FROM THE PRESIDENT

Two of the most important issues in the business world today are communication and continuity. It is important that the announcement for our annual meeting not be the only information members receive from HSLI during the year. Each of us is busy with more projects and workload than we can ever hope to complete. It would be easy to forget about HSLI until we receive that annual meeting flyer. But we ignore the outside world at our professional peril. We need to know what is going on in the library field and in the medical field.

HSLI has the systems in place to provide meaningful and useful professional information to members. One of these is the newsletter you are reading. Another is the HSLI Web page. Fran Kovich from SIU School of Medicine Library has been doing a great job of developing the site. If you have not visited our Web page, please do. It includes the directory, bylaws, officers, and committee chairs. The latest HSLI newsletter is now online. In addition, the directory is searchable to make it easy to locate information on a specific member. As it becomes available, the information on our 1998 Annual Meeting will be posted as well.

Another of the communication pieces is the HSLI group e-mail list. It has been a great way to keep in touch with many people without playing phone tag. I do not have e-mail addresses for all members, either because they were not listed in the Directory or because the address did not work. I particularly had trouble with the U of I addresses. If you have not received any e-mail messages from me and would like to be added to the list, please send your e-mail address to me at npals@sarahbush.org. By the same token, if you do not wish to continue to receive messages, let me know and I will remove your address from the list.

We are all experiencing that the only constant anymore is change. But through that change, we need some threads of continuity. I would like to suggest to the membership that we consider 2-year terms for officers and committee chairs. One year is not enough time to complete projects, especially complex ones. Frequently, new projects are not even attempted because people know they will only be in office one year. The committees that have accomplished the most are the ones whose chairs have served for at least two years. The Marketing Task Force and newsletter are examples. HSLI has the potential (and money) to do some wonderful things if we can get the people and resources in place.

The HSLI Board will have a mid-year meeting on June 2, 1998 in Bloomington, where we will discuss this and other issues. If you have any items for the agenda, please contact me. Feel free to attend. All Board meetings are open to the membership.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions on any HSLI topic, please call me at 217-258-2262 or e-mail me at npals@sarahbush.org.

Nina Pals
HOW TO GET ALONG AT THE OFFICE

If it rings, answer it.
If it clanks, call the repairman.
If it whistles, ignore it.
If it's a friend, take a break.
If it's the boss, look busy.
If it talks, take notes.

If it's hand written, type it.
If it's typed, copy it.
If it's copied, file it.
If it's Friday, forget it.

Yes, I'm tired. For several years I've blamed it on middle age, iron poor blood, lack of vitamins, air pollution, etc. But now I find out, tain't that. I'm tired because I'm overworked. The population of this country is 250 million. Of those, 92 million are retired, 84 million are in school, 57 million are employed by the government or in the Armed Forces, another 16,700,000 work for state and city government. Of the 300,000 left, 299,998 are in prison; that leaves two people to do the work. You and me. And you're sitting there reading this! No wonder I'm tired!

MAKE ME LAUGH

Brief History of Medicine

2000 B.C. Here, eat this root.
1000 A.D. That root is heathen, say a prayer.
1850 A.D. That prayer is superstition, drink this potion.

1940 A.D. That potion is snake oil, take this pill.
1985 A.D. That pill is ineffective, take this medication.
2000 A.D. That antibiotic doesn't work anymore, here, eat this root.

(Received via Internet, author unknown)

Why did the chicken cross the road?
According to Anderson Consulting:

Deregulation of the chicken's side of the road was threatening its dominant market position. The chicken was faced with significant challenges to create and develop the competencies required for the newly competitive market. Anderson Consulting, in a partnering relationship with the client, helped the chicken by rethinking its physical distribution strategy and implementation processes. Using the Poultry Integration Model (PIM), Anderson helped the chicken use its skills, methodologies, knowledge, capital and experiences to align the chicken's people, processes and technology in support of its overall strategy within a Program Management framework. Anderson Consulting convened diverse cross-spectrum of road analysts and best chickens along with Anderson consultants with deep skills in the transportation industry to engage in a two-day itinerary of meetings in order to leverage their personal knowledge capital, both tacit and explicit, and to enable them to synergize with each other in order to achieve the implicit goals in delivering and successfully architecting and implementing an enterprise-wide value framework across the continuum of poultry cross-medium processes. The meeting was held in a park-like setting, enabling and creating an impactful environment which was strategically based, industry-focused, and built upon a consistent, clear, and unified market message and aligned with the chicken's mission, vision, and core values. This was conducive towards the creation of a total business integration solution. Andersen Consulting helped the chicken change to become more successful.

