

## **PADG initiates listserv**

The Preservation Administration Discussion Group (PADG) of the Preservation and Reformatting Section (PARS) of the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services (ALCTS) is establishing a listserv. PADG meetings at ALA conferences provide a forum for discussion of current issues in library preservation management and for sharing information. They have become the one ALA meeting that most PARS members attend. This listserv is designed to continue the discussion and connection between meetings. Participation is open to any interested person; attendance at PADG meetings is not required. To obtain more information or to subscribe, contact Barbara Berger, Preservation Reformatting Librarian, Cornell University Library, B32 Olin Library, Ithaca, NY 14853; phone: (607) 255-5291; fax: (607) 254-7493; e-mail: beb1@cornell.edu.

## **NEH Web site update**

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has a Web site that provides help to potential grantees. It contains information about the types of projects NEH funds, guidelines, application forms, deadline information, frequently asked questions, and advice on grants administration. On a related Web page, the Division of Preservation and Access (DPA) has extensive additional information about its grant process. Of particular interest this year is the instruction to limit application narratives to 25 pages. The application deadline is July 1. The URL for the NEH site is: <http://www.neh.fed.us/html/applying.html>. The URL for DPA is: <http://www.neh.fed.us/html/guidelin/preserva.html>. For more information, contact Charles C. Kolb, NEH, Division of Preservation and Access, Room 411, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20506; phone: (202) 606-8570; e-mail: ckolb@neh.fed.us.

## **Yale publishes interim report on social science data project**

Yale University has published a report describing the first half of its one-year project to mi-



grate machine-readable public opinion research data from the Roper Collection. Over the past 20 years, Yale has copied the data from one form of digital storage to another, but now the data must be restructured so they can be used on new hardware and software platforms. Yale investigated many possible migration strategies for IBM PC, UNIX, and mainframe technologies. The report is located

on the Web at <http://www-cpa.stanford.edu/cpa/misc/preswhol.html>.

## **NEDCC holds scanning conference**

The Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC) will hold "School for Scanning: Preservation and Access in a Digital World" in Berkeley, California, May 12-14, 1997. Designed for novices in digital conversion, the conference will cover the basics of technology, technical jargon, file formats, content selection, legal issues, text and image scanning, quality control, costs, metadata, and CD-ROM or World Wide Web applications. The faculty includes many well known experts from the University of California-Berkeley, the Getty Information Institute, the Research Libraries Group, the National Archives and Records Administration, Harvard University, the National Park Service, the Image Permanence Institute and the Library of Congress. This conference has been held previously in Boston and Washington, D.C., but given the fast pace of developments in digital technology, each conference significantly updates the content of the previous one. Conference registration costs \$245, including lunches. Participation is limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis. The deadline to register is April 27, 1997. For more information or an application, contact Gail Pfeifle, NEDCC, 100 Brickstone Square, Andover, MA 01810-1494; phone: (508) 470-1010; fax: (508) 475-6021; e-mail: [pfeifle@nedcc.org](mailto:pfeifle@nedcc.org). ■

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