

HSLI NEWSLETTER

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→→→ *Fall Meeting - November 5&6 - Chicago!* ←←←

FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's hot. It's humid. I just returned from vacation and appear to have misplaced my motivation. But even with that, it has been a productive summer.

A number of items came out of the June 2, 1998, HSLI Board meeting in Bloomington that I would like to highlight. Two bylaws changes were recommended. One would clarify contradictory wording and allow HSLI to support legislation as appropriate. The other bylaws change would increase the terms for officers and committee chairs to two years. Someone immediately asked me if I would be willing to make my current term a two-year term. Yes, I would! I believe there are many projects HSLI could collaborate on or accomplish with the increased continuity in leadership.

Board members discussed our annual meeting format. For the most part, people like the current arrangement. It was decided to encourage the use of poster sessions at our annual meeting. The poster session for this fall's meeting will be on the theme of patient education libraries. If your institution has a patient education library, please consider doing a poster on it. It is a chance to share your accomplishment!

Other annual meeting items discussed were the location and the hosting consortium. One suggestion was to rotate meetings among all consortia. Another suggestion was joint meetings with other organizations such as the Illinois Special Library Association. The ideas generated will be discussed

with consortia representatives at the next State Council meeting. Contact your State Council consortia rep if you have feedback you want to share about this.

It's still hot and it's still humid. But fall is coming. I look forward to seeing everyone at our annual meeting in November. Look for the meeting information elsewhere in the newsletter. See you then. As always, if you have questions, comments or suggestions, please contact me at 217/258-2262 or npals@sarahbush.org.

Nina Pals

CONSORTIA NEWS

St. Francis College of Nursing hosted the HILC meeting on June 18, 1998. The new coordinator, Mary Evans, and assistant coordinator Michael Wold took over the meetings. The program was presented by Chris Shaffer from the NN/LM. Chris gave an overview of new programs, and informed those present of what is happening with SERHOLD and at the National Library of Medicine. He also led a discussion on progress with ILLINET Online. Chris offered to provide training on PubMed to those that would like additional help with it.

HILC has decided to continue to offer bibliographies on health related issues. In addition to the standard bibliography that included articles and monographs Web based sites would be added. Several bibliographies will mainly use Web based sites.

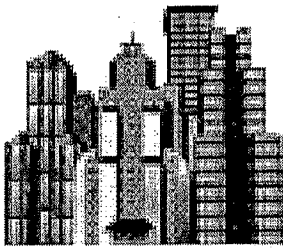
Bibliographies are distributed to the Alliance Library System and member libraries of HILC.

Next HILC meeting will be held at Carl Sandburg College in Galesburg on September 17, 1998.

Toni Tucker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HSLI Fall Meeting Update



The HSLI fall meeting will be held on Thursday, November 5, and Friday, Nov.6, 1998 at:

The Best Western Inn of Chicago

Ohio & Michigan

single- \$125.24

Double- \$148.22

Parking- \$20

Prices include all taxes

Thursday Program

Classes:

- Morning* - Healthcare Resources on the Internet
Afternoon - Train the Trainer on Pub Med
(taught by Chris Shaffer, Greater Midwest Region office)
MLA credit
- All Day* - Evidence Based Medicine
(taught by Ann McKibbon, McMaster University)
7 hours MLA credit

A Cocktail Party and Poster Board Session on Patient Education will be held following classes.

The HSLI Board will meet Thursday evening.

Friday Program:

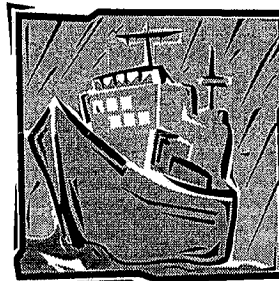
Ethics in Healthcare
NLM/GMR Update
Business Meeting
7am Illinois State Council Meeting
Lunch on both days included.