(Contributed by Dalia Kleinmunts)
There are several bills pending in the Illinois legislature that may be of interest, if your library provides public access to the Internet.

House Bill 2558 amends the Criminal Code providing that it is a crime to send a message or harmful materials to a minor by telephone or online service with the intent to seduce a minor. The bill has been approved by the House of Representatives and assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Bill 2568 (Senate Bill 1266) provides under the Criminal Code that it is a felony to disclose personal information about a person under 18 on an adult obscenity or child pornography Internet site or online service. The bill has been approved by the House and is held in the Senate Rules Committee.

House Bill 3799 amends the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois to create an Internet Pedophile Investigation Unit in the Department of State Police which would monitor the Internet for pedophile and child pornography-related activity and conduct investigations to identify and apprehend persons engaging in unlawful acts relating to minors. The bill is currently held in the House Rules Committee.

Other pending legislation includes:
House Bill 2696, which would create the Advisory Commission on Internet Privacy Act by providing for the establishment of an Advisory Commission Internet, members to be appointed by the General Assembly and the Governor. The bill has been approved by the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill 1217, which removes the affirmative defense for libraries and library personnel under the Illinois Child Pornography criminal statute. The bill has been approved by the Senate and is on 2nd Reading in the House.

Senate Bill 1674, which amends the Legislative Information System Act by providing that the System shall make legislative information available to the public through the World Wide Web. The bill has been approved by the Senate and is on 2nd Reading in the House (HB 3518).

Finally, House Resolution 91, which has been approved by the House Rules Committee and is on Order of Resolutions in the House, creates the Obscenity Regulation Commission within the House of Representatives. The Commission will report to the General Assembly by January 1, 1999, its finding on the effects of obscenity upon the citizens of Illinois. After reporting, the Commission will be dissolved.

Information on the status of the various bills was taken from the Illinois Library Association Legislative Updates of May 6, 1998. Status of legislative items may have changed since this report was submitted. For the most recent information, please go to http://www ila.org/ legislative _ updates/index.html

Federal Legislation

On the federal level, many copyright and intellectual property bills are moving through Congress.

HR 2281 has been described on the Association of Research Libraries website as "extremely problematic for libraries and educational institutions." Senator Hatch is expected to introduce a counterpart to HR. 2281, "The Digital Millenium Copyright Act of 1998." ARL maintains "the interests of higher education and libraries will not have been served" if the bill goes forward.

HR 3048, an alternative to HR 2281, contains provisions for fair use, first sale, preservation, and distance education. Both bills deal with World Intellectual Property Organization implementing legislation and online service provider legislation.
Senate Bill S.1146 is similar to HR. 3048. Together the bills are referred to by their sponsors' names—Boucher/Ashcroft—for the House and Senate versions, respectively.

Another bill, HR 2652, the Collections of Information Antipiracy Act (known as the database bill) is outside the scope of copyright and makes no exceptions for fair use or preservation. There is no companion Senate bill on database protection.

House Bill HR 2589, the Sonny Bono Copyright Term Extension Act, passed the House on March 25, 1998. The bill would extend protection from life of the author plus 50 years to life of the author plus 70 years. The Senate companion bill, SB 505, should be before the Senate Judiciary Committee soon.

According to the Lexis-Nexis Bill Tracking Report, action on HR 2281 is still pending. HR 3048 status is shown as "referred to committee." SB 1146 and HR 2652 are "in committee." HR 2589 has been "referred to committee" after passing in the House; the Senate companion bill, SB 505 is shown as "referred to committee".

Federal legislative information was accessed on May 6, 1998, through CONGRESSIONAL COMPASS, an Internet index and database, and verified through THOMAS, the Library of Congress' "Legislative Information on the Internet" site. (THOMAS URL: http://thomas.loc.gov/home/thomas.html) Association of Research Libraries Legislative Status Report (http://arl.cni.org/info/frn/copy/status.html) was accessed on the same day; the site was last modified on April 20, 1998.

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The Future of Librarianship...
The California Library Association appointed a task force to look at the future of librarianship. The purpose of this document is to reflect on the core areas of professional expertise and practice that define librarianship and to present some forecasts of coming changes in the field as a basis for discussion in the profession. Excerpts from this report follow. Take a look at the full report on the web at http://www.clanet.org/pubs/future.html.

