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Head Librarian:
Robert Grattan, III

AMERICAN LIBRARY IN PARIS

The American Library in Paris, founded in 1920, is one of the oldest private American cultural institutions in Paris and the largest English-language library in continental Europe. It is a non-profit membership institution open to English readers of all nationalities.

The goals of the founders, to which the American Library in Paris continues to subscribe, were:

To establish and maintain in Paris and elsewhere a library of books, periodicals and newspapers in English.

To aid in the international exchange of information about books, libraries and library methods.

To promote cordial relations between France and the United States through mutual association in library service.

To provide for the English-speaking community of Paris the essential services of an American library.

Circulation, photocopying, microforms and the reading room are available to members. These services, except circulation for home use, are available to non-members for a daily or six-month user fee.

COLLECTIONS:

Reference books, general fiction and non-fiction, and children's books.

Periodicals.

Audio recordings.

Microforms (including the complete International Herald Tribune, on microfilm, from its founding in 1887).

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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

On September 8, 1989, the American Library in Paris realized one of its major goals of recent years, becoming completely computerized. With OPAC (On-Line Public Access Catalog) terminals, optic pens and barcoded membership cards, the library advanced in its role as a model of modern American library science abroad.

With the new system we accomplished another major goal: extension of the library's opening hours. As of January 1990 the American Library is open to its members seven days and four evenings a week. Many other improvements will follow these important first steps. They include computer link-ups with our branches and extensive renovation, beginning with a new periodicals section to be constructed just as soon as funds are available.

These achievements were, and will be, made possible by the vision and courage of the late chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. J. Wallace Hopkins; by the hard work of the director, Mr. Robert Grattan, III, and his staff; and by the American Library's cooperative agreement with the American University of Paris Library.

The American Library's five branches in French university cities make possible a future when we may become the American Library in France. The branches are all strong and growing, and we are very proud of our association with them. Whenever you are in Grenoble, Montpellier, Nancy, Nantes or Toulouse, you have the possibility of enjoying an American library.

In the not-too-distant future, the American Library in Paris will accomplish even more of its goals. The other members of the Board of Trustees work together congenially and untiringly toward this end. I thank them for their support and good will.

Without the benefactors whom we thank later in this report, none of this would be possible.

Respectfully submitted,

Michèle Gompel
Chairman
COLLECTIONS

MATERIALS INVENTORIED:

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<th>Material Type</th>
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<td>Adult books</td>
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<td>6,000</td>
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<td>Periodicals</td>
<td>450</td>
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<td>Microforms</td>
<td>1,141</td>
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<td>Records and cassettes</td>
<td>1,139</td>
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MATERIALS CATALOGED:

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<td>Adult books</td>
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<td>Children's books</td>
<td>411</td>
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<td>Periodicals (current)</td>
<td>344</td>
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<td>Microforms</td>
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BOOKS SENT TO BRANCHES: 2,345

CIRCULATION OF MATERIALS FOR HOME USE

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<tr>
<th>Fiction</th>
<th>Non-Fiction</th>
<th>Juvenile</th>
<th>Periodicals</th>
<th>Recordings</th>
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<tr>
<td>22,171</td>
<td>23,884</td>
<td>8,937</td>
<td>4,370</td>
<td>1,166</td>
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<td>36.6%</td>
<td>39.4%</td>
<td>14.7%</td>
<td>7.2%</td>
<td>(2%)</td>
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TOTAL: 60,528 items circulated

BUILDING USE BY NON-MEMBERS: 2,680

PHOTOCOPIES MADE: 109,787

INTERLIBRARY LOANS: 608 general, 1,760 to branches

MEMBERSHIP

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<th>Category</th>
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<td>Sustaining</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>284</td>
<td>682</td>
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<td>0.6%</td>
<td>13.7%</td>
<td>32.9%</td>
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<td>Student*</td>
<td>915</td>
<td>118</td>
<td>62</td>
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<td>43.9%</td>
<td>5.7%</td>
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*about 800 American University of Paris students, faculty and staff also used the library

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 2,075

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<th>Membership Type</th>
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<th>Percentage</th>
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<tr>
<td>American</td>
<td>725</td>
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<td>French</td>
<td>727</td>
<td>35%</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>623</td>
<td>30%</td>
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VOLUNTEER SERVICES

Volunteers continue to play an important role in the operations of the American Library in Paris. As in previous years, most of the volunteer hours were spent at the Information Desk and assisting the Circulation Desk. Increasingly, computer-literate volunteers help "link" items with their computer records. An important new category in 1989 was assistance to the Development Office. The main volunteer activities:

HEAD LIBRARIAN'S OFFICE
Computer conversion, book sales, book lists, volunteer training.

