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MIDWINTER MEETING SCHEDULE

***PRELIMINARY***

San Antonio, Texas
January 24-27, 1992

Friday, January 24, 1992

8:00 p.m. -- 11:00 p.m.

Open House in the MAGERT SUITE, The Menger Hotel, 204 Alamo Plaza, (Jim Walsh and Pat McGlamery)

Saturday, January 25, 1992

8:00 a.m. -- 9:00 a.m.

Nominating Committee (Julia Gelfand)

Honors Committee {CLOSED} (Julia Gelfand)

9:30 a.m. -- 11:00 a.m.

GODORT Federal Documents Task Force Information Update

Education Committee (Jim O'Donnell)

Research Libraries Acquisitions Group [RLAG] (Mary Larsgaard)

9:30 a.m. -- 12:30 p.m.

Cartographic Users Advisory Committee [CUAC] (Margaret Brill)

Publications Committee I: base line, Occasional Papers, Circulars, etc. (Peter Stark)

11:30 a.m. -- 12:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 26, 1992

7:30 a.m. -- 9:00 a.m.

New Members and Executive Board Breakfast (Jim Walsh) {All are welcome. A location will be announced at a later date}

9:30 a.m. -- 11:00 a.m.

TIGER Test Project Update (Pat McGlamery)

Cartographic Statistics Task Force (Charley Seavey)

11:30 a.m. -- 12:30 p.m.

Conference Planning Committee--New Orleans, 1993 (Pat McGlamery)

Maps in Small Libraries Task Force (John Crissinger)

RBMS/GODORT/MAGERT Joint Committee on Government Publications as Rare Materials (Jim Walsh)
Sunday, January 26, 1992 (continued)

2:00 p.m. -- 4:00 p.m. Cataloging and Classification Committee (Chris Kollen)
Publications Committee II: Meridian (Peter Stark)

4:30 p.m. -- 5:30 p.m.
ALCTS/CCS/MAGERT Map Cataloging Discussion Group (Nancy Kandoian)
Publications Committee III: National Parks Occasional Paper (CLOSED) (Peter Stark/Jenny Johnson)

Monday, January 27, 1992

8:00 a.m. -- 9:00 a.m. GeoTech Committee {formerly Map Online Users Committee} (Pat McGlamery)
Conference Planning Committee--San Francisco, 1992 (Jim Walsh)

9:30 a.m. -- 12:30 p.m. MAGERT Executive Board (Jim Walsh)

12:30 p.m. -- 2:00 Lunch

NOTE: The dates and times of the meetings are correct and have been confirmed by the ALA Conference Planning Office. However, the hotel/room number assignments had not yet been assigned when this schedule was sent to the base line editor. When that information is available, I will post it on MAPS-L and GOVDOC-L.

The name(s) that appear in parentheses at the end of each meeting indicates the person(s) who will be chairing that particular meeting. In most cases it is the chair of the MAGERT committee or task force. If a chair will not be attending Midwinter, a representative has been selected.

Finally, this year's MAGERT schedule of meetings for Midwinter ends on Monday, instead of Tuesday. I did this because some committees will not meet at Midwinter. I thought, with budgets as tight as they are, that the elimination of an extra night's lodging and a day of expenses might make Midwinter more affordable for more people. Your comments on this are welcome and appreciated.
On the Cataloging/cataloguing Front

There will be a meeting of the ALCTS/CCS/MAGERT Map Cataloging Discussion Group at ALA Midwinter in San Antonio on Sunday, January 26, 1991 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Elizabeth Mangan, of the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress, will speak on Less-than-full Map Cataloging.

At the beginning of September, 1991, OCLC implemented an update to USMARC. Many other suppliers of bibliographic data have also implemented this update. Here are the changes involved in this update which affect the Maps format. This information came from OCLC’s Technical Bulletin No. 194.

FIXED FIELD

Enc lv1  Encoding Level

Code: Encoding Level Q is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences of Encoding Level Q are deleted or upgraded to I or K.

