A good newspaper reporter (as Clark Gable so abruptly stated to Doris Day in the film, Teacher's Pet) reports who, what, why, where, when and how. A Clearing house, on the other hand, should be the center link in the information transfer process (sound familiar?). In other words, information should be gathered from one or more groups, persons, or organizations and communicated to other groups, persons, or organizations. The medium by which the SRRT groups, persons, or organizations have chosen to communicate information is the SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES ROUND TABLE NEWSLETTER. The Newsletter, then, is set up to regulate (edit, if you will) the flow of information from one set to another set.

Who, What, Why, When, Where, How are certainly bits of information, but certainly it is not all of the information needed by the group. And, the people on the Clearinghouse staff are not necessarily reporters. Reporters go out to investigate, the Clearinghouse people rely on others to report information while they act as a transmitter and regulator of information to be communicated from one set to another set.

Persons, groups (such as Task Forces), and organizations (such as Affiliates), have information to be passed on to concerned persons (such as librarians), other groups and other organizations. Sometimes I think they expect this information to be communicated by osmosis. This is not true of all persons, affiliates, or task forces. It seems to me, however, that it is true of most.

Since the Clearinghouse staff members are not reporters, they are not responsible for investigating the facts and data that need to be communicated to other SRRT groups. Clearinghouse is, however, responsible for passing along the information sent to it in some organized medium such as the Newsletter, and we do. But we cannot pass on information that is not sent to us.

Nor can we be responsible for information that does not get into the newsletter because it was sent to the wrong address, not sent at all, or etc. etc. etc.

The SRRT NEWSLETTER, it seems to me, should be well designed, attractive, readable, and packed with information. If it is thrown together at the last minute, packaged with criss-crossed type, bad type style, or disorganized type faces, it is useless. It is also useless if all information that needs to be passed on, to be communicated, is not included. The information that should be included must be in the hands of the designated SRRT NEWSLETTER editor by the deadline date! Many think that it can be forwarded from one clearinghouse staff member to another clear across the country and still be slapped into the newsletter at the last instant. But, it cannot be done that way.

Perhaps the design and layout of the newsletter this year reminds many people of ("God forbid," they will say) the establishment. But there are good and bad ways to communicate information. Perhaps our newsletter is not the best, swiftest, or most accurate way to...
relay information, but it is probably the cheapest and the most efficient. And to make it legible and attractive seems to me to be a necessary task. To keep the newsletter the cheapest and most efficient way to relay information, it is necessary to get the information needing transmission into the hands of the editor by the deadline date. Layout, then, can be completed with some taste, some organization, and some facility.

The mailing of the newsletter and the organization of the mailing list is also a tough job and takes many man-hours of work. Address changes and so forth should be sent directly to Ranae Pierce in Salt Lake City. This, it would seem to me, would eliminate the confusion that already exists in the postal service.

Clearinghouse doesn't want to leave important information out of the newsletter, nor does it want to skip someone when mailing out the newsletter. But, without the help and cooperation of all SRRT members, groups, and organizations, Clearinghouse cannot do the best job. With cooperation, we can, and will.

Tom Phelps

This is SRRT's newsletter. Newsworthy and informational items should be sent to the Clearinghouse Newsletter editor. There are no $$ for affiliate or task force printings. That's understandable -- What Budget??

What about SRRT Archives? Let AC know where and what!!!! How else will they know?

