

BLACK STUDIES DISCUSSION GROUP

NEWSLETTER

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Black Studies Discussion Group to hold program at ACRL 5th National Conference in Cincinnati. The program, entitled "Black Collection: How & Why," will be held on April 7, 1989. Time and location to be announced. The guest speaker will be Robert L. Harris, Jr., Director of Africana Studies & Research Center, Cornell University.

A business/luncheon meeting will be held sometime during the Conference. Contact Clarence Chisholm for more information.

Barbara Hunt, a librarian from U. of Mississippi, is currently working on a database project of all Black novels from 1853 - 1990. There are 1500 titles in the database to date. She has also produced a Guide to Afro-American Novels. Anyone interested in purchasing the guide should contact Barbara at P.O. Box 352, University of Mississippi, 38677. The price of the guide is \$5.00.

The topic for the Dallas Conference, Black Studies Discussion Program will be "How Publishing Affects Blacks." Possible speakers include Margaret Walker Alexander, Arnold Rampersad, Octavia Butler, Samuel Delaney, Charles Saunders, and Steve Williams. Dallas has a June event known as "Juneteenth." It was

suggested that the Black Studies Discussion Group try to tie the program in with this event.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The following programs and/or exhibits were held in honor of Black History Month.

Atlanta Fulton Public Library:
12th Annual Black History Essay Contest--Middle Schools through Adults.

University of Minnesota: Afro-American Exhibit--"The Blues: An African-American Musical Creation."

Brooklyn College Library:
"Strengthening Relations between Black Americans and West Indians" Exhibit.

JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send information to Clarence Chisholm.

MISCELLANEOUS

Anyone having information on evaluating a Black Studies collection, please send a copy to Dorice L. Horne, 3211 Avenue I, #2J, Brooklyn, NY 11210.