

## In the News

As Althea Jenkins implies in her Annual Report to the membership (page 751), "the times, they are a changing." No longer does the conventional role of the academic librarian—to wait passively for patrons to come to the library and work with them to satisfy their information needs with the materials on hand—suffice. Now librarians must reach out beyond their library and into the campus and the community in which they reside.

Nancy Stimson and Nancy Schiller share with us how librarians at the State University of New York at Buffalo left the library building to make "office calls" on the faculty (page 723) to help them better use the Internet. This initiative has generated among the faculty new interest in and respect for both the library's services and the librarians who provide them. They may find Francie Bauer's article on chemistry resources on the Internet (page 726) of use during their next session.

Jean Major reflects on past-president Patricia Senn Breivik's theme, "Every Librarian a Leader," and offers practical suggestions to librarians on how to gain prominence and credibility in their campus communities (page 736).

Susan Kaye Phillips, chair of ACRL's Government Relations Committee, describes efforts being made to follow ACRL's Strategic Plan to "maintain at the national level a prominent role in planning and decision making for influencing information policy" (page 734).

While it is important to chart a new course for the future it is also fun to pause and reflect upon the past. We're fortunate to have in this issue a retrospective look by Ed Holley at the past 30 years of *C&RL News* in celebration of its 30th anniversary (p. 730). And be sure to review the rest of ACRL's Annual Report, 1995–96, on pages 747–67.

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