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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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I would like to congratulate the 2006 HSLI Annual Conference Planning Committee for a job well done. The conference was well attended, and it was evident that the sessions were generating quite a bit of discussion among the participants. I hope all who attended the conference in Schaumburg got a chance to connect with some old friends, and some new ideas as well.

I also want to thank Past President Paul Blobaum for his leadership of HSLI over these past two years. I look forward to continuing to work with Paul and the rest of the HSLI Board and membership. Paul has been a vocal supporter of Loyola University Health Sciences Library's Go Local Grant Project, and we were all excited to learn during the HSLI Conference that Loyola's grant was funded by NLM. Congratulations to Logan Ludwig and the Go Local team at Loyola.

I am also delighted and grateful that Virginia Gale has agreed to continue coordinating the hospital group purchases, but this ongoing project has grown too large for one person. I will be working with Virginia on these important negotiations in the future, but we can use more help, so if you are a hospital librarian and would like to

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The purpose of
HSLI is to
promote the
professional
and educational
development of
health science
librarians in
Illinois.

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PAST-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Paul Blobaum
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This is my "swan song" as outgoing president of HSLI. In the four years I have been on the board of HSLI, we have continued to evolve as an organization. Group purchasing has increased in importance to hospital libraries, and the importance of the publication of a newsletter has diminished somewhat. Our listserv is very active, and the HSLI web site is evolving. We are planning for the future of our consortia and annual conferences.

Participants in the Future of Consortia symposium on November 1st affirmed the high value we place on the professional relationships we have the opportunity to establish through consortia memberships, even if the meaning of the consortia is just to get together for lunch or dinner once a year.

The HSLI summer meeting in July focused on reviewing the Medline-Plus GoLocal project proposal from the Loyola University Library of the Health Sciences, and resolving to support the project. The

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Schedule of Future HSLI Conferences

- 2007 East Central, Champaign/Urbana, Oct. 25-26

HSLI Business

President's Message - continued

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volunteer to help, please contact Virginia Gale at virginia.gale@provena.org.

This year, a special conference session was held on Wednesday afternoon, called "The Future of Consortia." Ruth Holst, Associate Director NN/LM-GMR, facilitated the session, which was largely an open forum and brainstorming session on what our local health sciences library consortia are doing currently, and what we would like them to be doing in the future. Ruth gave a brief introduction on the history of consortia, and then opened it up to discussion. I was particularly enlightened by the fact that most, if not all, of the participants of the session agreed that there is value in maintaining local consortia, and that the opportunity to meet with colleagues and share knowledge is a key function. Of course, while the session was well attended, many of our colleagues were unable to attend, a point worth noting, since barriers to attendance are an issue for many consortia members. However, this session was a great starting point in looking at those issues and addressing the future of consortia and how they relate to HSLI and health science librarians and libraries. I will be providing a more detailed summary of the session in a future newsletter.

The HSLI Board is also considering future alternatives for coordinating the annual conferences, to help spread the responsibilities beyond the hosting consortium each year. We will seek input from the membership on these alternatives as they are further developed. Professional meetings are such a great opportunity to update knowledge, share experiences, and reconnect with friends. My goal is to find an alternative that will give our current system a shot in the arm, building upon what we are already doing right. In the meantime, the East Central Illinois Consortium is busy planning the 2007 Fall Conference, "In the Know," to be held in Urbana, and the Chicago South Consortium is currently considering a joint conference in 2008 with an adjoining state library group, so stay tuned for further information as it develops.

My goals for the coming year are to finalize the discussion and resolve the annual conference calendar for the next 3-4 years; define HSLI's role and provide support as a key partner in the Go Local Project; and work with Virginia to continue strengthening the consortial group purchases.

I hope you all have a happy and safe holiday season!

Molly Horio, President, 2007-2008

(Submitted Nov. 2006)

HSLI Election Results

With the fall 2006 meeting fast approaching the results of the recently concluded election take on new urgency.

