Editorial

April brings you an ‘official’ issue, with reports from the National and Branch Presidents, and lists of new committee members.

Out of less than 200 members, 31 are on committees – quite a high proportion! The committees include members with many years standing as well as indexing novices. One of the things I have always liked about AusSI is the way it welcomes new talent. All members who wish to take part are warmly welcomed.

We sadly announce the resignation of Dwight Walker as Webmaster, and bring a message from Jonathan Jeremy, the new Webmaster. Dwight combined the roles of Newsletter Editor and Webmaster; with Jon as Webmaster and me as Newsletter Editor we hope to bring nearly as much coordination to these jobs.

Glenda Browne.

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New Members

A warm welcome to the following new members:
Judy Webster, Qld
May McCool, Qld
Patricia Stone, NSW

President’s report, 1997

by Alan Walker

Katoomba Conference

For the many members who attended, and for a number of overseas visitors, the highlight of the year was the Katoomba conference, The Futureproof Indexer, organised by the NSW Branch, who will report on it in more detail. The congratulatory comments I have received show that the conference was a success, for its professional and intellectual content, the smoothness of the organisation, the charm of the venue, and the opportunities for social interaction.

National Committee

The National Executive moved to Sydney after the Annual General Meeting in March 1997, the first time since the foundation of the Society in 1976 that the office bearers have not been Melbourne-based. In taking over, the incoming committee was aware of the enormous debt the Society owes to the Victorians, for establishing the Society on a sound professional and financial foundation, and in developing its many policies and programs. Inevitably, in the first months, much of the time of the new members of the national committee was spent in familiarising themselves with the Society’s procedures. We acknowledge the willingness of the outgoing executive, particularly the President John

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Abstracting and indexing for databases workshop
The Australian Society of Indexers will hold a workshop on Abstracting and Indexing for Databases at the ACER Conference Room, 19 Prospect Hill Road, Camberwell, Victoria on Monday April 27th 1998 from 9 am to 4.30 pm. Cost $100 ($90 for AusSI members).

Contact: Max McMaster, ph/fax (03) 9571 6341 email: mindexer@interconnect.com.au

UNSW Indexing courses
The School of Information, Library and Archive Studies at the University of NSW is developing two new one-day workshops on Indexing Web Pages, and Indexing Images.

The Indexing Web Pages course will run in late July or early August. It will examine the skills of subject analysis, evaluation and annotation and their application to Web pages. The concepts of metadata and subject gateways will be explored.

The Indexing Images course will cover description and subject analysis of photographs, film and video materials. No date has yet been set for the Indexing Images course.

Each course costs $225.

Further information and bookings to Maureen Henninger, SILAS, UNSW, Sydney NSW 2052; phone (02) 9385 3589, fax (02) 9385 3430, email m.henninger@unsw.edu.au, URL: http://www.silas.unsw.edu.au/silas/conted.htm

Women in Publishing Freelancer’s lunch
Women in Publishing is having a yum cha lunch on 24th April at 12 noon at the Marigold Restaurant, 683-689 George St. There will be an informal talk by Maggie Aldhamland, who has been freelancing on and off for over 10 years in the UK and Australia. There will also be an opportunity to discuss issues such as how to charge and quote. Cost is $30 for members and $35 for non-members. Bookings and enquiries to Maggie Way on (02) 9954 1438 or waym@oup.com.au.

New Committees

National Committee
The new National committee for 1998 is:

President: Alan Walker
Vice-President: Garry Cousins
Secretary: Lorraine Doyle
Treasurer: Tricia Waters
Committee Member: Carolyn Kearney

Under the Constitution, the persons holding the following positions are ex officio members of the National Committee:

Chair of the Panel of Assessors: Max McMaster
Newsletter Editor: Glenda Browne
Minute Secretary: (none appointed)
Vic. President: Margaret Findlay
NSW President: Michael Wyatt
ACT President: Lynn Farkas

The National Committee is also able to co-opt members, and has resolved to co-opt the Society’s Webmaster (Jonathan Jermy).

