

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Ruth Trometer

I was very pleased when our new Editor discussed the idea of having a President's page. This of course means I must now find the time to write this statement, but it is going to be worth it since there is a lot happening in IALL that you should know about.

[Editor's Note: I had expected Ruth to use this column as an opportunity to share her views and vision of where IALL is headed. Instead, she has chosen to present us with some of the details of initiatives being carried forward by her administration. It should be apparent that Ruth is a "hands-on" kind of leader, and that IALL is indeed headed in the right direction.]

IALL's International Connections

Lee Ann Stone has been increasing IALL's international ties. On March 21-23 Lee Ann, Sue Otto, and I attended the Seventh International Conference on Technology and Education in Brussels where Lee Ann arranged meetings with Yoshinobu Niwa, President of the Language Laboratory Association of Japan, William Oleske, Chairman of the Association of Language Technicians and Librarians, and other individuals attending this international conference. As president-elect of IALL and Chair of the International Committee (as well as writer of our newsletter), Lee Ann has been establishing connections with individuals and lab associations internationally, forming a policy for IALL in its international connections, and preparing for international participation in IALL's next conference. This new exchange of information with colleagues around the world should prove very useful to us. I congratulate Lee Ann on her initiative and efforts in this area.

C.P. Richardson, Executive Director

Having seen NALLD and IALL through many ups and downs since 1981, Phil Richardson has decided to resign as Executive Director of IALL. On behalf of IALL I

would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to Phil for the time and effort he has given IALL. We will miss his guidance, his steady influence, and certainly his sense of humor at the end of long Board meetings. IALL survives through the efforts of such dedicated people as Phil. I do expect to continue seeing him on the IALL scene, however. I have already discussed other projects with him; we will simply have to see what new hat he will wear in IALL's future. But for now, a hearty "thank you" for a job well done!

IALL '91

Kathleen Ford will be hosting IALL's 1991 conference at the University of California in Los Angeles on July 26-29. Currently we are reviewing possible topics for the conference and for workshops which we have gathered from your IALL '89 evaluation forms. Feel free to call me with additional suggestions. Watch for our call-for-papers and plan now to take part in IALL '91.

IALL Committees

As part of our effort to get better organized and to involve more IALL members in the organization, we have formed several working committees. At this time, the following committees have been established:

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Responsible for collecting, cataloguing, duplicating, and distributing materials designed by and for IALL members. This will include video tours of labs, audio tapes of IALL conferences, past issues of *The NALLD Journal*, *J.E.T.T.*, and *The IALL Journal*, the lab design kit, and other useful materials.

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These chairs have various responsibilities, ranging from conducting IALL elections, to soliciting presenters for IALL sessions at a variety of professional meetings.

Macintosh and IBM Committees

We still need several people well-versed on the Macintosh or IBM for these committees. We would like to look at the possibility of creating some lab management software using HyperCard and an IBM based program as well. These committees could also review software and draw up a list of recommended packages. Please contact me if you would like to volunteer.

Summer Board Meeting

There will be a meeting of the IALL Board and Council members on July 25-28 at the University of Colorado at Boulder. We have a very full agenda: plan further details of IALL '91, appoint a new Executive Director, review all projects and assignments of the Chairs and Committees, establish IALL's relationship with the regional groups, review and approve next year's budget, and review job descriptions of the Board and Council. Once all of our procedures and job descriptions have been reviewed and agreed upon, we will begin revision of IALL's constitution which needs updating. The Board and Council thank Marie Sheppard and her staff at the University of Colorado for offering to host this meeting and for handling all the arrangements. We look forward to seeing the progress on the U. of Colorado's new lab while we are there.

I will keep you updated on these and other IALL issues. Feel free to contact me with any suggestions, criticisms, or comments. We want to hear from you! Have a pleasant spring term, with no equipment failures...