assessments is necessary because: librarians need to know effective methods for teaching users how to use CD-ROM; knowing how users search will help librarians decide which CD-ROM systems to obtain for the library; the more the librarian knows about the CD-ROM searching habits the more the librarian will know about users' information needs.2

In any training course it will be necessary to teach basic skills to all new CD-ROM users, but staff in particular will need hardware and software skills. For example, they need to know how to change compact discs, locations of on/off switches on all equipment, how to add paper and clear jammed printers, and basic knowledge of the computer keyboard. They will also need to know how to enter and exit programs, basic search strategies and use of logical operators, field specific searching, how to download, and the procedures for training new users.

Training library users

The following general comments can be made based on reading numerous publications concerning CD-ROM user education:

• frequent use of CD-ROM systems leads to better use, and some training is better than no training;
• CD-ROM allows for demonstrations of electronic databases without online costs, permits a comparison of different software for searching, and enables demonstration searching in classrooms lacking phone lines and telecommunications capabilities;
• CD-ROM user education encompasses different kinds of user education programs, but must also take into account the experiences of users with other information sources, information technology, and libraries in general;
• users prefer personal, on-demand instruction for CD-ROM systems to written instructions or group lectures;
• the most common training method is the group lecture with demonstration searching, followed by hands-on experience;
• self-instruction programs such as computer-assisted instruction, user guides, and manuals supplement group lectures and on-demand instruction.

CD-ROM user education is a new form of bibliographic instruction and is most necessary when CD-ROM is first introduced into a library. ■ ■

2 Schultz, 56.

- **Basics of Law Librarianship**, by Deborah S. Panella (118 pages, January 1991), covers everything you need to know if you are considering or find yourself after library school in a law library position. The major areas of law librarianship are summarized, including the legal clientele, collection development, research tools, technical services, the impact of technology, and management issues. Panella includes a bibliography of general law library literature. The cost is $29.95 from Haworth Press, 10 Alice St., Binghamton, NY 13904-1580. ISBN 0-86656-990-1.

- **Criminal Justice Ethics: Annotated Bibliography and Guide to Sources**, edited by Frank Schmalleger (113 pages, March 1991), focuses on materials that delineate the standards of behavior for police, the courts, and corrections facilities. A special section on victim's rights highlights the growing concern with the rights of communities in the face of criminal victimization. Author and subject indexes provide access. The book may be ordered for $39.95 from Greenwood Press, 88 Post Road West, Box 5007, Westport, CT 06881. ISBN 0-313-26791-X.


- **In Pursuit of Satan: The Police and the Occult**, by Robert D. Hicks (420 pages, April 1991), discusses the obsession of some law enforcement agencies with an alleged nationwide satanic crime cult. Hicks points out that the satanic criminal model is expedient because of its simplicity and economy, reducing to simple formulas such complex problems as drug abuse, teen suicide, and sexual molestation. The cult/conspiracy theory is shown to be fueled by Christian fundamentalist belief and the ungovernable mechanisms of rumour-panic, subversive mythology, and urban legend. Copies are available for $23.95 from Prometheus Books, 700 E. Amherst St., Buffalo, NY 14215. ISBN 0-87975-604-7.

- **LCPA's Index to the Library of Congress Information Bulletin** is published by the Library of Congress Professional Association, a nonprofit staff association of more than 1,600 LC employees. It indexes national and international library developments reported in the *LC Information Bulletin*, providing access by name and subject. The index may be ordered for $10.00 (prepaid, plus $2.00 handling) from LCIPA, Index Orders, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

- **Library Development: A Future Imperative**, edited by Dwight F. Burlingame (152 pages, September 1990), provides a basic understanding of the foundation of philanthropy with an emphasis on how to raise private dollars for library service. The editor and ten other contributors offer a blend of theory and practice for library administrators, librarians, and board members who are involved in library fundraising. Copies are available for $22.95 from Haworth Press, 10 Alice St., Binghamton, NY 13904-1580. ISBN 1-56024-030-X.


- **Planning for a Movable Compact Shelving System**, by Franklyn F. Bright (70 pages, May 1991), discusses the situations in which compact shelving is a good choice; the structural requirements of the building that is to house a compact shelving system; the components of such a system; how the safety of the user can best be assured; the type of shelving to be used on compact carriages; and the best way to provide adequate lighting for a compact shelving system. Numerous illustrations and a listing of manufacturers and installers of shelving systems are included. Copies are available from ALA Publishing, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. ISBN 0-8389-0571-4.

