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The Missouri State Library will hold a workshop entitled "Safety in the Library" on Thursday, March 25, 1993 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. (with a break for lunch) at the Ferguson Municipal Public Library, 108 Church Street in Ferguson, Missouri. Topics will include fire safety, as well as general workplace conditions for public and staff safety. Is your library safe? If so, how safe? How good are your fire extinguishers? Have you accounted for the perils of fire? Flood? Personal injury? Are your fire exits cluttered? What happens when severe illness or injury (either to staff or patron) occurs in your library? Whom do you contact for emergency assistance? How can those providers help you before an emergency happens? Answers to these and other questions will be provided at the workshop. There will be no fee charged to attend this workshop. Information from the Occupational Safety and Health Agency (OSHA), the Missouri Department of Labor, and the American Red Cross, among others, will be available at the workshop. For more information (including registration information) please call Jim Nelson at the Missouri State Library (800) 325-0131 or Fred Moore at the Ferguson Public Library (314) 521-4820.

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## Poet Nikki Giovanni to Speak at Central Library

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**N**ationally known poet, writer and activist Nikki Giovanni will present a lecture program on Sunday, Feb. 28, from 2 to 3 p.m. in the Great Hall of Central Library. This event, the keynote address in this year's Black History Month celebration, is free of charge and open to the public.

Ms. Giovanni has been called a "revolutionary poet," having fought for civil rights and equality in education. Her voice is tempered with humor and sensitivity, and she has established herself as a popular literary figure. In her lectures, she talks about her life, about poetry and about



Nikki Giovanni

applying creativity to everything we do. "Do something with your life!" Ms. Giovanni recently told a college audience. "You will find that what you have coveted is not worth coveting... There is a limit to what material things can do."

Ms. Giovanni graduated from Fisk University in 1967 and soon earned a reputation for outspokenness both in her writing and in person. After the publication in 1968 of her first book of poetry, *Black Feeling, Black Talk*, she was nicknamed "the princess of

black poetry," a title she proudly retains today.

Ms. Giovanni has published a total of nearly 20 books. Some of her best-known works are *Black Judgment: Night Comes Softly*; *Gemini*; *Sing a Soft Black Song*; *My House*; *Ego Tripping and Other Poems for Young Readers*; *The Women and the Men*; *Cotton Candy On a Rainy Day*; *Those Who Ride the Night Winds*; and *Sacred Cows...And Other Edibles*.

She also has made several records, including "Truth Is On Its Way," "Like a Ripple On a Pond," "The Way I Feel," "Legacies," "The Reason I Like Chocolate," and "Cotton Candy On a Rainy Day."

For more information about Ms. Giovanni's appearance or any other Black History Month program, please call the Marketing Department at 539-0305 or contact your local branch library. Major funding and support for this and other Black History Month programs are provided by Boatmen's Banks. ☼

### WINTER POEM

by Nikki Giovanni

once a snowflake fell  
on my brow and i loved  
it so much and i kissed  
it and it was happy and called its cousins  
and brothers and a web  
of snow engulfed me then  
i reached to love them all  
and i squeezed them and they became  
a spring rain and i stood perfectly  
still and was a flower

## Full Text: The Potential and the Pitfalls

with Emma Jean McKinin



Emma Jean McKinin is assistant professor (ret.) in the School of Library and Informational Science at the University of Missouri. She has worked with full-text databases for several years and has expertise to share as this aspect of library work broadens.

This non-credit workshop will acquaint you with various full-text databases, online and CD-ROM, and with the pleasures and pitfalls of searching full-text. As full-text becomes more widely available and as more end-users experiment with it, you'll want this handle on what it can (and cannot) do. (Locations to be announced.)

February 22 - St. Louis

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in each location

Fee: \$75

Telephone your registration to University Extension Conference Office at (314) 882-2429

## Teambuilding: The Magic Within

with Becky Schreiber

Preconference for Missouri Association of School Librarian Spring Conference

Becky Schreiber is a nationally-known lecturer and trainer. This presentation comes to you fresh from the AASL conference in Baltimore.

The emphasis on teambuilding has rippled out from the corporate to the nonprofit sector. How can teambuilding help you to achieve your goals? What does teambuilding have to do with an overall staff development program? Who should be on your team—and how can you effectively work with them?

April 3, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; April 4, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake of the Ozarks

Fee: \$145

## Insurance brochure available to libraries... brochure explains long-term policies

A brochure is available for people thinking of buying a long-term care insurance policy. The Missouri Department of Insurance is offering a free brochure that explains such policies and tells consumers what to look for.

People can get a copy of the Consumer's Guide to Long Term Care Insurance in Missouri by writing the Department of Insurance, Division of Consumer Affairs, P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0690.

To order free brochures in quantities for your library, call the department's hot line at 800-726-7390.



