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## Welcome to the Utah Library Association's electronic newsletter!

### President's Message

#### February 2001

Plans for the 2001 Conference, are in their advanced stages. This promises to be one of those events you'll wish you'd attended if you aren't there. The new South Towne Exposition Center in Sandy is almost completed and will offer a pristine backdrop for our annual soiree May 2nd - 4th.

A sampling of the exceptional programs scheduled this year includes the keynote address, to be provided by the brilliant Roy Tennant, Manager of eScholarship Web & Services Design for the California Digital Library. For those familiar with Mr. Tennant's work, you know that his gift is to express in plain English cutting-edge views on library technology. Author of the Library Journal's monthly column, "Digital Libraries" in addition to two books, Roy has "wowed 'em" from China to OCLC and promises to keep things lively.

Best-selling author Nicholson Baker will also grace our seasonal gathering. A source of controversy among librarians, Mr. Baker's articles in the New Yorker continue to raise irrefutable questions about the loss of original historical materials. His most recent campaign on behalf of unique U.S. newspapers will provide the focus for his comments, coming as his newest book is released. A rare appearance by this literary recluse, Mr. Baker will also provide a reading from his work, demonstrating why he remains on the New York Times Top 100 list. Leave your predispositions at the door; this promises to be a transforming experience.

Another luminary on our horizon is Susan McGlamery, Head of Los Angeles Metropolitan Cooperative. An extremely perceptive speaker, Ms. McGlamery will discuss options for developing and implementing software that allows realtime online reference transactions.

For a literary escape, author of "The End of War," David L. Robbins and reader George Guidall will speak.

Additionally, Bill Minter, book conservator extraordinaire, will provide a day-long seminar on the technical challenges of preserving books in their original format. Open to anyone with an interest in state-of-the-art book conservation, this seminar will include hands-on demonstrations of the aforementioned techniques.

A conference to remember, we are expecting more vendors than usual and an extremely large contingent of your peers. So don't delay, get yourself registered today! (Please contact the 2001 Conference Committee Chairs, Britton Lund [blund@slco.lib.ut.us](mailto:blund@slco.lib.ut.us) or Dave Armond [armond@lawgate.byu.edu](mailto:armond@lawgate.byu.edu) for registration information).

Randy Silverman, ULA President

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## Conference News

### ULA Members!

#### ULA SPRING CONFERENCE

The next ULA Conference is May 2, 3 and 4. The theme is "Preservation: Framing the Future." It is being held at the South Towne Exposition Center, 9575 South State Street. The location of this state of the art convention center in Sandy offers convenient access to attractions such as the South Towne Center, Sports Park, Wheeler Historic Farm, and the Sandy Historic District. Be sure to look for the South Valley brochure at the conference, listing these and many other attractions. The parking at

the Center is free. We are in the process of signing an agreement with the Country Inn and Suites, 10499 South, Jordan Gateway. They will provide a shuttle service to the conference which runs every 15 minutes.

The registration form and schedule for the 2001 ULA Conference can be found at <http://www.ula.org/conference/2001conf/annconf2001.htm>. Be sure to register early to ensure your attendance at the luncheons and banquet.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference.

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## ULA PRE-CONFERENCE INFORMATION

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS/ANCIENT LANGUAGES CATALOGER FROM BYU TO PRESENT ULA PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

Robert Maxwell, Special Collections and Ancient Languages Cataloger at Brigham Young University, will present a pre-conference workshop, "Why Catalog? or, Isn't Yahoo Good Enough?" at the Utah Library Association's 2001 Annual Conference at the South Town Exposition Center in Sandy, Utah on May 2, 2001. This session will help reference librarians as well as catalogers increase their understanding of the fundamentals of cataloging.

Registration forms and schedules can be obtained from the Utah Library Association Conference website at:

<http://www.ula.org/conference/2001conf/annconf2001.htm>

For questions on Mr. Maxwell's presentation, contact Jim Dooley at (801) 581-4002 or [jdooley@library.utah.edu](mailto:jdooley@library.utah.edu)

### HEAD OF DIGITAL IMAGING AT NEBRASKA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO PRESENT ULA PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

Jill Koelling, Head of the Digital Imaging Laboratory at the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS), will present a pre-conference workshop, "Digital Imaging: A Tool For Preservation," at the Utah Library Association's 2001 Annual Conference at the South Town Exposition Center in Sandy, Utah on May 2, 2001.