NSW Branch Committee
The new NSW committee for 1998 is:

President: Michael Wyatt
Secretary: Madeleine Davis
Treasurer: Pamela Johnstone
Committee member: Glenda Browne

Vic Branch Committee
The new Victorian committee for 1998 is:

President: Margaret Findlay
Immediate Past Pres.: John Simkin
Vice-President: Max McMaster
Secretary: Jenny Restarick
Treasurer: Joyce Gillespie
Committee members: Josephine McGovern, Elizabeth Wood-Ellem, Ann Philpott, Michael Ramsden, George Levick

SA, WA and Qld contacts
The contact people for SA, WA and Qld are listed on the back page of the newsletter.
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Simkin) and the Hon. Treasurer (Joyce Gillespie), both of whom made visits to Sydney to help smooth the transfer of responsibilities.

The National Committee continues to include members from Melbourne and Canberra, and it is the policy of the committee to consult widely about significant matters and to decentralise functions which can be performed in other places.

Membership
The Society had 211 financial members at 28 May 1997, rising to 236 at the end of the year. The geographic spread of membership was:

- Victoria: 69
- New South Wales: 55
- ACT Region: 37
- Queensland: 23
- South Australia: 9
- New Zealand: 8
- Western Australia: 6
- Northern Territory: 3
- Tasmania: 1

Medals and awards
The annual competition for the Medal was held, and three indexers were highly commended for their work: Clodagh Jones (of Hobart) and Max McMaster and Dorothy Prescott (both of Melbourne).

The Web Indexing prize was offered for the second time, and again attracted a strong international field. This year’s winner was Christabel Wescombe of Sydney, who was presented with her award at the Annual General Meeting for 1998.

The National Committee is looking at ways of expanding the range of medals and awards to better reflect the range of professional activities of our members.

Newsletter
The newsletter was published throughout the year in a regular, lively and distinctive manner. Our thanks to Dwight Walker who retired as editor at the end of the year, and welcome to Glenda Browne who has taken over this time-consuming and important task.

Website
The AusSI home page has maintained its position as a very highly regarded international site, full of interesting material for indexers. After setting up the site two years ago, Dwight Walker, our foundation Webmaster, is passing it on to Jonathan Jermy. Congratulations, Dwight, for getting the show on the road. You’ll be a hard act to follow.

Skills, education and accreditation
One of the constant concerns of many members is the development of professionalism and educational programs. This was one of the themes of the Katoomba conference, and is also the focus of the Society’s first two research grants. The grants were awarded to the ACT Region Branch, to pursue two related topics: the definition of indexers’ skills, and a survey of educational opportunities available to people in Australia and New Zealand as training for indexing. The national committee looks forward to the completion of these projects in 1998, and has accepted the offer of the ACT Region Branch to coordinate a Committee with national membership and continuing responsibility for pursuing educational and related issues.

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Standards

Following dealings with Standards Australia, we now expect that the international indexing standard (ISO 999) will be adopted as an Australian and New Zealand standard later in 1998. This will have the advantage of reducing the cost of purchasing the text of the standard, as well as providing members with a sensible, recognised benchmark for indexing work and contracts.

Policies and Guidelines

The National Committee spent some time during the year consolidating and formulating policies and guidelines on various topics of continuing interest. In many cases this involves recording practices which have grown up over some years; in other cases, there is a need to develop new policies to meet changed circumstances. This process has included the participation of non-Sydney based members of the Committee and the Branch committees, and publication in the Newsletter, in order to achieve wide consultation and, where possible, a consensus on these issues. Some of these policies are still in draft form; other have been adopted by the Committee. Topics on which policies have been drafted and/or adopted are:

- Conferences
- Medals and awards
- Newsletter Editor’s guidelines
- Recommended rates for indexing
- Special Interest Groups
- Webmaster’s guidelines

Appreciations

Finally, a personal expression of thanks to all members of the National Committee and the Branch Committees, who have worked hard during the year, and given up their time and (sometimes) potential earnings, for the sake of the profession.

I have mentioned above the debt we owe to the many Melbourne members who have held office over the past twenty years, and to Dwight Walker for his work in two demanding jobs over the past two years. To those acknowledgments, I would particularly like to add my warm thanks to Kingsley Siebel, who has been associated with Society activities in Sydney since they began over ten years ago. He has been a continuous member of the Branch Committee in a number of capacities since it was first established, and has always been quick to volunteer his help and to take the initiative, particularly in the areas of his personal expertise: publishing and the law. He is now retiring from the office of National Vice-President, and while we shall miss his counsel and enthusiasm, we are pleased that he will be able to continue to do some work for the Society. Thank you, Kingsley.