CATALOGING DEPARTMENT
Inventory, book repair, orders.

PERIODICALS DEPARTMENT
Research, photocopying.

CIRCULATION DESK
Shelving, shelf reading, phone answering, general.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT
Story Time, general.

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
Fund-raising, publicity, membership.

OFFICE AND MAINTENANCE

INFORMATION DESK
SPECIAL EVENTS

Book sale and Open House: March 26
Gala Benefit Dinner: June 20
Christmas Caroling Party: December 8

In August, during the convention of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, the American Library in Paris and the American Library Association hosted a reception for about 100 visitors.

A series of appearances by Paris-based and visiting writers was begun in the autumn.

BOOK FELLOW PROGRAM

Under the ALA Library/Book Fellow program, funded by the United States Information Agency and administered by the American Library Association, the American Library received expert assistance in its computer conversion. Randall Barry, MARC standards specialist from the Library of Congress, spent 12 months helping develop and oversee the conversion of the card catalog, analyzing work patterns, training staff and preparing procedural manuals in English and French.

THE BRANCHES

In cooperative arrangements with the French universities at Grenoble, Montpellier, Nancy, Nantes and Toulouse, the American Library's branches serve students and scholars in American Studies as well as members of the general public. The main library in Paris adds to the branches' collections with duplicate books received as gifts, as well as new books bought for the branches. It is hoped that the branches can soon be linked by computer with the main library.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES

JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 1989 (UNAUDITED)

REVENUE: (French francs)

Memberships, Building Use 1,045,000
Rent from University 770,000
University Maintenance Fees 230,000
Gifts 567,000
Investment Interest 760,000

TOTAL 3,372,000

EXPENDITURES:

Personnel 2,013,000
Maintenance 550,000
Administration 492,000
Computer Supplies 280,000
Book Purchases 481,000

TOTAL 3,816,000

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES:

Computer and Related Equipment 158,000
(University Cost-Sharing) (-150,000)

Total Capital Expenditures 8,000

TOTAL DEFICIT 452,000

The American Library in Paris began a development program in 1989 to reinforce its advances of the past few years and to ensure its long-term financial future. Largely because of costs related to this program, the extension of opening hours and the computerization, the Board of Trustees made a decision to operate at a deficit in 1989.
BENEFACTORS

One of the most important resources of the American Library in Paris and its branches is the countless members, non-members and companies who give books to the library. Space does not allow us to mention all the individuals who gave books in 1989, but special thanks go to these enterprises:

Book Club Associates
Editions Robert Lafont
Agence Littéraire Michelle Lapautre
Centre Védantique Ramanichna

Agence Littéraire Eliane Benisti
Nouvelle Agence
Brentano's

Particular mention should also be made of major gifts of books by the American Library Association; by Meckler, one of the leaders in library automation materials; and by the Special Library Association. All are sending display copies for a special collection of interest to librarians in France.

SPONSORS OF 1989 GALA BENEFIT DINNER:

Coca-Cola France
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International Herald Tribune
Rockwell-CIM
JP Morgan
Reader's Digest

OTHER CORPORATE GIFTS:

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Davis, Polk & Wardwell
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The New York Times Foundation
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GIFTS IN KIND

Juveniles: fine wine
Mr. John H. Riggs, Jr.: IBM PC
Reader's Digest: microfilm

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Mrs. Anne de Rouvray
Ms. Sylvie Senianne
Mr. and Mrs. James Swayne
Mrs. Jacques Vettier

Jane and Norman Geske helped us celebrate Madeline's 50th birthday with an autographed first edition of Madeline's Rescue.

The books pictured in this report were added in 1989 to the collections of the American Library in Paris.