

# ASDAL ACTION

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings!

I hope the preview of the ASDAL program which appears in this issue excites you as much as it does me. This has been a busy year. In October, Peg Bennett and Kit Watts met with me in Minneapolis to write a first draft of our constitution and start the planning for our meeting. All presidents of a newly-formed organization should have help of the caliber I have had this year. Peg has taken some ideas and suggestions and has planned an exciting program. Kit suggested the idea of a logo and followed through with having it designed and printed. She has been very active in soliciting members and passing on correspondence she has received. Margaret von Hake, the editor of ASDAL ACTION, has redesigned our newsletter and has spent many hours planning for our visit to CUC.

That ASDAL is needed is apparent by comments in letters we have received. Academy librarians have expressed a definite interest in our organization if they have a place in it. From Australia we have received a request for a "corresponding members" category. I have received requests that we exchange student newspapers and look into the possibility of cooperative computer databases among Adventist libraries.

At last count we have 116 members in ASDAL. I hope this meeting will continue to generate the kind of enthusiasm generated at PUC. We hope to see you in July.

Larry Onsager



THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D.C. — This striking building, modeled after an Irish castle, has been the home of every President

but George Washington. The White House ranks among the top ten attractions in the nation's capital.

## ASDAL CONFERENCE

Plans are shaping up for the 1982 ASDAL conference, to be held July 7 to 10 at Columbia Union College in Takoma Park, Maryland. The program has been planned, reservations are coming in (47 for the White House tour and 37 for the Library of Congress tours), and anticipatory excitement is rising. Look over the tentative conference program which follows, and if you haven't already decided to attend, do so now!

### Wednesday, July 7

8:00 a.m. Tour of the White House  
1:00 p.m. Library of Congress Tours  
7:00 p.m. Opening Session  
Welcome - Lawrence Onsager, ASDAL president  
Margaret von Hake, host librarian  
Introduction of Members  
Address - F. Donald Yost, Archivist of the General  
Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

