FROM THE PRESIDENT

Plans for the fall conference are well underway. Both Mary Jane Beardsley, Program Convenor, and Susan Barrick and Janice Meadows, local arrangements committee, have spent many hours in preparation for the 1985 conference. You will note from the call for papers that we will be looking at information and its dissemination from the international perspective. Much thought has been put into this program already and it will develop into an extremely timely conference. There is no way to indicate the amount of time and effort already spent by the local arrangements committee. They are doing an excellent job and we will reap the benefits at the conference in October.

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Janice Meadows has already mailed to participants the 'MUSSEL', a union list of serials in marine science libraries, for evaluation. The final copy will be available from the VIMS Sea Grant Program. We have been working on this project for a number of years and are very pleased to have this tool available, not only to our membership, but to all libraries.

Betty Sutherland, our membership chairman, will be returning to work in May and the membership directory will go to press about that same time. Betty hopes to have that behind her prior to returning to work. Again this year, the membership list will contain current members only. Special thanks to Norman Howden for carrying out the duties of the membership chairman during Betty's absence. Norman has kindly agreed to head up a membership chairman drive. If you know of any person, institution or geographical area which should hear about IAMSLIC, please send the information to Norman.

HAVE A LOVELY AND PRODUCTIVE SPRING. RUTH GRUNDY

*** BYLAWS CHANGE ***

The membership recently voted to change Article VI, Section 4 of the Bylaws (69 in favor, 2 against). This change refers to the disbursement of travel funds. Refer to the last newsletter (no. 18, December 1984), page 5 for the exact wording of the amended section.

Thank you for returning your ballots so promptly.

*** NEWS FROM LOUISIANA ***

Mary Katherine Politz (Louisiana Marine Consortium Librarian) will be hosting the Louisiana Chapter of the Special Libraries Association on April 20. Visitors will see the new facilities under construction and enjoy crawfish and beer.

BITnet address for the Coastal Information Repository is NSNCC.LUMLIB and they will be happy to correspond.

*** PROCEEDINGS REPORT ***

"THE YEAR OF THE OCEANS", proceedings of the tenth annual meeting of IAMSLIC will be mailed around the first of May. Copies will be available for those who were not at the conference at a cost of US$ 12.50 per copy. Please make checks payable to IAMSLIC. Conference attendees will receive a copy as part of their registration fee. We will be preparing a proceedings annually. By doing this, persons who are unable to attend will be able to benefit from the exchange of information. You may order your copy from:

Ruth Grundy
University of Texas at Austin
Marine Science Institute
Port Aransas, Texas 78373-1267 USA
The 1985 IAMSLIC Conference begins October 14th with a reception at the Holiday Inn 1776 in Williamsburg, Virginia. The next four days will offer the answers to your questions, the questions to your answers, opportunities to catch up with old friends and to get acquainted with new colleagues. We will feast on the bounty of the Chesapeake Bay, tour the renowned Mariners Museum, and enjoy the ambience of a colonial tavern.

The theme for the 1985 conference is 'MARINE SCIENCE INFORMATION: AN INTERNATIONAL COMMODITY'. In her Call for Papers, conference convenor Mary Jane Beardsley elaborates:

"Shared ocean space creates a need for shared information. Despite what we would like to believe, marine science information generation, collection and dissemination has a price. How have we cooperated with others to maximize the usefulness of information resources? Are the benefits of this cooperation worth the cost? The scope of this theme ranges from participation in international programs such as ASFIS to individual publications exchange agreements and from 'pen pal' relationships to job exchange agreements." (Other topics will be included as well).

We will meet at the Holiday Inn 1776 in Williamsburg and at Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) in Gloucester Point on the York River. Rooms are reserved at the Holiday Inn for a conference rate of $36 single / $42 double. The motel is in walking distance of restaurants, shops and Colonial Williamsburg; taxis and rental cars are also available. Busses will carry us from the motel to VIMS and to a cocktail party and tour of the Mariners Museum in Newport News. The registration fee is $130 for members / $165 for nonmembers; one day registration is $75 members / $85 nonmembers. Spouses and guests are invited to join us for the evening meals and social events for $50. October is a lovely time to see Virginia; often the weather is clear and cool and by mid-month the leaves should be turning.

If you have not received a CALL FOR PAPERS AND REGISTRATION FORM by April 22, contact Janice Meadows at (804) 642-7115 (VIMS Library) or write to IAMSLIC, VIMS LIBRARY, GLOUCESTER POINT, VA 23062, USA.
Dear Member:

IAMSLIC Nominating Committee announces the following positions opened for nominations:

PRESIDENT-ELECT - this is a three year commitment - one year as Vice-President / Program Convenor, one year as President and one year as Past President / Bylaws Chairman.

SECRETARY - this is a two year term.

We need to encourage International members to consider running for office with the following factors in mind:

1. that their Institution support their phone calls and mailing expenses.

2. that they are able to interact / meet with the rest of the officers.