Alan Walker, President
March 1998

From Index-L

A recent thread on Index-L, the Internet Discussion Group, concerned the inclusion of humour in indexing. The general consensus was that it was not the indexer’s place to insert humour, especially when it could detract from the usability of the index.

There were, however, a number of examples of humorous entries. One of my favourite examples (not from Index-L) is the index entry in an Obstetrics book:

Labour of love 1-750

New on the AusSI Website

New on the AusSI Website this month: a site map, an on-line copy of the President’s Report from this issue (under ‘Administration’) and Roxanne Missingham’s paper on the future of indexing from the Katoomba conference.

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ACT Branch report

Welcome everybody and thank you for coming to our Annual General Meeting. We are very pleased to have Tony MacDougall and his wife with us, and look forward to his address later on.

1997 has again shown ourselves to be an "ideas branch" which has brought new concepts in indexing before members and contributed to the society in general.

We held an Internet training workshop with a sumptuous meal at Radford College in October (postponed from July). We had four terminals, and three concurrent sessions. Roxanne Missinghame showed how to find information on the Internet, Susan MacDougall described how to make personal indexes and Shirley Campbell demonstrated how a school library could use the Internet as a curriculum resource. While soup was served I examined some hard copy guides to Internet use. and Lynn Farkas conducted a discussion of issues to bring the session to a close. One suggestion was that the Society assess Web pages, which may be a topic for a meeting this year. The workshop was so popular we could not accommodate all interested participants, and the committee has suggested another such session this year.

We have not neglected other forms of indexing. Michael Harrington gave a presentation on indexing annual reports in May, and several of our members attended the AGPS back-of-book indexing course which Michael presented.

The National Executive of the Society advertised grants for research into indexing and our branch applied successfully for two grants – one administered by Lynn Farkas to write a guide to indexing for publishers, the other by Susan MacDougall to list available indexing courses and their curricula.

Lynn proposed that each branch meet to discuss the characteristics of indexing – differentiating different types of indexing, and identifying core skills and specific skills. Branches would then provide a delegate for a meeting to be held in Canberra in May or June. The outcome of the meeting would be the compilation of a guide to indexing similar to that published by the Canberra Society of Editors. Her ideas were published in the Society's Newsletter and she has written to each of the branches. It is planned to hold the ACT meeting as soon as possible.

Susan has worked with Kym Holden, a library student at the University of Canberra, identifying courses with an indexing component and preparing a questionnaire on the composition of their syllabus.

Both Lynn and Susan gave progress reports on the projects at the Katoomba conference and in the

"Our committee has felt that exploring issues such as what is indexing, what qualifications and skills do an indexer require, will be helpful in resolving the professional status of indexing."

Indexing. At a combined indexing and cataloguing meeting on November 20th at the National Library to discuss issues relating to metadata at the two recent conferences, Prue gave the cataloguer's report and Lynn the indexing report.

A highlight of the year was the very successful two-day conference, The Futureproof Indexer, organised by the NSW Branch. From the controversial keynote address by John Nieuwenhuizen to the practical indexing workshops and the nuts and bolts clinics, the papers were stimulating, inspirational, and informative. It was an excellent conference, well organised, magnificent venue, and even the weather was superb. Canberra was well represented. Approximately a third of the speakers, and a third of the participants came from Canberra (not all of whom were members of the branch). I feel that is evidence that our branch contributes to the Society in general.

On the social side, we have instigated an informal meeting at the Tu Tu Tango restaurant, Bunda Street, on the first Sunday of the month at 11 am. This is a chance for members who may work in isolation to meet other members. We have had three monthly meetings and a very successful Christmas lunch in December.

You can see we have had a busy year. It has been a marvellous committee, everyone contributing and cooperating. We had Ann Peut and Prue Deacon as new committee members, Laurelle Tunks stayed as

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Victorian Branch report

This year marks the beginning of a new era in the affairs and evolution of the Society. It confirms its national nature with the National Committee having moved to New South Wales. As the combined National and Victorian Committee in 1996 we spent a considerable amount of time preparing for the change. It has been interesting to see the way in which the new National Committee has approached its job with energy and enthusiasm and particularly in focusing on some of the matters which inevitably need to be considered now that the Society's activities are spread over at least four states and the ACT. Examples of these matters are the consideration of policies for such areas as conferences, medals and awards and guidelines for the Newsletter.