Ms. Koelling's pre-conference workshop is sponsored by ULA's Archives, Manuscripts, and Special Collections (AMSC) roundtable. Topics to be covered in the workshop include: how to create the best representation of the original; what type of metadata is important to keep about the image files; what is bit-depth and why should we care; a discussion about the ongoing changes in technology and how they will affect the longevity of the image files you create and the unexpected benefits to digitization that may change photographic research forever.

The workshop will be followed by a panel discussion on the challenges and opportunities for Utah participants in digitization projects. Representatives from a number of Utah library and archival institutions will serve as panelists, sharing their initiatives and posing and answering questions on the various digital imaging processes.

Ms. Koelling holds a BA in Photography from Montana State University, Bozeman and an MA in Museum Studies from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. She has worked extensively in curating photographic collections, designing and maintaining databases on image descriptions and subject access, and has developed specifications for imaging hardware and software. In addition to her role as Head of the NSHS Digital Laboratory, Koelling serves as the Society's Curator of Photographs, with responsibilities including donor relations, acquisition, storage, cataloging access, and reference.

The pre-conference workshop is part of Utah Library Association's conference theme, "Preservation: Framing the Future." Many other conference sessions, held from May 3-4, will also be of interest to archivists and records managers. Other conference session topics will include: preserving books in their original format, preserving historical collections at small academic and public institutions, and preservation on a small budget. Ms. Koelling's workshop is open to ULA members and non-members. Pre-conference registration is \$50 if postmarked by April 18 and \$60 on-site. Registration forms and schedules can be obtained from the Utah Library Association Conference website at: <http://www.ula.org/conference/2001conf/annconf2001.htm>  
For questions on Ms. Koelling's presentation, contact Noel Carmack at: (435) 797-0892, [noecar@ngw.lib.usu.edu](mailto:noecar@ngw.lib.usu.edu)

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## ULA CONFERENCE LUNCHEONS

Be sure to attend the luncheons at the upcoming ULA Conference titled, "Preservation, Framing the Future," held at the South Towne Exposition Center May 2-4. **There has been a change in presenters for the Thursday luncheon.** Author David L. Robbins and reader George Guidall will be presenting in place of Lisa Scottolini. Mr. Robbins wrote the book "The End of War," which served as the basis for the recently released movie "Enemy at the Gates." Novelist and best selling editorialist Nicholson Baker will be making a presentation at the conference and will be a keynote speaker at Friday's luncheon. The programs that he is presenting here at ULA are the same ones he will be doing a month later at the ALA conference in June.

Please make your luncheon reservations early as there is a cap of 175 per lunch. The ULA Conference Committee has done its best to make sure that the prices of meals are reasonable and makes no profit from them. The combined price of the awards banquet and both luncheons will total no more than \$45.

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## ULA CONFERENCE AWARDS BANQUET

You are invited to attend the Awards Banquet for the 2001 ULA Conference, "Preservation: Framing the Future." Please come and support your fellow librarians in receiving their honors. This year's award recipients are:

- Governor's Award for the Promotion of Reading  
*KUED*
- Librarian of the Year Award  
*Peggy Erickson, Tooele City Librarian*
- Distinguished Services Award  
*Sterling Albrecht*
- Special Services Award  
*Davis County Commissioners*
- Special Recognition Award  
*Larry Ostler*

Registration forms for the Conference and Awards Banquet can be found at  
<http://www.ula.org/conference/2001conf/annconf2001.htm>.

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## Events

### WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF MAP LIBRARIES MEETING AT BYU MAY 9-12, 2001

The Western Association of Map Libraries (WAML) is meeting at BYU May 9-12, 2001 for its bi-annual conference. Everyone is invited to join this fun group and conference. Conference fees are only \$25 and \$15. Vendors are welcome. The following is the current program. More information is available on the conference website: <http://www.lib.byu.edu/byline/Maps/Index.htm> or go to: <http://www.waml.org>

Program:

#### Wednesday, May 9, 2001

6 - 9:30 pm  
Early Bird Picnic, Rock Canyon Park (overlooking Provo area)

