ALA Award Nominations

All ALA members are urged to recommend candidates for the association’s awards, citations, and scholarships presented for distinguished service to the profession, publication, study and research. Most of the 1969 awards will be made during the ALA annual conference in Atlantic City. The chairman of the 1968-69 Awards Committee is Spencer G. Shaw, children’s service consultant, The Nassau Library System.

**BETA PHI MU AWARD**—An annual award consisting of $50 and a citation, administered by the Library Education Division, made to an individual for distinguished service to education for librarianship. Deadline for nominations, April 1, 1969. Send nominations to Chairman—Grace P. Slocum, Assistant Director, Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201.

**MELVIL DEWEY MEDAL**—An engraved medal and a citation presented annually to an individual or a group for recent creative professional achievement of a high order, particularly in those fields in which Melvil Dewey was actively interested, notably library management, library training, cataloging and classification, and the tools and techniques of librarianship. Donated by Forest Press, Inc. Deadline for nominations, January 15, 1969. Send five copies of nominations to the jury chairman—Allen B. Veaneer, Assistant Librarian, Stanford University Libraries, Stanford, California 94305.

**EXHIBITS ROUND TABLE AWARD**—An annual award of $500 made to an individual or a group to aid or improve some particular aspect of librarianship or library service on the basis of need in the profession or in the operation of professional library associations. Donated by Exhibits Round Table. Chairman—Richard N. Drysdale, Professional Library Service, 2200 E. McFadden Avenue, Santa Ana, California 92705.

**HAMMOND INCORPORATED LIBRARY AWARD**—An award of $500 and a citation made annually to a librarian who has effectively encouraged the use of maps and atlases or promoted an interest in cartography. The award is to be presented only in those years when an appropriate recipient is found. Donated by Hammond Incorporated. Administered by ALA Awards Committee. Send nominations to the jury chairman by January 15, 1969. Chairman—Winifred M. Poole, Librarian, Laboratory High School Library, University of Chicago, 1362 East 59th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

**JOSEPH W. LIPPINCOTT AWARD**—An award consisting of $1000, an engraved medal, and a special citation made annually to a librarian for distinguished service in the profession of librarianship, such service to include outstanding participation in the activities of professional library associations, notable published professional writing, or other significant activity in behalf of the profession and its aims. Donated by Joseph W. Lippincott. Administered by the ALA Awards Committee. Deadline for nominations: January 15, 1969. Chairman—Thomas R. Buckman, The University Library, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois 60201.

**ISADORE GILBERT MUDGE CITATION**—A citation to be given at the annual conference.

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ence of the ALA to a person who has made a distinguished contribution to reference librarianship. This contribution may take the form of an imaginative and constructive program in a particular library; the writing of a significant book or articles in the reference field; creative and inspirational teaching of reference service; or other noteworthy activities which stimulate reference librarians to more distinguished performance. Send nominations to the chairman by March 15, 1969. Chairman—Wayne M. Hartwell, Librarian, Encyclopedia Britannica, 425 N. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

EUNICE ROCKWELL OBERLY MEMORIAL AWARD—A biennial award given in odd-numbered years, consisting of a citation and a cash award of the income of the Oberly Memorial Fund, made to the American citizen who compiles the best bibliography in the field of agriculture or one of the related sciences in the two-year period preceding the year in which the award is made. Made possible by a fund established by colleagues in memory of Eunice Rockwell Oberly. Administered by ACRL Agriculture and Biological Sciences Subsection. Deadline for nominations, March 15, 1969. Send nominations to the committee chairman—Fleming Bennett, Hume Library, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida 32601.

HALSEY W. WILSON LIBRARY RECRUITMENT AWARD—An annual award consisting of $1000 to be given to any local, state, or regional library association, any library school, or any other appropriate group concerned with recruitment to the profession. (To be eligible, a state or regional library association must be a chapter of ALA.) There may be direct application or nomination for the award. The award will be made for the development of a sustained program of recruitment for librarianship and will be based on total continuing program, not limited to one year’s activity. The criteria upon which selection will be based are: definition of goals; appropriateness and value to the library needs of an area in which the program is conducted; number of individuals entering library school or library employment; number and kind of individuals or groups reached; or other demonstrable results. The money comprising the award will be used for the continuation and further development of a recruitment program. Donated by H. W. Wilson Company. Administered by ALA Awards Committee. Deadline for nominations, January 15, 1969. Send five copies of the nominations to the jury chairman—Jessie C. Smith, Head Librarian, Fisk University Library, Nashville, Tennessee 37208.

