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Preliminary Mid-Winter Schedule, 2005 Boston

Friday, January 14

ANSS Social 6-?

Saturday, January 15

Executive (1st of 2) 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
Liaison 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Review & Planning 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Subject & Bib. Access 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.
Soc. Lib's Disc Group 11:30-12:30p.m.
Publications 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Crim. Justice/Crim. Dis.Group 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Sunday, January 16

Conference Program Planning'05 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Nominating '06 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Bibliography 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Membership 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Anthro. Lib's Disc. Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. [Tozzer]

Monday, January 17

Conference Program Planning'06 8:00-9:00 a.m.
Executive (2nd of 2) 9:30 - 12:30 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR Wade Cotter

As we begin a new year, it is important to remember that any success ANSS achieves depends almost entirely on the hard work of its officers, committee chairs, discussion group conveners and committee members. By any measure, the past year was a rousing success, thanks in large part to the able leadership of James Haug, ANSS Past-Chair. Our appreciation should also be extended to Royce Kurtz, who chaired the Review & Planning Committee and continues to serve as chair of the 2005 Nominating Committee; to Stephen Fowlkes, who served as a Member-at-Large on the Executive Committee, co-chair of the Membership Committee and chair of the ANSS Conference Program Planning Committee 2005; to Lynn Hattendorf Westney, who chaired the Publications Committee; to Mimmo Bonani, who chaired the Bibliography

Committee; to Sally Wilson Weimer, who co-chaired the Liaison Committee; and to Susan Erickson and Shawn Nicholson, who served as co-conveners of the Sociology Librarians Discussion Group. Each of these provided exemplary service and has moved on to other activities in ANSS. I would also like to thank all those who continue to serve as chairs, discussion group conveners and committee members, and all those who accepted new appointments.

Without the contributions of our committees and discussion groups, the work of ANSS would grind to a halt. For example, over the last year the Bibliography Committee produced several superb reviews; the Liaison Committee explored a variety of ways to extend the section's outreach to scholarly and professional organizations; the Publications Committee continued publication of ANSS Currents, management of our discussion list (ANSS-L), and maintenance of ANSSWeb, our section website; and the Review and Planning Committee developed, among other things, an archival policy for ANSS. In addition, each discussion group provided exciting opportunities for discussion and information sharing. But perhaps the highlight of the year was our invigorating, well-attended program in Orlando: "Her Eyes were Watching Humanity: Zora Neale Hurston as Ethnographer, Novelist, and Feminist." Abandoning their prepared texts, each panelist provided an intimate and exhilarating perspective on how studying the life and work of Zora (as they affectionately called her) had impacted their personal lives and their scholarship. Their presentations were followed by an energetic question and answer period that was difficult to bring to an end. Thanks should go to the committee, the presenters, our co-sponsor (the ANSS African-American Studies Librarians Section), and to Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, whose generous support enabled us to provide coffee, tea and a wide assortment of baked treats.

As we look forward to the coming year, I am especially excited about our program for ALA Annual Conference 2005 in Chicago, a moderated panel discussion entitled "Are Subject Specialists Endangered Species?" It should prove to be a

provocative and exciting forum for exploring the future of subject specialists in academic libraries. Another exciting development is the creation of the ANSS Ad-Hoc Information Literacy Committee, co-chaired by Triveni Kuchi and Susan Macicak.

In summary, I believe that ANSS is strong and will grow stronger, primarily due to the continued contributions of its members. Please feel free to send me any observations or suggestions at any time (wkotter@weber.edu). I want to especially welcome our new members and urge every member, either new or returning, to consider volunteering for service on an ANSS Committee. And if any of you have interest and training in cataloging, I especially encourage you to consider volunteering for the Subject and Bibliographic Access Committee. Detailed information about all of the ANSS committees can be found on ANSSWeb (<http://www.lib.odu.edu/anss/>), along with a volunteer form. For further information, please contact Shawn Nicholson, ANSS Vice-Chair, Chair-Elect (nicho147@mail.lib.msu.edu). I know that he looks forward to hearing from you. Here's to another exciting and successful year!