Nominations for the positions may be made by phone or letter. If you are interested in running for office (volunteer candidates / nominees), please write a letter of nomination acceptance with a brief resume, not exceeding one page, to Sharon Thomson, Frances Swim or Josie York.

Previous nominees not elected and willing to run for office again can be resubmitted for candidacy.

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According to IAMSLIC bylaws, only members have the right to vote and run for office. Therefore, please renew your membership if you have not done so.

Your cooperation and expertise are solicited to keep this great association going.

Nominating Committee
PUBLICATIONS CONTROL SURVEY

We are soliciting your cooperation with a short survey intended to assess publication control procedures among IAMSLIC member institutions. Please take a few minutes to fill out and return this survey. Any light that you can shed on why procedures work in a certain way would be helpful, i.e., "it just grew that way", or "it's cheaper", etc., so please feel free to write in the margins!

1. Does your organization maintain a bibliography of publications authored by your faculty and staff?
   ____ Yes  ____ No  If yes, by whom?
   ____ The library
   ____ A secretary or word processor
   ____ Research department personnel
   ____ Other: ____________________________________________

2. a. When a researcher publishes (in journals or books as opposed to technical reports), is the publication registered with or reviewed by the University/parent agency?
   ____ Yes  ____ No (If no, skip to question 4.)

b. If yes, is registration or review mandatory?
   ____ Yes  ____ No  _________________________________

3. Are researchers generally cooperative with the registration/review process?
   ____ Yes  ____ No  _________________________________

4. Are local research publications:
   ____ Kept in a vertical file or pam box?
   ____ Comprehensively maintained?
   ____ Indexed in some way? If so, how:
   ________________________________________________
5. a. Does the University/parent agency require the organization to retain a copy of the final report for each research project?

_____ Yes  _____ No

b. If yes, which unit keeps a copy of the final reports?

6. Please describe factors that make bibliographic control of internal publications difficult:

7. Do you have any suggestions for avoiding problems with bibliographic control of internal publications?

Thank you for your assistance. Please fold and staple with the address out and mail. Questions about the survey may be addressed to Norm Howden at (504) 388-8266/8265.

Organization: ________________________________

Name: ________________________________

(these lines are optional)

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*** FROM THE EDITOR ***

Deadline for the next newsletter is June 15. Please send all information to me that you want included in the newsletter, or send via ONYME II electronic mail - HARBORBRANCH. Our current plan is to have a midsummer newsletter where we will report on the executive board's spring conference call. Another newsletter will be mailed in mid-September which will include all last minute conference information. These plans are tentative, hinging on how much news I receive.

If you are a member of an electronic mail network, please let me know. I would like to publish a list of members and their ID codes in the next newsletter.

*** DIRECTORY CHANGES ***

The following personnel changes should be noted in your "Directory of Marine Science Libraries and Information Centers:

Entry 16:
Sylvia J. Churgin

Entry 59:
Katharine R. Wallace, Supervisory Librarian
Ann Loomis, Librarian
Diane Sellier, Library Technician
Jolene Lennon, Library Technician

Entry 125:
Ann Juneau, Bureau Librarian

Many additions to the directory are included with this newsletter. They are in alphabetical order by country. United States entries are in order by state.

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CANADA

NEW BRUNSWICK

Research and Productivity Council Library
P. O. Box 6000
Fredericton,
New Brunswick E3B 5H1

Telephone: (506) 452-8994, ext. 256
Telex: 014-46113

Open: Weekdays - Business hours only

Users Policy: Open to the public. Use of the collection restricted - subject to immediate recall

Services: Photocopying, ILL, reference. Online search services: DIALOG, QL search, CANOLE.

Description of Collection: 10,000 volumes - multidisciplinary - includes fisheries, aquaculture, fish handling and processing, engineering, industrial chemistry, minerals processing, entomology, food science, energy and alternate fuels, electrochemistry; 250 journals.

Publications: Recent Acquisitions (irregular and available on request). Annual Report
CANADA

NOVA SCOTIA

Environment Canada Library
5th Floor, Queen Square
45 Alderney Drive
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
CANADA

Dawn Taylor-Prime, Librarian

Telephone: (902) 426-7219/7232
Telex: 01921565

Open: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Mon. - Fri.

Users Policy: Open to the public. Borrowing only through interlibrary loan with one's own library.

Services: Photocopying, ILL, Reference. Current year journals and reference material not loaned. Online search service: CAN/OLE, DIALOG, IL, DORIS (ELIAS) Restricted to staff members only. Bibliographies and editorial assistance available to staff members.

Description of Collection: Monographs, journals, government documents and NTIS fiche with emphasis on environmental studies, but also includes limited collections in related fields. We are particularly interested in marine environment (especially as related to offshore oil), acid rain, toxic chemicals, hazardous materials management and transportation, pesticides, industrial water/air pollution and environmental impact studies. Library serves the Environmental Protection Service, Inland Waters Directorate, Lands Directorate and the Office of the Regional Director General.


Publications: Annual serials list, library newsletter (very irregular).

Additional Comments: We provide as much assistance as possible to consulting firms, environmental groups and university students as time permits.