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Come to our Fall Program:

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THE GOOD, **THE BAD**, & *THE UGLY*

Thursday, October 25th

7:30-9:00 PM

Johnson Center, Santa Ana College

SEE THE FLYER INSIDE!!!!

OCLA Special Project for 2001-2002

The OCLA special project is our way of giving back to the community by targeting a group in OC in need of library/financial resources. The group chosen for 2001-2002 is READ/Orange County. Please donate a little extra to our special project fund when you renew your membership this year.

READ/Orange County is the adult literacy services of the Orange County Public Library. READ/OC began in 1992 and since then its volunteers have donated more than 23,000 hours to promote a more literate Orange County.

READ/OC provides free one-to-one tutoring, training for volunteers, ongoing support services to learners and volunteers, and offers workplace literacy programs for local businesses. If you know an adult who can't read, have them call 714-566-3070.

STANFORD-CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY INSTITUTE ON 21st CENTURY LIBRARIANSHIP

Our newest Board member, Lu Tuan Nguyen, was invited to attend this exciting conference held Aug 5-11 on the Stanford campus. Here is my summary of his report:

" This conference was the joint efforts of Dr. Kevin Star, State Librarian of California, and Dr. Michael A. Keller, Stanford University Librarian. The goal of the conference was to enhance the leadership skills of librarians, and to build a bright future for libraries in the future.

Ms. La Doris Cordell conducted the "Leadership" plenary session. Ms. Cordell is currently Vice Provost on Campus Relations and Special Counselor to the President of Stanford University. Her lecture on leadership was based on her own extensive experiences as a leader in the courtroom, the community, and various organizations.

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New Library Faculty at Chapman University

By Claudia Horn

The Thurmond Clarke Memorial Library is pleased to announce the appointments of three new librarians, Wally Babcock, Kevin Ross, and AnnMarie Ziadie.

Waldo (Wally) Babcock comes to Chapman from the University of California at Riverside where he was the Reference/Computer Services Librarian. His first day with the Clarke Library was August 20 as Coordinator of Library Systems. He will be initially be devoting a great deal of his time to the upgrade of the Innovative Interface online catalog to the new Millennium version. Wally has a Masters in Library Science from Syracuse University.

Kevin Ross moved from the position of Distance Education Librarian for Chapman's off-campus centers to the Orange Campus Coordinator of Web/Bibliographic Instruction Services. Kevin has a Masters in Library Science from the University of Iowa. In addition, he brings over five years of college teaching experience with him. Kevin is a born teacher and this asset is a definite plus in the delivery of library instruction. In the short time he has been at Chapman, Kevin has received many accolades for his teaching style.

AnnMarie Ziadie is our new Coordinator of Cataloging Services. She holds a Master of Science in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and a Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from West Virginia University. Recently, AnnMarie arrived from the Virginia Tech University Libraries where she was a Catalog Librarian. She also taught ESL at the University of Findlay in Ohio. According to AnnMarie, "the campus is beautiful, the students are number 1, and the weather can't be beat!"

The rest of the Clarke Library staff is happy to welcome these three librarians and feel confident as the new team begins the Fall semester and adds their talents to the continuing planning for a new library.

21st Century Librarianship (cont.)

Her advice is that building bridges can add to our quality of life, not detract from it. We need to acknowledge our own stereotypes in our efforts to reach out and embrace others whom look and act differently from us due to their race, or cultures.

Other speakers included:

Mr. Gary Strong, Director of the Queens Library in New York, former State Librarian of California, shared with us his vision of libraries as part of the communities. He thinks that library should be a client oriented institution. Libraries should be viewed as core sections of the communities. As a result of his strategy in making the library a fun place to receive information, his libraries is the most used libraries in the country.

Dr. Michael A. Keller, Plenary Session Speaker Libraries in the Digital Age, is the University Librarian, Director of Academic Information Resources at Stanford University. He is eager to see libraries continue to be the hub of society as society turns toward digital modalities. He discussed libraries in the digital age. He thinks that library leaders need to have vision and to be able to cope with the reality when they want to carry out their visions. Thanks to Dr. Keller and Dr. Kevin Star, State Librarian of California, the Stanford-California State Library Institute on 21st Century Librarianship was created last year.

Marty Manley, Plenary Session Speaker on Analog Leadership in a Digital World, is President and CEO of Alibris. He advised us to be more courageous in making changes that are needed. Try not to be self complacent, but always attempt to cross our discipline, to reach out beyond our comfort zone to create a difference that would improve the operation of our organizations. He said that "what is valuable about libraries is not the books, it is the librarians."

Ms. Eugenie Prime, a librarian at Hewlett Packard, is a dynamic speaker. She talked about assertive leadership. She thinks that leadership is the ability to influence, and leadership can be a learned task."

Lu concludes: "In our study group, I have realized that if I see my role as the keeper of the book, sooner or later I will be obsolete, but if I contribute to the solutions of other people's information problems, I will always be in demand."

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