- **Preserving Harvard's Retrospective Collections** is the report of the Harvard University Library Task Group on Collection Preservation Priorities (74 pages, April 1991). The work of the task group, a process that took one year, is a first step towards the development and systemization of a comprehensive preservation program for Harvard's library collections. The report describes the full range of materials held in the library, recommendations on criteria for the order in which material will be treated, and a description of the various components of a major preservation program.
Copies are available for $15.00 from the Harvard University Publications Office, 25 Mt. Auburn St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

- Psychology and Psychiatry Serials: A Bibliographic Aid for Collection Development, by Dorothy M. Persson (121 pages, December 1990), describes 305 titles in psychometrics, experimental psychology, developmental psychology, personality, physical and psychological disorders, treatment and prevention, educational psychology, applied psychology, and general psychology. The journals were selected from those indexed in Psychological Abstracts and other sources. Descriptions for each title consist of title, date of first publication, frequency, publisher, ISSN, indexing and abstracting tools in which it is listed, and an annotation. An index following the entries lists titles by subject area, and a subject area code list and a list of publishers' addresses also provide access. Copies are available for $19.95 from Haworth Press, 10 Alice St., Binghamton, NY 13904-1580. ISBN 1-56024-048-2.

- Teaching and Technology: The Impact of Unlimited Information Access on Classroom Teaching (140 pages, 1991) contains the proceedings of a Forum on Teaching and Technology held at Earlham College, February 26-28, 1989. The focus of the forum was on changes in the ways people learn and the ways faculty teach, looking at how faculty from several disciplines have been and will be affected by information technology. The 15 faculty speakers represented the fields of art, humanities, education, psychology, computer science, and academic administration. Evan Farber, director of Earlham's Lilly Library, wrote the foreword. Copies are available for $25.00 (plus $2.00 handling) from the Pierian Press, P.O. Box 1808, Ann Arbor, MI 48106. ISBN 0-87650-283-1.

- The Waters of the Nile: An Annotated Bibliography, by Robert O. Collins (315 pages, March 1991), covers the period from dynastic Egypt to the present and focuses on the historical, political, biological, geographical, diplomatic, social, and economic aspects of the Nile Water Basin, from Lake Victoria to the Mediterranean. Emphasis is given to primary and secondary materials rarely available in the West, including small ephemeral publications, government publications, and dissertations. A copy may be ordered for $100.00 from K.G. Saur, P.O. Box 32, New Providence, NJ 07974. ISBN 0-905450-83-2.

- Who's Who in South African Politics, by Shelagh Gastrow (368 pages, 3d ed., December 1990), provides 131 biographies of prominent political figures active in South Africa today, from the far right through the ruling National Party. This new edition has been revised to reflect the changes following the 1989 South African election. The essay-style entries give information and insight into each individual's political views and activities. Many of the figures included were interviewed personally by the author. Copies are available for $90.00 from K.G. Saur, P.O. Box 32, New Providence, NJ 07974. ISBN 0-90545037-X.

- Women's Rights in International Documents: A Sourcebook with Commentary, edited by Winston E. Langley (192 pages, June 1991), serves as a documentary source for international human rights documents that bear uniquely on women. The context and perspective of each document is also provided, enabling readers to assess their impact and to think further about the issues raised by them. The book is divided into seven parts: the U.N. Charter and the International Bill of Rights; employment, remuneration, and education; nationality; marriage, family, and children; prostitution and slavery; political rights; and all discrimination. The appendix reproduces two inter-American conventions that bear on women's rights and identifies a number of international conventions which, though largely superseded by other documents contained in this volume, bear some historical importance. Copies may be ordered for $29.95 from McFarland & Co., Box 611, Jefferson, NC 28640. ISBN 0-89950-548-1.

**LITA issues national conference call for participation**

The Library and Information Technology Association (LITA) is seeking proposals for programs or showcase sessions for the LITA 3rd National Conference, September 13-17, 1992, in Denver, Colorado. Proposals must be received on or before August 31, 1991.

The LITA National Conference Program Planning Committee is looking for a wide variety of program and showcase offerings including demonstrations, presentations of papers, panel discussions, debates, and other types of programs addressing the conference theme, "Information Technology: It's for Everyone.” Application forms are available by contacting the LITA Office, ALA, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611-2729. Telephone (312) 280-4270 or fax (312) 280-3257.

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