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ALA Midwinter 1991 Meeting Schedule

1/11191 (Friday)
Steering Committee meeting
8:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Swiss Grand - Pontresina,Suite

1/12/91 (Saturday)
Business Meeting 1
2:00-5:30 p.m.
Palmer House - Oark 5

Midwinter Social
7:00 p.m.
Trader Vic's - The Luau Room (The Palmer House) (see details following)

1113/91 (Sunday)
Book Award Committee
4:30-5:30 p.m.
Palmer House - Parlor G (Oosed'meeting)

1/14/91 (Monday)
1991 Program Committee
9:30-11:00 a.m.

Palmer House - Sandburg 2

SRRT Action Council
2:00-4:30 p.m.
Palmer House - PDR 7

1/15/91 (Tuesday)
Steering Committee
2:00-4:00 p.m.
Swiss Grand - St. Moritz

Dinner Social Held at Midwinter

The dinner social at ALA Midwinter will be at the

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have had to stop distributing because they are too old.
Topics include: counseling and related materials, religious
sources, special fonnats, cataloging resources, materials
for use in schools and resources for teachers, AIDS, etc. The
Clearinghouse would also be glad to discuss publishing
new bibliographies or other types of publications. Please write Ankha Shamin, Oearinghouse Coordina-tor, 4716 4th Avenue South0.785 -1.1

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Two GLTF Members Author Book on

Gay/Lesbian Library Services

Cal Gough and Ellen Greenblatt's 335-page anthology,
Gay and Lesbian Library Service has been published by
McFarland Press (ISBN 0-899-50-535-X. Many contributors
are Task Force members. It will be reviewed in a forthcom-ing issue of the newsletter.

GLTF Member Gives Presentation on Library Services to Gays/Lesbians at Arizona State Library Conference

Task Force member and former Clearinghouse Coor-dinator Cal Gough gave a presentation on improving col-lections and services to gay and lesbianlibrary users ar the Arizona State Library Assocation meeting in mid-Novem-ber. For a transcript of his talk or details on his presentation, please write to himat491 SeminoleStreet,#14,Atlanta,GA 30307.

GLTF Logo Contest Extended

The Task Force needs a logo to use on its newsletter, stationery, Clearinghouse publications, program banners, T-shirts, etc. So far, only two entries have so far been submitted for consideration. If you'd like to design the logo, or know someone who would, please submit a photo-ready copy of the design posthaste. Designs should be mailed to GL TF Secretary Joseph Egan, c/o Sybil Moses, ALA, Office of Library Outreach Services, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611. The Task Force Steering Commit-tee would like to decide upon the new logo at or before Midwinter Meeting. The designer does not have to be a member of the Task Force. The person whose design is accepted will receive $50.

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20th Anniversary of GL TF Celebrated
at Annual Conference in Chicago

Gerber-Hart Library Reception

The reception held on Friday evening, June 22 was very
successful wi~ a~tendance of about fifty people, a large
number consldenng the small space and that it was the
night before the official start of Annual Conference.

20th Anniversary Banquet

Twenty years of organization, growth and commit-
ment were celebrated anniversary dinner at the C4(celebraj 00134 Tc the m

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1950s through Stonewall, and indicated that the gay libera-
tion movement and the Gay and Lesbian Task Force of the
American Library Association were paralleled in their de-
velopment and growth. Gittings dispelled the commonly
held notion that she was a founder of GL TF, and talked
about her years of involvement within the Task Force. From marching in Pride Parades to the infamous Kissing Booth in Dallas in 1971 to the production of endless bibliographies, reports, reading lists, and handouts, the Task Force at-tempted to become a visible reminder of the needs of gay and lesbian librarians and library users. She closed her talk with snippets from correspondence received by the Task Force over the years, some amusing, some heartbreaking, some achingly poignant. She exhorted the audience and the Task Force to continue the work of the Task Force in the

library field, and reminded all of the untold positive in-fluences that have occurred and can continue to occur through commitment to service and access to information. Barbara also distributed Gays in Library Land: The Gay and Lesbian Task Force of the American Library Associa-tion, The First Sixteen Years. Anyone interested in getting
a copy may contact her at P.O. Box 2383, Philadelphia, PA
19103, telephone 215.471.3322.
All in all, the evening proved a resounding success, and
that success is in large part due to the efforts of Leon Bey,
Roland Hansen, William Bergfalk, and Adam Schiff. They
are to be commended Adam IDS 0.0196 Tc 2.996 0 Td (copyEducn.)T: 0.0307 T4 4.118 76m Tc0.9 Meet

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sistance to minority graduate students and faculty in their
areas of research, teaching, and service. Responsible for
developing and managing interdisciplinary collections in
areas variously described as minority studies, sexual orien-
tation studies, and multicultural studies with Specific re-
sponsibility for non-mainstream publications and devel-oping an ongoing referral relationship with subject selec-tors as appropriate. The position is defined in 4 relatively equal allocations of time and attention: coordination of public services initiatives; direct diversity reference and outreach services; minority studies/sexual orientation studies/women s studies materials selection; and instruc-tional support for research in or study of multiculturalism and diversity. Minority candidates are specifically invited and encouraged to apply.
QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED: Accredited MLS.
Minimum 4 yrs. library experience, with direct experience
providing service to research community. Demonstrated
effectiveness in providing reference, extended research,
and instructional services. Demonstrated creativity in
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Domestic Partnership Plans Profliferate

Ten U.S. cities now legally recognize domestic part-
ners-including gay and lesbian couples - and extend to
them some of the rights accorded married couples. These
and other domestic partner plans are listed in the Septem-
ber/October 1990 issue of Partners Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples.
The proliferation of plans makes them increasing dif-ficult to track," says Stevie Bryant, who edits Partners with his nine-year partner Demian. "But by following and publicizing these developments we hope to encourage other cities and businesses to embrace fairness for their employees who have same-sex partners."
These plans almost universally define domestic part-ners to include gay and lesbian couples as well as unmar-ried heterosexual partners. Partners qualify for benefits under conditions that vary widely, but most approximate the qualifications for marriage, according to Partners Newsletter.
Partners intends to update and issue the list periodi-cally. If you can help the publication expand or improve the list, please write Partners, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109, or call (206) 784-1519. Annual subscriptions to Partners cost$21. In the list

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The Gay Fireside Companion. By Leigh W. Rutledge.
Alyson Publications, 1989. Paper. $8.95. (ISBN 1-55583-164-
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This lighthearted book is enjoyable and informational,
as well as easy to read. I completely agree with the author's
statement in the foreword that this "book is meant to be an
offbeat reference book that is meant to provide entertain-
ment."

The entries are arranged in alphabetical pro7680.92 638.8760.5(arranged)Tbu

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Heather Has Two Mommies. By Leslea Newman. Diana
Souza, illustrator. In Other Words Publishing, 1989. $6.95.
(ISBN 0-9622789-0-4)

Leslea Newman and Diana Souza have created a pic-
ture book which deals

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