Govt pub  Government Publication Code

Codes: Codes i, l, and g are renamed.
i  International intergovernmental
l  Local
s  State, provincial, territorial, dependent, etc.

Rec stat  Record Status

Code: Description of code p changes to "...(Encoding Level changes from g to blank or l), the system changes Rec stat to code p."

VARIABLE FIELDS

007  Physical Description of Fixed Field (microforms, when |a is h)

Subfield: Code b for subfield j is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences of code b are converted to code i.
The name of code a for subfield j is changed.
a  Safety base, undetermined.
The following codes are valid for subfield |j:
d  Safety base, diacetate. r  Safety base, mixed.
i  Nitrate base. t  Safety base, triacetate.
m  Mixed base (nitrate and safety). z  Other film base.

055  Call Numbers/Class Numbers Assigned in Canada

Subfield: Subfield |2 is valid.
2 Source of call/class number. Subfield 2 contains a code that identifies the source list or scheme from which the call/class number was assigned. It is used only when the second indicator contains value 6 Other call number assigned by NLC, 7 Other class number assigned by NLC, 8 Other call number assigned by the contributing library, or 9 Other class number assigned by the contributing library. The codes to be used in the subfield are listed in USMARC Code Lists for Relators, Sources, Description Conventions (1990).

260 Imprint

Indicator: All first indicator values except blank are obsolete. A fill character no longer displays on the workform. All occurrences are changed to blank. Users must leave the first indicator blank.

500 General Note

Subfield: Subfield |a is nonrepeatable. Additional subfields |a are deleted. Data in additional subfields |a are included in the first subfield |a.

521 Target Audience Note

Scope: Field 521 identifies the persons or institutions requesting use of the described materials or the individuals, institutions, or categories of persons intended by the creators as the primary audience; it is used specifically when different versions, editions, or distributions of the described materials exist with different contents or annotations.

Indicators: The first indicator controls print constants supplied by the catalog card formatting program.

@ No information provided. The blank generates the print constant Audience.
0 Reading grade level. Generates the print constant Reading grade level.
1 Interest age level. Generates the print constant Interest age level.
2 Interest grade level. Generates the print constant Interest grade level.
8 No print constant supplied.

The second indicator is blank.

Subfields:
|a Target audience note.
|b Source (name of agency assigning information).
|3 Materials specified (distinguishes a subset of the described materials).

539 Fixed-length Data Elements of Reproduction

OCLC is implementing field 539 in place of field 533 subfield |7
of the USMARC Format. Contains coded information pertaining to
the reproduction.
Indicators: Both indicators are blank.
Subfields: Do not enter a delimiter and subfield code when the
subfield value is blank.
|a Type of date/Publication status. Corresponds to the fixed-
field element Date tp.
|b Date 1/Beginning date of publication. Corresponds to the
fixed-field element Date 1.
|c Date 2/Ending date of publication. Corresponds to the fixed-
field element Date 2.
|d Place of publication, production, or execution. Corresponds to the
fixed-field element Ctry.
|e Frequency. Corresponds to the fixed-field element Frequn.
|f Regularity. Corresponds to the fixed-field element Regulr.
|g Form of item. Corresponds to the fixed-field element Repr.
(Use the codes found in the Books Format.)

580 Linking Entry Complexity Note
Subfield: subfield |z is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences are
deleted. Data are included in the linking entry complexity note in
subfield |a.

586 Awards Note
Scope: Field 586 contains information on awards associated with the
described item.
Indicators: The first indicator controls the generation of a print
constant preceding the note.
@ No information provided. The blank indicator generates the
print constant ~.
8 No print constant generated.
The second indicator is blank.
Subfields: |a Awards note.

776 Additional Physical Forms Available Entry
Scope: Contains the entry form for an additional physical form
of the work in hand if this information can be readily ascertained
at the time of cataloging.
Indicators: The first indicator shows whether a note could be
printed from the linking entry field.
0 Print a note. However, this field doesn’t print on OCLC cards.
1 Do not print a note. Use field 580 for the note.
The second indicator is blank.
Subfields:
|a Corporate or personal name main entry.
|b Edition.
|c Qualifying information.
|d Place, publisher, and date of publication.
|g Relationship dates.
|w Control number.
|x ISSN.
|y CODEN.
|z ISBN.
|7 Control subfield.
k Series data for related item.
r Report number.
s Uniform title.
t Title.
u STRN.

