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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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Congratulations to the annual meeting planning committee for a great conference in Springfield! The program, continuing education, poster sessions, vendor exhibits, and social events were all fantastic. Thank you to everyone responsible for publicity, registration, and audiovisual support. You made it easy for us to focus on learning & enjoying ourselves. Have you heard that our 2005 HSLI conference will be held in Bloomington? I hope to see many of you there.

It has become a tradition for the outgoing president to present a President's Award to the person who has helped her the most during her term of office. Since I held office for a 2-year term, I decided to give this award to two persons. Truly, I could not decide between them.

KAREN DOUGLAS chaired the 2004 conference planning committee. Her many hours of meetings, telephone calls, emails, and paperwork paid off with a magnificent conference. I spoke to her many times during this past year and she was always calm, always certain of the end result. And she was right! But Karen did much more than work on the conference. In the midst of this planning she volunteered to edit the Illinois serials holdings list. This was quite a task as this was a huge file, resulting in a 2000+ page list. I've used it often, and find it valuable for locating lenders for rush requests.

MARY PRYOR was HSLI treasurer for the past four years. During her two terms she improved the functioning of her office by developing policies, procedures, and forms. HSLI will benefit from these improvements in handling our finances. In 2003, Mary received a letter from the IRS stating that HSLI had not filed the appropriate tax forms. This letter was routed from a previous treasurer and Mary received it not far from the deadline. Mary immediately immersed herself in the IRS tax code and made several visits to the IRS office in Rockford. She reviewed all financial records from the past years, completed the tax forms, and informed the Board that HSLI did not owe any taxes to the

IRS. Her meticulous examination of our finances and her perseverance have left HSLI with a good financial recordkeeping system.

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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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Schedule of Future HSLI Conferences

- 2005 Heart of Illinois, Chateau Hotel & Conference Center, Bloomington, Nov 2-4
- 2006 Metropolitan, Chicago, (TBA)

HSLI Business

President's Message - continued

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THANK YOU to Karen and Mary for the many hours of volunteer work that benefited all HSLI members.

I have enjoyed my term as HSLI president. I'm proud of my accomplishments. Thank you for electing me, and for your many kind words of encouragement and support. I look forward to working with our new president, Paul Blobaum, as he leads HSLI into the future.

Membership Note

Attention HSLI Members!

If you know of a newly hired health science librarian in your consortia or library system, please let me know, and I'll be happy to send them our HSLI brochure and membership application form.

Please give me a call at (309) 655-2268, or send me an email - carol.j.galganski@osfhealthcare.org

Look for your HSLI membership renewal for 2005 - I'll be sending these out during the first week of January.

Carol Galganski
OSF Saint Francis Medical Center
Peoria, IL

Congratulations to our newly elected officers!

Molly Horio from BroMenn Healthcare in Normal was elected President-Elect.

Kitty Wrigley from St. John's Hospital in Springfield was elected Treasurer.

We wish to thank all the candidates for their willingness to volunteer their time and energy to HSLI.

2005 Group Purchase

The HSLI Board discussed the 2005 group purchase at our October meeting. Paul Blobaum and Virginia Gale will coordinate the project.

This is our timetable:

- December 2004 –
pre-survey HSLI members on products to include in the needs assessment survey
- January 2005 –
conduct needs assessment survey
- February – May 2005 –
contact vendors for pricing and negotiate licenses
- June 2005 –
present selected products & pricing to HSLI members
- July 31, 2005 –
deadline for product selection by HSLI members
- September 1, 2005 –
contract term begins

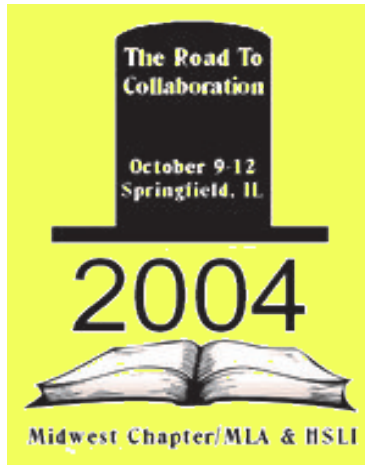
From the Conference Chair

Thank you to Virginia Gale and HSLI for giving me the Helping Hands Award at the conference last month. I am honored to receive this award. I volunteer for projects that interest me, often without knowing anything about them.