The incoming President Elect, Linda Feinberg of Evanston Hospital, assumes a heavy commitment for the future of the Health Science Librarians of Illinois. Linda's tenure will run through two years as President Elect. During that time she will be responsible for assisting the incoming President, Molly Horio; she will coordinate the programs and continuing education offerings for the annual meetings held during her term; and she will stand-in for the President should that become necessary. At the completion of her two year term she will automatically become President for an additional two years. With the future completion of her duties as President, she will assume the mantle of Past President for an additional two years.

The commitment of individuals holding HSLI's most senior position is readily apparent; we wish Linda all the best in the performance of her future duties.

Stacey Knight-Davis of Eastern Illinois University, our incoming Treasurer, will hold office for a two year period. During that time Stacey will have full responsibility for the handling the funds of the organization; she will collect assessments, maintain our accounts and ensure the prompt payment of bills. Stacey's position also requires a high degree of commitment to the future of HSLI and with that in mind we also wish her all the best in the performance of her future duties.

Roy Jones, Nominating Chair

Go Local

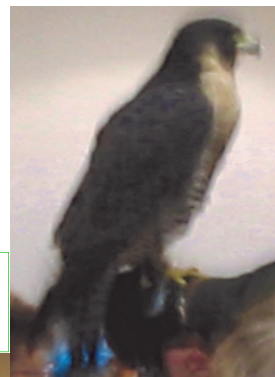
Health Sciences Library to Sponsor Health-E Illinois

The Loyola Health Sciences Library has taken the initiative to establish a "Go Local" project for Illinois. Currently 13 other states have initiated similar efforts for their states. The "Go Local" project, called "Health-E Illinois," will provide links from MedlinePlus health topic pages to information about health services throughout the state. These links include Web sites from hospitals, physicians, nursing homes, support groups, health screening providers and many others. You can link directly from each MedlinePlus health topic to services related to that particular topic. For example, if you choose "Health-E Illinois" from the MedlinePlus Breast Cancer page, you will be able to find links to Cancer Clinics, Oncologists, Support Groups, etc. in Illinois.

Key partners who have agreed to support the development of this database include the Alliance Library System, the Council of Illinois Medical School Libraries, the Health Sciences Librarians of Illinois, Illinois AIRS, the Illinois Dept. of Public Health, the Illinois Rural Health Association, Illinois CLICKS!, and the Illinois State Library. Funding support will be available from a variety of sources, primarily the National Library of Medicine.

<http://library.luhs.org/golocal/>

Nancy's Reception



"Raptor talk was excellent—
unique & fun"



"The raptor
presentation
was excellent"



Libraries on the Move



"Great conference. Thank you!!"

"Very well planned & organized. Planner deserve huge credit. Thank you for offering a balance of practical & cutting-edge topics."



"Attending Scott G's CE was worth the drive. I could have attended an 8 hour CE that he presented. He was excellent, he provided a great deal of information that I was able to apply to my library."



"Great atmosphere, good participation, very considerate hosts"

"I liked that we did not have to travel to a CE"



“Of Note”**HSLI Grants Interest Group**

As a follow up to the excellent grant writing workshop presented by Jo Dorsch of the UI-C Library of the Health Sciences, Peoria at the 2005 HSLI conference, I would like to exchange ideas with those working with grants information in Illinois. Perhaps we can establish a listserv or a blog. Please email me to discuss.

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Since that workshop, my role as Grants Information librarian has grown. Governors State hired an interim director to establish the university's first Office of Sponsored Programs and Research, and I have continued to provide grants information and research to the university.

It has been challenging to find grants information from state agencies. There is no central grants information distribution system. However, I have found three venues which you may also be interested in subscribing to:

Illinois Department of Human Services Grants Alert System <http://www.dhs.state.il.us/grants/gas>

Billing itself as “A High Octane Site for Funding Opportunities in Human Services”, the IDHS has an alerts listserv, as well as links to helps for grant writing.