Control subfield positions:
1 Type of main entry heading
2 Form of name.
3 Type of record.
4 Bibliographic level.

870 Variant Form of Entry, Personal Name
Field 870 is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences and data are deleted

871 Variant Form of Entry, Corporate Name
Field 871 is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences and data are deleted

872 Variant Form of Entry, Conference or Meeting Name
Field 872 is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences and data are deleted

873 Variant Form of Entry, Uniform Title.
Field 873 is obsolete and invalid. All occurrences and data are deleted

945-948 Local Processing Information
Scope: Fields 945-948 have been defined by OCLC and are not part of the standard USMARC formats. These fields contain local processing information. They do not remain in the master record but are stored in the archive record and are carried in the OCLC-MARC Subscription Service tapes.
Indicators: Both indicators are locally defined.
Subfields: All subfields are locally defined.
NEW MAPS

Miscellaneous

Map 'n' Facts: Central America. OCLC 22952504.
Map 'n' Facts: Japan. 23"x35". No OCLC.

Europe

Bratislava: citymap patentfolded. 1:20,000. No size given. [1991].
Hamburg: Falk-Verlag, Postfach 102122, 2000 Hamburg 1, Germany. 9.8 DM.
ISBN 3-88445-276-2. (PH)

Chemnitz: Stadtpl an patentgefgaltet. 1:20,000. No size given. Hamburg:
Falk-Verlag. 8 DM. 3-88445-273-3. (PH)

Leipzig mit Umgebungskarte extra. 1:20,000. No size given. [1991].

Middle East

Military Living's commemorative maps, Desert Shield, Saudi Arabia map:
detailed maps of Saudi Arabia and 15 neighboring countries... [ca.
1:4,000,000.] 70x52 cm on sheet 112x69 cm. 1991. Falls Church, VA:
Military Living Publication. OCLC 23150061.

United States

Central and southern California camping. Scale ca. 1:1,500,000. 1990.
Los Angeles: Automobile Club of Southern California. OCLC 23046509.

[Three computer generated views.]
Colorado Front Range. 31"x15". $16.00.
Rocky Mountain National Park. 22"x37.5". $10.00.
View to the west. 7"x 36". $11.00.
[All 1991.] Boulder, CO: Zia Maps/CTM, P.O. Box 4982, Boulder, CO 80306.
Tel.: 303/444-9391. Colorado Front Range looks "north from the
Colorado/New Mexico state line to mid-Wyoming as seen from 90,000 feet
above Maxwell, New Mexico." Rocky Mountain Nat'l Park views the park "from
the NE to SW as seen from 50,000 feet above Fort Collins, Colorado." View
to the west is a "horizon view of the Rocky Mountains as seen from above
Limon, Colorado."

Forest land capability map, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania. Scale ca.
1:63,360. 1 map on 2 sheets. Sheets 122x92 cm. 1990. [Harrisburg?):
Department of Environmental Resources, Office of Resources Management,
Bureau of Forestry, in cooperation with the U.S. Soil Conservation Service.
OCLC 23216539.


Military installation road map. No size given. No scale given. 1991. Falls Church, VA: Military Living Publications. No OCLC.


Ohio. 38"x42".
New York. 42"x59".
Pennsylvania and New Jersey. 36"x54". Three maps all at 1:500,000. All 1991. Medford, OR: Raven Map and Images. Each $20.00 paper. $45.00 laminated.

[Two maps forthcoming in 1991 or early 1992.]


World


Nuclear News map of international nuclear power plant locations. 1991 edition. No scale given. No size given. Chicago, IL: American Nuclear Society. $3.00 plus $2.90 postage and handling. Tel.: 708/579-8208.