H. W. WILSON LIBRARY PERIODICAL AWARD—To be given annually to a periodical published by a local, state, regional library, library group, or library association in the United States or Canada which has made an outstanding contribution to librarianship. (This excludes publications of ALA, CLA, and their divisions.) All issues for the calendar year prior to the presentation of the award will be judged on the basis of sustained excellence in both content and format, with consideration being given to purpose and budget. The award shall be presented only in those years when a periodical meritng such recognition is submitted for the award. Donated by the H. W. Wilson Company. Administered by ALA Awards Committee. Deadline for nominations, January 15, 1969. Send nominations to the jury chairman—Ben C. Bowman, Librarian, Hunter College Library, Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10021.

ESTHER J. PIERCY AWARD—An award, established in 1968, in the form of a citation given to recognize the contribution to librarianship in the field of the technical services by younger members of the profession. The recipient will be a librarian with not more than ten years of professional experience who has shown outstanding promise for continuing contributions and leadership in any of the fields comprising technical services by such means as (a) leadership in professional associations at local, state, regional or national levels; (b) contributions to the development, application, or utilization of new or improved methods, techniques, and routines; (c) a significant contribution to professional literature; (d) conduct of studies or research in the technical services. The award shall be given to an individual each year in which the Jury believes there to be a qualified recipient. Administered by the Resources and Technical Services Division. Deadline for nomination of candidates, January 13, 1969. Chairman—Mrs. Ruth F. Carnovsky, Associate Professor and Dean, Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, 1116 East 59th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

HERBERT PUTNAM HONOR FUND is an award of $500 presented at intervals as a grant-in-aid to an American librarian of outstanding ability for travel, writing, or other use that might improve his or her service to the library profession or to society. The ALA Awards Committee serves as jury for this award. Nominations may be sent to Spencer G. Shaw, ALA Awards Committee, Nassau Library System, Lower Concourse, Roosevelt Field, Garden City, New York 11530.

SCARECROW PRESS AWARD FOR LIBRARY LITERATURE—An award of $500 and a citation made to an American librarian to recognize an outstanding contribution to library literature issued during the calendar
year preceding the presentation, donated by the Scarecrow Press and administered by ALA Awards Committee. Deadline for nominations is January 15, 1969. Send nominations to the jury chairman, Mrs. Virginia G. Young, Missouri State Library, State Office Building, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

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APPRENTICE SURVEYORS
Well qualified library surveyors are not plentiful, and the ACRL Committee on Library Surveys would like to increase the supply. One of the best means of learning how to survey libraries is to make surveys. Indeed, experience is so obviously desirable that the persons invited to do work of this kind usually are already successful and experienced surveyors. The problem is obvious: How does one start? How can the beginner acquire experience?

The committee strongly recommends that, whenever practicable, surveys be made by a team rather than by a single individual, and that each team include an “apprentice” surveyor who has never directed a library survey.

The committee hopes to be able to suggest to the directors of surveys names of persons who may be interested in serving as apprentices. In order to do this it needs to know who is interested in surveying junior college, college, university, and other research libraries. This is an invitation to supply the information that is needed:

All persons interested in working as apprentice surveyors are asked to summarize their educational preparation and professional positions held to date, to give present position and address, to describe any particularly relevant special qualifications or experience, and to indicate interests or specialties—i.e., type of college or research library or field such as administration, automation, collections, public services, technical services, etc. Correspondence should be addressed to Edwin E. Williams, Chairman ACRL Committee on Library Surveys, Widener Library 183, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.

In 1964 the committee attempted to compile a roster of experienced surveyors, and it would also welcome correspondence from persons who have directed surveys and would like to have their names added to that roster.