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INTER-COM: PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES, INVITATION

Especially for our new colleagues, we quote from the first issue of INTER-COM in September, 1974, the following:

INTER-COM will be an occasional publication addressed to our faculty and administrative staff colleagues. Conceivably, it might be distributed more widely in the future. INTER-COM will not strive for sophistication; it will strive for straight talk about things that we believe matter within the family. You and the Library share the ideal of genuine community as we serve a common purpose in our work here. INTER-COM seeks to contribute to COMmunity through COMmunication about and INTERpretation of library resources, programs, and operations that we think are of INTER-est to you.

Our purpose remains unchanged as we begin volume five. So does our concept of the publication, except that we are firmer in our decision to address it only to faculty and staff colleagues. Our concern to fulfill a similar purpose with students will be met this year by regular contributions to The Enquiry.

For 1979-80, we have two specific objectives for INTER-COM. One is quantitative - to publish at least eight issues during the fiscal year (five last year was our previous high). The other is primarily qualitative - to include more interpretive articles on library operations and resources. Both of these are aimed at keeping you better informed about your library.

We invite your participation in INTER-COM in two ways. The first is more of an urging than an invitation. Please give us

the honest feedback which is so essential to true communication. We welcome your critical comments and suggestions; if any response merits sharing, we will, with your permission, share it with the community in a subsequent issue.

Secondly, we invite you to submit for publication brief articles in keeping with the above-stated purpose of INTER-COM. We will be pleased for INTER-COM to enable you to share with colleagues potentially helpful information and ideas related to library resources, programs, and operations.

FACULTY/STAFF SUPPLEMENT TO THE LIBRARY HANDBOOK

It was our intention to distribute recently to each of you a copy of The Library Handbook. If you did not receive one, please call the Librarian's office (225 or 250). We will get one to you immediately.

A supplement for faculty and staff personnel is in preparation, but progress has been slowed considerably in the last three weeks. The <u>Supplement</u> will provide information on all of the ways in which library service to Faculty and Staff differs from the basic service described in the Handbook.

It is our intention by next fall to revise The Library Hand-book and to improve its design. We will also revise the Supplement and incorporate it in a Faculty and Staff edition of The Library Handbook (the exact title is yet to be determined). As you use both the Handbook and the Supplement this year, please give us your ideas for improvements.

RECENT FACULTY/STAFF PUBLICATIONS

GEORGE BRASWELL has an article, "The Case Study of an Iranian Young Man and Modernizing Influences," in the April issue (latest-arrived July 30) of Missiology (pp. 195-209).

MALCOLM TOLBERT is the author of <u>Epistle to the Ephesians</u>, just released by Convention Press for the 1980 January Bible Study.

Congratulations to these colleagues!

Please help us be sure not to miss one of your publications, whatever the medium. We not only would like to announce it in this column, but would like to have it in the Library as early as it is available anywhere. Don't be too modest to give us the good word.

BRASWELL CHIEF SOURCE FOR ARTICLE IN THE COMMISSION

For The Commission's September-issue focus on "The World of Islam," Professor George Braswell is quoted at length in Martha Skelton's lead article entitled "Iran: The Islamic Revolution, Its Causes and Direction." George's views are, of course, based on his experiences both while serving with his family as the first Southern Baptist missionaries to Iran in 1968-74 and while visiting there in the summer of 1978.

AUDIOVISUAL CENTER SCHEDULE

The AV Center is open for service Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for brief spans of time when all of the AV personnel then on duty are required to set up or provide service elsewhere on campus. There are occasional times when we do not have enought staff to cover all the bases.

During hours of minimal staffing of the Library, AV service is provided on-call as follows:

Monday-Thursday 7:15 to 10:15 p.m. Friday 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.

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