall.

--Eleanor MacLean, Chair-Elect

Chair-Elect's Column

-- Eleanor MacLean

First of all, I would like to thank those of you who wrote or telephoned to offer your services for committee work. I have accepted all the offers and have now managed to fill most of the committee chairmanships and a few spots for other committee members. We still have places available for anyone else who would like to get involved.

Carolyn Morris has agreed to continue serving as our Archivist, but she tells me she has not been receiving a great deal of paper. For those of you who are currently serving or in the past have served the Division in any capacity, please help out. Active files should be turned over to your immediate successor in June, but if you have any other files lying around please send them to: Carolyn Morris, Pennsylvania Hospital, Medical Library, Eighth and Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107, U.S.A. She'll be looking forward to being inundated with material and you'll be surprised at how virtuous you feel sending them. I know I did!

Karen Patrias is another of our committee chairs who would like a little more to do. She is the Division Consultant, available to you or anyone who contacts you with requests for information on running a biologically-oriented library.

Rita Fisher, our Membership Chair, and her committee are working on a directory of division members. Apparently, the information in the files at Headquarters can not be easily extracted for this project and so we have to provide it ourselves. There will be a questionnaire sent to us sometime over the next year for this purpose. We'd really appreciate your cooperation in filling it out and sending it in.

I don't know whether you are all aware that the Association has run into a problem with the 1990 Conference site. This conference was supposed to be held in Cleveland, but several hotels that were supposed to be built haven't been and one that already exists is being closed. As a result, they haven't room to accommodate us

and so we are going to hold the conference in Pittsburgh instead. While I do regret missing a chance to visit Cleveland for the first time, I know we'll have an equally good conference in Pittsburgh. I intend to stay long enough to spend at least a day at the Hunt Botanical Institute.

I really enjoyed hearing from you after the last issue and I hope you'll continue the practice. I greatly enjoy my involvement with the Division and want all our members to do the same. We've a better chance of that happening if we know what you want - SO TELL US.

Biotechnology Bibliography

"Biotechnology - Potential Environmental Impacts, Policy and Regulatory Concerns," a bibliography compiled by Frederick W. Stoss, is now available from the Center for Environmental Information, Inc. The work contains 261 citations from peer reviewed journals, trade journals, general news magazines, books, proceedings, reports, and hearings. The bibliography costs \$10.00, including postage and handling. Payment should be made to the Center for Environmental Information.

Frederick W. Stoss is Manager of Information Services, Center for Environmental Information, and is currently Chair, Environmental Information Division.

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**Denver Wildlife Research Center Library
U.S. Dept. of Agriculture
Animal Damage Control Program**

-- Diana L. Dwyer

The Denver Wildlife Research Center Library (DWRC) provides information support to the USDA Animal Damage Control Program scientists and specialists on vertebrate pest control. The history of DWRC can be traced back to 1885. Originally a research facility in the USDA Bureau of Biological Survey, the Center developed methods and poisons to control noxious and predatory animals that conflicted with crop and livestock production. In 1940 the Bureau was transferred to the Dept. of Interior to become part of the new Fish and Wildlife Service. In March 1986 DWRC was designated as the research branch of the newly formed Animal Damage Control Program under the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

The Animal Damage Control Program is composed of the Research Center, an Operations Branch with numerous state offices, and the Washington Headquarters staff. Four field stations in the U.S. and two overseas do field trials on control methods. The foreign field stations are AID sponsored projects in Pakistan and Bangladesh. Additional contract work is being done in the Caribbean, Chad, the Sudan, and the Galapagos Islands.

Ongoing research is centered on developing techniques and methods to control vertebrate pest damage to agriculture and related areas. *Current problems include:* coyote predation on livestock; predator damage to waterfowl nesting areas; rodent and bird damage to crops (rice, sunflower, citrus, berries, corn, etc.); rodent damage to underground cables; bird predation to aquaculture, and bird/aircraft strikes.