World cities at night. 1:32,000,000. 24"x36". 1991. Medford, OR: Raven Maps and Images. "Shows every city of over 25,000 population." $20.00 paper. $45.00 laminated.
NEW BOOKS AND ATLASES

• Atlas of Ecological Environment in the Beijing-Tianjin Area. English edition. 1990. $100.00 (est.).


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FROM THE CHAIR

Hello once again. It's hard to believe that my term as chair of MAGERT is almost half over. I can't believe that the time has gone by so fast. I'm not sure if that is good or bad. I have certainly enjoyed my time as chair and appreciate all of the help past chairs and officers have provided. I'm not sure what I would have done without their help. However, some days it seems like I have two years worth of work that needs to get done in six months. So far I've managed to stay one step ahead of everything and am following Satchel Paige's advice:

"Don't look back. Something may be gaining on you."

In this issue you will find a preliminary schedule of the MAGERT Midwinter meetings. It is "preliminary" only because hotel/room assignments were not yet made at the time that base line went to press. The dates and times, however, are correct. Hope to see most of you in San Antonio. Just a reminder for those of you who have not yet made hotel reservations. The MAGERT/GODORT Hotel is the Menger Hotel, 204 Alamo Plaza. The rates are $75/single; $85/double. The phone number is: 1-800-345-9285 or 1-512-223-4361. When calling, identify yourself as a member of MAGERT or GODORT; don't mention ALA. 50 rooms were set aside and at this point in time, I'm not sure how many, if any, rooms are available. Once again, special thanks to Mark Thomas for taking care of the hotel arrangements.

The planning for the annual meeting in San Francisco continues to move along at a steady pace. I plan to have a preliminary schedule in the February issue of base line. Stay tuned for future developments!!

That's all for now. See you in January in, what we all hope is a sunny and warm, San Antonio.

Jim Walsh
Chair, MAGERT

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NEW MEMBERS

This issue we welcome eleven new members from eight states and Australia! They are: Marilyn Browning (Honolulu, Hawaii), Kenneth M. Davenport (Waterloo, Iowa), Nancy H. Holcomb (Ithaca, New York), Melissa Lamont (Charlottesville, Virginia), Pamela A. Hayes-Bohanan (Tucson, Arizona), Beverly Anne Pound (Seattle, Washington), Alan Ives (Wagga Wagga, New South Wales, Australia), Justine P. Honeyman (Worcester, Massachusetts), Kathy Nixie (Port Lavaca, Texas), Lori R. Fenton (Junction City, Kansas), and Barbara E. Mathis (Leavenworth, Kansas). Welcome! For those of you who can make it to ALA, I hope to see you there!

HONORS AND AWARDS

Margaret Wilkes, Head of the Map Library, National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh, is the winner of the 1991 IMCoS-Tooley Award, which is sponsored by the International Map Collector’s Society and Tooley Adams & Co., Ltd. of London. "This Award is presented annually to the individual who, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, has been responsible for the cartographic contribution of greatest merit and widest interest to map collectors world-wide." (From IMCoS press release, submitted by SG)

The staff of the earth science library of the U.S. Geological Survey in Reston, Virginia, received "a unit award for excellence of service..." in September, 1991. The 52 members of the library staff were cited for the "enormous staff effort, coordination and teamwork that they demonstrated during the successful planning and implementation of the extensive move and renovation of the USGS library and new Cartographic Information Center." (From USGS press release, submitted by RP)

"Mark W. Pangborn Jr., curator of the map library of the U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, from 1943 to 1974, was posthumously honored recently at the dedication of the new Cartographic Information Center at the USGS National Center in Reston, Va. 'Pangborn (who died Dec. 18, 1974) was a pre-eminent earth science and cartographic reference specialist,' USGS Director Dallas Peck said at the dedication ceremony. 'He was responsible for organizing the USGS's map holdings into the world-renowned collection that it is today.'" (From USGS press release, submitted by RP)