I volunteered to chair the conference with the thought, "How hard can it really be?" Wow, did I find out! I learned a lot, especially that big projects are easier when the right people are involved, and that I should not plan conferences for a living. I volunteered for the serials project, because I hoped it would be easy for patrons to use. Both projects were interesting, larger than

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Meeting Information



As I write this, I am sitting at my desk looking at the work that waited for my attention to shift back to “work mode” from “conference mode.” Slowly, but surely, time marches on. Looking back, I am struck by what a great conference it was.

I think the Continuing Education and Program committees provided us with a great blend of programs and classes. The presented papers and posters were excellent and the tours available for Saturday were a big hit. James Neal’s keynote address opened our eyes to issues every librarian faces. We had fun learning about multi-generational differences with Faith Roberts, and when we looked at Hollywood’s version of librarians with Ann Seidl. (With the best librarian line, “He’s not a _____, he’s a Patron!” from the movie *Party Girl*.)

This was a new experience for many HSLI members, either as participants or planners. The entire Planning Committee did a fabulous job of coordinating this event. The many compliments for the conference belong to them for their dedicated hard work. Every time there was a set back for whatever reason, the problem was solved without a glitch. It is hard to imagine working on such a big project without this planning team. Everyone did a marvelous job.

At the beginning, it was difficult to imagine planning a conference for two years or what the result would be down the road. Now after it is over, it seems as if that time flew. It was an experience, that once-in-a-lifetime experience, because next time we will know what we are getting ourselves into.

Karen Douglas
2004 Conference Chair
Midwest Chapter/MLA & HSLI joint conference

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expected, but both ended well.

I am glad to have had the experiences that both of these projects provided. Thank you again for this acknowledgment.

Karen Douglas
Passavant Area Hospital

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Conference Only Scholarships Laura Brosamer Lucy Webb

Thank you HSLI for awarding me one of the stipends for this years annual conference. Without that financial support I would not have been able to attend. Without a doubt this conference was one of the best. The programs were outstanding and pertinent to current librarianship. The conference facilities were great, the food was wonderful, and the conference organizers did a fabulous job of keeping things flowing.

I truly enjoyed the reception Sunday evening. Ann Seidel's presentation on the "Hollywood Librarian" was both perceptive and hilarious. The Hoogland Center for the Arts in Springfield was a fabulous venue, and kudos to the caterers. I look forward to one day seeing this documentary on the big screen.

James Neal, the keynote speaker on Monday provided an insightful talk on the "Collaborative Imperative: Librarians and the Information Policy Agenda." His topics included timely information on the Patriot Act and copyright issues.

The GMR technology forum is always a great way to update your information on new technology applicable to the health science librarian. We may not always have the funds to buy, but it's nice to know what is available and being used by other sites.

One of the best reasons to attend an HSLI conference (besides the great speakers and programs) is the ability to network with fellow librarians. It is nice to be able to put a face to the institution that sent you that urgent email Docline request in less than an hour.

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

Laura Brosamer
St. Mary's Hospital
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I am grateful to have been able to attend the Road to Collaboration Midwest Chapter MLS & HSLI meeting, thanks to receiving an attendance stipend from HSLI. This stipend covered the cost of the conference itself. One of the other recipients of a stipend that included the cost of 2 nights at the Renaissance was willing to share her room with me.

On Sunday morning October 10th I arrived in Springfield in time for Plenary Session 1 "From Wedding Rings to Nose Rings: Generational Differences at Work" by Faith Roberts. I'm delighted that I did. Faith has a marvelous delivery style and covered her topic while making the audience laugh. The term "Boomer", from her program became a "buzz word" throughout the rest of the conference. After the Plenary Session, I toured the vendor exhibits. I collected some nice "loot" in addition to the useful materials on library products. I additionally attended the Concurrent Sessions on Professional Development in the afternoon. I then did a quick run through of the poster sessions and particularly enjoyed reading about librarians and Jeopardy, then rushed to the HSLI Business Meeting. The evening program by Ann Seidl, "The Hollywood Librarian" was an

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eye opener. I had no idea librarians had been in so many different movies. Ms. Seidl is working on a full length documentary on librarians that I look forward to seeing.