Librarianship is in a period of rapid change and of competition for its professional domain. The explosive growth in the capacity, number, and power of computers, telecommunications channels, and new media have made the entire society information-conscious to a degree inconceivable a few years ago. Ironically, that growth has led to unprecedented interest in our professional domain on the part of segments of society previously indifferent to it.

Our profession now faces competitive challenges to which we must respond effectively. We will best be able to do so if we understand well our unique expertise, apply that expertise appropriately to the newly developing realities of the Information Society, and stake a very public, high-profile claim to our professional territory, or niche. Employment opportunities are both continuing in the public sector as well as developing explosively in the private sector in contexts ranging from companies that provide value-added information products to the public to corporate strategic intelligence. Library and information education [in California] must respond to the full range of these needs.
Consumer Health Information - in Spanish and English

NOAH (New York Online Access to Health) http://www.noah.cuny.edu Recommended by the Consumer Health Information Source Book, NOAH has been judged outstanding based on its "authority, credibility, comprehensiveness, understandability, ease of use, quality of illustrations, and usefulness." Medicine on the Web has deemed NOAH the "Best provider of spanish-language consumer health information on the web." The site offers information about AIDS, alternative medicine, cancer, heart disease, mental health, and nearly all health related topics. (LJ, Apr 1, 1998)

New Subjects added to HealthWeb http://www.healthweb.org/
HealthWeb announces the addition of the following new subject pages:
* Anesthesiology
* Cardiology
* Rural Health

HealthWeb is a collaborative project designed to organize and enhance access to quality health-related Internet resources. Established by health sciences librarians in the Midwest, HealthWeb is jointly sponsored by the Greater Midwest Region of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine and by the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC).

Vesalius

Vesalius is an online graphical resource for the medical and surgical communities. Its content is located in two principal areas: the Vesalius Image Archive and the Vesalius Clinical Folios at http://www.vesalius.com/. Take a look at this!

Support Groups/Referrals

Self-Help Sourcebook Online http://www.cmhc.com/selfhelp/
This guide has been developed to act as your starting point for exploring support groups and networks that are available throughout the world. The organizations listed in this directory can help you find and/or start a support group in your community.

The National Health Information Center (NHIC) http://nhic-nt.health.org/

NHIC is a health information referral service. They put health professionals and consumers who have health questions in touch with those organizations that are best able to provide answers. NHIC was established in 1979 by the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP), Office of Public Health and Science, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services.

THIS...AND THAT...

GINGRICH FAVORS EXTENDING UNIVERSAL SERVICE TO URBAN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES(Washington, D.C., April 28, 1998--House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) Today called for extending a universal access Internet service to inner city neighborhoods, following a model that made telephone service available to literally every American.

"The great genius of America in the late 19th Century was that Theodore Vail convinced the country that we wanted every person to have access to a telephone," said Gingrich. "We went to a universal service model for the telephone and it became the American norm. I think we want a universal access information system and a universal access Internet," he said.

In 1996, Congress passed the Telecommunications Act, which extended universal service to provide expanded advanced telecommunications services, including Internet service, to K-12 public schools, public libraries and rural health facilities.

"Inner city areas are as technologically isolated as most parts of rural America in terms of their practical ability to get services. Extending universal service should have been done at the same time that we did rural facilities," he said.
Gingrich made his remarks during an address at Health Information Infrastructure '98, a two-day gathering of the nation's leading medical information experts, hosted by the Friends of the National Library of Medicine.

Gingrich outlined his vision on health in the information age and discussed the value of making medical information more widely accessible to the public on the Internet.

This represents the second action Gingrich has taken to make federal information freely available to the public. When Gingrich first became Speaker in 1995, he directed the Library of Congress to develop THOMAS in the spirit of Thomas Jefferson to make legislative information available to the public on the Internet.

(From GMRLIST, submitted by Rhona Kelley)

| ILLINOIS STATE COUNCIL |

No report received. Maybe next newsletter?

| NN/LM GMR |

**Online SERHOLD**

This is the last year that SERHOLD will be updated using OCLC tapes. GMR is currently migrating to Online SERHOLD. This is the same database as SERHOLD but with a different method of data input. Changes made in your holdings using Online SERHOLD are reflected in DOLINE routing immediately. Because of limited input lines to the NLM computer, they are asking that libraries use a Resource Library, OCLC network office or health science library consortia to do your updating. According to Chris Shaffer at GMR, the University of Illinois at Chicago Library of the Health Sciences is the only active inputter in Illinois. GMR is negotiating with a second academic library. There will be 2-4 inputters in each state. To contact UIC, call 312-413-0403 and ask to speak to technical services about Online SERHOLD. UIC is currently charging $0.25 per record changed.

