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MAGERT SCHEDULE

Saturday, 26 June 1993
8:00-9:00 a.m. Executive Board I (P. McGlamery) NOCC-7
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Education Comm. (J. O'Donnell) NOCC-B213
2:00-4:00 p.m. RLAG (M. Larsgaard) MONT-Iberville N+S
Maps in Small Libraries (A. Sanders) SHER-Gallier House
Publications Comm. I (P. Stark) FAIR-Bayou I
Membership Comm. (K. Rankin) RAD-Bayou
Jean LaFitte 2

Sunday, 27 June 1993
7:00-8:00 a.m. Fun Run/Walk
9:30-11:00 a.m. Cataloging & Classification Comm. (C. Kollen)
HIL-Grand Salon N6
Geotech Comm. (N. Butkovich) CLAR-Cypress
Publications Comm. II (P. Stark) MAR-Balcony J
Cartographic Statistics Task Force (C. Seavey)
CUAC (M. Brill) NOCC 53
Program I "Statistics in Map Libraries" (C.
Seavey) NOCC-12
4:30-5:30 p.m. Publications Comm. III (P. Stark) NOCC-2
Conference (Miami) Planning Comm. (A.
Carlucci) NOCC-66
ALCTS/CCS/MAGERT NOCC-29

Monday, 28 June 1993
9:30-11:00 a.m. Program II "GIS Application in Libraries" (A.
Carlucci) MER-II deFr. BR I
2:00-4:00 p.m. Program III "Providing Bibliographic Control of
Spatial Data" (C. Kollen) NOCC-11

Tuesday, 29 June 1993
8:00-9:00 a.m. Executive Board (P. McGlamery) NOCC-9
9:30-11:30 a.m. General Membership I (P. McGlamery) HIL-
Melrose
2:00-4:00 p.m. General Mbrshp. II (P. McGlamery) NOCC-11

PLEASE CONFIRM DATES, TIMES AND LOCATIONS IN THE
CONFERENCE PROGRAM AND IN COGNOTES!!

NOCC-N.O. Convention Center; HIL-N.O. Hilton Riverside; SHER-Sheraton
N.O.; MAR-Marriott; FAIR-Fairmont; RAD-Raddison Suites; CLAR-Clarion
Hotel; MER-LeMeridien; MONT-The Monteleone
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MAGERT ANNUAL SOCIAL SCHEDULE
New Orleans, LA '93

FRIDAY 6/25/93
MAGERT Welcoming Reception
7:00-9:00 MAGERT Suite
(Compliments of MapLinks)

SATURDAY 6/26/93
Honors Reception
7:00-9:00 Courtyard of the Hotel St. Marie
(Compliments of OmniResources and MAGERT)

SUNDAY 6/27/93
Fun Run/Walk

MONDAY 6/28/93
No activities scheduled
5:00-7:00 Open MAGERT Suite

TUESDAY 6/29/93
No activities scheduled
5:00-7:00 Open MAGERT Suite

WEDNESDAY 6/30/93
Field trip:
Tour of John C. Stennis Space Center, USGS’s Applications and Systems Facility and ESIC and the Naval Oceanographic Office Technical Library and Super Computing facility and Crayfish Boil at Bay St. Louis, Miss. (about 45 miles NE of New Orleans.)
Jim Walsh is coordinating this event. Contact him at:
Boston College
Thomas P. O'Neill Jr. Library
Government Documents and Microforms Dept.
140 Commonwealth Ave.
Chestnut Hill, MA 02167
(617) 552-3354
WALSHOP@BCVMS.BITNET

Cost is $25.00 for transportation and Crayfish Boil

9:00 Depart Hotel St. Marie
9:00 - 10:00 Travel to Bay St. Louis, Miss.
10:00 - 10:30 Tour Stennis Space Center Visitors Center
10:30 - 11:30 Tour NASA Test Stand site
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch at Cafeteria
12:30 - 1:30 Tour USGS Applications Assistance Facility
and ESIC
1:30 - 2:30 Tour Naval Oceanographic Office Technical
Library
2:30 - 3:30 Tour Super Computer facility
4:30 - 6:00 Crayfish Boil
6:00 - 7:00 Travel to Hotel St. Marie
7:00 Arrive Hotel St. Marie

CATALOGING SPATIAL DATA PROGRAM
28 June 1993, 2-4 p.m. NOCC-11

The papers to be presented:

"Cataloging Spatial Data: Past, Present, and Future" will be presented by HelenJane Armstrong and Elizabeth Mangan. It will provide an overview of the history of map cataloging followed by a discussion of current developments in cataloging which will affect how we catalog cartographic materials, such as maps, remote sensing images, CD-ROMs, magnetic tapes, etc. Developments to be discussed include cataloging multiple formats and format integration. Also they will identify future issues of concern in accessing spatial data, e.g. metadata and subject headings.

