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Dear ABA Members:

We regret that the newsletter is so late in coming out this year, but there have been the usual problems caused by officers doing student teaching off campus and the consequent delay. The NEWSLETTER staff hopes that you have had a successful year and that you are looking forward to an enjoyable summer. We have appreciated your letters and your support this year and look forward to hearing from others of you in the near future.

OFFICERS OF ABA, MU CHAPTER
1963-64

President	Christa Altier
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Secretary-Treasurer	Pat Carlson
Historian	
First Semester	Barbara Van Ness
Second Semester	Susan Jolliff
Sponsors	Mrs. Fagerburg Miss Speer

MEETINGS 1963-64

The theme for the year was: THE GOOD LIBRARIAN:

Cultivates Friendship

On September 16, Mu Chapter held its first meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. Fagerburg. The weather was pleasant and we were quite happy to spend the evening outside playing Password. After the program, refreshments were served and time was provided for greeting old friends and making new acquaintances. Our thanks to our hosts for an interesting and profitable beginning to the new year.

Stimulates Growth of the Profession

The second meeting of the year was held in the faculty lounge in Hovey Hall on October 7. The usual initiation and pledging of members was followed by a

short speech by Mrs. Fagerburg about Librarianship. Students initiated at the meeting were Charles Carr and Judith McIlrath.

The new pledges were Carol Adloff, Nancy Babb, Barbara Barlow, Rosemary Brignon, Judi Conroy, Lynn Davidson, Nancy Griggs, Joyce Harris, Cheryl Koerper, Pat McCann, Betty McLaughlin, Lynn Mains, Ellen Mayfield, Peggy Ong, Jane Perne, Collette Primmer, Judy Vittitoe, Roseann Warnick, Maril Zimmerman.

Is Aware of All Types of Media

The Carnegie Room was the site of the November 4 meeting of Mu Chapter. Following the usual business meeting we had a program presented by Mr. James Bambrick, Director, Instruction Materials, Peoria City Schools, entitled A-V Material in the School Library. Mr. Bambrick informed us of the place of A.V. in the Peoria schools and its coordination with the library program. A lively question and discussion period followed Mr. Bambrick's talk.

Feels the Spirit of Christmas

The annual Christmas party was held at Miss Speer's home. After a short business meeting the pledges presented an original skit showing Scrooge as a librarian. This was followed by games and refreshments. Our thanks to Miss Speer for her hospitality.

Widens His World

"The Calendar" headed the program listing for our first meeting in the New Year. Dr. Robert G. Bone, President of Illinois State University and a noted historian, talked to us about a proposed international calendar change which would include world peace days and months of equal length.

It was an intriguing topic enjoyed by students and faculty members, all of whose birthdays would be changed if this proposed calendar were accepted.

Joins Professional Organizations

The February meeting of Nu Chapter was in the Carnegie Room of Milner Library. It was at this meeting that the following people were pledged: Frances Boucher, Maureen Brady, Karen Bredburg, Sandra Carlson, Diane Gordon, Barbara E. Johnson, Maralea Keefe, Penelope Moshonas, Sondra Newman, Joan Parrott, Virgine Powell, Carol Robinson, Jan Sarver, Kathryn Schmitgall, Veda Scott, Sandra Smith, Donna Taylor, Virginia Wall, Judy Wally, Sharon Wavak, and Tom Wiser. The fall pledges were initiated. Following the initiation and pledging, a most interesting review of The Lord of the Flies was given by Joyce Harris.

Is Aware of the Total School Program

Our March meeting at Dr. Hertel's home was highlighted by a program presented by Miss Ruth Stroud, Assistant Professor of English at the University High School. Miss Stroud's talk emphasized the place of the library in the creative writing projects done at the high school level. Stories of her students' work and successes served to illustrate her very interesting presentation. Our thanks to the Hertels for their gracious hospitality.

Understands the Complexities of Book Publishing

The April meeting was held in the lounge of McKnight and McKnight Publishing Company. The slate of officers for next year was voted on and accepted. Following the business meeting we heard an interesting talk by Mr. McKnight concerning the publishing trade and the stages through which a manuscript must go before it is published. This was followed by a trip through the plant to see the mechanics of publishing a book.

Stimulates Individual Reading

April 20-22 were the dates for the second annual book fair. Thanks to the cooperation of everyone, we sold 944 books with a profit of about \$125. It was a rewarding experience, both for the chapter and its individual members.

Is Looking Forward to Growth of Professional Education

Friday, April 24 was the date for the trip to University of Illinois Graduate Library School. A short meeting was held in the bus enroute. The students were divided into two groups; the freshmen and sophomores went with Mrs. Fagerburg on a tour of school libraries in the Champaign-Urbana area. The juniors and seniors accompanied by Miss Speer and Miss Nelson, attended a class in book selection, saw the film "Biblio Dynamics," were guests at lunch and heard a short speech by Dr. Goldhor, head of the Graduate Library School. The day ended with a tour of the library at the University of Illinois and a coke party on the grass.