#### Thursday, May 10, 2001

AM  
8:00 - Noon WAML Executive Board Meeting  
8:00 - 11:00 Pre-Conference Map Preservation Workshop  
11:00 - 1:00 Registration; vendor displays open  
PM  
1:15 - 1:30 Greetings and announcements  
1:30 - 2:15 Glade Nelson, Salt Lake Family History Library: S.L.F.H. Library Maps & Atlas Collection, past-present-future  
2:15 - 3:00 Riley Moffat: Maps and geographic resources in genealogical research  
3:00 - 3:30 Break  
3:30 - 4:15 John Jasper, US National Park Service, Timpanogos Cave National Monument: Cave Mapping  
4:15 - 5:15 Dr. J. Ward Moody, BYU Astronomy Department: Mapping the Universe  
9:00 - 11:00 UVSC Planetarium Special Presentation

#### Friday, May 11, 2001

AM  
8:30 - 8:45 Registration  
8:45 - 9:00 Welcome, announcements  
9:00 - 9:45 Connie Lamb, BYU Library: Early Anglo Women Travelers to Syria & Turkey  
9:45 - 10:45 Lisa Boren: Maps pertaining to early exploration and lost treasure of the Uintah Mtn Region, UT  
10:45 - 11:00 Break: vendor displays, etc.  
11:00 - 11:45 Dr. Lehi Hintze, BYU Geology Department Emeritus: The Wheeler Survey: early geologic mapping and exploration of Utah and the West  
11:45 - 1:15 LUNCH  
PM  
1:15 - 2:00 James Walker, retired BYU: Aerial photographic research using remote control airplanes  
2:00 - 2:45 Dr. Richard Jackson, BYU Geography Department: Mapping of the "New West"

2:45 - 3:00 Break: vendor displays, etc.  
3:00 - 5:30 WAML Business Meeting & Sounding Board  
6:30 - 8:30 Banquet: Ottavio's Ristorante  
Guest Speaker: Bill Shaw, Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Director of state & local government

### **Saturday, May 12, 2001**

AM

8:45 - 9:30 Field Trip: travel to Camp Floyd

9:30 - 11:15 Camp Floyd

11:15 - 12:00 Lunch

PM

12:00 - 12:45 Travel to Museum of Ancient Life

1:00 - 3:00 Special Tour of Museum

3:00 - 3:40 Travel back to BYU

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### **ECCLES HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY INFOFAIR 2001**

The Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library is sponsoring the annual InfoFair on Thursday, March 22. This year's theme is **Genome Research in Healthcare: Cracking the Code**. The event will be held in the George and Dolores Eccles Institute of Human Genetics auditorium and the Eccles Library History of Medicine Room from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Daniel R. Masys, M.D., Director of Biomedical Informatics at the University of California, San Diego, is the keynote speaker. His talk, Information Science for Genome-Enabled Research and Healthcare, will review recent trends and challenges in the field of functional genomics. A Meet the Experts panel discussion follows with panelist Lisa Cannon Albright, Ph.D., Bernie A. LaSalle, B.S., James Metherall, Ph.D., Dr. Masys and moderator Wayne J. Peay, M.S., Director of the Eccles Library.

Peter Cooper, Ph.D., staff scientist from the National Center for Biotechnology Information will present an overview of molecular database resources from NCBI at 1:00 p.m. in the Genetics Auditorium.

At 2:30 p.m., Nancy Lombardo, M.L.S., Systems Librarian at the Eccles Library, will host a demonstration and panel discussion related to wireless networks in the library's History of Medicine Room. Panelists will discuss security issues, outline specific implementation plans, and detail challenges involved in moving to a wireless environment.

Additional events include an Electronic Resources Fair and a Web Gallery.

For more information about InfoFair 2001, visit the website located at <http://medlib.med.utah.edu/infofair/infofair2001> or contact InfoFair coordinator Jeanne Le Ber, at 801-585-6744 or [jeannele@lib.med.utah.edu](mailto:jeannele@lib.med.utah.edu)

The library will also be videotaping and streaming the keynote address to the Web, so look for a link on the InfoFair homepage on the day of InfoFair.