Reprint available! A reprint of the SYNERGY directory of the Social Responsibilities Round Table Task Forces, which describes their purposes, their yearly programs, and their coordinators is now available. For a copy of this directory write to Denis Carbonneau, Box 11, Spencer, Massachusetts. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with any request. It will help facilitate mailing and handling.
The Task Force on Sex Related Media coordinator, Gordon McShean, reports that the TF hoped to show everyone that a library could act as a mirror for society—in the belief that society wouldn't look too bad with its pimples and warts showing. "We hoped to involve people from outside the library field to produce the image, and involve librarians in transmitting the reflection back at them." The TF believed that the gaps in information which were traditional in the materials routinely supplied by libraries had caused immeasurable personal and community harm. Soon the TF discovered that while elements of society had some responsibility for requiring that a rosy, vague and incomplete picture be presented, too often the problem was caused by the weakness of librarians. "We are now trying to strengthen ourselves, polish ourselves up." The TF still hopes to qualify as that mirror of society, and the TF is using vivid profiles from the community as test patterns. It doesn't know what will happen if it once succeeds, but it does know that it will need to have assistance in convincing people that what they see is a reflection of themselves (and the TF hopes that is what they want)—it is too easy to throw rocks at a mirror. There are librarians who say that the TF would be safer to leave things the way they were. The TF proposed to do a number of things: promote the proper reviewing of sex related media, establish basic lists of materials which librarians should purchase, set up collections of sex-related information material to be made available to libraries on inter-library loans, set up sexual adventure collections in those libraries maintaining other "segregated collections" (such as romances, westerns, mysteries, and science fiction), and to keep in touch with other persons and groups involved in sex education or representing a particular sexual viewpoint. The TF's first year saw a start on a basic bibliography and allowed us to make contact with a number of organizations which had an interest in the TF's function. But the more dynamic library-related programs went begging. At the end of the first year the TF concluded that too many librarians were either scared, unaware, or unconcerned. Later, the TF decided that it needed an educational program directed at librarians to show how the wall of silence on sexual matters was harmful to everyone. The TF now hopes that within a year it will have a large enough corps of librarians and media specialists dedicated to ending censorship so that it will be able to initiate its original programs and begin others. Meantime, the TF has scheduled its first big program, to be held at ALA's annual meeting in 1973. Virginia Prince, the editor of Transvestia, will talk to librarians about the problems which beset the person who needs to find information about transvestism, and the social misunderstandings and personal crisis the universal blackout on sex related information can promote.
Task Force on Jobs is scheduled to meet at ALA Midwinter in Washington, D.C., Monday, January 29th at 10:00 a.m. Discussion will focus on placement services available to Librarians; the National Registry for Librarians; Job hotline equipment; Library School placement services; and problems of job applicants and employers in making contact. If you can't attend and have information to contribute, contact Phyllis Baker at 1957 - A Prince George, Columbus, Ohio 43209.

TFJ is interested in information you can forward on the placement services you may have contacted—or placement services offered by your former library school. Points to consider are: fees required to use a placement service, activity of the service in acquiring job listings, and your feelings on the adequacy of the service in performing the activities it describes.

A prospectus on equipment suitable for operating a job hotline is planned for release at Midwinter. Meanwhile, Ms. Baker will provide an equipment information packet for persons who will lobby with their state association or state library for support of a hotline in their state.

During the Midwinter meeting, TFJ will have a home (Monday - Wednesday) next to the Conference Placement Center in Empire Foyer A. TFJ will offer information on its activities, a place to file your resume, friendly advice on resume preparation, and presentation, and encouragement to job seekers.

Lester Asheim has just completed a survey of placement services offered by 18 (out of 54) Library Schools. Conclusions, in summary, are:
1. The "old boy" (i.e. grapevine) system still operates in addition to a formal placement service.
2. The present job market and larger enrollments are increasing pressure on the placement services which are becoming expensive for the Library Schools to maintain.
3. Job newsletters are catching on for presenting job information and as a source of revenue for the service.

We're still looking for someone in the Chicago area who would act as a liaison in making personnel contact with the administrators of the National Registry. Volunteers? are you out there???
The Task Force on Drug Abuse, Addiction and Mental Health is still coming of age. It held its first conference meeting in Chicago this past summer. Those in attendance had the opportunity to listen to three very committed people from the Illinois Drug Abuse Commission. The speakers covered treatment, ways in which libraries could assist field workers in treatment centers, and materials available. A selected number of printed items were distributed at the meeting. One item in particular which was strongly recommended by the panel was NARCOTICS CONTROL DIGEST, published twice monthly and available from Washington Crime News Service, 888 Heritage Building, 7617 Little River Tpke., Annandale, Virginia 22003. The rate is $48.00 per year. The Digest covers: methods and procedures, training concepts, court rulings, rehabilitation and treatment, literature and products and community programs. A very useful set of guidelines which was prepared by the Illinois Governor's Office of Human Resources entitled "Evaluation of Drug Education and Information Materials" would be most useful to any librarian who is selecting materials in this area. In order to obtain your copy of this guideline, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Miss Susan Pohl, Program Specialist, Governor's Office of Human Resources, East Pavilion, Museum of Science and Industry, 57th Street and South Lakeshore Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

The Drug Abuse, Addiction & Mental Health Task Force will be meeting at least once and perhaps twice at Midwinter -- check your official program. SRRT will be maintaining a hotel suite at the conference. If you have any questions or messages and wish to contact The Drug Abuse Task Force, leave your message at the SRRT suite.

