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Announcements & Gossip fit to print:

Jerry Notaro will be presenting at the ALA Conference in New York this summer. He will discuss the USF Distance Education program and the impact of distance education on the branch campuses.

Jerry also presented a program for the AV Caucus at the FLA Annual Conference in April. His topic was library listservs. Anyone interested in more information may contact Jerry.

Buschman, J., Holden, K. & Warner, D. (1996) Coping without a catalog for a semester. C&RL News, 57, 220-224,248. This article was very interesting. Of course it can't happen here, right?

Deb Henry is President of Florida Chapter of ACRL 1996-1997. The Chapter will sponsor a workshop in October which will focus on teaching the Internet. The deadline for the Chapter Newsletter is coming up soon. If anyone has information to share about their professional activities, let Deb know.

Jim has graduated and will spend the summer cleaning out his mail slot..... only kidding!!! Congratulations to Jim!

Administrative News:

Librarian Meeting, Monday, May 20, at 2 PM
Staff Meeting, Tuesday, May 21, at 2 PM

The move to the new building is expected to take place the latter part of July through mid- August.

Automation News:

Ed Sanchez worked hard last week cleaning all the computer keyboards in the library. He spent a whole day at it, and they do dazzle the eye! Attaboy!

From Tina Neville :

Netscape options

There is now a sign on the public netscape terminal advising users that they may not be able to print out large files. We have suggested that they try downloading or e-mailing large files. Instructions for both processes are located in the red folder on top of the reference desk.

Gateways

1. Firstsearch:

- a. A new database has been loaded: AIDS/Cancer
- b. DataTimes will soon be available on Firstsearch (it could come up any day -- exact date is not known)
This database provides full-text access to 85 newspapers
I will circulate a list of the newspaper titles.

2. DIALOG

USF will be examining the Dialog "Quickstart" program, a new end-user interface to Dialog. It supposedly provides access to most of the Dialog databases including BIOSIS. Some databases are not included such as patent info. and Chemical Abstracts. Monica will try to send us a trial password so we can compare this service to Firstsearch.

Technical Services News:

Questions concerning Technical Services this summer should be directed to Tina Neville.

Renee Stokes is acting LTA for Tech Services and Jan Boyd joins the department as a clerk-typist.

In May, Rodrigo Dias resigned from his position at Poynter Library to pursue his graduate education full-time. Rodrigo was awarded a Fellowship and an Internship at TECO in Tampa.

Internet & other techie stuff:

From Kathy Arsenault:

Get ready for the Presidential Debate at St. Petersburg!
Congressional Quarterly has a great website on the '96 elections:
<http://voter96.cqalert.com>