### Thursday, July 8

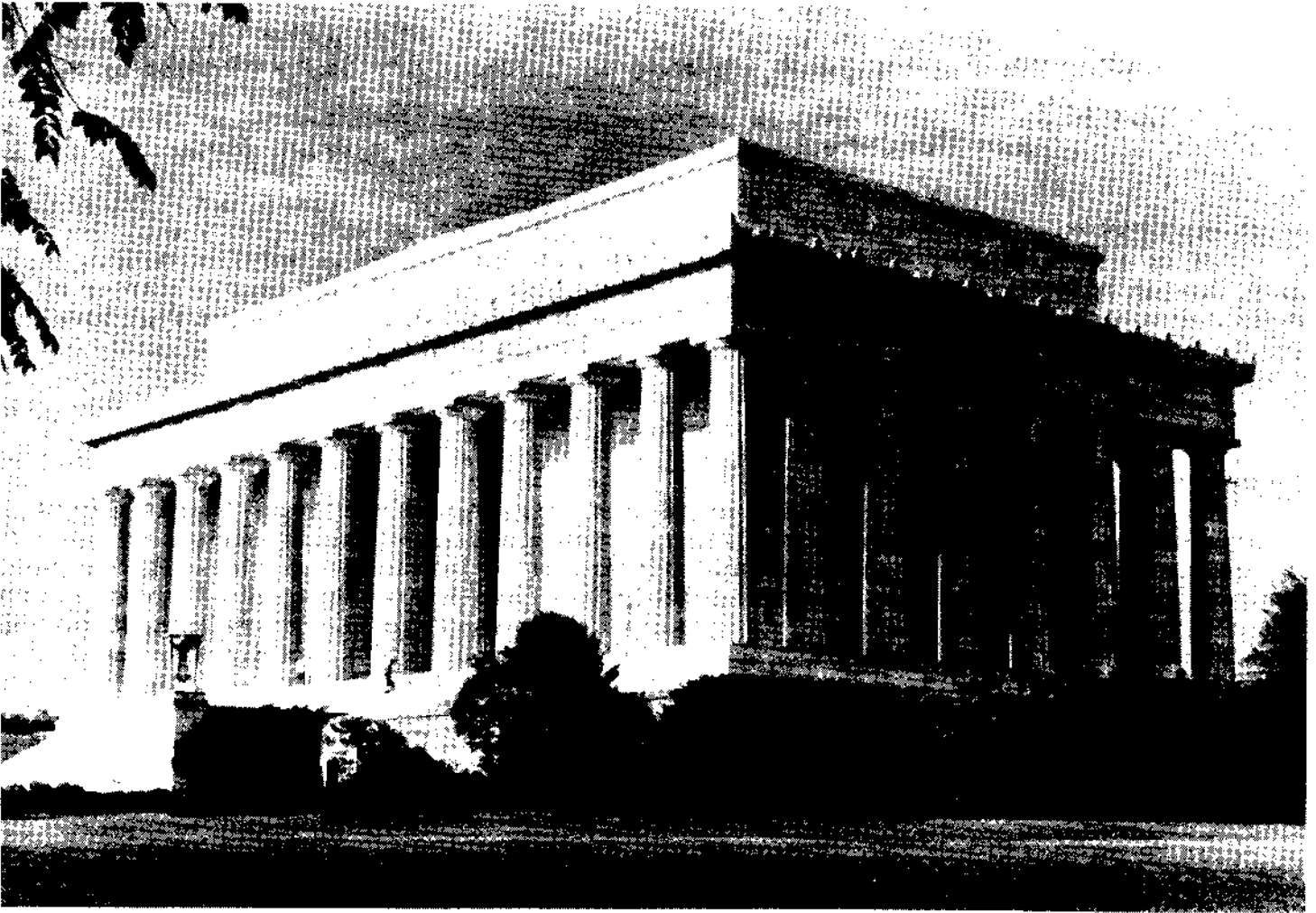
8:30 a.m. Devotional  
9:00 a.m. Business Session  
Constitution and Bylaws  
Nomination of Nominating Committee  
1:30 p.m. Seventh-day Adventist Periodical Index Report  
James Nix  
Aletha Fletcher  
Discussion of Future Funding of the Index  
Response - Robert L. Reynolds, Chairman of the SDA Board  
of Higher Education  
3:00 p.m. Mini-Sessions  
Administration - Leader: Maynard Lowry  
Public Services and Periodicals - Leader: Chloe Foutz  
School Libraries - Leader: Pat Morrison  
Technical Services - Leaders : Esther Tyler and  
Carol Crider  
6:30 p.m. Banquet  
Speaker - William A. Loveless, President of Columbia  
Union College

### Friday, July 9

8:30 a.m. Speaker - Victor Griffiths, Associate Director of Education,  
General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists  
10:00 a.m. Union List of Seventh-day Adventist Periodicals  
Joe Ford, Director of CAPCON, Washington, D. C.  
11:00 a.m. Business Session  
Rank and Tenure - Lawrence Onsager  
1:30 p.m. E. G. White Update  
Robert W. Olson, Secretary of the Ellen G. White Estate  
2:45 p.m. Comparative Library Statistics  
Donald E. Lee, Director of Institutional Research, SDA  
Board of Higher Education  
3:00 p.m. Business Session  
Election of Officers  
Report of Resolutions Committee  
6:30 p.m. Tour of the Ellen G. White Estate

Sabbath, July 10

12:30 p.m. Leave for Washington Cathedral  
2:00 p.m. - Rare Book Library  
3:15 p.m. - Guided Tour of the Cathedral  
Saturday night Tours



LINCOLN MEMORIAL, WASHINGTON, D.C.