Please do your best to attend the Drug Abuse meeting at Midwinter and encourage your friends and colleagues to attend. TFDA agenda will be: 1. to select a new Task Force Coordinator; 2. to develop committees of the TF to carry out specific projects; and 3. to develop future budgetary needs of the TF.
The Task Force on Drug Abuse... received reports from the following libraries:

PIERCE COUNTY LIBRARY
2356 Tacoma Avenue South, Tacoma, Washington 98402
(206) 572-6760 Contact: A. Corbin
An on-going program. Maintains a union list of all drug education materials for 16 libraries.

WAYNE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
304 N. Market Street, Wooster, Ohio 44691
Contact: Mrs. Elsie Hofstether
Evaluates, houses, circulates and cares for films purchased by the Wayne Council on Drug Abuse.

WESTERLY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Broad Street, Westerly, Rhode Island 02891
Contact: William D. Alexander IV
LSCA Title I grant for summer drug abuse program in cooperation with police and religious groups.

ONONDAGA FREE LIBRARY
4840 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, N.Y. 13215
Contact: Natalia Greer
Sporadic involvement with town drug council, information programs, preparation of bibliographies, etc.

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY
Box 12927, Capital Station, Austin, Texas 78711
Contact: Dorman H. Winfrey, Director.

ALABAMA CENTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
Report submitted by Carl H. Marbury, Director, Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University, Normal, Alabama 35762, (205) 859-0800, ext. 216.

LIBRARY NETWORK OF MACOMB
Received a $23,000 federal grant for drug education materials to be used at the Macomb County Central Reference Collection Headquarters Library.
Contact: Mrs. Laura Weiss, Assistant Director, Library Network of Macomb, 21930 Durham Road, Mount Clemens, Michigan 48043.
The Task Force on Media Services in "Free Schools" is interested in collecting the experiences of librarians in working with alternative educational forms, encouraging libraries and librarians to offer services to these types of schools and in collecting data on alternative education. Persons interested in working on this Task Force are asked to contact Ray Barber, Graduate School of Library Science, Drexel University, Philadelphia, Pa. 19104. One of the first tasks this year will be to produce a directory of "Free Schools".

The Task Force on Ethnic Materials Information Exchange will meet at the Midwinter Conference in Washington, D.C. on Monday, January 29th, 1973, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., at the Shoreham Hotel, Parlor Room B. Topics for discussion will include: 1) Where do we go from here? 2) Strategies to encourage production and distribution of quality minority materials in 1973. 3) Can we rely on the various ALA committees to have an impact on publishers of ethnic media? 4) Creating a natural network among librarians for the exchange of information about needed ethnic-multi-media.
The Task Force on Women is still collecting the resumes of women who are interested in administrative and specialist positions in libraries. A form is available for women who wish to be on the roster. Before the resumes are sent to requesting employers, the forms are screened according to position preference and geographical locations. There are 59 women now on the roster, and requests for the roster from 32 employers. Forms and further information can be obtained from Margaret Myers, Graduate School of Library Service, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J. 08903.

The Boston Women's Collective, Inc. has published Women's Yellow Pages, a guide to services for women in the Boston area. According to the preface, the aim of this publication is to put "women in contact with people, organizations, and agencies who can help them meet their needs both in crisis and in daily living." Boston women are fortunate to have the Women's Yellow Pages. The TF hopes that librarians in other parts of the country will make an effort to locate similar directories for their reading public, or even better, compile their own. (For more information contact Worth Douglas, 19N. Munroe Terrace, Dorchester, Mass. 02122.)

Two major programs of the Stanford Graduate School of Business may be of interest to librarians entering management and executive ranks. They are THE STANFORD EXECUTIVE PROGRAM, costing $3750 for two months, and THE STANFORD-SLOAN PROGRAM, costing $6600 for nine-month, non-degree study. Both programs are seeking the enrollment of qualified women. Write: Continuing Ed. for Business, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University, Stanford, California 94305.