Ends the School Year on a Pleasant Note

The annual Founder's Day Banquet will be held on May 23 at the Sinorak Restaurant. We hope that the members and pledges will be able to attend this final meeting of the academic year. Mr. Louis Williams, Bloomington attorney and rare book collector, will give the program. Alumni and guests are invited. See Page 5.

WELCOME ALUMNI

LIFE MEMBERS:

Barbara Galloway
Wanda Fanter

FIVE YEAR MEMBERS:

Dick Brandolino
Edna Booze
Carolyn Kellogg
Judith Summers Starr
Jeanette Alex Van Winkle
Elizabeth Long Mayes
Nancy S. England

FIRST SEMESTER STUDENT TEACHERS

First Nine Weeks

Edna Booze - Lincoln High School -
English and Library

Clara Doorn - Decatur - English and Library
 Kay Thierbach - North Aurora - Elementary
 Kay Ward - New Lenox - Social Science and Library

Second Nine Weeks

Judith McIlrath - Harvey - Elementary:
 Metcalf - Library

SECOND SEMESTER STUDENT TEACHERS

First Nine Weeks

Susan Jolliff - Arlington Heights - English and Library
 Janet Kopriwa - Harvey - Social Science and Library
 Ann Kelly - Lincoln - English and Library
 Ellen Mayfield - U. High - English and Library
 Beverly Stahlak - Harvey - Social Science and Library

Second Nine Weeks

Christa Altier - New Lenox - English and Library
 Judi Conroy - U. High - English and Library
 Margaret Ebert - U. High - Business and Library
 Diane Gordon - U. High - Social Science and Library
 Joan Myers - U. High - English and Library
 Joy Rolofson - Decatur - Mathematics and Library
 Janice Schultz - New Lenox - Social Science and Library

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 Secretary-Treasurer Cheryl Koerper
 Historian Lynn Davidson

ALUMNI PERSONALS

Jeanette Alex, president of Mu Chapter last year, was married to Ronald Van Winkle last August. They are now living in Crystal Lake, Illinois, where she is elementary school librarian.

Judith Rockwell, historian of Mu Chapter 1962-63, was married last May to David Stein in Santa Barbara, Calif.

Betty Long, a 1963 graduate of ISU, married Edward Mayes last August. They are living in DeKalb, Illinois.

Jeanette Marks, a 1963 graduate of ISU, is currently teaching second and third grades in Sager Brown School in Baldwin, Louisiana. She finds her work very challenging and, we hope, very rewarding.

Richard Brandolino, class of '61, has been librarian at the Danville High School since his graduation. During this time he has been working on his master's degree at the University of Illinois. Upon receipt of his degree in August, he and his family will be moving to Joliet where he will be assistant librarian in the Joliet High School and Junior College.

Wanda Fanter, a 1963 graduate of ISU, is planning to be married June 14 to Fred Hesselberth. She plans to continue teaching second grade at Oakland Park School in Streator.

We hope she has completely recovered from her recent attack of virus infection and is back with her students.

Edna Booze is teaching three English classes and is in charge of the high school library in Durand, Illinois. She has, however, signed a contract in Argenta for next year. She will be in a new building with such conveniences as closed circuit TV, etc. It sounds like a great challenge and a wonderful opportunity.

Nancy England is presently the head librarian at West High School in Davenport, Iowa. She is spending her summers at Denver University in order to obtain an advanced library science degree.

Sharon Phelps Simmons of Clinton stopped in to see Miss Speer and Mrs. Fagerburg while she was on campus a couple of weeks ago. She is giving up her position at Clinton this year to spend more time with her family.

Judy Starr, the former Judy Summers, has been living in Texas while her husband was finishing his military service. They have now returned to northern Illinois where they have purchased a new home. She has been substitute teaching this semester at Belvidere. Next fall she will be the librarian at Marengo Community High School.

Karen Satterlee, the former Karen Little, is in charge of both the high school and junior high school libraries in Orion, Illinois. She enjoys her job although it is keeping her quite busy. She and her husband, Dale, plan to attend summer school at ISU this summer.

Sondra Preston went to New York last July. During her stay there she got to visit the U.N. Library. It sounded like a tremendously interesting experience. She is librarian at Kankakee West Junior High School and seems to be enjoying her work. She took her student librarians to Student Librarians of East Central Illinois meeting last fall, and hopes to attend the spring conference, also. This June Sondra will become Mrs. Jim Patchett.

ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP

The NEWSLETTER would like to bring to the attention of ABA members that they may retain their membership in ABA after graduation. Alumni have two choices if they choose to maintain their membership. The first kind of membership is the Five Year Membership. The cost is five dollars for the five year period.