Monday began with James Neal, the Keynote Speaker. His presentation was informative and was delivered in a very polished style. The GMR Technology Forum showed me new technology I wasn't even aware existed! The Collaboration Panel in the afternoon provided exposure to several exciting projects. Carol Galganski's "Partnering for Patient Education" particularly excited me. The Continuing Education Course "Evidence = More Than Medicine: EBP in Nursing, Allied Health and CAM" was very well done. The presentation by Ann Combs and Chris Hooper-Lane was particularly useful. I plan to share their handouts and information with a nursing school librarian who was unable to attend. Conference visitors then had the opportunity to purchase books by Ruth Holst and Judith Siess and have them autographed.

To round out the conference I attended Tuesday morning's CE "The Visible Librarian", by Judith Siess. Most of this program was aimed at special libraries rather than public or academic, which was appropriate for my situation. Ms. Siess provided concrete, pertinent ideas on how to make sure the librarian and the library are highly visible within its organization.

Lucy Webb
Provena United Samaritans Medical Center Library
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Syed Maghrabi Scholarships Margann Thomas Elissa Cochran Kristina Howard

Thanks to the generosity of the HSLI, I was able to attend the Midwest Chapter MLA/HSLI annual meeting in early October. As a recent graduate embarking on my first professional position, I appreciated the opportunity to meet my colleagues and I thoroughly enjoyed my experience.

On Saturday evening I participated in the GMR town hall, where suggestions and constructive criticisms were welcomed by GMR/NNLM representatives. I learned of the opportunities provided by NNLM and the GMR, and I appreciated their willingness to work with all of us.

Sunday morning I attended the plenary session presented by Faith Roberts. This was the highlight of the conference for me, as she presented information on intergenerational differences and strategies for working together in a light-hearted and humorous manner. Many of her points were eye opening, and I walked away with a better understanding of those who make up our profession.

Sunday afternoon found me at the Professional Development Seminar series. The talks presented gave me a rough idea of where I could begin my own professional development, and tools for defining and measuring my competencies.

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I spent the majority of the rest of my time at the conference speaking with other members of the profession. I left with new-found respect for my colleagues, new ideas for developing my career, and even a few new friends. I am grateful to HSLI for awarding me the Syed Maghrabi scholarship, and to Karen Douglas and the conference committee for creating such a wonderful experience.

Morgann Thomas
Librarian
Carle Foundation Hospital Library
Urbana, IL

Since I am fairly new to health science librarianship, I am eager to learn all I can about this dynamic specialization within our profession. Therefore I was very excited to learn I had been awarded the Syed Maghrabi Scholarship to attend the joint conference of the Midwest Chapter/MLA in Springfield.

When I evaluate conference attendance I look for these criteria: first, sessions that are practical and can be used immediately in my daily work; secondly, sessions that give the larger picture, cutting edge thinking, or inspiration; and finally, opportunities for networking. The Joint conference has met all of these criteria.

The plenary CE session entitled *Evidence = More than Medicine* outlined practical search techniques for tracking down the best evidence such as randomized control trials and meta-analyses. Tips for finding them in both primary and secondary literature were discussed and attendees were given numerous handouts detailing resources for EBP in allied health, nursing, and CAM. Another practical session discussed electronic delivery issues facing libraries and, most importantly, the impact the new Ariel software will have on DOCLINE users.

In his cutting edge session on wireless devices, Dr. William Fant detailed how wireless technology is changing the way information is being delivered in health care and education. PDAs and sophisticated laptops are being used to enhance the teaching experience and devices currently exist that offer instructors real-time audience response systems and rapid feedback to students on their learning assessment. Kathryn Deiss took professional development a step beyond traditional continuing education by stressing the importance of emotional development as key to personal growth. Emotional development includes self and social awareness, developing relationship with co-workers, and assessing your political power.