CONFERENCE ON PRESERVATION OF ADVENTIST HISTORICAL MATERIALS

A conference on collecting and preserving Adventist historical materials was held at Andrews University on May 12, 1982, in connection with a meeting of the trustees of Adventist Historical Properties, Inc. Participants in the conference program, which was chaired by Richard Schwarz, Vice-President for Academic Administration at AU, were Don Yost and Bert Haloviak from the General Conference Archives; Robert Olson, representing the Ellen G. White Estate; Jim Nix and Gary Shearer from the Loma Linda University Library's Department of Archives and Special Collections; Louise Dederen from the AU Heritage Room; Garth "Duff" Stolz, representing the Battle Creek Tabernacle; and Marley Soper, director of the James White Library at Andrews. Adventist Historical Properties, Inc. was formed to help in the identification and purchase of properties having historical significance to the Seventh-day Adventist church which might otherwise be lost to the denomination, such properties as the Loughborough home in Battle Creek and additional land around the historic church in Washington, New Hampshire. Among those attending the conference were librarians Mary Jane Mitchell, Esther Tyler and Kit Watts from Andrews and Margaret von Hake from Columbia Union College.

## LIBRARIANS PUBLISH

Kathy Dunn, chairman of the Department of Public Services at the La Sierra Campus Library, Loma Linda University, and Larry Onsager, director of the library at Union College, co-authored an article entitled "Will Computers Revolutionize College Libraries?" which appeared in the April-May, 1982, issue of The Journal of Adventist Education. The article points out that computer networks such as the Online Computer Library Center, Inc. (OCLC) make it possible for small academic libraries to take advantage of automation without having to spend a great deal of money. It discusses the use of library computer networks for such activities as the processing of library materials, shared cataloging, periodicals control, acquisitions, circulation and interlibrary loan.

Chloe Foutz, Assistant Librarian at Union College, has completed editing, indexing and supervising publication of a 208-page genealogy of the McSpadden family compiled by Joseph L. Haw III.

## ASDAL MEMBERSHIP

Off to a good start right from the beginning, the membership in ASDAL continues to grow, having more than doubled since December. It now stands at 116, over a quarter of which are school librarians. The members include four from Puerto Rico, one from Hawaii, two from Hong Kong, one from Singapore, and one from England.

## PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

The January issue of ASDAL ACTION noted that Sligo School in Takoma Park, Maryland, has a librarian with a Master's degree in library science and asked anyone knowing of other SDA elementary schools which have professional librarians to let us know. Since then we have learned that there is at least one other: Betty Lusk, who holds a Master's degree in library science from Ball State University, is librarian at Forest Lake Elementary Educational Center in Longwood, Florida. Also, the Central California Conference has a professional librarian as library consultant for its elementary and secondary schools. Eileen Lantry works with the K-10 schools primarily but also with the six academies in Central California as needed. She used a mini-computer to produce cards from her original cataloging.

## PERIODICAL INDEX UPDATE

An ad hoc committee of ASDAL members met with Aletha Fletcher, editor of the Seventh-day Adventist Periodical Index, April 26 and 27, 1982, at Loma Linda University. Committee members Mary Jane Mitchell (AU), Taylor Ruhl (PUC), James Nix (LLU) and George McAlister (LLU) addressed themselves to such matters as the frequency of publication, scope and intended audience of the Index, operation of the indexing service, reporting structure and responsibility, and lack of currency of the publication. The committee felt that under the present circumstances it would be impossible to bring the Index up to date in any reasonable period of time, and it recommended the following: (1) change the publication schedule from semi-annually to annually, (2) start 1982 coverage immediately, with publication to take place no later than six months beyond the end of the year, and (3) cut still further the number of periodicals indexed, with coverage limited to a maximum of 9,000 pages.

The General Conference has delegated the responsibility for managing and directing publication of the Index to a committee under the direction of Robert Reynolds, Chairman of the Board of Higher Education. The ad hoc committee of ASDAL is recommending that a smaller editorial advisory committee of librarians be established as a subcommittee of this managing board. The ad hoc committee will present a full report at the ASDAL conference in July, and any further recommendations by the membership will be forwarded to Dr. Reynolds and his committee.