CANDIDATES FOR ANSS OFFICES - 2005

Royce Kurtz, Chair, Nominating Committee

VICE-CHAIR/CHAIR-ELECT (2 YEARS)

JoAnn Jacoby, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Katharine A. Whitson, University of Washington, Bothell

SECRETARY (2 YEARS)

Lynn C. Hattendorf Westney, University of Illinois at Chicago

JoEllen Broome, Georgia Southern University

MEMBER-AT-LARGE (2 YEARS)

Randal R. Hertzler, University of Washington, Seattle

Susan Bennett White, Princeton University

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect Candidates' Statements:

Jacoby, JoAnn

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Natural History Survey, 1998-2002; Visiting Assistant University Archivist, Univ. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1997-1998. *ALA Divisions:* ACRL-ANSS: Conference Planning Committee, 2002-2004; Publications Committee, Chair, 2005-present, ANSS-L Moderator, 2003-present; RUSA-MOUSS: Research and Statistics Committee, 2003-2005; New Members Round Table: Archives Committee, Chair, 1995-1997. *Other State and National Service:* ARL Latin Americanist Research Resources Pilot Project, Bibliographer 1995-1996; SLA Illinois Chapter Manual Committee, Chair, 2001-2003. *Selected Publications:* "Optimal Foraging Theory" In *Theories of Information Behavior: A Researcher's Guide*, Fisher, K E., Erdelez, S., & McKechnie, E. F. (Eds.), Medford, NJ: Information Today, forthcoming in January 2005; "Measurement and Analysis of Electronic Reserve Usage: Toward a New Path in Online Library Service Assessment" with Mary Laskowski, *portal: Libraries and the Academy* 4:2, 2004; "Urban Studies" In *Magazines for Libraries*, 12th edition, New Providence: R.R. Bowker, 2003; "Slave Names and Naming in Barbados, 1650-1830" *William and Mary Quarterly*, with Jerome S. Handler, 53(4):685-728, 1996.

Statement of Concern: ANSS is a vital organization whose members make important contributions both to librarianship and to the disciplines we serve. If elected, my aim will be to build on our strengths by encouraging the varied activities through which we share our expertise with the broader academic community (Liaison Committee, AAA Scholarly Communication Interest Group, Information Literacy) and among ourselves (Subject and Bibliographic Access, Membership, Publications, Bibliography). I am particularly heartened by recent efforts to work with other organizations with shared interests. AnthroSource is a notable example wherein our members are working with other stakeholders to help shape scholarly communication within the discipline. In another recent collaboration, the Zora Neale Hurston program in Orlando, ANSS with AFAS and other groups in ALA to produce a program with broad, multidisciplinary appeal. While building bridges, we also need to foster community among our membership. Recruiting new members and encouraging everyone to participate is a perennial challenge, best answered by eliminating barriers to participation, providing robust channels of communication, and working together on projects that are meaningful and engaging.

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Statement of Concern: As the selector for anthropology and folklore at the University of Washington, Bothell and Cascadia Community College, ANSS has given me the opportunity to meet new colleagues, learn more about relevant resources in my field, and find out what innovations are taking place at other institutions. My service as Secretary to the ANSS Executive Committee provided me a better understanding of the missions of both ANSS and ACRL. If elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect, one of my goals will be to introduce new librarians to ANSS. I will work toward increasing membership by promoting the interdisciplinary focus of ANSS, reaching out to librarians in multidisciplinary subject areas. If elected, I will do my best to communicate and share ideas that will enhance and promote this Section.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bibliography Committee

Mimmo Bonanni, Chair

The committee continued discussion/editing of Venta Silins' review of *ISI Web of Science*. Following Committee suggestions, the review will be published in the fall issue of *Currents* [see p. 5]. A discussion/editing of Jose Aguinaga's draft review of *National Criminal Justice Database* will be the key agenda item for the Midwinter meeting in Boston, with the goal of submitting it for publication in the spring, 2005, issue of *ANSS Currents*. Current reviews under consideration include: BIAB (the online version of *British and Irish Archaeological*

