## Generating Knowledge: The Power of Academic Libraries

CARL 9th Conference Asilomar - Thursday - Sunday, May 9 - 12, 2002

**Housing** California Academic & Research Libraries (CARL) is pleased to hold its 9th Conference at the Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, California (near Monterey and Carmel). CARL hopes as many conferees as possible will take advantage of the retreat-like, oceanfront setting by reserving rooms there. Your Main Conference housing fee covers two nights of housing *plus* three meals a day; your Pre-Conference housing fee covers one night of housing plus meals. Asilomar accepts housing/meals reservations *only* via the enclosed form -- no phone calls, please! The housing reservation form and check (or credit card #) must be sent separately to Asilomar. DO NOT send your housing form to the CARL Registrar. To be assured of getting accommodations on-site at Asilomar, complete their form(s) and send to Asilomar by Saturday, March 9. After this date, on-site accommodations will be available on a space available basis only. Contact Asilomar directly if you want to room with more than one other person. Only 250 CARL conferees can reserve rooms on-site for the Main Conference, and only 80 for the Pre-Conference, so don't delay! March 9, 2002 is the deadline for cancelling a room reservation also -- see the fine print at the bottom of the Asilomar housing form, or check the CARL Conference web page (http://www.carl-acrl.org).

Housing and meals are a real bargain - your fee covers your stay and three meals a day! See the *Asilomar Conference Center Housing Registration* form for room prices and options. An "Historic Room" is one designed by architect Julia Morgan; "Deluxe Room" is a nice hotel room. Asilomar rooms do not have TVs or phones, but attendees can be notified immediately if there are emergency calls. Bringing a cellular phone and/or radio is fine. Rooms do not have Internet connections, but you can use the Internet connections in the main lobby.

Remember, you need to send in BOTH Asilomar Housing forms if you want to reserve rooms for the Pre-Conference and Main Conference!

Lodging is also available in the immediate area, but May is an especially popular tourist time, and those rooms will fill up fast. For more information about local lodging options, see "Annual Conference" on the CARL web site (http://www.carl-acrl.org), and click on "Lodging." Given the retreat-like setting, conferees are welcome to bring friends and/or family to enjoy the local sights; they are also welcome to stay at Asilomar without registering for the Conference.

**Meals** Your room registration includes three meals a day. If you stay off-site, you will need to pay the \$50.00 facilities/meal fee listed on the CARL Registration Form. Pre-Conference attendees who stay off-site will need to pay the \$30.00 facilities/meal fee listed on the CARL Registration Form. Vegetarian selections will be available. Asilomar dining is informal, cafeteria-style, and CARL conferees will be sharing a large dining room with other Asilomar guests. Your registration fees also include the special catered events!

**Conference Ambience** Feel free to bring sweatshirts, t-shirts, and jeans to relax in a setting more casual than other CARL conferences. The beach borders the Center, so bring a towel and hat/sunscreen to enjoy breaks. May usually means wonderful weather, but the evenings can be cool.

**Transportation** The two closest airports are San Jose and Monterey. Those landing in San Jose will need to drive/shuttle 1-2 hours to Asilomar; those coming from Monterey are about 15 minutes away - airport shuttles and cabs are available. The San Francisco and Oakland airports are 2-3 hours away. Please check the CARL web site for maps, flight information, driving directions, and airport-based shuttle services/costs. Click on "Annual Conference" and then "Transportation" at http://www.carl-acrl.org. **Parking** Asilomar has free parking on-site or nearby for all conferees.

**Distribution of Conference Packets, Badges, Receipts** Packets, printed programs, badges, and receipts will be available in the Asilomar Administration building lobby starting at 3:00 pm, Thursday, May 9th. Conference badges must be worn to all conference events. **There will be no on-site conference registration**. Space is limited to 250 registrants, so register early (and save money, too!).

**Refunds** Full Conference and/or Pre-Conference Registration refunds are available until April 1, 2002; after that date, 50% of the conference fee will be refunded. To request a refund, notify Liz Ginno at (510) 885-2969 or eginno@csuhayward.edu. To cancel on-site housing, contact Asilomar directly before March 9, 2002 to avoid penalties. Note the cancellation details on the Asilomar form.

**Questions about the Conference? Registration?** The "Annual Conference" link on the CARL web site has more information, so please check there first (http://www.carl-acrl.org). If your answer is not there, contact Liz Ginno at eginno@csuhayward.edu or (510) 885-2969. She will not accept registration by phone, however. **Note the February 15 Early Bird Deadline to register at the lower rate**. Non-members may join CARL now by choosing the appropriate category on the Registration Form when registering for this conference.