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NMRT needs YOU!

Making Conferences More Affordable

Chrissie Anderson Peters, Foonotes Committee

It's that time of year again! The 2003 ALA Midwinter Meeting is quickly approaching. This year's Midwinter events will take place in "the City of Brotherly [and Sisterly] Love," Philadelphia, PA, from January 24-27, 2003. For more information, you can check out the link to the 2003 Midwinter Meeting page at <http://www.ala.org/events/midwinter2003/>.

Attending these events is often cost-prohibitive to NMRT-type people. We are traditionally younger, less stable financially, still paying off educational loans, or even seeking employment. Each of those traits can make attending a conference an invaluable experience. However, that does not mean that it makes coming up with the funding any less difficult, so following are some tips about how to make conference attendance a little more affordable.

Rooming alone is no fun. Rooming with a colleague can be great for several reasons. It saves money, automatically decreasing your room bill by 50% if you room with one other person. It also gives you someone with whom to share the cool personal and professional experiences of a conference. Another option is one that I explored for the 2002 ALA

Midwinter Meeting in New Orleans. A group of students from the University of Tennessee decided to rent two cars and drive to New Orleans, and to stay in a rented condo in the French Quarter. Even though, as a Distance Education student in the program, I had never met any of these folks face-to-face, I had a

wonderful time getting to know them, watching them as they interviewed for jobs, and hanging out with them between meetings. Our cost per night for lodging was approximately \$25 per person.

Check *American Libraries* and other professional journals before leaving home. Frequently, there are announcements about vendor events where food and drink are not just plentiful, but also exquisitely yummy – and FREE. If you already work in a library, you can also check with specific vendors with whom your institution deals to try to find out if they are having similar events,

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Getting to Know You: Orientation to Midwinter, Philadelphia, and NMRT

Sarah English, Orientations Committee

Will Midwinter be your first ALA Conference? Never been to the City of Brotherly Love? Here's a date to circle on your brand new 2003 calendars: Saturday, January 25th. That is the day that NMRT will be hosting a get acquainted session to the Midwinter Conference and to the city of Philadelphia. From 9 –11 A.M., learn about ALA, network with experts in the field, discover how to be savvy while navigating the exhibit floor, and get the most from your working vacation. Check your conference program for the exact location, and then follow the crowd to the NMRT Midwinter Orientation.

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then attend as a representative of your institution. I have been to some seriously nice receptions where the "heavy hors d'oeuvres" were more substantial than a swanky restaurant meal.

Stay somewhere just out of the immediate conference area. Most cities where ALA conferences are held offer great public transportation systems at very affordable rates. Typically, you can also buy 3- or 5-day passes

NRMT Member Profile: Stacey Shoup

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Apply for the Shirley Olofson Memorial Travel Award

Richard Murray, Chair, Shirley Olofson Memorial Award Committee

ALA's New Members Round Table is now accepting applications for the Shirley Olofson Memorial Award, which is presented annually in honor of Shirley Olofson, a well-respected former NMRT President who died during her term in office. The award, which is intended to help defray costs to attend the ALA Annual Conference, will be presented in the form of a check for \$1,000 during the 2003 Annual Conference in Toronto.

Applicants must be members of ALA and NMRT; active within the library profession; show promise or activity in the area of professional development; have valid financial need; and have attended no more than five ALA annual conferences.

The deadline for applications is January 6, 2003. For more information on this award, a list of past recipients, and to apply online, please visit the Shirley Olofson Memorial Award Web site at <http://www.ala.org/nmrt/awards/olofson/index.html>.

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Mark Your Calendars!

“Places Your M.L.S. Can Take You: Alternative Careers for Librarians”

NMRT President’s Program at ALA Annual in Toronto

Meg Meiman, President’s Program Committee

Have you ever considered a career outside the library? Or wondered what kind of job an M.L.S. can lead to? Find out at the next NMRT’s President’s Program, scheduled for the 2003 ALA Annual Conference in Toronto. The program “Places Your M.L.S. Can Take You: Alternative Careers for Librarians” will feature four panelists, each of whom holds an M.L.S and works in a nontraditional job or for an organization not generally thought of as one that employs librarians. Panelists will include librarians employed in nonprofit, education, government and corporate settings.

The event is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, June 21st, from 1:30 P.M. until 3:30 P.M., with the location to be announced shortly. For more information, please email Catherine Collins, NMRT President’s Program Chair, at catherine_collins@tamu-commerce.edu.

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