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Lectures are free and open to the public  
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## Lunch & Lecture

The St. Louis Mercantile Library Association

presents

### Andrew Hacker

Professor of Political Science at Queens College, New York, and author of many books, including *The End of the American Era*.

### "Two Nations: Black and White, Separate, Hostile, Unequal"

Professor Hacker's *Two Nations: Black and White, Separate, Hostile, Unequal* is the first comprehensive study of racism since Gunnar Myrdal's 1944 *An American Dilemma*. He asserts that no other minority group has made so unavailing a struggle for acceptance, and that the misconception of African-American inferiority rests at the root of the problem. He will use quantitative analysis and lengthy study to suggest the all-encompassing role of race in everyday life; and will analyze the choices all Americans make in everyday life to reveal the depth of race in affecting our thinking.

**Wednesday, February 3, 1993**

6th Floor, 510 Locust Street, St. Louis

12:15 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## FREE

Meramec Library is offering the following microform to any library that wants it. I can be reached at 984-7620. Sandra Everett

ADVERTISING AGE - 1975-82, fiche.

AMERICA - 4/10/43 to Sept. 1960, film.

CHANGING TIMES - 1971-82, fiche.

COMMUNITY & JUNIOR COLLEGE JL - v.43:no.5 (2/73) to v.52 (5/82);  
& former title: JUNIOR COLLEGE JOURNAL - v.35 (9/64) to v.42  
(7/72), all fiche.

DANCE MAGAZINE - 1980-82, fiche.

DUN'S REVIEW & various titles: DUN'S 1970-74 Fiche

DUN'S REVIEW 1967-8/81

(1967-69 film) (1970-8/81 fiche)

DUN'S REVIEW & MODERN INDUSTRY.

1960-69 film

ENVIRONMENT - 1969-82 & former titles: SCIENTIST & CITIZEN,  
NUCLEAR INFORMATION, INFORMATION, 1958-1968, fiche since 1970,  
film prior to 1970.

FAMILY HEALTH - 1971-81, fiche.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING - 1981-82, fiche.

INTELLECT - Dec. 1972 - June 1978 and former title SCHOOL &  
SOCIETY - Jan.1970 - Summer 1972, all fiche.

LADIES HOME JOURNAL - 1981-82, fiche.

MACLEAN'S - 1980-82, fiche.

MANAGEMENT REVIEW - 1975-82, fiche.

MONEY - v.1-v.11 (1972-82), fiche.

MOTHER EARTH NEWS - 1980-82, fiche.

N.E.A. JOURNAL - Jan-May 1968 on Mfilm reel TODAY'S EDUCATION.

NATION'S BUSINESS - 1957-1969 (film) & 1970-72 (fiche).

NEW YORKER - v.10 to v.31 (incomplete), film.

OMNI - 1982, fiche.

PARENTS & various titles (all fiche): 1970-1978.

PLAYBOY - v.1-21 (1953-75) film;

v.22-25 (1976-78) fiche.

SENIOR SCHOLASTIC - v.77 (9/60)-v.78 (5/61) fiche;

v.79-80 (9/61-5/62) film;

v.81-v.115 (9/62)-v.115 (3/83) fiche.

SOCIETY - v.5 (Nov. 1967) - v.9 (Oct. 1972), fiche;

May-Dec.1972 on microfilm reel TRANS-ACTION.

& former title: TRANS-ACTION. v.1-9 (1963-72) film.

THEATRE CRAFTS - v.14-16 (1980-82), fiche.

TODAY'S EDUCATION - v.57-60 (9/68-12/71) film;

v.59 (Jan.1970)-Annual 1985/86 fiche.

U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT - v.8-21 (Jan.1940-Dec. 1946), film.

VOGUE - 1981-87, fiche.

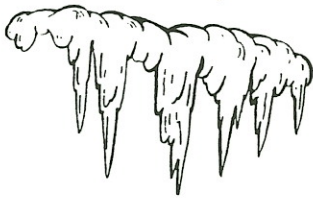
WORKING WOMAN - v. 3-7 (1978-82), fiche.

### **New Council Representative for Special Libraries**

Jill Gordon from the St. Louis Zoo Library will be on a maternity leave of absence. Pamela Pirio, from the Stupp Teacher Resource Center - Ridgeway Center, Missouri Botanical Garden, will be the new council representative for Special Libraries. The address is: 2345 Tower Grove Ave., P.O. Box 299; St. Louis, MO 63166-0299. Phone: (314) 577-9501

### **Bruce Collins to Retire**

Bruce H. Collins, director of University City Public Library, will retire on June 30, 1993. Bruce came to University City from Kennett, Missouri, where he was director of the Dunklin County Library. During his twenty-one year tenure, he and the University City library staff have made the holdings of the library more accessible through the development of advanced computer systems.



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