The time to lead

ACRL seeks nominees for office

Would you like to seek office in an ACRL section? Would you like to nominate anyone else for one of these positions? If the answers is yes, here is what you need to do.

ACRL section officers
Candidates for vice-chair/chair-elect of ACRL sections are selected by the Nominating Committee of each section. If you would like to nominate someone or be nominated for vice-chair of an ACRL section, contact the chair of the Nominating Committee for the appropriate section prior to the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans.

Other section officers, including secretary and member-at-large, may also be under consideration for this term of office, which will begin in the summer of 2000.

Section nominating committee chairs
Asian, African, and Middle Eastern
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Tired of the image problem? Be part of the image solution. In your next triathlon, wear a T-shirt that says, "Conan the Librarian.

When you accept your Oscar, thank the dean of your library school. And when someone remarks that you don’t look like a librarian, take a page from Gloria Steinem and say, "Yes, I do. This is what a librarian looks like.”

Maybe once people realize that librarians, like those in most other professions, come in every shape, size, sex, sexual preference, tonsure, decibel level, and body-fat composition, we’ll feel free to just relax and be ourselves. It just so happens that I do wear my hair in a bun. It’s great for kickboxing.

Recent articles in C&RL News on ACRL President Maureen Sullivan’s theme of “Leadership and Learning” challenge all of us to be both leaders and learners and have offered insights into ways to do so within our libraries today. Another challenge is to stop thinking about learning as something that happens only in a classroom. By participating in various groups and teams doing real work in real time, we can both learn and lead.

Notes
2. Ibid., 17.