The Library and Information Services Project is composed of the Library, Archives, and Publications Units. Information services are provided to both research and operations personnel. The collection includes approximately 18,000 volumes, 8,000 reports, and 271 current journal titles. Emphasis is on vertebrate pest control, agriculture, ornithology, animal behavior and ecology, chemistry, animal welfare, and

pesticides. There is also a small audio-visual collection of slides, videos, photos, and films. The library has also recently purchased the AGRICOLA database on CD-ROM and Microsoft's BOOKSHELF. Other CD-ROM products are under review for possible purchase.

The ADC Reprint Database is an automated system of over 30,000 published and unpublished reports and reprint citations on bird, predator, and rodent damage. Special emphasis is on coyote, wolf, fox, starlings, blackbirds, gulls, waterfowl depredation, and commensal rodents. There are two subfiles on trapping and bird/aircraft strikes. The Publications Unit distributes DWRC reports and maintains the reprint collection. The DWRC Archives contains research material going back to the 1920s.

Library services included computerized literature searches on DIALOG, BRS, MEDLINE, STN, CIS, and others; interlibrary loans on OCLC and current awareness routing of materials to staff. The DWRC Library is a member of the Central Colorado Library System and is an official USDA field library. An automation project is currently underway to develop an online catalog of the library collection, reprint files, and project records.

The Project staff includes two librarians, 1 library technician, 1 clerk-typist, and 2 part-time students. Although the research library is intended to support the work of agency scientists, reference information and referrals are available to outside individuals or groups.

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BSD People

New Division Members

-- Compiled by Rita Fisher

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Aileen M. Mundstock, Milwaukee, WI
Ty Webb, San Diego, CA
Marjorie C. Westerfield, Lisle, NY
Anne E. White, Oak Park, IL
Susan C. Curtis, Watkinsville, GA
Sarah H. White, Berkeley, CA
Mark Hommack, Stanford, CA
Janice K. Patton, Webster Groves, MO
Carolyn M. DeLuna, Madison, WI
Asma S. Khan, Toronto ON, Canada
Robert P. Peraza, Norwich, NY
Estelle A. Davis, Bronx, NY
Dalia S. Kleinmuntz, Wilmette, IL
Elizabeth Kwater, Pittsburgh, PA
Catherine S. Smith, Englewood, CO
Lisa Aren Strubbe, Houston, TX
Susan A. Byars, Lexington, KY
George Gehrig, Baton Rouge, LA
Nancy C. Nagele, Upper Montclair, NJ
Jill Newby, Tuscon, AR
Elizabeth B. Platte, Columbia, SC
Alice H. Hanes, Washington, DC
Marjorie J. Fitch, East Lansing, MI
Frances LaSalle, Iowa City, IA
Susan P. Neilsen, Ann Arbor, MI
Eva G. Osborn, Dallas, TX
Barbara H. Phillips, Oakland, CA
Magdaline J. Quinlan, Pasadena, CA
Martha C. Watkins, Macon, GA
Alta H. Beach, Schenectady, NY
Elizabeth M. Daniels, San Rafael, CA
Elizabeth Fall, French Camp, CA
Lucille C. Henschel, Springfield, VA
Douglas L. Varner, Silver Spring, MD
Mitchell J. Weiss, New Brunswick, NJ
Mary Beth Moynihan, Trumbull, CT

E-Mail Directory

Biofeedback will facilitate electronic mail communication among BSD members by publishing in each issue a listing of the e-mail addresses sent to the Editor. If you can send and receive mail by any of the networks (ALANET, BITNET, etc.), send your address for the next issue.

Addresses Received:

Bellamy, Lois: LBELLAMY@UTMEM1 (BITNET).
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Lake, Susan: ERL@ARIZRVAX (BITNET).
Sowell, Steven: SOWELL@IUBACS (BITNET).
Uhlinger, Eleanor: UCDBML@UCDAVIS (BITNET); UCDBML (Ontyme); ucdbml@ucdavis.edu (Internet); uunet!ucdavis!ucdbml (Usenet).