With the shift of the National Committee to Sydney, a pattern of decentralisation of responsibilities has continued with the Victorian Branch and some individual members continuing to carry out national functions — assessment for registration, organisation of the 1999 conference, assessment of research proposals.

The Branch held a database indexing workshop in July; the book indexing course advertised for October was postponed until February 1998.

Apart from the Annual General Meeting which was held in March the Branch held two other events for members: a visit to the Age Photographic Library in June and to the Police Historical Unit in September. In July David Crystal, former President of the Society of Indexers, visited Australia on a promotional tour for his publishers, Cambridge University Press. Several members of the Branch Committee took David and his wife to dinner on 27 July; a very enjoyable exchange of ideas and interests took place.

Four subjects which have been pursued by members of the Committee and Branch during 1997 were:

1. Research topics. Michael Ramsden received proposals for research grants from the ACT Branch. His recommendation that they be approved was adopted by the National Committee.

2. Standards for Registration. Max McMaster, as Chair of the Panel of Assessors, has been in contact with the Society of Indexers to compare methods and standards used in assessing work for registration. So far this has revealed considerable differences in approach.

3. 1999 Conference. Margaret Findlay and Max McMaster have been in contact with Clodagh Jones in Tasmania to prepare for the Hobart Conference. A title has been set (The August Indexer), a venue and dates (27-29 August 1999) arranged, and expressions of interest and papers called for.

4. Archives. Jean Hagger and Joyce Gillespie have sorted and organised the Society's archives from 1976 and those of the pre-existing Society of Indexers in Australia from 1972. They have arranged for them to be deposited in the State Library of Victoria which also has deposit copies of the Society's Newsletter and other publications.

Following on the visits and contacts made during 1996 in preparing for the transfer of the National Committee to Sydney, I and other members of the Branch Committee have continued to look for opportunities to meet and confer with other members of the Society from Sydney and around Australia and indeed with indexers from other countries. Several members were present at the Katoomba Conference and were very impressed by the excellent arrangements which the New South Wales Branch had organised in a very short lead time.

Just prior to the Katoomba Conference I had the privilege of representing the Australian Society of Indexers at the Society of Indexers Conference in Dublin and of giving the opening address in the splendid surroundings of Trinity College. The address is to be published in the long-overdue October issue of The Indexer.

For the future the Branch Committee has further work to determine what members of the Branch need and want of the Society. A plan to contact all Branch members personally to discuss their wishes has not yet been carried out.

I thank the members of the Branch Committee for their work throughout the year. I was away from Melbourne for a considerable part of 1997, and I would like especially to thank Max McMaster who acted as President during my absence.

John E Simkin, Branch President
Congratulations and celebrations at the Victorian AGM

At the Victorian Branch AGM and Annual Dinner last Tuesday night, a packed dining room joined with National President Alan Walker in congratulating the Society’s first Life Members, Joyce Gillespie and Jean Hagger. Tributes to their work and dedication were written and read by John Simkin and Josephine McGovern and were responded to by the recipients.

Jean recounted tales of some of the Society’s early members who provided leadership and drive in the early years. She and Joyce had recently been given the onerous task of sorting, sentencing and disposing of the boxes of archival information compiled by various office bearers of the society from the time of inception up to the present. During the culling they came across files of interest by some of our former colleagues which they have thankfully retained and of which they told us some brief anecdotes.

Then it was time to present the Certificates of Merit to Clodagh Jones, Dorothy Prescott and Max McMaster for their contributed indexes to the AusSI Medal Award. Photographs were taken of the happy awardees with their beautifully printed and covered certificates. The Victorian Branch thanks our interstate friends for sharing in this enjoyable evening and joining with the Melbourne group in making the presentations such a happy event.

