

Quarterly Report to NCLA Executive Board
Roundtable on the Status of Women in Librarianship
July 2007

The RTSWL met on May 19 at Alamance Community College. We discussed events for the Biennial Conference in 2007. We will be sponsoring a lunch on Thursday with Sharyn McCrumb as a speaker. We also hope to sponsor a session on gender and communication. We began preliminary plans to have a workshop in early spring 2007 that will focus on positive communication with patrons. At this point, plans call for a keynote in the communication field in the morning with an afternoon panel of librarians to address such issues as policies, diversity and empowering paraprofessionals. It will be held at the Davie County Public Library.

An unscientific poll of the membership was conducted about the changing the name of the Roundtable to Roundtable on Women's Issues in Librarianship (RWIL). Nearly all the respondents were in favor of the change.

The Board will meet again in early September.

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