Membership Directory

The Membership Committee will produce a Directory of BSD members during the next year. In order for the directory to be as useful as possible, we need your advice on what information to include. Send your suggestions or comments to: **Rita Fisher**, Owen Science and Engineering Library, Washington State University, Pullman, WA 99164-3200 (BITNET: FISHER@WSUYM1). Some possible information: Name, mailing address, business address, e-mail addresses, home telephone, business telephone, telefacsimile telephone, name of library or information center, service community, major subject areas in collection, circulation policies outside the institution, and network with holdings of the collection and library's symbol. **Other information?**

New Member Profiles

-- Compiled by Membership Committee

Bonnie S. Hatch

Bonnie is the Director of Library Services for the Las Vegas Medical Center (New Mexico's State Psychiatric Hospital). She is developing a Library-Learning Center for the hospital. Bonnie has a B.S. in education and psychology, a M.A. in library and information science from Rosary College and further graduate credit in management and counseling. Bonnie has been a member of SLA for 12 years, but is new to the Biological Sciences Division.

Jeff Wehmeyer

Jeff is Reference Librarian, Fordham Health Sciences Library, Wright State University in Dayton, OH. He has a B.A. in biology from Kalamazoo College and a M.S.L.S. from Wayne State University. From 1983-85, Jeff was at the Health Science Center at the University of Florida. He is also a member of the Medical Library Association.

Q&A

In the last issue of Biofeedback, I invited BSD members to send ideas or questions for a column of information exchange among members. The request below inaugurates this column. Send more for the next issue! -- Editor

Lisa Martin, Holden Arboretum, 9500 Sperry Road, Mentor, OH 44060 (216/946-4400) requests assistance in finding a core list of books and journals for an arboretum library collection. She is working on budget and collection development policy. Can you help?

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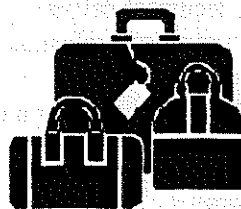
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**Denver
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From the Editor

-- Steven L. Sowell

Are you going to Denver? I am and I hope you are, too. I'm getting excited about the trip, about the programs that have been planned, and about seeing old friends and colleagues. I'm sure, like previous Annual Conferences, that I'll meet many new colleagues and make new friends.

On page 1 of this issue you will find a summary schedule of activities planned for the Biological Sciences Division. Cut it out and keep it handy during your trip to Denver. BSD will have a varied and full schedule. Be sure to attend the Open Houses and the Annual Business Meeting.

For this pre-conference issue Diana Dwyer has written an article about her library, the Denver Wildlife Research Center Library. Thanks, Diana! If you would like to visit the library while in Denver, call or write her.

If you would like to write a short article about your library or information center, let me know. I want to include at least one in every issue. I particularly need articles from the New York area in anticipation of next year's Annual Conference.

For the Denver meeting I need "reporters" to briefly describe interesting programs they attend. Many members cannot attend the Annual Conference. We can keep our colleagues informed by sharing what we have learned. Please jot down notes and give them to me at the Open Houses or mail them to me later.

Do any of you have telefax? I have one in my library now as part of a document delivery experiment. I'd like to find other biological sciences libraries which we can borrow from and lend to by fax. I've listed my number on page 8.

Finally, please note the post-conference issue deadline: **July 15!**

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 9, 1987
5:00 p.m., Division Suite
Anaheim Hilton Hotel

Presiding: Beth Paskoff, Chair

Officers: David Self, Chair-Elect

Cami L. Loucks, Secretary/Treasurer

Eleanor MacLean, Director

Attending: Adam Schiff, Steven Sowell, Barbara List, Mary Southwick, Rich Shotwell, Linda Joachim, Steve Carter-Lovejoy, Carolyn Dodson, Michael Fineman, Susan Lake, Mary Markland, Sarah A. Kelly, Darell Robb, Rita Fisher, Elisabeth Davis, Jeff Wehmeyer, Jean Crampon, Carolyn Takeuchi, John Timour, Jane Cole, Michael Kronenfeld, Loretta Ulincy, Marianne Doherty, Rhonda Kelley, Barbara Montenary.