The second kind is the Life Membership. The cost is only fifteen dollars, and it entitles the member to full privileges in the fraternity for life, and a twenty-five year subscription to the Alphabet. If you are interested, contact one of the chapter sponsors.

SPRING CONFERENCE OF IASL

The Library Science teaching staff attended, en masse, the spring conference of the Illinois Association of School Librarians held at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel in Chicago, April 3rd and 4th. In addition to Miss Eunice Speer, Miss Hazelle Anderson, Miss Jean Nelson, and Mrs. Dorothy Fagerburg, others attending from ISU included Dr. Robert Hertel, Miss Ruth Zimmerman, Miss Mary Richmond and Mr. Ronald Reed.

The program theme was "New Direction for School Libraries" and the emphasis was on the library as it meets the challenge of changing curriculum, knowledge explosion and social change.

Among former students who were seen at the meeting were Valerie Wilford, Reavis High School, Oak Lawn; Mrs. Opal Leddy, Monticello; Mrs. Ronald Van Winkle, Crystal Lake Elementary Schools; Lucy Ward, Plainfield High School; Virginia Sanborn, Dundee High School; Ruth Karloski, Carlinville High School; Ruby Hundley and Steve Johnson, Bloomington Junior High; Juanita Heath, Colfax Junior High School; Mrs. Ruth Cope, Lexington High School; Mrs. Evelyn Botkin, Bloomington High School; Mrs. Betty Hirst, Normal Community High School; Mrs. Nettie Reusser, ISSCS; Dorothy Oller, Virden High School; Henrietta Padgett, Streator Junior High; Marceil Saller, Coordinator of Waukegan Elementary School Libraries; Ruby Nartz, Glencoe Elementary Schools; Natalie Wessels, Crescent-Iroquois Community High School.

Beverly Stahlak, who completed her college work at the end of the first nine weeks, second semester, served as a director of one of the tours conducted as a part of the conference.

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DR. EUGENE P. WATSON

Our March meeting was somewhat saddened by the announcement that our founder, Dr. Eugene P. Watson, died suddenly of a cerebral hemorrhage on Saturday, February 29. The Chapter sent condolences to the family in the form of a Resolution.

As a memorial to him, a scholarship is to be set up in his name. Anyone wishing to make a tangible expression of sympathy may contribute to this fund by sending a check to:

Treasurer
Mu Chapter, Alpha Beta Alpha
Room 103
Milner Library
Illinois State University
Normal, Illinois

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Please reserve _____ places for

Founders Day Luncheon at

Sinorak Restaurant (crossroads of Route 66 & 51...So. Main Street, Bloomington) on
Saturday, May 23, 1964, at 12 O'Clock Noon.

Price: \$1.09 (to be paid at luncheon).

Reservations should be returned by May 18th to ABA, Milner 103, ISU, Normal, Ill.

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Miss Dorothy Hinman, a Life member of ABA, was at the conference as an exhibitor with the Illinois Reading Service.

There may have been others whom we did not see, and also our memory may have failed us as we look back on a busy and stimulating weekend.

THE NEW ANNEX

The new annex to Milner Library, to be ready for use in September, 1964, will provide enlarged quarters for the library science program and a much better meeting place for ABA activities. In addition, some 451 seats will be added to the study space and to other library areas.

ABA alumni will remember that only one classroom and one narrow office were available for library science classes, and the projection room was used to teach units in courses in other departments. Now there will be three large classrooms, one of which will be a processing laboratory equipped with typewriters and various machines to demonstrate card reproduction. There will be offices and a reception area for the instructors with office space for expansion of the staff as needed in the future. One of these offices will be used presently to house the materials of National ABA.

A multi-purpose room has been planned with several uses in mind, one of which is to provide a meeting place for ABA.

As Mu Chapter membership has increased, it has been difficult to meet even in the Carnegie Room, but the multi-purpose room can seat 60 for a meeting and has storage space for ABA Chapter supplies. The room can also be used for workshops, since folding tables can change a meeting room into a classroom. The various library units can be taught here without disrupting regular classroom instruction. There will be bulletin boards and a glass display case for mounting exhibits included in the library science area. A manuscript room and a map library complete the facilities on the ground floor.

On the first floor, there will be a new lobby entrance from School Street, a new reading room, browsing room and two listening rooms, one for group sessions and one for individual booths. A smoking lounge and a room for blind students will be provided. Off the balcony of the new reading room there will be a new typing room.

On the second floor, new quarters for the technical processes and a micro-card reading room (the old Carnegie Room) are planned. Also, a large periodicals reading room will allow use of current issues of 2,500 magazines, while the top level of stacks will store the bound volumes.

Homecoming in 1964 should be a gala event for ABA alumni. Come see our new quarters!

Robert R. Hertel

Thanks to all who helped with this NEWS-LETTER.

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