Illinois Attorney General Pat Quinn

Carolyn Brown Hodge, Director of Rural Affairs in the office of the Attorney General, distributes an email list of various grant announcements of interest to Illinois. To be added to her email distribution list, email: Carolyn.BrownHodge@Illinois.gov

CJ Dispatch -- Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
<http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/>

The CJ Dispatch is sent twice monthly and features links to the latest information added to the Authority's Web site, much of it regarding funding opportunities. Go to the ICJIA web site above. There is a link to their grants information page on the left side; on the right side is a link to a registration form for signing up for the CJ Dispatch.

Miner and Associates Grantseeker Tips
<http://www.minerandassociates.com>

Miner and Associates is a grant writing consulting and training firm who conducts workshops in the Midwest. “Grantseeker Tips” is a free monthly email newsletter with tips and advice about all aspects of grant writing and award management. Subscribe by sending an email request using the web form on their homepage, bottom right corner.

Scholarship Winners

Award Winners!

The Syed Maghrabi scholarship winners are:

Katie Pozniak
Darlene Ward

Katherine M. Pozniak
Graduate Student
Dominican University-River Forest, IL

I am honored to have received the Syed Maghrabi scholarship to attend this year's HSLI conference at the Doubletree Hotel in Schaumburg, Illinois. As a student nearing the completion of my graduate program, the conference provided a unique learning experience for me as I look forward to my future career as a medical librarian.

I attended the *Health Sciences Librarians and Patient Safety: Understanding Leadership Roles, Reliability and Failure* by Lorri Zipperer and Linda Williams and the *Patient Safety Resource Seminar: Librarians on the Front Lines* by Holly Burt as my continuing education courses. Both seminars were extremely beneficial in discussing the current trends and issues in patient safety and the essential role of the medical librarian in an academic and hospital setting. I thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on exercises, group discussions, and practical applications, which reinforced the dynamic concepts that Lorri, Linda, and Holly discussed. I especially appreciated the abundance of handouts, which upon review, further enhanced my understanding of patient safety and will definitely serve as reference in the future.

I also attended Nancy's Reception at the Spring Valley Nature Center on Thursday evening. This was a wonderful event! It was my pleasure to meet several medical librarians and discuss challenges and issues that all medical librarians face on a daily basis. In addition, I enjoyed the light-hearted nature of the *Birds of Prey* program. It was extremely interesting to learn about the different birds and I especially liked seeing the birds up close.

The keynote address, *Merging into the Fast Lane: Integrating Library Services within Healthcare Systems*, by Eileen Stanley was an excellent lecture. I found Eileen's presentation to be extremely informative and thought provoking. It was a fine closing to an exceptional conference!

I would like to thank the scholarship committee for providing me with a scholarship to attend this year's conference. It was my pleasure to meet so many remarkable librarians and attend the outstanding continuing education courses. As I had hoped, the conference provided a truly rewarding experience. Thank you!

Darlene G. Ward
John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County
Academic Center-Library
Chicago, IL

Thank you HSLI for awarding me one of the stipends for this years annual conference. Without a doubt this conference was one of the best. The programs were outstanding and pertinent to Health Science Librarianship. The conference facilities and food was wonderful, and the conference organizers did a fabulous job of keeping things flowing. On the

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Loyola project is called Health-E Illinois.

The objectives of **Health-E Illinois** are to:

- 1) Create a high-quality, user-friendly database of health resources and services in Illinois, linked to subjects within MedlinePlus.
- 2) Positively impact the ability of health consumers and practitioners to locate and access health information and related local health resources and services.
- 3) Increase awareness and use of MedlinePlus and **Health-E Illinois**, through strong promotion and outreach efforts with libraries and healthcare organizations throughout the state.
- 4) Engage with other Illinois librarians, health professionals, and organizations to help identify local health resources that should be included in the database and to increase use of **Health-E Illinois** by libraries and health care organizations throughout the state.
- 5) Increase statewide visibility and appreciation of the important role played by Illinois librarians in linking health care consumers and practitioners to the information they need.

A letter of support of the Board of HSLI was written in support of Health-E Illinois. At the November conference, Ruth Holst, Associate Director of the Greater Midwest Region, NN/NLM announced that the Health-E Illinois proposal was approved by the National Library of Medicine. Please join with me in congratulating Dr. Logan Ludwig, Mary Klatt, Tom Bartenfelder, and Eugene Guidice and the rest of their team for their leadership and commitment to improve the access to health and human services in Illinois.