MAPS TO BE GIVEN AWAY

Contact Rich Boardman, Free Library of Philadelphia, 1901 Vine St., Philadelphia, PA 19103 Tel.: 215/686-5397, if you are interested in any of the following:

France: European Road Map. 1:1,000,000. ISBN 3-87660-890-2.
(Both distributed by Talman Co. and published by Ravenstein Verlag, Bad Soden/Taunus)


"Munich by Nose: Making a 'Scentable' Map of the City," The Week in Germany, 5 April 1991, p.7. (RB)


UNESCO Courier for June 1991 is devoted to "Maps and Map-Makers." (RB, MD)


"Articles with accompanying maps include: 'Eastern Europe: cleaning up the environment; China: energy outlook; Baltic Sea maritime boundaries; and Albania territorial sea claim.' This issue also includes maps entitled 'Europe - 1937; Europe - 1989; Selected nationalities in the USSR-China border zone; and South Africa: disparities of apartheid.' Last, but definitely not least, there is a fold-out map inserted into this issue entitled 'Ethnicity and political boundaries in the Soviet Union.'" (JC)

Interarts announces the Globe Traveler Jacket, made of DuPont Tyvek and costing $49.95. They also plan a cap and tote bag made of the same material. The design "features ... luggage labels from 19th and early 20th century hotels, resorts, cruiselines and airlines.... [and] were featured in the travel book Bon Voyage, published by Abbeville Press. Interarts licensed the rights to these films from the book's editor, Harold Darling." The jacket is available in "Adult S,M,L, XL, & XXL, plus Child S,M, & L, and feature side pockets and poly-cotton trim." (From Interarts press release, submitted by BP, Interarts, Ltd., 15 Mount Auburn St., Cambridge, MA 02138)
Question: "As many of us have noticed, money for spatial-data acquisitions is getting tight (especially for those of us working for state institutions in states whose budgets are in big trouble). One way to assist each of us in obtaining as big a materials budget as we can is to have comparative data from other map collections. I am therefore requesting that you send to me by mail (Mary L. Larsgaard, Map & Imagery Lab, Library, University of California, Santa Barbara, CA 93106), fax (805/893-4676) or E-mail (lb08mll@ucsbvm.bitnet), as is convenient for you, the following figures for your collection. This is one of those cases where effort will be rewarded: any map librarian sending me the following information by the end of January 1992 will receive the information that other librarians have sent me, in as detailed a fashion as I receive it - in time for planning the next budget cycle. Those who do not will see, at some future time, perhaps March of 1992) a summary article (which I'll send to as many editors of map-libraries periodicals as I can think of). MANY THANKS!

1. Total number of items (maps, imagery, atlases, etc.)
2. Acquisitions budget of map library
3. Monies obtained from other budgets within your agency (e.g., from other collection funds, departments, institutes, etc.)
4. Primary areas of purchasing
5. Comments"

Question: "I'd like to develop a file for manufacturers/suppliers of large map cases (flat storage). A local manufacturer no longer produces map cases, and I know about Hamilton and Hobart. I'd like to know where other map librarians are buying cases." (Rich Bordman, Map Collection, Free Library of Philadelphia, Logan Square, Philadelphia, PA 19103)

COMPUTER CORNER

Turner Multimedia has introduced "Hurricane Hugo," a video-disk product which discusses hurricane formation and tracking (in general), and the development and history of Hurricane Hugo (specifically). "The 'Charleston' segment tours the city, teaching students about its geography, history, economy and culture.... Hardware requirements: IBM XT, AT, PS/2 or 100% compatible system. At least 10 megabytes of hard disk storage space and 640K RAM DOS 3.0 or higher and Mouse Interface MCGA Compatible Monitor, NTS Video Monitor, Pioneer 4200 laserdisc player (or any LinkWay-supported laserdisc player.)" The introductory price is $79.95 (for CNN Newsroom-enrolled schools: $49.95). Contact Turner Multimedia at 1-800/344-6219 for more information. (From Turner Multimedia press release)

The April 1991 issue of Geotimes (p. 34-36) has reviews of several software packages, including MapViewer, Coastal, Vulcan, and Z-Map Plus.