Aletha Fletcher reports that the latest issue of the Index is at the press and should be received by subscribers before the end of June.

ASSOCIATION OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST LIBRARIANS  
DRAFT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

The name of the association shall be the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Librarians.

Article II. Objectives

1. Enhance communication between Seventh-day Adventist librarians
2. To serve as a forum for discussion of mutual problems and professional concerns of Seventh-day Adventist librarians
3. Promote librarianship and library services to Seventh-day Adventist institutions
4. To uphold the principles of Seventh-day Adventist librarianship

Article III. Membership

Any person interested in Seventh-day Adventist librarianship may become a member of the Association by complying with the provisions of the Bylaws.

Article IV. Meetings

Meetings shall be held as provided in the Bylaws.

Article V. Officers and Elections

Elected officers shall be such officers as provided by the Bylaws, who shall be nominated and elected as provided in the Bylaws.

Article VI. Committees

The association may establish standing and ad hoc committees.

Article VII. Amendments to the Constitution

This constitution may be amended or rescinded as provided in the Bylaws.

BYLAWS

Article I. Membership

Section 1. Classes

There shall be two classes of membership: regular and associate.

Section 2. Regular

Any Seventh-day Adventist who has a graduate degree in library and information science or in education with emphasis in media services. Regular members shall pay dues as provided by the Bylaws and shall have voting rights.

Section 3. Associate

Seventh-day Adventist graduate students in library and information science and media services. Non-degreed persons employed as librarians in Seventh-day Adventist institutions. Associate members shall pay annual dues as provided by the Bylaws and may attend meetings, but shall have no voting rights.

Section 4. Application

All applications for membership shall be in writing to the secretary of the Association.

Section 5. Voting Rights

All regular members as herein defined shall be entitled to one vote. Voting may not be by proxy.

Section 6. Termination

Membership in the organization may be terminated as follows:

- a. for non-payment of dues as provided in the Bylaws
- b. when a member is no longer qualified for any class of membership as set forth in sections 2 and 3.

BYLAWS (CONT.)

Article II. Dues

Annual dues for regular members shall be \$10.00, and annual dues for associate members shall be \$5.00.

Article III. Membership Meetings

Section 1. Number of Meetings

One annual meeting (usually held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Library Association) is authorized, and other meetings as needed may be called by the Executive Committee of the Association.

Section 2. Quorum

A majority of those registered for the meeting shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.

Article IV. Officers

Section 1.

Officers of this association shall be: President, President-elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and Newsletter Editor. They shall be elected annually and constitute the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Qualifications

Any regular member in good standing shall be qualified to hold office.

Section 3. President

The Association President shall serve for one year and shall provide active leadership in the direction of the stated objectives, goals and purposes of the organization and within their contexts. He shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He shall preside at meetings of the Executive Committee, except as he shall delegate this responsibility, for single occasions, to the President-elect. He shall determine procedures and conduct elections for Association officers. All publicity concerning the Association shall originate with or have the approval of the President before being offered to the press or other news media.

Section 4. President-elect

The President-elect shall act in behalf of the President in his absence and shall plan the program for the annual meeting following the business session. The President-elect shall be responsible for arranging meeting space, equipment, facilities in general (including secretarial help) for the annual meeting of the Association, and he shall render such other services as he and the President agree he should perform.

Section 5. Secretary-Treasurer

The duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be to keep the official records of the Association; to give notice of meetings as provided by the Bylaws; to receive, keep and distribute the funds of the Association and to give an accounting thereof when called upon; and to perform such other functions as are customary for the office of Secretary-Treasurer. A recording secretary may be appointed by the Secretary-Treasurer.

Section 6. Newsletter Editor

The Newsletter Editor shall publish the newsletter at least two times annually. One issue shall include the minutes of the last meeting, and the other should include an agenda for the coming meeting (mailed at least 30 days prior to the meeting). The Editor shall have final authority over content and format of the newsletter within limits of the budget and the Association purposes.