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The second paper, title to be announced, will be presented by David Brown and will discuss the technical nature of spatial data, what electronic spatial data is without regard to format. He will define and explain the following: electronic spatial data files and their structure; the different types of electronic spatial data systems, such as GIS, CAD/CADD; and Geomatic Data Sets Cataloging Rules (developed by the National Archives of Canada). He will also talk about reasons why spatial data files are important to libraries, the "Content Standards for Spatial Metadata", and problems with proprietary GIS software and with Spatial Data File Transfer (SDFT).

"Spatially Indexed Catalogs" by Michael Carpenter is the third paper to be presented. He will discuss the issues for spatially indexed catalogs and their applications for one particular project.

The presenters:

HelenJane Armstrong, Map Librarian, Map and Imagery Library at University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, received her B.A. degree in Geography from Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin, M.L.S. degree from the University of Oklahoma in Norman, and a Ph.D. in Geography from Oregon State University in Corvallis. She has been active in Special Libraries Association Geography & Map Division, ALA MAGERT, GTEAG, and Committee on Southern Map Libraries. She has written numerous articles and made presentations on a wide variety of topics such as map cataloging, historical geography, remote-sensing imagery, specialized map storage and the GPO Depository Program. She was one of the presenters at the ALA MAGERT workshop: "Remote Sensing Imagery: Identification, Control, and Utilization."

Elizabeth Mangan, Acting Head of Cataloging Unit, Geography and Map Division, and Head, Data Preparation & Files Maintenance Unit, Library of Congress, received her B.A. degree from College of Wooster in Columbus, Ohio, and her M.L.S. degree from the University of Pittsburgh. She has been active in ALA MAGERT, is MAGERT’s liaison to Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access, and ALCTS/Library Information and Technology Association (LITA)/Reference and Adult Services Division (RASD) Machine Readable Bibliographic Information. She has taught workshops for various networks on map cataloging and map tagging. She was one of the teachers for the ALA Resources and Technical Services Division series of regional workshops on cataloging non-book materials. She also was one of the presenters at the ALA MAGERT workshop: "Remote Sensing Imagery: Identification, Control, and Utilization."

David Brown is currently working in systems for the National Archives of Canada, Cartographic and Visual Archives in Ottawa, Canada.

Michael Carpenter, Associate Professor, School of Library and Information Science, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, received his A.B. degree in Philosophy from Occidental College in Los Angeles, his M.L.S. and M.B.A. degrees from UCLA and his Ph.D. from University of California at
Berkeley. He was an intern and serials cataloger with the Library of Congress. He has been active in the ALCTS, Library Administration and Management Association, MAGERT and LITA of ALA, Louisiana Library Association, and the Association of Library and Information Science Education. He has written articles and made presentations on topics including cataloging, recognition of the depreciation of library materials, and the education of catalogers.

NEW MAPS

WORLD

*Digitized soil map of the world.* The Land and Water Development Division of FAO has developed a digitized version of the FAO/UNESCO Soil map of the world. Over 60 diskettes, divided into seven continental areas, present soil information, country boundaries, inland water, glacier and coastline information. The maps are drawn to a scale of 1:5,000,000 in Geographic Projection. All digitized cartographic data is in ARC/INFO EXPORT format and requires GIS software to access. IBM-PC or compatible. Available from UNIPUB, 4611-F Assembly Drive, Lanham, MD 20706-4391, Toll-free 1/800/274-4888 (US) or 1/800/233-0504 (Canada). Each volume is $150.00
v.1 Africa. 10 disks, Order no.FU9989
v.2 North and Central America. 9 disks, order no.FU9988
v.3 Central and South America. 9 disks, order no.FU9987
v.4 Europe and West of the Urals. 8 disks, order no.FU9986
v.5 North East Asia. 7 disks, order no.FU9985
v.6 Near East and Far East. 10 disks, order no.FU9984
v.7 South East Asia and Oceanic. 10 disks, order no.FU9983

EUROPE

*Geothermal atlas of Europe.* in 3 parts. Editor-in-chief: Prof.Dr. E. Hurtig. The atlas consists of 22 loose maps at a scale of 1:5,000,000, (68 x 110 cm) and 14 maps at a scale of 1:2,500,000 (85 x 68cm) accompanied by a text-volume of 156 pages. Price: NGL 990.00. Available from Rudolf Muller International Booksellers, P.O. Box 9016, 1006 AA Amsterdam, The Netherlands. tel. (020)616 59 55. Fax (020) 683 86 51 OCLC 26126390

*Historic Dublin maps.* `A collection of nine historic maps, including those of Speed, DeGomme, Brooking and Rosque. Also four reconstruction maps showing the development of Dublin in the medieval period' Available from The National Library, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. tel. 01-618811 Price L7.50 OCLC 18745064 (NJB)

