Haverford receives NEH grant

Haverford College in Pennsylvania has received a grant of over $64,000 from the Division of Preservation and Access of the National Endowment for the Humanities to fund preservation microfilming of and improved access to 103 titles in the college’s international Quaker periodicals collection.

NEH awarded $18.7 million for 54 projects in June 1992. In addition to preservation microfilming, NEH supported projects to stabilize material culture collections, to increase access to collections, and to provide preservation training. Of the many types of educational and cultural institutions that received grants during this cycle, Haverford was the only college.

SOLINET and CPA cosponsor seminar

SOLINET and the Commission on Preservation and Access will hold their second Preservation Management Seminar from July 22–30, 1993, at Wellesley College in Wellesley, Mass. This intensive seminar is designed to provide academic librarians with practical, effective strategies for preservation of general collections. Participants can expect to set preservation priorities and to develop an action plan tailored to their own institution's needs by the end of the seminar.

Registration is limited to 20 participants who will be selected from the applicant pool by the members of the commission’s College Libraries Committee. Tuition, room, and board for the eight-day program is $1,500 (transportation not included). The commission will offer one scholarship plus as much as $500 toward transportation costs. For more information or an application form contact Amy Bernath at SOLINET, (800) 999-8558; e-mail: abernath@mail.solinet.net.

ARL sends memo on deacidification

Scott Bennett of Johns Hopkins University, David Bishop of Northwestern University, Richard De Gennaro of Harvard University, and Duane Webster of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) sent a memo on October 23, 1992, to all ARL directors with an interest in acting on mass deacidification in FY93. In the memo they urged that anyone planning to use Akzo Chemicals’ DEZ process begin discussions with Akzo as soon as possible. According to Richard Miller of Akzo, the Dutch corporation is reviewing the financial viability of its mass deacidification plant in Texas and may discontinue operations at the end of 1993. For details contact: Richard Miller, Akzo Chemicals, Inc., 385 Surrey Lane, Fairfield, CT 06430; (203) 259-6800.

AMIGOS distributes report on SAA Annual Meeting

AMIGOS Preservation Service is distributing a report on preservation-related sessions at the Society of American Archivists Annual Meeting, held in September in Montreal. The report covers eight sessions, five of which focus on preservation of electronic, audio, video, or film materials. Free copies of the report are available from Tom Clareson, AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc., 12200 Park Central Dr., Suite 500, Dallas, TX, 75251; (800) 843-8482.

Gaylord publishes new series

Gaylord Bros. has begun publication of Preservation Pathfinders, a series of basic bibliographies on preservation topics. The first number in the series is titled An Introduction to Preservation and contains 31 annotated citations on environmental control, disaster preparedness and response, preservation of photographs, collections conservation of paper and books, commercial library binding, and preservation in public libraries.

Free copies of the leaflet are available from Gaylord Bros., Box 4901, Syracuse, NY 13221-4901; (800) 448-6160.

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