Call to Order

The meeting was opened at 5:00 p.m. by the chair, Beth Paskoff. Members were introduced and a sign-in sheet was passed around for purposes of indicating interest in committee assignments.

Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was given by Cami L. Loucks. As of May 31, 1987, we have \$4341.90 in the checking account and \$4644.07 in the reserve account.

Committee Reports

The Membership Committee (Mae Cutler, Steven Sowell, Maggie Welshmer, and Rita Fisher) reported that they had written to all new members to welcome them to the Division. An idea was introduced to encourage retention of new members. First-time conference attendees

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will be invited to attend the first division open house so that a veteran member of the division can be paired with the new attendee in order to be a resource throughout the conference. Lists of new members have appeared in *Biofeedback*.

Nominating Committee announced new officers for 1987-88:

David Self, Chair
Eleanor MacLean, Chair-Elect
Cami L. Loucks, Secretary/Treasurer
Marianne Doherty, Director

Career Guidance Chair, Steven Carter-Lovejoy, announced the winner of the contest awarded to the student with the best essay and showing outstanding potential in the field of biological sciences librarianship. At present a \$275.00 travel stipend is awarded to the winner.

Publications Committee, a committee mandated in the 1985 Biological Sciences Division Long Range Plan, has completed an activity of recognizing Division authors. A bibliography of written (excluding internal library reports) was distributed at the Division open house during the Annual Conference in Anaheim. Committee members solicited information from the Association Office and other sources concerning a Division sponsored publication. Discussion ensued regarding a special Division membership directory. Committee members are M. Sandra Wood, Eleanor MacLean, and Elisabeth Davis.

Report of the Chair

Beth Paskoff remarked that the Division publication, *Biofeedback*, will be published three, rather than four, times per year. The new editors are Steven Sowell and Michael Fineman.

Barbara Montenary, Local Arrangements Committee Chair, was congratulated on her fine efforts of orchestrating the four open houses of the Division.

The Professional Development/Program

Committee, Marlene Bobka (chair) and Carolyn Dickerman, are conducting an analysis of the Division membership. This committee was mandated in the Division's Long Range Plan.

A list of the present programs and speakers was distributed. Ms. Paskoff was congratulated on her selection of programs and speakers.

Report of the Chair-Elect

David Self reported on the program plans for the Denver Annual Conference in 1988. Preliminary plans may include a joint division sponsored meeting with Metals, Sci-Tech, and Environmental Divisions on the subject of "Energy in the Environment: Where the Horizon Meets." A field trip on Thursday may include a tour of SERI, the Solar Research Institute. A preliminary plan for Tuesday may include a tour of the Denver Botanic Gardens. Two other events may include a joint meeting with the Insurance Division on the subject of "AIDS in the Workplace" and a joint meeting with the Chemistry Division and others on "Plateauing."

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was discussion whether the Membership Committee would publish a separate membership directory. It was determined that this would be a duplicative effort since the Association had already planned to publish a similar publication.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the Student Stipend be raised from \$275.00 to \$300.00. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

The Biological Sciences Division extended its formal appreciation to the vendors who contributed to the division in support of its programs and convention lodgings and activities. Among the contributors were Ballen, BIOSIS, and Elsevier. Members were introduced.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 6:11 p.m.

Cami L. Loucks, Secretary/Treasurer

Publication Schedule

Biofeedback is published four times a year. Issues will be mailed on the 15th of February, May, August, and November.

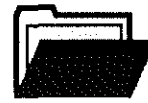
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 May issue: April 15
 August issue: July 15
 November issue: October 15

Send all material to the Editor.

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