

## AMIGOS' third Preservation Seminar

The AMIGOS Preservation Service (APS) has announced that the third Preservation Management Seminar will be held at St. John's College in Santa Fe, New Mexico, July 9-17, 1995. The seminar is designed to provide academic librarians, who have part-time responsibility for preservation, with the tools for developing integrated preservation programs. The strength of the seminar lies in its combination of intensive instruction and collaborative participation. Attendees of the previous seminars (held in 1991 at Washington and Lee University and in 1993 at Wellesley College) have found working in this manner to be very productive. As of this writing, the faculty will be led by Lisa Fox of Atlanta and will include Tom Clareson of APS and Jane Hedberg of Wellesley College. Attendance at the seminar is limited and there is a deadline for applications. For more information, contact Tom Clareson, APS, AMIGOS Bibliographic Council, Inc., 12200 Park Central Dr., Dallas, TX 75251; (800) 843-8482.

## Commission and RLG form task force on digital preservation

The Commission on Preservation and Access and the Research Libraries Group (RLG) have jointly formed a task force to study the archiving of digital information. It is broadly charged to investigate all aspects of refreshing digital information; to identify key problems, define critical issues, make recommendations, and consider alternatives. The task force will be cochaired by Don Waters, associate university librarian at Yale University, and John Garrett, director of information resources at the Corpo-



ration for National Research Initiatives. An interim report is expected in May 1995, with the final report due in the summer of 1995. For more information, contact Maxine Sitts, The Commission on Preservation and Access, 1400 16th St., NW, Suite 740, Washington, DC 20036-2217; (202) 939-3400.

## NIC publishes booklet on fundraising

The National Institute for the Conservation of Cultural Property (NIC) has published *Collections Care: A Catalyst for Funds*, a 20-page booklet containing information on obtaining funds from both private and public sources for preservation or conservation of collections. It covers fundraising fundamentals, successful strategies, resource organizations, and includes a bibliography. This booklet is an updated, expanded version of a document prepared for the 1994 NIC Annual Conference and ALA's 1994 Preconference, "Developing the Midas Touch: Rethinking Funding Strategies for Preservation." Copies are available free-of-charge from Tanya Montgomery, AMIGOS Preservation Service, 12200 Park Central Dr., Suite 500, Dallas, TX 75251; (800) 843-8482.

## FYI

*Scientific American*, the popular science journal, has recently published two articles of interest to librarians. "The speed of write" by Gary Stix, an article on use of the Internet for scholarly communication and its potential for challenging traditional methods of publication, appeared in the December 1994 issue (pp. 106-11). "Ensuring the longevity of digital documents" by Jeff Rothenberg, an article about the complexities of preserving digital information in usable form, appeared in the January 1995 issue (pp. 42-47).

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