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### **UALC WORKSHOP ON ASSESSING LIBRARY EFFECTIVENESS**

Mark March 9 on your calendar for an exciting opportunity offered by the UALC Reference and Information Literacy Committee. The Committee is offering a workshop on assessing library effectiveness, featuring Debra Gilchrist, Director of Library/Media Services at Pierce College, Lakewood, WA. The workshop is all-day and will be held at the Utah State Library Division. Debra has given presentations and published in the areas of library instruction, outcomes assessment, the teaching library mission, and faculty/librarian collaboration. Currently, Debra is involved as a faculty member of the Immersion Program sponsored by

the Institute for Information Literacy, ACRL. Debra was co-recipient in 1997 of the ACRL Instruction Section Innovation in Instruction Award. The workshop is essential for all academic librarians because of the focus of service assessment. The cost for the UALC sponsored workshop on Assessment is \$25 and includes lunch. The workshop brochure was sent to Committee representatives for distribution to their colleagues. There is also a registration form and link to the brochure at:

<http://www.ualc.net/ualcreg.html> If you have questions contact Lesli Baker at 1-801-222-8286 or [bakerle@uvsc.edu](mailto:bakerle@uvsc.edu).

Hope to see you there!

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### ACRL ROUNDTABLE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

The ACRL Roundtable seeks individuals interested in serving as roundtable leaders for the upcoming year. The only qualifications are interest, energy, excitement, and national membership in ACRL (because we are the official Utah chapter of ACRL). The positions open are:

Chair

Vice-Chair

Members at Large (3-5)

If you are interested or have questions about what this involves, please contact me, Wade Kotter, at [wkotter@weber.edu](mailto:wkotter@weber.edu) as soon as possible. I've enjoyed being Chair the last two years, but I think it's time for new blood.

In addition, the ACRL Roundtable will be holding its annual business meeting during the ULA Annual Conference at 8:00 am Thursday morning, May 3rd. I hope all who can will attend.

Finally, I want to encourage each of you to consider presenting a poster session at the annual conference. For additional information, contact Connie Lamb at BYU ([connie\\_lamb@byu.edu](mailto:connie_lamb@byu.edu)).

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### LATEST ISSUE OF SCHOOL OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION MANAGEMENT'S NEWSLETTER NOW ONLINE

The Winter 2001 issue of the newsletter of the Emporia State University School of Library & Information Management (SLIM) is now on-line. Those enrolled in the program (a password is necessary) can access the newsletter at

<http://slim.emporia.edu/newslett/winter2001.pdf>

This issue reports on a U.S. State Department grant SLIM recently received to partner with three universities in Nigeria and the results of the Sofia 2000 Conference held last November. There is also alumni news and information on upcoming reunions.

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## **EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR ULA AWARDS NOMINATIONS!!!**

The deadline to submit nominations has been extended due to the small number of nominations received by the committee chair. We, as an awards committee, urge you to nominate individuals or groups for a ULA award to be presented at the annual conference in May. The criteria and submission guidelines may be found below. **DEADLINE IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2001**

## **NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE UTAH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, MAY 2-4, 2001**

It's that time once again! The ULA Awards Committee will now accept your nominations for candidates to receive service awards for outstanding performance in librarianship and/or service to the library profession. We invite you to nominate librarians, trustees, legislators, news media personnel, and anyone you think meets the criteria for one of the awards below.

### **ULA Distinguished Service Award**

This is the association's most prestigious award, presented to persons who have sustained achievements of the highest caliber for several years. Although past recipients have been librarians, anyone meeting the criteria is eligible for nomination.

### **Librarian of the Year**

Nominees must be librarians, i.e., have worked in a library or media center or have been involved in library science education. Although qualifying accomplishments need not have been completed within a calendar year, the award is designed to recognize outstanding achievements in service to libraries during the recent past.

### **Special Service to Libraries Award**

This award may be used to honor groups (e.g., library staffs, committees, library boards, or similar library groups) or individuals who have made significant contributions in support of libraries or library service. Qualifying accomplishments may represent a sustained contribution over several years or a notable effort over a shorter period of time.

### **Special Recognition Award**

This award honors librarians who have contributed to the profession as a whole and who have benefited the library community in general over a period of many years.

### **Research Award**

This award is given for the best research paper. Entries are submitted to and judged by the Research Committee and the results are then communicated to the Awards Committee.

### **Intellectual Freedom Award**

Selected by members of the Intellectual Freedom Committee, this award is designed to inspire all persons interested in basic First Amendment rights to aspire to defend and to take a stand in the defense of those rights.

### **Distinguished Service Awards for Subsidiary Units**

ULA sections, round tables, and committees are encouraged to nominate librarians in their own area for their contributions to that particular aspect of librarianship.