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treasurer, Robert Hyslop, Lynn Farkas and Susan MacDougall came up with brilliant ideas as usual, and where would we be without the executive skill of Shirley Campbell? Actually we found out when she was away and we went into a somewhat dormant period. I am finally relinquishing the Presidency (maybe we should change the name). I would like to thank all the committees of the past five years for their wonderful contribution and help, and wish the new committee well.

We have some suggestions for 1998 that I have referred to in passing: the meeting on the guidelines to indexing, a directory of courses and syllabi, another indexing workshop, a meeting to assess Web pages, particularly those contenders for the Society’s Web Prize, and evaluation of indexes in book reviews, a Christmas in July dinner, combining with FLIN and the Cataloguers for a metadata workshop, and of course meeting each month at Tu Tu Tango. I’m sure there will be plenty of other ideas from our creative minds.

Geraldine Triffitt.

NSW Branch report

The highly successful conference, held in Katoomba in September, dominated all our activities in 1997. Attracting 60 delegates from all over Australia, as well as attendees from New Zealand, the US and the UK, it comprised 13 separate events, showcasing 20 speakers.

The conference was a year in the making: designing the program, finding speakers, deciding on a venue, promotion, budgeting, and everything that goes to make a successful conference. The overall control was in the capable hands of Madeleine Davis, who deserves our admiration; Alan Walker developed the program; Lorraine Doyle arranged the publicity; Pamela Johnstone managed the financial side, ensuring that the Branch event made a modest profit; Dwight Walker brought together the technology and ensured its seamless operation; and Kingsley Siebel provided his valuable experience. All these people deserve our thanks for the conference’s success. The papers are being published in The Indexer, the Society’s newsletter or on the Web.

One outcome of the conference was a set of guidelines for a national conference policy, to ensure the success of future conferences.

The conference took so much of the Branch’s time and energy that committee members had little of either left over for planning and providing local activities. However, we were able to host a pleasant Christmas luncheon at the Duxton Hotel in Milsons Point.

In early 1997 the National Executive, after 20 years in Melbourne, moved to Sydney. One impact of this on the branch has been that the available talent is now spread even more thinly, raising concerns about the viability of the branch committee. We need more people! From our experience, evening meetings in the city are not well attended; the committee has been preparing an examination of the NSW membership’s profile to determine suitable alternative services. One other major topic addressed at the two committee meetings held during the year was ideas for possible research projects, which we have forwarded to the National Executive.

Michael Wyatt.
Webmaster Changeover

In March I took over as Webmaster of the AusSI website (http://www.zeta.org.au/~aussi) from Dwight Walker, who founded the position in 1995. Along with the site goes the management of the AusSI email account, which makes the Webmaster the gateway for electronic correspondence to the Society and its members.

Thanks to Dwight’s enormous talent and enthusiasm we now have a comprehensive collection of material which would do credit to a much larger organisation (Dwight’s parting comments on his role are given below). I don’t expect to match the amount of sheer energy that Dwight has put into the job, but my own goals for my time in this period are as follows:

• To keep the Web material up to date with the inclusion of reports and announcements of general interest to members. To this end I need to be kept informed; please send material (preferably in electronic form) either to the AusSI email address or to the postal address given below.

• To bring the site into a condition where it can be maintained with a minimum of effort by a relatively unskilled volunteer. To help with this I will be reorganising pages into subject-related groups and providing a hierarchical method of navigation through the site. (I am using Microsoft FrontPage to manage the site - highly recommended.)

• To consolidate and cull older material in order to save space on our (slightly overcrowded) Web server. I will be removing material gradually and with great caution, but if anything that’s important to you disappears let me know and I will endeavour to replace it.

• To look into ways of reducing costs by finding a cheaper (preferably free) Web site and email account system. Steps towards this were undertaken last year but as yet I have no information on the results. Free Web pages and accounts for individuals are commonplace on the Internet, but as an organisation we may need to adapt a different approach. I’ll post news on this when it comes to hand.

• To look into other means of electronic communications within AusSI. We have the potential to set up a chat system if there is sufficient interest, and a mailing list project is under way. Although I don’t have time to run anything along these lines myself I am happy to provide technical help to anyone who wants to get involved.

Any offers of assistance will be gratefully accepted. (Beginners can find out about the basics of Web page authoring and maintenance through my course notes at www.users.bigpond.com/Diagonal/webauthr.) I’ll be working on the site in April and it’s possible that some pages and links may be unavailable briefly while I do so. Any major or prolonged access problems should be reported to me.

