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on the priorities identified earlier and led by Vice-President/President-Elect Faith Line, this group reviewed the committee list and made recommendations to change, combine or eliminate some of the committees. This action was followed by a review and recommendation for changes to the duties of the State Representatives.

The conference ended on a very positive note with renewed enthusiasm for SELA on the part of participants. Coming into the Leadership Conference, there were some who felt that SELA's days were numbered. An unprofitable 2004 conference and a declining membership have placed a financial strain on the Association. However, with the high interest and combined energy of those participating in this conference, planning for a strong future for SELA is well underway. Don't miss out - join in and be a part of the action!

FORMAT CHANGE

Beginning with the Winter 2006 issue, *The Southeastern Librarian* will change its publication format. The winter and summer issues ("newsletter" type issues) will be published in electronic format only. The spring and fall issues ("scholarly" type issues) will continue to be published in print format. This change is being made in order to more wisely utilize SELA finances. Any concerns about this change should be directed to Perry Bratcher, SELn Editor, bratcher@nku.edu.

OUTSTANDING SOUTHEASTERN LIBRARY PROGRAM AWARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

**For the Biennial Meeting with the Tennessee Library Association
Memphis, TN, April 6-7, 2006**

Purpose: To recognize an outstanding program of service in an academic, public, school, or special library in a Southeastern Library Association member state.

Criteria:

1. Any academic, public, school, or special library in the member states of the SELA may be cited for an outstanding program of service. Programs of service may include, but are not limited to library activities, projects, or programs.
2. The program of service must take place during the biennium in which the nomination is made.
3. The minimum time span for a nominated library program must not be less than three months, including the development and evaluation stages of the program.
4. The person making the nomination must be a member of SELA.
5. Nomination applications for the award should include the following information:
 - SELA member's name
 - Library's name, address, telephone number
 - Beginning and ending dates of the program
 - Narrative statement describing the program
 - goals and steps to achieve the goals
 - special contribution of the program/project

- Supporting documents related to program publicity

Nomination deadline is January 10, 2006.

Please contact Nanette Kicker or Catherine Lee, Co-Chairs, to submit a nomination or request additional information. Nominations, including the application and supporting documents can be mailed, emailed or faxed to either of the co-chairs. It is requested that an electronic copy of the application be provided for distribution to the committee.

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OUTSTANDING SOUTHEASTERN AUTHORS AWARDS

Purpose:

To recognize authors in states of the SELA for current works of literary merit.

Criteria:

1. Authors must be native or *bona fide* residents of a SELA state at the time the work was written or published.
2. Works must be chosen based on literary merit.
3. Two awards may be made: one in fiction and one in non-fiction.
4. In each category, works must have been published within five years prior to December 31 of the year preceding the biennial conference.
5. The person making the nomination must be a member of SELA.

Process: Submit nominations on from from the SELA website (<http://sela.jsu.edu/Awards/OutstandingAuthorsAwardForm.htm>) along with any accompanying material (not to exceed four pages for each entry - reason for nomination, book reviews, biography, etc.) to the committee chairs by August 31, 2005. Copies of the nominations will be distributed to all committee members.

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