PRESIDENT’S ADDRESS

It is always hard to believe that a new year is here already. New Year’s is traditionally a time to pause and reflect on the past, to take stock of the present and to make resolutions for improvement in the future.

It is a new year for HSLI, too, and the organization is on the brink of change. I hope that you will take a few moments to reflect on HSLI—what does it mean to you? Has it provided you with valuable and enjoyable experiences? Do you attend meetings, participate in classes, or serve on committees? What do you like or dislike about HSLI? How can it be improved?

The Board started its assessment of HSLI in 1993 by creating a Marketing Committee, which surveyed members with a Questionnaire on Image to answer those and other questions.

Now we are reviewing our structure and bylaws to streamline some of these processes. Please read proposed bylaw changes and share your comments or concerns with us—then vote!

This process of reflection, assessment and change is ongoing and is designed to make a good organization even better. I hope you agree that HSLI is valuable and worthwhile and that you resolve to continue your enthusiastic support of and participation in the group.

I look forward to meeting everyone in the rapidly approaching new year. Our spring meeting will be in March in Arlington Heights and our fall meeting will be in Rockford, as HSLI sponsors MC/MLA. 1995 seems far away but it's not too soon to think about those meetings, too. Please consider hosting one in your area.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holidays and a prosperous 1994!
COMES TO ROCKFORD...
IN THE NICK OF TIME

Block out your calendar for October 9-12, 1994 to be in Rockford at the famous Clock Tower Inn enjoying leisure activities and learning opportunities.

HSLI and the Midwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association will host a joint meeting with two themes: Health Care Reform & Its Impact on Libraries and the Virtual Health Science Library.

You can exercise your mind through excellent CE classes, work out your spirit by networking with friends, and relax your bones to the tune of invigorating stretching movements!

Pull out those sweats and untie your tennies 'cause you're in for the time of your life!

HSLI MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

HSLI will be sending membership renewal forms to all those who have not renewed for 1994. If you want to save yourself the trouble of handling another piece of mail, renew your membership now.

You can check your mailing label for this newsletter for the PE94 code, which means that you already have renewed for 1994. Apparently, professional memberships will not be tax deductible in 1994, so you have two reasons to act now!

JOANNE CRISPEN

We extend our condolences to the friends and family of Joanne Crispen, who passed away on November 17.

Mrs. Crispen was the Deputy Executive Director of the Association of Specialized and Cooperative Library Agencies (ASCLA) of the ALA. Previously, she had served 23 years as Director of Information Services and Research Administration at Lutheran General Hospital.

She also served eight years on the Illinois State Library Committee and, in 1977-1979, she was the Chair of the Hospital and Nursing School Librarians of the Midwest, which was the forerunner of the current HSLI organization.

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DEADLINES FOR FUTURE ISSUES
February 25, 1994
May 27, 1994
August 26, 1994
November 25, 1994
Call For Papers and Posters

The Program Committee for the MLA Midwest Chapter 1994 Conference is issuing a call for papers, speakers, and posters. We are also looking for sharing session facilitators.

The theme of the Conference is In the Nick of Time. The Committee has identified two concepts for the program. 1) Changes in the Health Care Delivery System and the effect the changes have on libraries. The Clinton administration's proposals will have a major effect on medical education and medical care delivery. As proactive librarians, we should be positioning ourselves and our libraries for these changes. 2) Keeping Pace with the Virtual Library. The virtual library can be conceptualized in many ways. Use your imagination for writing abstracts. For instance, libraries without walls, just in time vs just in case libraries, information brokers, electronically networked libraries, etc. are some of the possibilities.

Do you want to attend an excellent conference in a relaxed, resort area? Let the Program Committee hear from you.

Abstracts for papers, posters, or presentations should be 150 words or less with the theme and purpose clearly stated. Send them to the address below by January 15, 1994. Selection will be made during February, 1994.

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The Illinois State Council met on November 5, 1993 at the Fall HSLI meeting in Urbana.

Items discussed at the Council meeting were:

1. The Resource Library holdings/elimination of holdings - there are no collection development requirements imposed on Resource Libraries from the Region or NLM. At the last Resource Library Directors meeting this was discussed. The University of Illinois at Chicago tentatively offered to take over unique discards from other Resource Libraries into their collection.

2. The State Library Report stated that the Library will no longer purchase the HSLI/SILO printed offline product. After discussing what this would mean to libraries without CD-ROM technology Nancy Stump volunteered to try to persuade Bridget Lamont of the State Library to continue this much used tool in 1995.

3. Major discussion centered around the issue of the continuing structure of the Council. This was also discussed at the HSLI Board and Business meetings.

The Council originally started as an individual entity under the umbrella of HSLI to meet imposed Regional Office requirements. The only requirement still in existence is providing a representative to the Regional Advisory Council.

Suggestions and comments for consideration of possible changes that were brought up at the different meetings so far are:

1. Keep the Council as is because it has developed a standing in the state with the Region and the State Library (both having ex-officio representatives) and is still a good means of communication to the health science librarians in the state.

2. Elect one Council representative to serve as a voting member of HSLI Executive Board;

3. Elect three Council representatives (one for consortia, one for resource libraries, and one for non-aligned libraries) to serve on the Executive Board.

I am in the process of collecting information from the nine other State Council Representatives on the Regional Advisory Council about how their Councils are structured. Many are in the same stages of flux as we are, so it will be interesting to compare all of our current standings.

I would appreciate any comments, suggestions and/or ideas you have on all possible options and resulting bylaws changes for discussion at the upcoming Council meeting. Call me at (708) 570-2651, send a fax to (708) 570-2926, or contact your Council representative before the middle of January.

The Council will next meet on January 14, 1994 at Marianjoy Rehabilitation Institute. Your input is requested and will be greatly appreciated.
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Newsletter committee members are needed to assist in producing the HSLI NEWSLETTER and to solicit advertisements for inclusion.

Your participation will help in developing a more polished and professional format and design for the newsletter.

A person with good communications skills, some familiarity with library-related businesses (you know, book vendors, subscription services, photocopier and office supply, security systems, CD-ROM, etc.), initiative and chutzpah is needed to solicit advertisements for the newsletter. The committee member will contact potential advertisers by telephone, mail, at exhibit areas, whatever it takes. Some knowledge about HSLI and members might be useful for informing advertisers about the organization and the benefits of reaching our membership.

A detail-oriented, precise person is needed to proofread submissions and edited copy. Preferred qualifications: attention to detail, nearby fax machine, ability to respond quickly (sorry, most submissions arrive on or after the deadline, so quick action is essential), knowledge of the organization and its members (so names are spelled correctly and careers are not ruined).

A person who has a good quality scanner (whatever they are called: optical scanner, laser scanner?) so that graphics (e.g., HSLI logo) can be scanned into an IBM-compatible computer (I use Word Perfect, does that matter?) and printed on a Laser Jet Series II printer.

If you are interested in serving on the Newsletter Committee in any of the above responsibilities (or maybe you noticed another one that is needed?), please call me at (708)268-6616 or fax at (708)495-6658 or return this page with one or more of the above descriptions circled and include your telephone number (if I have done this correctly, your address label will be on the other side).

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