Bibliography) by Randy Hertzler, and Jo Ellen Broome reviewing the *PAIS* database. The *ANSS Bibliography Committee Projects List* (updated to June, 2004) and the *ANSS Bibliography Committee Published Reviews* (updated to June, 2004) were distributed; some reviews in this list lack authors, and Janet Steins will check back issues of the newsletter to fill in this information. The committee warmly welcomed Janet as the incoming Chair and offered an enthusiastic round of applause for Mimmo's end as Bibliography Committee Chair.

Conference Program Planning Committee

2005 Brian Quinn, Lynn C. Hattendorf Westney, Co-Chairs

The Committee met to continue planning for the section program, "Are Subject Librarians an Endangered Species?" to be held in Chicago in June of next year. Brian reported on his meeting with ACRL President Frances Maloy. The Committee met the deadline for submitting its budget. The format has been agreed upon and the moderator has been chosen. The Committee discussed the makeup of the panel. There was an extended discussion regarding whether the panelists should have a narrow subject focus, or whether they should represent a broader cross-section of disciplines. The Committee decided that the program topic transcended disciplines, and that a broader representation might appeal to a larger audience. The subject specialties of the panelists are less important than their roles (e.g. new, experienced, administrator, educator). The Committee then brainstormed possible panelists to pursue. Several interesting candidates were identified. There was also some discussion of budgeting and honoraria for panelists.

Liaison Committee

Lisa Yuro and Susan Bennett White, Co Chairs

The five committee members of the Liaison Committee met, along with two incoming members, at the ALA Annual Conference in Orlando. The group discussed several topics relating to communicating the work of the ANSS to members of the professional community. Methods of improving communication with the American Sociological Association and the American Anthropological Association were discussed. A second topic of discussion was access to ASA conference papers. The Committee is in the process of correcting the current distribution list of *ANSS Currents* and collecting the names of professional organizations to add to it for future mailings.

Membership Committee

Stephen Fowlkes, Brita Servaes, Co-Chairs

The ANSS Social was held on Friday at Restaurant Numero Uno, turnout was low. The committee has always tried to schedule the social in a venue with some sort of authentic local or regional flavor; Orlando was a challenge, as the only places adjacent to the conference area were chain restaurants. Other ongoing business discussed was finding innovative, pro-active ways to appeal to people who might like to join ANSS. Mailings to library schools and regular contact with the New Members Round Table are being pursued.

Publications Committee

JoAnn Jacoby, Chair

Thomas Mann assumed co-editorship of ANSS Currents with the resignation of Mary Nofsinger. The Committee extends its appreciation to Mary for her capable and conscientious service as co-editor. Shawn Nicholson will be continuing as co-editor and providing valuable continuity. Erin Daix submitted an ANSSWeb report via email which indicated that many sections of the website have recently been updated and new material, such as the Chicano Database review, has been added.

Review and Planning Committee

Royce Kurtz, Chair

The committee discussed two issues. First, committee members expressed concern with the pricing structure of the American Anthropological Association's new Web product, AnthroSource. The three-tiered pricing model does not adequately address the different levels of library funding traditionally based on the size of the academic department and the highest degree offered. The Committee decided to write a letter to AAA expressing the section's concerns. Second, ANSS committee chairs are voting members of the executive committee. What is the voting status of co-chairs? The committee discussed various options to resolve this ambiguity and will continue these discussions at mid-winter.

Subject and Bibliographic Access Committee

Isabel del Carmen Quintana, Fred J. Hay, Co-Chairs

The SABC was not able to meet in Orlando but its members did confer via email. The committee's two

members agreed to serve as Co-Chairs for the forthcoming year. They also presented to the Executive a plan for revitalizing the Committee. This plan includes regular email communications on ANSS-L, updating of the Subject Proposal Form on ANSSWeb, and presentations to the Section's three discussion groups.

