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Apple Library presents awards to Network Citizens

Apple Library of Apple Computer, Inc. is presenting awards to four librarians who have demonstrated the initiative and spirit of sharing through their efforts at electronic publishing on BITNET and the Internet.

As the Internet continues its rapid growth, many librarians have begun exploring the information resources and forming communities of interest for colleagues and other people on the network. Certain individuals have gone beyond the casual sharing of ideas and information via electronic mail. They have spent many hours, weeks, and months organizing the raw materials, moderating mailing lists, and turning out useful network resources without any financial gain.

To recognize their efforts Apple Library has chosen the designation of Network Citizen for four librarians who have made significant contributions to the good of the network by their efforts. The four people chosen for 1992 are:

Diane K. Kovacs, Kent State University, for the work she has done as compiler of the Directory of Scholarly E-Conferences and as a LISTOWNER and Co-Editor of LIBRES, LIBREF-L, Arachnet, and GovDoc-L. Her sources are cited by many users outside of the library profession.

Charles W. Bailey, Jr., University of Houston, for the work he has done since 1989 in starting and promoting the PACS-L list, The Public-Access Computer Systems News and The Public-Access Computer Systems Review (PACS Review). By making use of the available tools and resources on BITNET and enlisting the volunteer efforts of other scholars and librarians he has helped enrich the computing and information environment for thousands of information professionals around the world. Until he started PACS-L the efforts in electronic communications between librarians were fragmented and without much impact. Both the list and journal have inspired other librarians to publish other works and organize other discussion groups on the network.

David Robison and Roy Tennant, University of California Berkeley, for the work they have done in assembling Current Cites, an electronic periodical that has provided terse, relevant abstracts of interesting articles that have appeared

in both print and electronic formats. By providing this at no cost to the network user, they have enriched both the community and have saved time and energy for overloaded researchers and librarians who are trying to keep up with the latest developments. David is the editor of the journal and Roy is the coordinator of the Library Technology Watch Group which contributes to the publication and whose other members include: Mark Takaro, Teri Rinne, Vivienne Roumani, and Lisa Rowlison.

Each Network Citizen will receive a certificate of appreciation, a PowerBook 145, Claris Works software, and a carrying case. Apple Library is proud to support the efforts of these and other librarians who effectively mix the devotion to service with achievements using advanced technology.

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