The Health-E Illinois proposal envisions HSLI members to help make connections between health care providers and MedlinePlus information by contributing links to the project, and education and outreach to health professionals and the public. For the initial implementation period, HSLI will have representation on the project committee.

More information will be forthcoming from the Health-E Illinois project team!!

Thank you to the Metropolitan Consortium for their excellent work in planning and hosting the Libraries on the Move conference in Schaumburg. The CE on Patient Safety resources, and library support for Magnet Hospital status were just excellent.

I would like to thank Lynn Bierma of the Illinois State Library, who has assumed the new position of Interlibrary Loan Coordinator following many years in the OCLC services office. Lynn has served as liaison from HSLI to the state library since 1995. Laurie Bartolini is the new liaison.

At the November board meeting, Laurie Bartolini updated the board concerning several ISL programs, especially AskAway, the virtual reference service which they are supporting throughout the state. The state library would like to see a Medical queue, and in fact several HSLI members are participating. However, many hospital librarians are unable to participate in virtual chat reference because of institutional firewalls. However, the academic libraries might consider AskAway, and participating in a virtual reference queue. Hospital librarians could answer questions via email.

The HSLI board has also discussed implementing a blog, moving to a new web site host, and how to plan for state wide meetings in the future. The board OK'd pursuing discussions with the Indiana Health Science Libraries group for a possible joint meeting in 2008. Molly Horio and Karen Douglas did some research on how other state wide groups plan and host their annual conferences. The board will continue to monitor the situation.

Contratulations to our new treasurer Stacey Knight-Davis, and Thank You to Kitty Wrigley for her faithful service these past two years. Also congratulations to Linda Feinburg for her election to the board as President Elect.

I have set two goals for myself for the coming two years as Past-President on the board.

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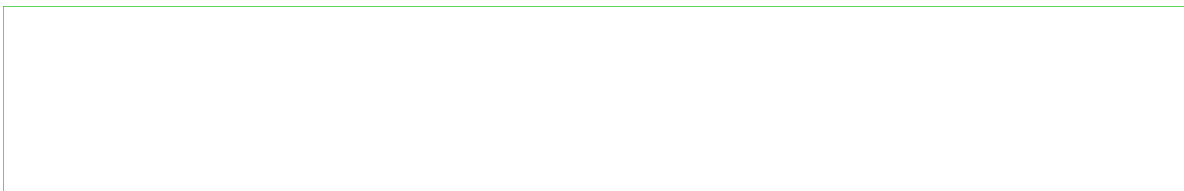
First, I would like to work on grants information projects for those librarians in the state in sharing ideas and best practices of providing grant information and grant writing assistance. I currently am the grants information officer for Governors State, and have established a Grants Information Center in the University Library. There are sources of grant announcements for the state of Illinois which are available for free; and we should be advocates for our hospitals and health professionals we serve to secure sponsorship for their programs and research.

Secondly, I would like to form an HSLI writing/publishing interest group, to support research and publication particularly in hospital librarianship, and other topics of interest to health science librarians. We could have an article in the newsletter on recent publications and presentations of health science librarians in the state. It is good for us to be aware of each other's research and professional activities to learn from each other and disseminate the research of those who are doing research.

It has been my pleasure to serve as HSLI president these past two years. I have grown personally and professionally. I look forward to working with the incoming president, Molly Horio, and I trust you will all give her your full cooperation!

President's Award

The President's Award is traditionally given to someone in HSLI who has helped the president in the performance of duties of the office. The award this year goes to someone who has been my supervisor, mentor, and friend. The President's Award is given to Mary Ann Huslig, a long time medical librarian in Illinois. Mary Ann mentored many librarians just out of library school, and many library technicians along the way. She served HSLI and consortia on committees and as Parliamentarian. Mary Ann recently relocated to Arlington, Texas, and has renewed her career at the U Texas Southwest Medical Center library. Contratulations, and Best Wishes, Mary Ann!