Rutgers University's Eagleton Institute of Politics offers several Policy Research Associate Awards carrying stipends of $6000. For further information write: Alan Fosenthal, Associate Director, Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J. 08901. Applications are due by March 15th.

The Ford Foundation is offering 15 fellowships to doctoral candidates who are working on research on the role of women in society. Requests and information, write: Ford Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships in Women Studies, 320 East 43rd st., New York, N.Y. 10017. Faculty fellowships for research on the changing role of women in society are also available. These grants are intended for faculty members of U.S. and Canadian colleges and universities. Direct applications cannot be accepted. Nominations must be submitted by dept. chairmen or deans. Write: Ford Foundation, Faculty Research Fellowship Program on Women in Society, 320 East 43rd st., N.Y. 10017.
The annual meeting of Colorado Librarians in Transition (COLT) was held during the convention of the Colorado Library Association, at the Broadmoor Hotel, December 7th, 1972. Incoming chairman is Harry W. Bruton, Denver Public Library; vice chairman-chairman-elect is Judith K. Mahrer, Lakewood Regional Library, Jefferson County, Colorado; and secretary-treasurer is Florence Jones, University of Colorado Libraries.

A brainstorming session was held to produce ideas for 1973 projects. Suggested items were: a Task Force on institutional and professional ethics; a division for librarians doing children's work, cutting across school and public divisions; and a division for library assistants and technicians.

There will probably be a pot-luck supper for COLT members sometime in January. Discussion after the supper will lead toward the development of these ideas or others which might come up if they seem to be beneficial.

COLT sends a liaison member to meetings of the Intellectual Freedom Committee of the Colorado Library Association, which is predicted to have an extra charge of mediation-arbitration activity in 1973.

A Task Force concerning the Beacon Press has been formed. B.P. has been involved in legal troubles due to the U.S. Government because of the publication of an edition of the Pentagon Papers. People are needed to bring to the attention of the public B.P.'s plight. Write: Carol Ward, 2032 Spruce st., Philadelphia, Pa. 19103.
# Schedule for Midwinter Meetings

## Monday, January 29, 1973

- **8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**  
  Task Force on Ethnic Materials Information Exchange  
  Task Force on Newcott-Caldebery
- **9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Jobs
- **10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Alternatives in Print
- **12:00 Noon**  
  Task Force on Recruitment, Training and Advancement of Minorities I (Luncheon)
- **2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Clearinghouse I  
  Task Force on Chicanos
- **4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Action Council I
- **8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.**  
  SRRT Affiliates I (General)  
  Task Force on Gay Liberation

## Tuesday, January 30, 1973

- **8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**  
  Task Force on Drug Abuse, Addiction and Mental Health I
- **9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on the Status of Women  
  Task Force on Jobs
- **10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
  ALA Council I
- **2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Migrant Workers  
  Task Force on ALA-IFLA Relations
- **4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Action Council - Clearinghouse II
- **8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.**  
  ALA Membership Information Meeting

## Wednesday, January 31, 1973

- **8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**  
  Task Force on Mobilizing Community Program Resources for Inter-Group Understanding  
  Task Force for Media Centers in Free Schools
- **9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Jobs
- **12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Clearinghouse III (Not a Meal)
- **2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
  ALA Council II
- **4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Action Council III

## Thursday, February 1, 1973

- **8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**  
  Task Force on Underground Press Syndicate Index  
  Task Force on Sex Related Media
- **10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Service to Prisons
- **12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
  Congressional Luncheon
- **2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
  Task Force on Drug Abuse, Addiction and Mental Health II  
  Task Force on Recruitment, Training and Advancement of Minorities II
- **4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**  
  SRRT Affiliates II (Organizational)
- **8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.**  
  SRRT Action Council IV
Alternatives in Print, second edition was completed just last summer. The new edition is international in scope, almost twice the size of the first, and may be ordered from Ohio State University Libraries Publications Committee, Room 322A, 1858 Neil Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43210, for $4.00 per copy. SRRT members are allowed a $1.25 discount and so may purchase a copy for only $2.75. Anyone wanting a brief description of AIP before ordering may write to the Coordinator for a brochure:

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