Section 7. Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall consist of five members representing different institutions elected by the regular members on the first day of the annual meeting.

Section 8. Election of Officers

A slate of candidates shall be presented to the Association by the Nominating Committee on the last day of the meeting. A candidate is elected upon receiving at least 51% of the vote. The vote shall be by secret ballot.

## BYLAWS (CONT.)

### Section 9. Vacancies

Any vacancy arising in the office of President after the annual meeting shall be filled by the President-elect, who shall cease to be President-elect, serve out the unexpired one-year term of the President, and continue as President for the full succeeding one year to which he or she was elected. Vacancies for other offices shall be filled by the runner-up for that office. If that person is unavailable, the position shall be filled by Executive Committee appointment.

### Article V. Amendment of the Constitution or Bylaws

The constitution may be amended or rescinded by two-thirds of those voting. The Bylaws may be amended or rescinded by a majority of those voting.



JEFFERSON MEMORIAL, WASHINGTON, D.C.

### BIBLIOGRAPHIC INSTRUCTION WORKSHOP AT EARLHAM COLLEGE

Larry Onsager and two teachers from Union College, Drs. Minon Hamm and Wayne Fleming, participated in a workshop on bibliographic instruction at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, during March 30 to April 2. (A travel grant from the Council on Library Resources paid the expenses for the teaching faculty.) Earlham, a Quaker college with an enrollment of a thousand students, is nationally recognized for its program of teaching students to use library resources. Evan Farber, the library director, believes instructors and librarians should work together in the teaching/learning process. At Earlham College, librarians help instructors plan topics for research activities that meet their specific course learning aims. The librarians go into the classroom to teach students search strategies for their specific projects, and they help evaluate the final project. Earlham students receive bibliographic instruction in virtually every course, gaining sophistication in search strategy as they advance in knowledge within their fields.

ALA EXHIBITS

It appears very likely that it will be possible to arrange for transportation from CUC to Philadelphia on Sunday, July 11. If that is the case, some people who are planning to attend the ASDAL conference but not the ALA conference may be interested in going up to Philadelphia just for the day in order to go through the exhibits. It will be possible to obtain a free registration badge (for admission to the exhibits only) at the Exhibits Registration Desk in the Philadelphia Civic Center on Sunday. Badges may also be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Exhibits Visitors Badges, Conference Arrangements Office, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. (The June 1 deadline given in the ALA preliminary information booklet has been extended.) The exhibits will be open on Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The bus will return to Takoma Park Sunday evening. If you are interested in doing this, please fill out the form below and return it immediately. Be sure to indicate how many seats you wish to reserve and check the box at the bottom of the form.

CLASSIFIED

Mountain View College in the Philippines is looking for someone who would be interested in giving a year of SOS service as the librarian at Mountain View College beginning November, 1983. If you are interested, please contact Taylor Ruhl, ASDAL Placement Service, Pacific Union College Library, Angwin, CA 94508.

FROM THE EDITOR

In the first issue of ASDAL ACTION the editor spoke of the need for librarians from all segments of SDA librarianship to join ASDAL in order to make the association one that is truly representative. It is gratifying to note that the membership does include both public and private school librarians, medical librarians, college and university librarians, and retired librarians. Because these librarians have diverse interests according to their particular specialties, as well as interests common to all areas of librarianship, it is also important that ASDAL ACTION, the voice of the organization, contain materials that will be of interest to this variety of readers. So, keep the newsletter in mind and keep the editor supplied with items of professional interest to the members, please!

We have arranged for transportation to Philadelphia on Sunday, July 11. The fare will be about \$10 per person. The bus will return to Takoma Park Sunday night. Please return this form without delay if you are interested.

YES, please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seats on the bus for me. (number)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to return to Takoma Park on the bus Sunday night. (Return trip is included in the \$10 fare.)

Mail to: ASDAL, Weis Library, Columbia Union College, Takoma Park, MD 20912

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