Ad Hoc Committee on Information Literacy (2004-2006)

Triveni Kuchi, Susan Macicak, Co-Chairs

Concerned with Information Literacy for students of anthropology, Sociology, Criminology, Criminal Justice, and related fields, the committee shall investigate the standards and practices of information literacy, determine how those standards can be applied and then disseminate its findings.

DISCUSSION GROUP REPORTS

Anthropology Librarians Discussion Group Elizabeth Cooper, Gail Egbers, Co-Conveners

Rebekah Darksmith, from the University of California Press, spoke about AnthroSource (AS), the American Anthropological Association (AAA) and UC Press anthropology Web portal project. She explained the history of the AS project and its goals to expand access to scholarly literature in anthropology and facilitate/support new forms of communication that support anthropologists. She reported that the launch date for AnthroSource (AS) is planned for 2005 and trials will be available at the end of 2004. After her presentation, members of the group asked questions and discussed issues related to AS. Join the Discussion Group for a tour of Tozzer Library while in Boston.

Criminal Justice/Criminology Librarians Discussion Group

Jon J. Harrison, J. Christina Smith, Co-Conveners

There was a lively discussion focusing on the following questions:
How many criminal justice databases does your library provide? How many are enough?
How do you publicize those databases to your faculty and students? Do you offer special research guides? Are they available for sharing over the World Wide Web? Does your library collect criminal justice grey literature? Do you catalog it or provide access in some other way? Jon Harrison shared

information on a project undertaken by his library to increase the number of Web resources -- particularly pdf reports -- in the Michigan State University Libraries online catalog, touching on the mechanics and copyright issues. Mary Jane Brustman from the University of Albany (mbrustman@uamail.albany.edu) provided an update on a survey conducted by her university soliciting feedback on the overall design and data elements to be included in the next edition of the Sourcebook of Criminal Justice Statistics.

Sociology Librarians Discussion Group

Sue Erickson, Convener

Using the Social Landscape section of OCLC's Environmental Scan 2003 as a springboard, the group discussed whether there is a "critical mass" of good sociology material on the Web, how we incorporate this material in our online finding aids and portals, and how we balance these free resources with our paid content. A list of questions for further discussion was posted to ANSS-L. In addition, participants agreed to post links to their sociology library research guides to the listserv.

These guides have been compiled and posted on ANSSWeb at:
http://www.lib.odu.edu/anss/reference_guides.html.
Thanks to everyone who contributed to the list and to Erin Daix for posting them on the website.

NEWS & QUERIES

Board of Directors to Vote on Dues Increase

At the June 2004 Annual Meeting, the ACRL Board of Directors passed a resolution, at the recommendation of Budget and Finance Committee, to consider a dues increase for certain categories of ACRL membership. You may also contact individual board members (see the roster on the Web at <http://www.ala.org/acrl>, click on "About ACRL," then "ACRL Board of Directors," and "ACRL Board of Directors Roster") at your convenience to share your comments, questions, and ideas.

REVIEW

COVERAGE OF CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY IN ISI WEB OF SCIENCE: AN EVALUATION

THOMSON ISI WEB OF SCIENCE

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This review covers the University of Washington Libraries electronic version of the Citation Indexes. Coverage includes Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED), 1975-present; Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI), 1975-present; and Arts & Humanities Citation Index (A&HCI), 1975-present.

INTRODUCTION

In 1958 Dr. Eugene Garfield founded the Institute for Science Information (ISI). By 1964 the organization was producing a print version of Science Citation Index. Print versions of Social Sciences Citation Index and Arts and Humanities Citation Index soon followed. In 1997 ISI launched *Web of Science* thereby providing Web access to the three citation indexes.

The unique feature of the citation index is its ability to provide cited reference searching that allows the user to track the literature forward and backward through time. It also lets the user break through

disciplinary boundaries by providing links between articles. Cited reference indexing permits users to capture and cross reference all the cited references, including bibliographies and footnotes, from a journal article. It also provides information on who is citing work and suggests the impact the work has on the research community.