*Ireland from maps.* a booklet and 16 maps illustrating the stages in the development of the map of Ireland and indicating the importance of maps as sources of Irish history. Includes maps by Ptolemy, Mercator, Speed, Petty, the Ordnance

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Survey and various estate surveyors. Available from The National Library, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. tel. 01-618811. Price L4.95 (NJB)

NORTH AMERICA

*Bodmer's America*. Paper size 39.5" x 25.5" (100 cm x 65cm) plate size 34.25" x 18" (87 cm x 46 cm). Printed by hand from the original plate on TP moundmade paper 300 gms, hand finished in watercolour. This map details the route taken by the German anthropologist Prince Maximilian of Wied-Neuwied and his Swiss artist Karl Bodmer, traveling across America from Boston to the upper reaches of the Missouri River between 1832 and 1834. Available for $350 from David C. Hunt, Curator, Center for Western Studies, Joslyn Art Museum, 2200 Dodge Street, Omaha, NE 68102-1292. tel. 402/342-3300. Fax. 402/342-2376. A fully illustrated catalogue of the complete portfolio of *Bodmer's America* is also available at $20 from the same address.

Coastal charts of the Americas and West Africa from the School of Luis Teixeira, circa 1585. This is "a portfolio of 15 manuscript charts, reproduced in full color", including an accompanying text. ISBN 87535-146-8. Available from Hispanic Society of America, Dept. of Publications, 613 W. 155th St., New York, NY 10032. Domestic price $35.00 post paid, plus NY tax where applicable. (NAK)

*Suffolk County - 1993*. two sided map, Scale 1:75,000 (1 inch = 1.18 miles) Size folded 6" x 10"; flat 36" x 46". Two flat copies need for county mosaic. Available from Map Information Unit, New York State Dept. of Transportation, State Campus, Bldg. 4, Rm. 105, Albany, NY 12232. tel. 518/457-3555. folded copy $4.50, flat copy $6.00 (NAK)

SOUTH AMERICA

*Oil and gas map of South America.* "This full-color physical map of South American provides an overview of natural gas, crude oil and refined products pipelines. ...includes pipeline diameters, refineries and processing plants, terminals, offshore platforms and major refining centers." Scale 1:7,500,000. Size 40" x 48". Pennwell Books, P.O.Box 21288, Tulsa, OK 74121 1/800/752-9764. Fax (918)831-9555 Order no.P5227 $145.00 US & Canada, $185.00 export. Laminated version order no.P5227L $170.00 US & Canada, $215.00 export

NEW CATALOG AND MAILING LISTS

Columbia Funmaps Company, 118 East 28th Street, New York, NY 10016. Mapping the gay and lesbian world.

Omni Resources (formerly Geoscience Resources) P.O.Box 2096, Burlington, NC 27216. tel. 919/227-8300, Fax 919/227-3748 includes geology and topo maps.

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ON THE CATALOGING/CATALOGUING FRONT

Mike Carpenter led the discussion in the ALCTS/CCS/MAGERT Map Cataloging Discussion Group at Midwinter in Denver on the cataloging of electronically-based cartographic material. An example of electronically-based cartographic material is various datum points located on a grid such as incidents of crime, etc. A true GIS system relates various types of data to spatial points. In cataloging this type of material, how many files there are and the operating platform the system runs on should be stated. Conventions need to be developed to distinguish the different types of data files. Now the medium of the file is being inscribed instead.

Metadata standards are not following what librarians do. Resolution is what counts, not scale. The scale of the map the electronic file was made from can be listed. Serials are not cataloged as computer files because of CONSERV standards. GPO is moving during the next fifteen years toward all maps being distributed in electronic format. David Brown from the National Archives of Canada will continue this discussion when he leads a discussion on cataloging of spatial data at the meeting of this group at ALA in New Orleans. That meeting will be held on Monday, June 28th, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. The MAGERT Cataloging and Classification Committee will meet on Sunday, June 27th at 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at ALA.

OCLC has added new country of publication codes for the two independent countries that were formerly Czechoslovakia. The country code cs for Czechoslovakia is obsolete.