### **Governor's Award for Promotion of Reading**

ULA President Randy Silverman has asked that the Awards Committee also select a winner to receive "The Governor's Award for Promotion of Reading." This award was given last year to Governor Mike Leavitt and his wife Jacalyn. The criterion used in making this decision includes efforts to: promote literacy skills in the state of Utah; acquire new materials for school libraries; encourage and obtain additional funds to improve reading skills.

### **Criteria for Judging Award Nominees**

Nominees will be evaluated on their contributions in one or more of these categories: Leadership, Creativity, Pioneering Effort, and Teaching. Leadership might be demonstrated by such things as promotion and development of a major library; extensive participation in a local, state, regional, or national library association; development or execution of a successful statewide public relations campaign; or productive effort for improved library legislation. Creativity might include successful introduction and implementation of new ideas, artistic design affecting library services, or implementing a successful model of library instruction. Pioneering effort refers to innovation in developing new techniques or programs for Utah libraries and librarianship.

### **Submitting a Nomination**

To nominate any persons or groups, please write a letter explaining why you feel those persons or groups should receive a particular award. Neither the nominator nor the nominee is required to be a ULA member. Please attach any supporting documentation the committee should consider and send to:

Darin L. Butler, Chair  
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If you have any questions, I can be reached at [dbutler@slco.lib.ut.us](mailto:dbutler@slco.lib.ut.us) or (801) 944-7604.

## NOMINATION DEADLINE IS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2001.

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### LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

It's proving to be an interesting year on the hill. I have several updates for you below. 1. State Library Budget: The State Library's budget hearing was this past Monday, January 22nd. The hearing was positive in tone. Douglas Abrams presented the rationale for a request to make a one-time transfer of funds to the State Library Donation Expendable Trust Fund in order to handle the capital cost of replacing bookmobile boxes over the next 8-10 years. I presented a progress report on the 21st Century Library Initiative. (See copy of handout attached.) Randy Silverman represented the Utah Library Association. He informed the Subcommittee that Senator Beverly Evans has agreed to introduce a bill requesting \$2,000,000 in one-time funding to launch the 21st Century Library Challenge Fund and asked the Subcommittee to support her bill. On Wednesday, January 24th, the Economic Development and Human Resources Subcommittee approved the State Library's base budget. The Subcommittee did not, however, take action on our request to transfer funds. This issue and Senator Evans bill will be handled when the Subcommittee considers all supplemental requests later in the session. 2. Senator Evans Bill. This bill, appropriating \$2,000,000 to the State Library Donation Expendable Trust Fund for the 21st Century Library Challenge Fund, is now being drafted by Legislative Research. Look for its introduction next week. Because a recommendation for the 21st Century Library Challenge Fund is not included in the Governor's budget, I cannot directly lobby or make legislative contacts on behalf of this bill. Kimball Young, the Friends of Utah Libraries, and Shirley Scruggs, Chairman of the State Library Board, have committed to working with the Utah Library Association's Legislation Committee and with the Utah library community in support of the bill. Watch for further information from them next week. 3. House Bill 157 Update and a New Bill -- the Internet Child Protection Act. The comment period has closed on House Bill 157, and the only comments I have received are nonsubstantive and technical in nature. I am meeting tomorrow with the DCED Attorney and the Director of Administrative Rule to finalize the language. Ordinarily, I would file immediately enact the rule. However, a new development has occurred. Representative Brad Winn is preparing to introduce a bill entitled, the "Internet Child Protection Act." The bill should be numbered by the end of the week, but text is not likely to appear on the legislative website until next week. The proposed bill codifies the standards portion of the State Library's draft administrative rule, R223-2. If you have your copy of the administrative rule, that includes R223-2-3(1)(a)-(c) and R223-2-3(2)(a)-(c). The bill also has requirements pertaining to public education that do not affect the State Library or public libraries. Attorney General Mark Shurtleff (who served at one time on the Board of Trustees for the Salt Lake County Library) has reviewed the bill and has pledged his support for its passage. He understands the library perspective and is supportive of local control of policy decisions for this sensitive area, as is Representative Winn. I am currently assessing whether I should immediately finalize R223-2 or should wait until the Legislature has acted on Representative Winn's bill. There are obvious advantages and disadvantages to both approaches. I expect to reach a decision soon -- hopefully next week, and will issue a formal letter to all library directors with an update at that time on my decision relative to the enactment of R223-2 and Representative Winn's bill. 4. HCR 2 -- Resolution Urging School Boards to Keep Media Resources as Priority Representative Lamont Tyler has introduced the resolution above urging that every elementary school have a full-time certified library media specialist, that increased funding for library specialists and collection development be provided and encouraging local school boards to meet minimum standards for media center facilities and programs. 5. CIPA Many of you are probably aware that in passing the Labor, Health and Education appropriation, Congress passed the "Children's Internet Protection Act," commonly referred to as CIPA. This bill has specific requirements for public libraries using the E-rate and for public libraries using LSTA for Internet access. Libraries wishing to remain eligible for these funds must certify that they have adopted and implemented an Internet safety policy which includes operation of a "technology protection measure" that blocks access to visual depictions that are obscene, child pornography or harmful to minors. The "harmful to minors" provision applies only to Internet use by minors. Many questions are currently swirling at the national level about CIPA and the federal rule-making process. There will be, I believe, sufficient time for these questions to be answered before library funding is affected. For the latest information, go to <http://www.ala.org/cipa>.