This review will not only describe the database but will also outline some of the strengths and limitations of the coverage of cultural anthropology in the Web of Science Citation Indexes.

SCOPE, COVERAGE AND CURRENCY

The *Web of Science* indexes 1.1 million records and more than 23 million cited references per year from more than 230 disciplines in the sciences, social sciences and arts and humanities. It supplies cover to cover indexing. These records include articles, bibliographies, book reviews, corrections and additions, editorials, letters and review papers.

Web of Science allows the user to choose which indexes to search. In the version reviewed, the default searched all three indexes. Institutions can elect to purchase access to one, two or all three indexes.

	<i>Science Citation Index Expanded</i>	<i>Social Sciences Citation Index</i>	<i>Arts and Humanities Citation Index</i>
Date Range (Based on Licensing)	1945 forward	1956 forward	1975 forward
Number of Journals Fully Indexed	5,900	1,725	1,145
Number of Journals Selectively Indexed		3,300	6,800
Number of New Records Per Week	19,000	2,900	2,300
Number of New Cited References Per Week	423,000	60,000	15,250
Percent of Searchable, Full-Length Abstracts	Since 1991, 70% of articles	Since 1992, 60% of articles	Since 2000, 60% of articles
Areas of Interest to Cultural Anthropologists	Ethnomedicine, Ethnobotany, Environment	Cultural Anthropology, Ethnohistory, Linguistics, Public Health, Sociology	Art, Folklore, Linguistics, Ethnomusicology, Indigenous Religious Systems

FORMAT AND ORGANIZATION

The overall format of *Web of Science* is user friendly. The user has two choices at the opening screen: Easy Search or Full Search.

Easy Search asks the user, *What do you want to find information on?* and provides three choices:

Topic, Person or Place. It is important for the user to remember that not all records have abstracts or subject headings, and therefore, the database might give limited results when searching by natural language. The database provides helpful tips on how to search Easy Search.

Full Search allows the user to select General Search, Advanced Search or Cited Reference Search.

The General Search, similar to the Easy Search, allows the user to search by Topic, Author, Source Title, or Author(s) Address. The user can also set search limits by language or document type. The labels to the search fields are hyperlinked to information on how to search the field. The Source Title field also provides a link to the entire journal list while the Address field provides information on the types of abbreviations necessary to search the field.

The Advanced Search allows the user to create a more sophisticated search structure. It displays the Field Tags and the Boolean Operators.

FIELD TAGS

TS=TOPIC
TI=TITLE
AU=AUTHOR
SO=SOURCE
AD=ADDRESS

BOOLEAN OPERATORS

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SAME

The Advanced Search also lets the user restrict the search by language or document type.

The Cited Reference Search allows the user to find articles that have cited a particular article. The user can use Cited Author, Cited Work, or Cited Year. Each field provides the user information on how to correctly search the field. For example, users must use the last name and first initial and second initial, if known. Full first names are not used in this database.

INDEXING AND SUBJECT ACCESS

Web of Science does not have standard indexing and subject access. There is neither author index nor thesaurus. Subject access is through author-written abstracts, and not all records have abstracts. Users need to know the limits of using this database for natural language or subject searching.

ACCURACY AND PRECISION OF RECORDS

The most typical type of error in this database is an inaccurate citation. For example, page numbers could be incorrectly cited in one article and subsequent articles could continue to cite incorrectly. The user should also be aware that imprecise results can occur in this database when using hyphenated names, multiple authors, inconsistent abbreviations and authors with same last names and initials. (Corby, 2001).

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

Web of Science is not a full-text database. It provides citation information, times cited, a link to the record's citation list and often an abstract. Some citations in the citation list are linked allowing the user easy access to other records.

Some institutions use specialized software (such as SFX by Ex Libris) that allows the user to link to the online catalog or to full-text electronic journals. While this feature is easily noticed on the database's

search results Web page, library instruction will help the user make the most out of this feature especially when the links have a tendency to fail.