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first day, I attended the Metropolitan Consortium of Chicago meeting as the representative for Neera Kukreja, Library Director at the Academic Center-Library.

I was eager to meet all of the members of this consortium since I had spoken with them at one time or another in my role as the Interlibrary Loan Librarian. What I gleaned from this consortia meeting and the meeting that Ruth Holst facilitated about the future of consortia, is that

1. Consortiums are needed to come together in a way to save money by making available group purchasing
2. We can gain professional training through invited guest speakers for special programs
3. Reciprocal agreements are needed in interlibrary loan lending and borrowing
4. The comradeship of health science librarians in a consortia helps to keep the stress level down (by being able to bounce problems and ideas off of each other).

On Thursday November 2, I attended the Creating online training using little or no money presented by Scott Garrison. I thought that this presentation was dynamic. I could not wait to get back to work to discuss with my colleagues Camtasia 4 and all that we could change in our own presentation we give to our library patrons. We could also let our library patrons know that there is another way to present a presentation other than Powerpoint. This new way to teach online was one of the reason why I wanted to attend this conference.

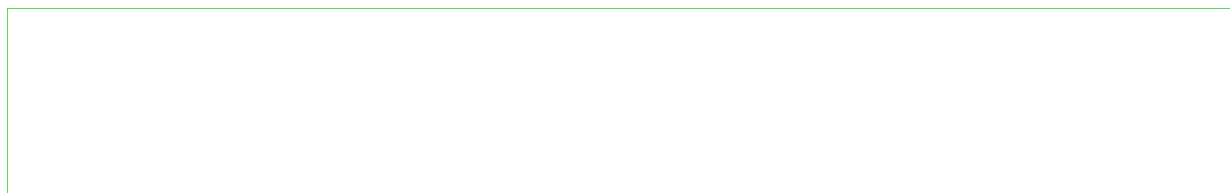
In the afternoon I took Peg Allen's class Getting Magnetized—Search and Service Strategies for Nursing Excellence. I am still reeling from all the information that I gathered and learned from this class and I hope to present it to our Nursing Educators when they hold their next annual nursing conference.

I enjoyed the Nancy's Reception at Spring Valley Nature Center in Schaumburg.

Eileen Stanley, the keynote speaker on Friday provided an insightful talk on the "Merging into the Fast Lane: Integrating Library Services within Healthcare Systems". Her topics included the Electronic Library of Minnesota-Alliana, the history of a system library, an integration model, and the future of the Alliana Healthcare System.

The GMR update is always a great way to keep informed about information on new technology applicable to the health science librarian. The final presentation & discussion from Loyola University Medical Center Library about the GoLocal project for Illinois was wonderful to hear.

Thanks again HSLI, for giving me this opportunity to attend this years conference. It was a delightful and informative conference. Congrats to all who planned and participated! Job well done.



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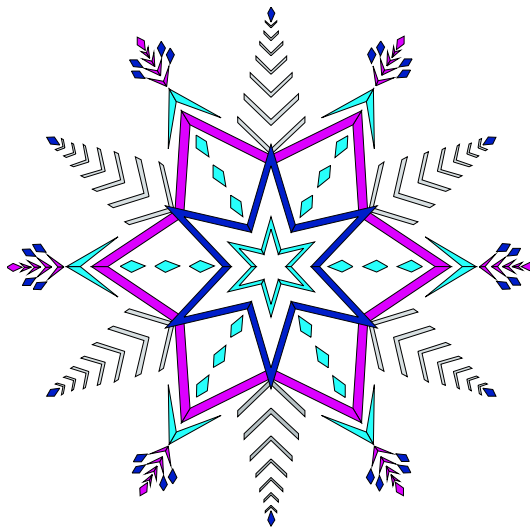
HSLI Newsletter is now Electronic!

The HSLI Newsletter will “mostly” be electronic. The HSLI board voted to begin this format because of escalating photocopy and postage charges.

Notice will be posted on the HSLI listserv when each new issue is available on our web site.

If you are one of the few people who are not on the HSLI listserv please notify me.

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