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Time to apply for Grolier National Library Week Grant of \$2,000

Applications for the 1994 Grolier National Library Week Grant awarded by the American Library Association (ALA) are being accepted through September 1, 1993.

National Library Week Committee Chair Donna J. Dufault noted that the theme for National Library Week, April 17-23, 1994, will again be "Libraries Change Lives" -- the first time ever that the theme will be the same for two years.

"It's a great theme. Using it for two years will allow more libraries to get involved and to get the word out," Dufault explained. She said the committee moved the application deadline up from December 1 to allow the winning library more time to plan its National Library Week activities.

The \$2,000 grant, sponsored by the Grolier Educational Corporation, is awarded annually for a local or statewide public awareness activity that supports the theme and goals of National Library Week. All types of libraries are eligible to apply.

Applications are judged by the ALA National Library Week Committee on the basis of creativity, clarity and completeness of planning. Proposals should involve at least one other type of library and/or community organization.

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This year's winner is the Grosse Pointe (Mich.) Public Library for a week-long celebration which included inviting the public to write "Love Letters to the Library."

Copies of the winning grant and grant application are available from the ALA Public Information Office, 50 E. Huron St., Chicago, IL 60611. Telephone: 800-545-2433, ext. 5044 or 5041. The 1994 winner will be announced in October, 1993.

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