As they say in the cartoons -- that's all for now, folks!! Amy Amy Owen, Division Director [aowen@state.lib.ut.us](mailto:aowen@state.lib.ut.us) NEW ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER Utah State Library Division Voice: (801) 715-6770 250 North 1950 West, Suite A Fax: (801) 715-6767 Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-7901

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### CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION ACT INFORMATION

A list of frequently asked questions about the Children's Internet Protection Act has been placed on the ULA Web site. If you are interested in this legislation, or need to know how it might effect your library, please go to:

[http://www.ula.org/legislation/childrens\\_internet.htm](http://www.ula.org/legislation/childrens_internet.htm)

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### A LETTER TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UTAH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION Submitted by the Committee for Nonprofit Compliance

On Monday, November 6, 2000, the Committee for Nonprofit Compliance of the Utah Library Association met at the Utah State Library. The purpose of the meeting was to review the activities of ULA and "determine whether or not they conform with the Association's Charter as an IRS 501(c)(3) organization." To accomplish this purpose, the Committee reviewed the minutes of the Board of Directors meetings for September 10, 1999, December 3, 1999, February 4, 2000 and April 7, 2000. It is the assumption of the Committee that all official governance actions of ULA are accurately reported in the minutes of the Board of Directors. Based on its review of those minutes, the Committee finds no actions which in its opinion would place the Association's nonprofit status in jeopardy. As part of its charge, the Committee is required to report this finding to the

Association members through its official newsletter. In making this report, the Committee emphasizes that is passing no judgement on the merits of any action taken by the Board of Directors in administering the Association. Rather, its finding is limited to the scope defined above.

In addition to this finding, the Committee makes the following recommendations to the membership and to the ULA Board of Directors:

1. That a copy of the current bylaws be submitted immediately to the IRS in compliance with IRS requirements that nonprofit organizations re-submit bylaws following any amendment.
2. That future amendments to the bylaws be undertaken conservatively and only as absolutely necessary to improve the operations and administration of the Association. The Committee suggests that changes in operations be formalized by methods other than amending the bylaws whenever possible.
3. That minutes be kept of all annual meetings of the membership and submitted to the Committee for Nonprofit Compliance for inclusion in its review process.

The members of the Committee for Nonprofit Compliance hope that this review and these suggestions will assist the Association as it moves forward in conducting its important work in the year ahead.

Respectfully Submitted  
The Committee for Nonprofit Compliance  
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Randy Olsen, Brigham Young University  
Amy Owen, Utah State Library  
Rita Rausch, University of Utah S. J. Quinney Law Library  
Lynnda Wangsgard, Weber County Library

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#### **ALL AMSC ROUNDTABLE MEMBERS:**

Information regarding the AMSC Roundtable has been posted in the roundtable section of the ULA website! Current news, events, and helpful links have been included. If you would like to take a look at the AMSC page, click on:

<http://www.ula.org/organization/rt/rt.htm>

If you have any questions, comments, or items to include under "current events," please contact Noel Carmack (current AMSC Roundtable chair) at: [noecar@ngw.lib.usu.edu](mailto:noecar@ngw.lib.usu.edu) or (435) 797-0892.

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