Finally, opportunities for networking were many. While attending the poster sessions and hosted meals, I met colleagues who were willing to share their expertise and experiences. I also consider visiting the exhibit hall as a valuable networking experience and discovered information products such as DynaMed and HealthWeb databases, just to name a few.

Thank you to HSLI for awarding me the scholarship. Without this financial help, I would not have been able to attend. The conference exceeded my expectations and I look forward to attending next year in Fargo.

Elissa Cochran, MLS
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I was honored to receive the Syed Maghrabi stipend to attend the 2004 HSLI Annual Conference. Being new to the medical library profession and to the state of Illinois, I am thankful to have the opportunity to gain valuable knowledge to and meet my fellow colleagues by attending this conference. I was immediately struck (and continued to be throughout the conference) by the courteous and welcoming behavior shown by attendees at the conference. By the end of the conference, I was excited to belong to a group of invigorating (and thoughtful) librarians.

My conference began with Faith Robert's talk on *Generational Differences at Work*. Being from the "Gen-X" group, I was (naturally) a little cynical about what another baby boomer had to say about my generation. I was pleasantly surprised by the refreshing take on generational differences and have never laughed that hard at a conference session. Another session that I really enjoyed was Kathryn Deiss's session on *Personal Professional Development*. What struck me about this session was Deiss's comment on developing our "emotional intelligence" and its importance in our careers. That is we receive immediate feedback regarding practical skill sets we bring into the work-place, but feedback regarding our emotional intelligence may never happen or may be many years down the road; yet emotional intelligence has a profound effect on our performance outcome within our careers.

My conference experience ended with a continuing education course: *Evidence-Based Nursing & Allied Health*. I liked that this session focused on nursing and allied health instead of medicine. The session made me realize that there are different aspects involved in evidence-based research depending on the discipline. I would like to thank HSLI for allowing me the opportunity to attend the annual conference.

Kristina Howard, MSIS
Academic Resident Librarian
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Syed Maghrabi Scholarships + Continuing Education Scholarships Janet Gayle Carol Jeuell

I was very honored to learn that I had been awarded both a Syed Maghrabi Scholarship and a Continuing Education Course Scholarship from HSLI for "The Road to Collaboration", the joint conference of the Midwest Chapter/MLA and HSLI in Springfield, October 9-12, 2004. Having worked with Syed on the Archives Committee many years ago, I can only imagine that this very kind and gentle man would be delighted to know how much this gift meant. This scholarship paid for the conference registration and for a two night stay at the hotel.

The Continuing Education Course Scholarship allowed me to choose either one full-day CE course or two half-day CE courses. I chose the Strategic Planning course taught by Karen Thornburg and the Grant Writing course taught by Ruth Holst. Both classes were excellent, and I came away with a

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greater understanding in both areas.

As always, the educational opportunities and the camaraderie are exceptional at these conferences. I would strongly encourage anyone who faces a tight or non-existent budget for travel to remember that these awards are available and to apply for them. Thank you HSLI for this opportunity!

Janet Gayle
University of St. Francis
Joliet, IL

As a 2004 recipient of a Syed Maghrabi meeting stipend, I am pleased to have an opportunity to honor Syed. I remember him for his professionalism as he always helped fellow librarians with whatever they needed. He contributed his time and talent to professional organizations and was always kind and cheerful. The scholarship is a great opportunity to keep his memory alive, be inspired by his values, and to learn and to network with fellow librarians.

Meeting Highlights

The joint meeting was very helpful to me. I learned many new things and had a chance to keep up with changes in the field. Some of the highlights for me were learning about the following: new uses for Links@OVID & OVID Jumpstarts; learning about MD Consult's "Pocket Consult", and the forthcoming Nursing Consult, a new version of Ariel in the new year and electronic delivery issues for Docline users, <http://tinyurl.com>, <http://pubchem.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov>, the clearing-house available at <http://www.prevention.org>, and free full text links to theses and dissertations at Ohio universities at <http://www.ohiolink.edu/etd>.