The use of inputters is an interim step that will last 2-3 years. When Online SERHOLD is fully implemented, libraries should be able to update their own holdings using the Web.

This year any changes to your OCLC holdings must be completed by October 1, 1998. That is the "snapshot date" when NLM will have its last OCLC tapes produced.

| Nina Pals |

**DEAR EDITOR ...**

I would like once again to welcome Sue Hollander as new coeditor of the HSLI Newsletter. Please send your newsletter submissions to her prior to the due date. After that time, send them directly to me. The due date for submissions for the summer issue is JULY 15. Please make a note of it!

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| Hello? Anybody Home?!?! Effective May 19, the University of Illinois at Springfield will be changing the prefix of its numbers. The 786 prefix will now be 206. Please make changes in your phone logs concerning this change. ILL number will be 217/206-6601. The Fax number will be 217-206-6208. |

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**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Now is the time for all good persons to come to the aid of their organization...pretty cute, huh?!! Well it is time again to enlist volunteers and nominations from the membership for positions on the HSLI Board and the Illinois State Council. For HSLI, we need a treasurer and President Elect. For the Council, we may need a non-aligned, resource and a couple of consortia representatives. Please...Please volunteer or nominate someone for these positions. You can find the job descriptions for these offices on the Web at http://www.siumed.edu/lib/hśli/hśli.html
Last year, there seemed to be some miscommunications in that no one...let me repeat NO ONE volunteered or nominated anyone for any positions open. This made the process of recruiting officers extremely difficult. Please don’t let this happen again this year. Send your nominees (and you can nominate yourself) to stump.nancy@uis.edu or fax: 217-206-6208 or call 217-206-6601.

I thank you in advance for your immediate attention and participation with this project. PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

CONSORTIA NEWS

The Capital Area Consortium participated in the Rolling Prairie Library System membership meeting on March 21 at the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza in Springfield. The Consortium presented a display. Pictured below is some clown who entertained those in attendance.

ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY

ILLINOIS WebZ PROJECT
The State Library is moving forward with the WebZ Project. Searching capability is scheduled to be available in September of 1998, with interlibrary loan capability coming soon after. Look for shelf list status to be implemented in 1999; there is no specific timeframe available as yet. We’re moving from the planning stages to the testing phase. Approximately 28 library system staff recently spent a week at OCLC for “nuts and bolts” technical training so they can help their member libraries implement WebZ.

We plan to have searching capabilities up and running by September of 1998, with ILL capabilities shortly thereafter. Shelf List capability will not appear until a later date in 1999. We’re taking a “phasing in” approach for full capabilities and options.

What is WebZ?
WebZ provides session-oriented search and retrieval functionality. WebZ is engineered to provide an efficient, high-performance gateway from the Web to Z39.50 servers. WebZ provides a flexible “interface tool kit” that lets you build and customize user interfaces without programming. Users may connect to outside sources and still use a familiar interface that your library has developed.

For more specific information about WebZ, contact Lynn. There are two OCLC brochures available: The OCLC WebZ Server Q&A, and Z39.50 Server System Q&A.

FIRSTSEARCH UPDATE
Pricing coming back from the vendors looks good, and we expect to be able to offer the same database choices as last year for FY 98/99.

Bridget Lamont, the Director of the Illinois State Library has made a promise to the Illinois State Library Advisory Committee (ISLAC) to fully fund FirstSearch for two more fiscal years (98/99 and 99/2000).
Electronic Collections Online (ECO) will become a permanent part of the FS Base Package, which we are providing through the State Library Grant. Citations/Abstracts only; subscription to electronic version required for full text. Subscriptions are obtained directly from the owner of the journal, with OCLC providing electronic access.

*Lynn Beirna*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The HSLI Membership directory is now on the home page. Please check your entry. If any changes are necessary, please send e-mail to Fran Kovach directly from the home page.

**HSLI '98**

It's time to mark your calendars for this year's meeting! The place to be is Chicago on November 5-6, 1998. Rooms will be at the Best Western Inn of Chicago at Ohio & Michigan. Chris Shaffer will do a train the trainer on Pub Med and healthcare resources on the Internet. Friday's meeting will feature a talk on ethics, among other things. Of course there will be a wine in cheese, sans cheese, but there will be salsa! Check the HSLI Home Page for more information as it becomes available!

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