"The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has released its bibliographic database [GEOINDEX] of published geologic maps for areas in the United States and its Territories.... The report, entitled "GEOINDEX database on geologic maps accessible using GSSEARCH search and retrieval software," was prepared
by H. Kit Fuller and Gregory B. Gunnells, and is available in two parts. Open File Report 91-575-A (documentation only) is available for $3.25 (paper) or $4 (microfiche); Open File Report 91-575-B (database, search software, and documentation) is available for $84 (14 5.25-inch high-density floppy disks). Order from USGS Books and Open-File Reports, Box 25425 Federal Center, Denver, CO 80225. Include payment with your order.... Hardware requirements: IBM-compatible microcomputer (AT style or newer recommended), high-density 5.25 inch floppy disk drive, hard disk with 16 megabytes (16,000,000 bytes) space available, EGA color monitor, 512 K RAM; system configuration: 20 files, 20 buffers. Software requirements: DOS 3.20 (or higher)." (From USGS press release)

The American Automobile Association has introduced a new series of maps which are "the first full-size city street maps created entirely by computer.... [AAA anticipates that] 'The process will significantly reduce the time required to make maps and will allow AAA to build detailed city databases for future projects'.... The Orlando [Florida] maps are the first to be developed from a vector navigation database.... The database for the Orlando maps -- produced for AAA by California's Navigation Technologies Corp. (NavTech) -- was designed for TravTek, an intelligent vehicle/highway system to be tested in the Orlando area early next year.... Special computer software -- developed by Esselte Map Service, in Stockholm, Sweden -- was used to prepare the cartographic information and NavTech's database for mapmaking.... The accuracy of the data was then fine-tuned using satellite images -- the first AAA road map to undergo such a review...." (From AAA press release, submitted by JCh and GSu)

On this same subject, an article entitled "AAA uses new technology to produce mapmaking first" in Motorist, July/August 1991, p. 9. (RB)

AND FROM THE EDITOR

Happy holidays! Well, we still aren't back to normal, but the new computer has arrived, and by the time this issue reaches you, I hope that the computer will be on my desk! Still, I do apologize for the chaos of the last three issues. MOVING IS A ZOO! I am getting used to snow and cold weather again, though.

Please send stuff for the next issue! This one used my entire backlog of material. I tried to use everything in hand that hadn't expired (date-wise), so I need contributions! If it's very long, I would appreciate it if you'd send it on a disk; either 5.25" or 3.5" disks -- double sided, double density -- PLEASE DO NOT SEND HIGH DENSITY DISKS! Also, please set the file up as an ASCII file unless you use Word 5.5. I don't seem to be able to read anything else right now. To all of you that have sent disk---well, I'm in the process of sorting things out, and I hope to get a bunch of disks returned before we close for the holidays.

Thanks to everyone for your patience, and I hope everyone has a safe and happy new year!
GREAT MOMENTS IN MAP LIBRARIANSHIP

WELL, I THINK THE
INVENTORS SHOULD
BE THREW DOWN TO
ACUTE MAFS TO ANY
SIMULTANEOUS
CATALOGER!

WHAT HAPPENED?

AND HERE IS THE MAP
LIBRARY WHERE WE ARE ON
ACCESS CARTOGRAPHIC
MATERIALS.
GREAT MOMENTS IN MAP LIBRARIANSHIP

BEAT THAT DEADLINE!

HELLO!

FOLKS!

TODAY'S CONTESTANT IS A MAP LIBRARIAN.

AS ELSE G. CLASE!

INSTEAD OF SAYING "THIS PAGE LEFT INTENTIONALLY BLANK," WE DECIDED TO INSERT ONE OF OUR FAVORITE TOONS FROM THE PAST. HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

YES! THE BOARD AND I CHOOSE A PROJECT TO COMPLETE IT BEFORE THE DEADLINE, AND OUR PRIZE ESPECIALLY SELECTED FOR YOU IS THOSE PAPER CHAIRS!

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