PubMed Central

I heard that in the future NIH funded trials would not be published in a journal that is not available in full text in PubMed Central after 6 months of being published. I was also interested to see the list of journals whose back issues are available in PubMed Central full text. Many titles are available back to volume 1. Because of this trusted archive, libraries might consider getting rid of their older print copies. Some of the titles in this category are:

Antimicrobial Agents & Chemotherapy, v. 1, 1976-
Bacteriological Reviews, v.1, 1937-
Bulletin of the Medical Library Association, v. 1, 1911-
Cardiovascular Diseases, v. 1, 1974-
Infection & Immunity, v. 1, 1970-
Journal of Clinical Investigation, v. 1, 1924-
Journal of Microbiology, v. 1, 1975-
Journal of Virology, v. 1, 1967-
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the US, v. 44, 1958-

Presentations

The discussions about Open Access and licensing were helpful in identifying issues and proposing solutions to problems. The presentation by Ann Seidl on her forthcoming documentary "The Hollywood Librarian: A Look at Librarians in Film" was entertaining. I'm looking forward to viewing her movie that discusses the work and lives of librarians. Also enjoyable and informative was the talk by Faith Roberts on generational differences and implications in the workplace. James Neal's presentation on future of libraries with regard to collaboration and policy was very informative. Lastly, I made some new friends and renewed old friendships. My colleagues are always teaching me something new and lending support for current problems and issues confronting me in my work.

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“Of Note”

Grant Awarded

The OSF Saint Francis Medical Center Library & Resource Center is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a \$30,000 LSTA grant for FY05, with a focus on health literacy. Entitled “Community Collaboration, Libraries and Health Literacy: Together We Can Make a Difference!” the OSF Saint Francis Medical Center Library & Resource Center will partner with Common Place of Peoria, OSF Healthplans, the Peoria Medical Society, and our Saint Francis Wellness and Food & Nutrition departments. This collaborative effort will focus in two directions 1) bringing awareness and training to healthcare professionals through a series of presentations and workshops for both physicians and nurses, and 2) producing wellness and nutrition low literacy documents for adult readers to use at Common Place. Another objective of this grant is to develop both a professional collection of health literacy resources at the Library & Resource Center, as well as a consumer collection of low literacy resources at both Common Place and our Center for Health Resource Library. The project director for this grant is Carol Galganski, Manager of the Library & Resource Center.

Funding for this grant was awarded by the Illinois State Library (ISL), a Division of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), under the federal Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

New GMR Technology Coordinator

I am pleased to announce that Bryan Vogh has joined us as the new Technology Coordinator for the GMR.

Bryan joins us from a position with MELSA, a state based consortium of public libraries in the Minneapolis/St. Paul metro area. Previously Bryan held the Technology Coordinator position in the Southeastern Atlantic (SE/A) office of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. Bryan was in the SE/A office for seven years and brings a wealth of experience and ideas to the GMR office.

He will be serving as the state liaison for Illinois and Minnesota and can be reached at bvogh@uic.edu.

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“Of Note” con’t.

Check out the four new NN/LM consumer health workshop materials on the NTCC!

Four new consumer health workshops including handouts, scripts and exercises are available through the National Training Center and Clearinghouse. <http://nnlm.gov/train/content.html#13>

The classes are:

Prescription for Success: Consumer Health Information on the Internet
<http://nnlm.gov/train/resource.html?ResourceID=167>

From Snake Oil to Penicillin: Evaluating Health Information on the Internet
<http://nnlm.gov/train/resource.html?ResourceID=168>

Looking in all the Wrong Places: PubMed for Public Librarians
<http://nnlm.gov/train/resource.html?ResourceID=169>

Beyond an Apple a Day: Providing Consumer Health Information in the Public Library
<http://nnlm.gov/train/resource.html?ResourceID=170>

These courses were developed by Jo-Ann Benedetti, a librarian from New York. Medical Library Association CE is available if they are taught by a NN/LM Coordinator. The classes are intended for public librarians, but some of the materials are quite adaptable for other professions such as nurses and allied health. If you are interested in having me present one of these classes at your institution or if you would like tips for presenting them yourself, please contact me at tmays@uic.edu or 800-338-7657.

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Next deadlines tentatively set at: (notice will be posted on discussion list closer to actual time)

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