ANALYSIS OF WEB OF SCIENCE IN THE FIELD OF CULTURAL ANTHROPOLOGY

Web of Science's Citation Indexes' most powerful characteristic is its cited reference function. It allows users to move forward and backward through time and cross disciplinary boundaries. For example, a user has an article written in 1995. She wishes to find other scholars researching the same subject. By using the cited reference function, she is able to find articles that have cited the 1995 article. Access to these new records not only provides her with new research in the area, it also gives her each article's reference list. Furthermore, the database notes whether the newer articles have been cited providing her with even more current research. The Related Records function also notes articles that contain the same citations.

Web of Science is one of the most complex and powerful citation databases available. It is in the interest of our users that librarians provide thorough training on how to use *Web of Science* effectively. While the database provides an array of sophisticated searching capabilities, the interface is simple and created in a clean style that users should be able to master, especially after library instruction. There is ample help online help screens available at each search level.

Coverage of cultural anthropology varies by topic. The search term anthropolog* in the General Search or Topic Search matched 18,084 documents of the 27,233,381 in the data limits selected. The following are other major terms used in cultural anthropology and the number of records retrieved:

Cultur* 122,789

Ethnic* 44,701

Ethno* 16,732

Journal searching produced the following matches in Web of Science:

Journal search using anthropolog* in title retrieved 21 journals.

Journal search using cultur* in title retrieved 35 journals.

Journal search using ethnic* in title retrieved 4 journals.

Journal search using ethno* in title retrieved 7 journals.

While *Web of Science* indexes all the journals cited in Joyce Ogburn's (2001) article, *Journals of the Century in Anthropology and Archaeology*, it appears to fall short of indexing most of the journals in cultural anthropology. This will be further discussed below.

The journal list is available from the database and ISI Web of Science's Web site. Subscribers have access to the list of journals indexed by ISI. The Web of Science Web site also includes the complete list of journals, as well as recent changes in journal coverage. The Web site provides information on the journal selection and evaluation process and how to recommend journals for coverage.

COMPARISONS WITH RELATED SOURCES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

No other database provides the cited reference searching making the citation indexes a powerful research tool. Again, library instruction in the use of this database will help users understand the

limitations of the database when researching in the areas of anthropology. As noted earlier, its largest weakness is its relatively limited coverage in the field of cultural anthropology. While the complexities of the database make it difficult to conduct a full evaluation of its coverage in anthropology, as noted earlier, anthropological journals are underrepresented in the database. For example, Anthropological Literature indexes 822 current journals and serials titles (not all of these journals are in cultural anthropology), while *Web of Science* indexes fewer than 75 journals. While ISI maintains its journal selection accepts only the highest quality journals in a field (Testa, 2003), anthropology is still not fully covered. For example, *Ulrich's International Periodical Directory* (ulrichsweb.com) indicates that there are 564 active, refereed journals in cultural anthropology. (The method used to achieve this number was the same as the one used in searching for journal titles in the *Web of Science* database.)

This underrepresentation is likewise found in other areas in the social sciences. For example, Kate Corby (2001) found that education's two major databases, ERIC and Education Abstracts, together covered a combined 1,124 education related journals. Of these combined journals, only 27% are indexed by Social Sciences Citation Index. Corby also found that SSCI covered only 35% of the journals indexed in Sociological Abstracts.

At the 2003 American Library Association's Annual Conference, a representative from Thomson ISI discussed the issue of education's underrepresentation in the *Web of Science* database. She noted that lack of funds for adding and indexing additional education journals is one issue facing the organization. Yet she was willing to discuss the concerns of education librarians. A committee of the Education and Behavioral Sciences Section of ACRL began a project to maintain contact with ISI to work toward including more education titles in this very important database. A worthwhile endeavor might be for ANSS to collaborate with ISI Thomson to make the *Web of Science*, especially the Social Sciences Citation Index and the Arts and Humanities Citation Index, a richer and deeper source of information for its researchers in cultural anthropology.

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