LYNN EL-HOSHY RETIRES

Lynn El-Hoshy, renowned subject cataloging policy specialist and trainer, retired from the Library of Congress on Jan. 3, 2008. In nearly thirty-four years of federal government service, she contributed to the development of the Library of Congress, National Library of Medicine, and Dewey Decimal classification systems, maintained and streamlined the Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) and its system of free-floating subdivisions, and provided expert consultation and training around the world.

El-Hoshy joined the Library of Congress in March 1974 as a cataloger in the Life Sciences Section of the former Subject Cataloging Division. Before coming to LC, she graduated from Stanford University and earned a master's degree in library science from the State University of New York at Albany and a certificate in medical librarianship from the Medical Library Association, while working at the Public Health and Medical Research Library of the New York Department of Health. In 1981 she joined the former Office of the Principal Subject Cataloger, which became part of the Cataloging Policy and Support Office in 1992. She had chief responsibility for LC subject cataloging and classification policy in the fields of psychology, science, medicine, and agriculture, and world history. In this capacity she worked steadily to improve the structure and terminology of LCSH and to facilitate cooperative projects with other large libraries, including the National Library of Medicine's production of Medical Subject Headings, 5th ed.

El-Hoshy is a familiar figure in the American Library Association (ALA). For fifteen years, she was the Library of Congress liaison to ALCTS/CCS/SAC (Association for Library Collections and Technical Services, Cataloging and Classification Section, Subject Analysis Committee) and regularly presented the LC report to SAC at each ALA conference. She also worked with several SAC subcommittees, including the Subcommittee on the Future of Subject Headings. Her work with the SAC Subcommittee to Review Dewey 004-006 helped shape Dewey's treatment of computer science topics. She also devoted much time to Program for Cooperative Cataloging (PCC) efforts to streamline subject cataloging. She supported SACO, the subject authorities component of the PCC, through review, consultation, and feedback to participants, and was the Library of Congress liaison to the British Library during the latter library's project to reinstate use of LCSH.

El-Hoshy was a sought-after cataloging trainer both at LC and in the larger community. She usually taught several subject
cataloging classes each year for Library of Congress staff. Within the U.S., she taught workshops for ALCTS, the PCC, and the CAPCON, PALINET, NELINET, and SOLINET regional networks. She was the first instructor for the "Basic SACO" workshops at ALA midwinter meetings and annual conferences. Internationally, she served as a faculty member or conference speaker in venues from Scotland to Malaysia.

The Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate congratulates Lynn El-Hoshy on her distinguished career and wishes her a fulfilling and relaxing retirement.

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DON PANZERA RETIRES

Donald P. Panzera, chief of the European and Latin American Acquisitions Division (ELAD), retired from the Library of Congress on Dec. 31, 2007. Panzera's thirty-three years of Library service included work in cataloging and acquisitions of collection materials, leadership of a labor organization, and management of several different divisions.

Panzera earned a bachelor's degree in foreign service from Georgetown University, followed by graduate study at the Johns Hopkins Center in Bologna, Italy. He received a Ph. D. from Northwestern University in modern European history with a dissertation comparing the British, German, and American coal industries. During his years as a student, he worked as a bookkeeper, bartender, and unskilled factory laborer. He joined the Library of Congress staff as a subject cataloger in social sciences on Feb. 3, 1975. From 1978 through 1983, he was chief steward, president, and chief negotiator for the Professional Guild, the labor organization that represents professionals at the Library. He then was selected for the Library's intern class of 1983-1984. Upon completing the internship program, he was named the assistant to the executive officer of the former Processing Services Department and became the former Collections Services Department's executive officer in 1987. In 1992 he became chief of the former Exchange and Gift Division and moved to ELAD when the acquisitions divisions reorganized along geographic lines in 1997. He served concurrently as acting chief of the Integrated Library System Program Office in 2003 and 2004. Panzera spent three weeks at the University of California, Los Angeles, in 2003 as a UCLA Senior Fellow, an honor awarded to fifteen research library leaders each year.

In recent years, Panzera took a personal interest in improving ABA's workflows and achieving efficiencies throughout the directorate. He initiated the Casalini Shelf-Ready Project, which is now in full production to obtain core-level cataloging and physical processing from the Library's Italian book vendor, Casalini libri (see _LCCN_, v. 13, no. 10). He also explored shelf-ready services available from dealers in France, Spain, and Latin America.

Panzera contributed significantly to LC's transition to the digital age. He represented Library Services on the Library-wide e-Deposit for e-Journals Working Group, which will pilot a digital
repository for electronic journals received through the U.S. Copyright Office. He oversaw an agreement with DIRSA, a Mexican subscription agent, under which LC acquires 149 Luso-Hispanic electronic journals that are accessible to users on the Library's campus. He led LC to become the first North American member of the Elektronische Zeitschriften Bibliothek, a mostly German library consortium that shares electronic cataloging and facilitates access to electronic journals. To assure that the Library continued to receive publications of foreign governments as they shifted away from print formats, he worked intensively to bring the International Electronic Exchange Project (IEX) to fruition. With six German libraries and Stanford University Libraries, he planned the IEX LOCKSS project, which will establish a LOCKSS ("Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe") private network for the purpose of archiving selected German government e-journals. Just prior to his retirement, Associate Librarian for Library Services Deanna Marcum approved the IEX LOCKSS pilot project, aiming for implementation in early 2008.

The Acquisitions and Bibliographic Access Directorate congratulates Don Panzera on his illustrious career and wishes him an active and satisfying retirement.

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DECIMAL CLASSIFICATION EDITORIAL POLICY COMMITTEE

The Decimal Classification Editorial Policy Committee (EPC), the ten-member international advisory board for the DDC, held its Meeting 128 at the Library of Congress Nov. 13 14, 2007. EPC elected Caroline Kent (British Library) as chair for 2008 2009. She is the first chair in EPC's history to have come from outside North America. She succeeds Deane Zeeman (Library and Archives Canada). Anne Robertson (Australian Committee on Cataloguing), continues as vice-chair.

Zeeman, who served on EPC 2004 2007, including two years as chair, will be replaced as an EPC member by David Farris (also of Library and Archives Canada); he attended Meeting 128 as an observer. Meeting 128 was the last meeting for Andrea Stamm (Northwestern University Libraries), who served on EPC 1993 2007, including three terms as chair; for Chew Chiat Naun (formerly of University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign), who served on EPC 2004 2007; and for Migell Acosta (County of Los Angeles Public Library), who served in 2007. ALA has appointed Deborah Rose-Lefmann (Northwestern University) as the new ALA representative to EPC, succeeding Migell Acosta. Other new members include Lyn McKinney (Billings [Mont.] Senior High School), and Sandra Singh (Vancouver [B.C.] Public Library).

Among key actions, the committee approved a complete overhaul of the treatment of groups of people a project that has been under discussion since fall 2005. EPC also approved changes in 004 006 Computer science; 010 090 Information and general works; 100 Philosophy, parapsychology and occultism, psychology; 320 Political science; 380 Commerce, communications, transportation; 390 Customs and etiquette (except folklore); 520 550 Astronomy, physics, chemistry, earth sciences; 610 Medicine and health; 630 Agriculture and related technologies;
Input from the worldwide Dewey community, especially translation teams, led to changes in topics such as philosophical counseling, alternative therapies, and volleyball (proposal from Italy); abortion (Sweden); cytology and histology, and wine (Germany).

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