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Dwight Walker’s parting words

I have been Webmaster of the AusSI website from its beginning in 1995 just prior to the 1st International Conference in Marysville until now. The site has grown since then with papers from two conferences, a calendar, a thesaurus software directory, a SIGs page, software downloads, a members’ directory, a training directory and major subject indexes to the Web. The Web indexing prize was started in 1996. Jonathan Jermey, Tim Craven and I developed the WEBIX Web indexing conversion tool for prize entrants to use. Janet Shuter, editor of The Indexer supported this new form of indexing by running a review I wrote of the Web indexing prize last year.

Overall I have found the job of Webmaster immensely rewarding. The positive reactions I have received in the Guestbook from all over the world have been very gratifying. I saw the American Society of Indexers Web site developed by my colleague Kari Bero blossom. The UK SI started to develop their Web site. We have become a major indexing network on the World Wide Web.

Through the Web site we have had a great deal of interaction between all the different arms of the society for the common good.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

I introduced the electronic Newsletter via email; one day the newsletter may be available on the Web site. Steve Sunter, Ian Odgers and I started to plan Indexers Available online at ANU Sunsite. With Roger Hawcroft’s suggestion of a Web indexing tutorial, online indexing training was canvassed with over 20
showing interest. Distance education via the Web may be an option for remote members by 1999. I approached ALIA about hosting an indexing listserv (electronic mailing list) called ALIAindexers and was pleasantly surprised to hear they would do it! Members will be able to have up-to-date information on courses and other activities via email.

SUGGESTIONS
I feel the Society must take hold of the enormous opportunity the World Wide Web is opening up to indexers in the form of Web indexing. There has been strong interest through the Web indexing prize. This year my company, WWWalker Web Development, has been running interactive online Web indexing courses. I am going to produce a Windows 95 version of WEBIX Web indexing software which I hope to launch in Seattle in May at the ASI Conference. I hope to keep my ties with AusSI going through Web indexing.

All the best to Jonathan Jerney who will be taking over. May the Society get behind the site and make it a very useful part of its services to its members and the greater community abroad.

Dwight Walker

From The Web
I will be publishing occasional columns listing addresses of relevant websites. If I haven’t checked them out myself I will list the source of the recommendation. (Like most people these days I am suffering from the cliched Information Overload, and although I hear of many sites which I would like to check, I just don’t have the time).

WIP training website
The WIP website (not yet finalised) at: http://www.scu.edu.au/schools/hmas/media/WiP/index.html lists training courses in all aspects of publishing including indexing. See also the SILAS courses, including two listed on page 22 of this newsletter.

Scholarly electronic publishing bibliography
From Key Words (ASI) I learnt of the Scholarly electronic publishing bibliography which lists over 600 articles and other sources on the topic. Find it at: http://info.lib.uh.edu/sepb/sepb.html.

Scholarly uses of the Internet
Dwight Walker forwarded to me details of this online Internet survey. You can read the results at: http://coombs.anu.edu.au/Depts/RSPAS/DIR/PAPERS/InternetSurvey-98.html.

For Internet beginners
Again from Key Words comes information about an Internet Tutorials Guide from the University of Albany Libraries at http://www.albany.edu/library/internet and a weekly column for Internet beginners called All about the Internet at: http://shell.rmi.net/~kgr/internet/.

Metadata and the Dublin Core
Bemal Rajapatirana took us step by step through the development of the Dublin Core (metadata standards for the description of information) at the Katoomba conference. Kerry Webb in inCite (the news magazine of the Australian Library and Information Association) mentions a debate on metadata at ANU in which Bemal participated. Details are at: http://www.anu.edu.au/web/authors/seminars/dc/.

News

Key Words in Library Literature
It is pleasing to note that Library Literature, a bibliographic database available in print, CD-ROM and on the Web is now indexing Key Words, the newsletter of the American Society of Indexers.

For more information about the publisher, H.W.Wilson, see their Web site: http://www.hwwilson.com.

Cindex for Windows available
For those of you who have been waiting, Cindex for Windows is now available from Indexing Research (New York). Details at http://www.indexres.com.
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