LOCAL AUTHORS HIGHLIGHT 80th ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM
Hugh Treacy

Four local authors captivated, informed, and amused about 50 librarians who attended the OCLA Fall Program and dinner held on November 2, 2000 at the Fullerton Public Library. Award winning fantasy author Tim Powers spoke about his beginnings as an author, sprinkling humor amid his observations about the life of a writer living for a time in the middle of the downtown Santa Ana business district. Dr. Gregory Benford, Professor of Physics at UCI and an exceptional author of science fiction, served the audience a gritty yet often witty meal of anecdotes and predictions about the future of science and imagination. Free-lance feature article author Elisabeth Deffner charmed the audience with tales of her career path toward truly professional writing. Local historian Phil Brigandi regaled his listeners with informative and humorous stories of his beginnings as an author and his current success documenting and interpreting Orange County historical places and events.

Everyone who attended this anniversary program was treated to a delicious dinner with dessert, the outstanding comments and presence of these distinguished authors, and a wonderful opportunity to connect with their colleagues who represented diverse academic, public, and special libraries throughout Orange County. It was a very fitting event to commemorate the birth of this Association 80 years earlier, at the original Fullerton Public Library in 1920.

Come to the OCLA Spring 2001 Program at the Orange County Register

Please join us on Thursday, May 3 at the Orange County Register for our Spring Program. We will meet at 6:30 for pizza, beverages and networking. Following a short OCLA business meeting we will have a roundtable discussion with several of the Register’s reporters as they talk about their jobs and answer your questions.

Following this discussion we will have a tour of the Register Newsroom and News Research Center. Don't miss this chance to learn more about the workings of one of California's major newspapers. And find out more how librarians help support the process of getting the news out.

The cost will be $5.00 for OCLA members ($7.00 for non-members). The meeting will be held at Orange County Register, Hoiles Auditorium, I-5 and Grand Avenue, Santa Ana. Please RSVP by April 25th. For directions Sharon Clairemont (714) 796-4937, sclairemont@notes.freedom.com

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OCLA Web Site

We are happy to share with you our OCLA web site. We have Heather Tunender, one of the Reference/Multimedia Librarians at Chapman University, to thank for this great 1st draft of our web site. For several years we have explored how OCLA could have a place on the web and what we might provide for our members. Please look at the incomplete website and forward your suggestion to us about what you would like to see there. The URL is:

http://www.chapman.edu/ocla/

OCLA Spring Election: Part 1

Executive Board

Here is the slate for the OCLA Executive Board. These candidates will be endorsed by a vote of the membership at the Spring program.

President: Donna Watkins, OCPL, Laguna Niguel
Vice President: Tim Mountain, Fullerton Public Library
Recording Secretary: Chris Enterline, Anaheim Union H.S.D.
Treasurer: Mary Ann Hutton, OC Public Library, Westminster Branch

OCLA Spring Election: Part 2

Bylaws

We would like to propose some changes in the OCLA bylaws and vote on them at the Spring program. The full text of the bylaws is at:

http://www.chapman.edu/ocla/organization/bylaws.pdf

Article III - DUES

Section 1: Adoption

Old language: "Annual dues shall be adopted from time to time by the Executive board and ratified by a majority vote of the active members."

New language: "Annual dues shall be adopted and ratified from time to time by the Executive board. A dues increase may be rescinded by a majority vote of the active members."

Section 2: Payment of dues

Old language: "Dues are due and payable on a fiscal year basis. The fiscal year will be Sept. 1 to Aug 31. Dues paid at or after the Spring program will be credited to the following fiscal year."

New language: "Dues are due and payable on a calendar year basis. The calendar year will be Jan. 1 to Dec. 31. Dues paid at or after the Fall program will be credited to the following calendar year."

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1: Executive Board

Old language: "b. Directors. Five Directors shall be elected by the membership. Each Director shall represent one of the following categories of libraries: college, public, school, special, and university."

New language: "b. Directors. Five Directors shall be elected by the membership. Each Director shall be drawn from the following categories of libraries: college, public, school, special, and university."

Section 2: Duties

Old language: c. Corresponding Secretary: Maintain up-to-date membership list (roster)…

New language: c. Membership Secretary: Maintain up-to-date membership list (roster)…
OCLA Membership for 2001

Join the Orange County Library Association in our 81st year!

- To promote libraries and librarianship in the county
- To share professional concerns
- To network
- To enhance library cooperation

Membership is open to all staff levels in all libraries in Orange County. Dues are for 2001. Join or renew now.

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Position: ________________________________
Library: ________________________________
Mailing Address: ________________________________

(City) (Zip) (Telephone)

E-mail address ________________________________

_______ Personal membership: $10.00
_______ Institutional/Corporate membership: $15.00
_______ Student membership: $5.00

OPTIONAL:

A. I am including a donation of $_______ to the OCLA Library Student Scholarship fund.

B. I am including a donation of $_______ to the 2001/2002 OCLA Special Project.

Make check payable to OCLA. Send application and/or donation to:

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