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Social Responsibilities Round Table
Sex-Related Task Force
Gordon McShean Papers, 1967-78

Box 1:

ALA Correspondence, including McShean's (GM) ALA Council nomination statement 1969-73
Berman, Sanford Memoranda, 1973

Censorship, including clippings concerning California's Proposition 18 antiobscenity measure and
California Library Association Intellectual Freedom Handbook (1970) and Stanislaus
County Library Playboy Case, 1970-73, 1975

Investigations, including correspondence with two librarians who lost their jobs, 1968-72

Articles by Librarians, including reading lists, 1968-72

Articles, Non-library Origin, 1969-73, 1976

Stanislaus County Library, 1972-76

Correspondence, Library, concerning social responsibilities and intellectual freedom activities
among other non-library activities, with librarians including Bill Katz (2 folders), 1967-73
Library of Congress Information Bulletin, concerning SRRT intellectual freedom motion,
1969

Sex-related Media Task Force (SRMTF), including letters from individuals and companies
interested in the SRMTF, 1971-75

Executive, including correspondence and memoranda about the SRMTF as a unit of ALA's
Social Responsibilities Round Table (SRRT), 1971-73

Crawford, Miriam Memoranda, SRRT Archivist, including list of defunct or inactive task forces,
1976-77

Illinois Social Responsibilities Round Table (ISRRT), 1969-71

Library Association, Intellectual Freedom Committee, concerning statement of
responsibilities, annual reports, and Sylvester and the Magic Pebble case, 1969-71

Intellectual Freedom Committee, ALA, including ALA Office of Intellectual Freedom,
responsibilities, motion by GM, and correspondence with Judith Krug, 1969-71

Documents, 1970-72

Intellectual Freedom Committee of ALA, including statements on the freedom to
read; pornography and obscenity; loyalty; and Library Bill of Rights;
labeling; and Sexism, Racism and other "Isms", 1970-72

International Library Museum, 1971-72

Mail Order, Uncensored Library Concept, 1974-76

Minorities, including correspondence and resolution concerning hiring practices of hotels used for
ALA conferences, 1972, 1975

National Freedom Fund for Librarians (NFFL), including correspondence, bylaws, memoranda and
reports about the NFFL and its relationship to the Freedom to Read Foundation, 1969-71

Sex-Related Media Task Force, including SRMTF Missive newsletter, memoranda and
correspondence concerning the establishment of the SRMTF and its activities; Missive #2
contains "A Basic Sex-Related Bibliography," 1971-73

SCRUPLE (Society for Creative Political Literature), material concerning its "Occasion for Creative

Expletives" for the Presidential Transcripts Contest, 1973-74
 SRRT (Social Responsibilities Round Table) Workshop on library advocacy and provision of information to local communities; including copies of "Resolution to Make and Honest Woman of ALA" and "Collective Peanut Butter Bargaining", 1969-71
 32 Hours, proposal to allow more librarians to work, proposed at ALA conference by Librarians for Full Employment (LIFE), 1972

Publications and Articles:

Articles:

Library Articles, by GM, including "The Overdue Librarian, a slightly Tongue-in-cheek view of bibliosexuality"; "The Media Bugs"; and "...The Radical Road" speech given at Suburban (Chicago) Library System Freedom to Read Meeting, Nov. 1969, 1972

California Librarian Correspondence, 1969-70

American Libraries Correspondence and commentaries on 32 hours, community control and censorship, 1969-72, 1974

Library Journal Correspondence, letters to the editor, and articles, including "From Roswell to Richmond... To Your Town? The censors are after you not your dirty books!", 1968-78

Writing, Library, including "The Sad Demise of the Porn Shop," "The Best of Luck in 1975!"; "A bronx cheer for intellectual freedom in libraries, " A four letter word, raw and order: McShean vs. Machine, " "Let's Put the Censors in Their Place", "The Survival of the Dullest," "The Spitball Urge" (education and students), "The Image of the Librarians Under Fire or How to become a Library Saint in three easy lessons," "The Unlikely Librarian," and Correspondence, ca. 1969-78

Wilson Library Bulletin Correspondence, 1968-70, 1972, 1974

Publications:

Floating Librarians in the Community, proceedings of the Institute on the Floating Librarian, ed. Patrick R. Penland, University of Pittsburgh, involvement and information services, ca. 1971

Media Designed Programs for Librarians by Patrick R. Penland, University of Pittsburgh, 54 pages, 1970

The Fourth John Newsletter for activist librarians to facilitate and improve communications among activist and dissident librarians as well as library students and to spread the "movement," concerning ALA and SRRT activities, intellectual freedom and censorship and librarians, and processes for change, 1970

SIPAPU, a newsletter for librarians, scholars, editors and others concerned with ethnic studies, the counterculture, and the underground press, 1970-73, 1975-77