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depth class designed to give you a head start in mounting your DB/Text-Works databases on the Web. Trainer: Carol Farnilo. To register please contact: Tara Lord, ph 02 9880 8666, tara.lord@trimagic.com.au

• **25/11 Qld Library Technicians.** Xmas party. Venue & time: tba. Contact: Marian Moyle, ph 07 3244 6446, marian.moyle@detir.qld.gov.au

• **mid-Nov Pathways to CPD.** Networking: Christmas function. Venue, time & date : to be advised. Contact: Sue Rigney, sue_rigney@justice.qld.gov.au

• **27/11 Pathways to CPD.** Library & information services strategic development: Libraries in 2003. Part 1 — What is scenario planning — Gary Fisher, executive director (Strategic Directions), Department of Transport. Densions, Sheraton. Contact: Sue Rigney, sue_rigney@justice.qld.gov.au

• **Late November Qld OPALS** Xmas party. Venue, time & date to be advised.

• **2/12 Pathways to CPD.** Day cruise on SS Forceful. Arrive 9:30am, depart 10am, back by 4pm. \$35 Adults, \$15 children under 15, \$99 family of 4. Includes lunch and morning/afternoon tea. Cheques by 2/11 to: Helen Laurelin, PO Box 462, Annerley 4103, ph 07 3848 3980 (hm).

• **Early Feb 2002 Quorum.** Successful lobbying workshop. Venue, time & date to be advised. Contact: Kathryn Harding, kharding@start.com.au

• **February 2002 Pathways to CPD.** Library & information services strategic development Libraries in 2003. Part 2 — strategically positioning your library for 2003 — Robert McEntyre & Associates. DPI Auditorium. Contact: Sue Rigney, sue_rigney@justice.qld.gov.au

• **12/2/2002 Qld Library Technicians.** Storytelling for all ages. Venue & time: to be advised. Contact: Marian Moyle, ph 07 3244 6446, marian.moyle@detir.qld.gov.au

• **End of February 2002. Pathways to CPD.** 2001 Goodwill Games: From go to whoa: the information lifecycle in action. Guest speaker: Jenny Hale, information manager. Brisbane City Council Theatre, 5:30pm \$5.50. Contact: Helen Laurelin, ph 07 3848 3908.

• **13/4/2002 Qld Library Technicians.** Mystery Bus Tour. Venue & time: to be advised. Contact: Marian Moyle, ph 07 3244 6446, marian.moyle@detir.qld.gov.au

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National Children's and Youth Services Awards

Bess Thomas Award and the Marjorie Cotton Award 2002

Entries are now being invited for the Bess Thomas and Marjorie Cotton Awards, presented by the National Children's Youth Services Group. Applications for both awards close on 31 January 2002, and both will be presented at the ALIA 2002 biennial conference in Sydney.

The Bess Thomas Award

The winner of the Bess Thomas Award will receive a \$250 grant towards a project initiating or supplementing public library services for young people. The aims of the award are to:

- encourage and support the development of innovative and significant public library services to young people;
- promote public and professional awareness of the importance of services to young people in public libraries; and
- honour the bequest made by Bess Thomas and commemorate her contribution to Australian children's libraries.

Applications may be made by individuals, public library services, regional services and co-operative networks.

Applications should include an outline of a proposal to develop services or supplement resources for young people in public libraries. The benefits of the project should be explained.

A written report from the winner will be submitted for publication in *Orana* and *inCite*.

The Marjorie Cotton Award

The Marjorie Cotton Award consists of a citation and certificate recognising an outstanding contribution to children's and youth library services.

The aims of the award are to:

- promote the role and image of children's and youth services librarians;
- recognise individual achievement and co-operative networking in providing services for young people in public libraries; and
- encourage children's and youth services librarians to actively support the profession and the Association.

Any CYSS member who is employed as a children's or youth services librarian in a public library is eligible to apply for the award.

Nominations may be made by ALIA members, employers or colleagues. They require a proposer, a seconder and the nominee's consent.

Nominations will be judged according to their merits against the selection criteria. Applicants should be able to demonstrate an outstanding contribution to developing, implementing or promoting services to young people in libraries; active participation in co-operative networks, committees or groups furthering public library services to young people; and research, publication or presentation of a paper on the subject of children's/youth librarianship or literature.

Written reports will be submitted for publication in *Orana* and *inCite*.

Enquiries and application forms for both awards can be obtained from Susan Campbell, Burwood-Drummoyle Public Library, 4 Marmaduke Street, Burwood 2134, phone 02 9911 9999 or fax 02 9744 5104. ■

Aurora Foundation established

The Aurora Foundation Ltd has been established to provide education, development and training opportunities in leadership for the library profession in Australia and New Zealand, and associated information and cultural communities.

The initial directors of the Foundation are Warren Horton, Ian McCallum, Brenda McConchie, Lesley Piko, and Mary Teague in Australia, and Helen Renwick in New Zealand.

The Foundation will be responsible for the highly successful Aurora Leadership

Institutes, four of which have been held at Thredbo, NSW from 1995-2001, while also developing other leadership programs.

The next Aurora Leadership Institute will be held at Thredbo from 1-6 March 2002. Becky Schreiber and John Shannon of Schreiber Shannon and Associates in the USA will again be facilitating this Institute, together with a strong team of Australian and New Zealand mentors chosen for their own leadership skills.

The Foundation has established a website at <http://www.alia.org.au/~aurora/>.

This will be our primary method of communication about the Foundation's activities, and already contains information about the next Aurora Leadership Institute and how to apply.

For further information about the Aurora Leadership Institute 2002 contact: Jane McAuliffe, Information Managers Pty Ltd, phone: 02 6236 3426, mobile: 0402 837 797, e-mail: aurora.foundation@alia.org.au.

For further information about the Foundation contact: Warren Horton, phone: 02 6231 6279, e-mail: wmh@effect.net.au. ■