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Addition of New Codes:

New Country     New Code
Czech Republic  xr
Slovakia        xo

Deletion of Existing Codes:

Old Country         New Coded         Old Code
Czechoslovakia      xr or xo          cs

OCLC also has added new geographic area codes for the Czech Republic and Slovakia. The area encompassed by both these republics was formerly assigned the code e-cs-- for Czechoslovakia. This code should still be used for the geographic area covering both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Jurisdiction New Code
Czech Republic     e-xr--
Slovakia           e-xo--

Jurisdiction Existing Code (Retained)
Czechoslovakia (Czech e-cs--
Republic and Slovakia)

NEW MEMBERS

Just in time for ALA.... NEW MEMBERS! They are:
Johanna B. Brown, San Luis Obispo, CA
Marylynn Francisco, Alexandria, VA
Charles G. Lees, Maplewood, NJ
Tiina A. Kurman, Macomb, IL
Frederick W. Musto, Hamden, CT

We hope that you take the opportunity to be active in MAGERT! You can participate even if you can't come to the conferences. Keep your eyes open and send items of interest to the editors for base line. We surely don't find all this information by ourselves! If you can get to the conferences, GREAT! We look forward to seeing you there!
AAP OUTSTANDING REFERENCE WORK OF 1992


The prestigious R.R. Hawkins Award is given annually by the Professional/Scholarly Division of the Association of American Publishers. It is named after the distinguished former head of the Science and Technology Division of the New York Public Library who served in that post for more than 40 years...

To determine the award winners, the Professional/Scholarly Publishing Division of the Association of American Publishers convened a panel of judges from the publishing industry and the industrial, medical and scientific communities. The winning books and journals were among 324 professional and scholarly works nominated across the spectrum of science, technology, business and the humanities.

(AAP press release; submitted by BJM through NAK)

ANCIENT MAPS GET HIGH TECH TREATMENT

An innovative collaborative project between the National Library of Wales and the Department of Information and Library Studies, University of Wales Aberystwyth is investigating various approaches to the automated cataloguing of early cartographic materials.

Christopher Fleet, ..., will be creating a pilot database of records for representative materials in order to compare various software solutions: a text-retrieval system, a relational database, a geographic information system and a hypertext system. The possibility of providing a digital map search interface will also be considered. The results of the project should help provide guidance for the retrospective conversion of collections of early cartographic materials.

The Department of Pictures and Maps at the National Library of Wales is being used as a case study and the project is being financed by the National Library of Wales, to run until July 1994.

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For further information, contact Christopher Fleet, Automation Unit, National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth
SY23 3BU (0970) 623816

(edited press release from Department of Information and Library Studies, University of Wales Aberystwyth)

ACRL PROGRAM:
EUROPE EAST AND WEST

The ACRL Western European Specialists Section and Slavic and East European Section are jointly sponsoring a program entitled "Europe East and West: New Resources for North American Libraries" at the 1993 Annual American Library Association Conference on Monday, June 28, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The documentation of recent events in Europe... represent opportunities and challenges for North American collections. Speakers on the panel will focus on the areas of Eastern Europe, Western Europe, and a special collection of Germans from Russia, suggesting modes of access to information from previously inaccessible archives, from microforms, books, guides, databases, and other new sources in a dynamic era.

Speakers include Edward Kasinec, New York Public Library; Sem Sutter, University of Chicago; Michael Miller, North Dakota State University; and Norman Ross, Norman Ross Publishing.

(Edited press release; submitted by CL)

AND FROM THE EDITOR

Spring has finally come to central Pennsylvania. (By the time the Blizzard ended, I was getting pretty good at shovelling snow.) I guess that's one thing we won't have to worry about in New Orleans!

The program looks really interesting, and for the first time, we're running descriptions of individual presentations and speaker biographies. If you can't
make it to ALA this time, at least you'll have an idea of what the programs are about. For those of you who are going to New Orleans, consider this a sneak preview.

See you in New Orleans!

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PERSONALS

Our Computer Information Editor, Melissa Lamont, has moved. Her new address is: Babbidge Library, Box U-5 RI, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT 06268 Tel.: (203) 486-6128 E-mail: HBLAD140@uconnvm.uconn.edu

Note: Arlyn Sherwood is the Distribution Manager for baseline only.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Linda Musser (LRM) sends a couple contributions:


"The cover of the latest issue of Iowa Geology (no. 17, 1992) is a rich-looking color reproduction of the 1905 Geological Map of Iowa. This centennial issue also includes a pictorial comparison of the 1892 and 1990 bedrock geology maps of southeast Iowa."

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GREAT MOMENTS IN MAP LIBRARIANSHIP

CAN I SEE THE CLINTON, ARKANSAS QUADRANGLE?

SURE!

SINCE HE NAMED IT, I WON'T CHECK THE INDEX FIRST.
OOPS, IT'S NOT HERE... MUST BE CHECKED OUT...

OH, DID I SAY THE CLINTON QUAD?
I MEANT THE RODHAM QUAD!
SO SORRY!

NO, IT'S NOT CHECKED OUT... MAYBE IT'S IN THE RESHELF...

NOT HERE EITHER... COULD BE MISFILED...
MAYBE I SHOULD CHECK THE INDEX...

HMM... I DON'T SEE IT LISTED!

OHH! POLITICAL HUMOR!