NOTE: *We are looking for people to do a poster session on Thursday night on Patient Education. If your institution has a patient education library, we want to hear about it. Please tell us using a poster.*

Contact Laura Wimmer at 773/792-9938 or lwimmer@ResHealthcare.org.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

HSLI Fall 1999 Meeting



I was asked to host the 1999 HSLI Fall conference in Quincy. I don't have the dates confirmed yet, but I will get right on it and keep you posted. We are easily accessible by auto, plane and train, so I hope the membership will take this

opportunity to come and visit the "Gem City" on the Mississippi!

Arlis Dittmer

MC-MLA 2000

Please mark your calendars for September 23-26, 2000 and "Enter the future--Press any key." Join us in Cincinnati for the year 2000 MC/MLA annual meeting. The conference theme will find expression in a variety of approaches, reflecting the dynamic era we are living in and through. Local and regional groups are invited to hold their meetings in conjunction with MC/MLA, to make your meeting/travel dollars go further. For more information, contact Penny Philpot, 872-1913, penny_philpot@trihealth.com.

Note: the Columbus Hospital Medical Library no longer exists. Please do not try to fax requests there. Approximately half of the unique titles that were there will be picked up at the St. Joseph collection (at least the last five years will be moved). Early in 1999 the SILO listing will be adjusted. There will be an intervening period of confusion while all of the mail for both collections is arriving at St. Joseph. The librarian at Columbus, Jim Finnerty, has retired after 18 years. I have been asked to "decommission" the library. This must be a new management term; or else my VP was in the Navy!

Gwen Jones

Librarian, St. Joseph Hospital

BOARD MEMBER NEWS

Minutes of June 2, 1998
Bloomington, IL

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM

Board Member Present:

Nina Pals, President; Rhona Kelley, Past-President;
Toni Tucker, President-Elect; Karen Wark,
Treasurer

Committee Chairs Present:

Syed Maghrabi, Jan Perone, Nancy Stump, Karen
Wark, Laura Wimmer, Donna Roginski, Ann Glenn

Also Present:

Lynn Bierma, State Library Representative

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved with amendment to add Toni
Tucker and Laura Wimmer under "Also Present".

Treasurer's Report: Karen Wark

The fall 1997 HSLI meeting was a financial success,
with a net gain of \$2,903.03. This compares to a
net gain of \$1,663.02 in the fall of 1996. The
project of duplication and mailing of the 80 SILO

lists has currently resulted in a net gain of \$987.38.
HSLI current total assets are \$22,530.44.

Committee Reports:

Archives - Syed Maghrabi

Archival material was received from Lynn Bierma,
Arlis Dittmer, Royden Jones, Nina Pals and Nancy
Stump. These materials were deposited at the
University of Illinois Archives. Other members need
to send their materials as soon as possible to:

Syed A. Maghrabi, Librarian
L. L. Lewis Cohen Medical Library
Louis A. Weiss Memorial Hospital
4646 North Marine Drive
Chicago, IL 60640

or ILDS ROUTE: Bezazian Branch/Chicago Public Library

Bylaws - no report

Legislative - Ann Glenn

Ann monitors a number of electronic and print
sources of legislative news. She posts this
information to the President and the Newsletter. She
has attended two copyright programs.

Marketing Task Force - Jan Perone

A new HSLI brochure was developed and
distributed. Stamps were made with the Membership
Chair's name and address to stamp brochures. A
brochure will be mailed to each HSLI member along
with a letter from the President.

Meeting Task Force - Toni Tucker

The task force is developing a binder with suggestions
and checklists to aid in planning HSLI meetings.
Toni provided a sample committees list. Toni also
distributed an article titled "Anxiety-Free
Conference Design."

Membership - submitted by Donna Foley

As of May 28, 1998 there are 127 members paid for
1997; 42 paid for 1998; and 2 for 1999. The process
for renewing and new membership was reviewed and
revised with the assistance of Arlis Dittmer, Karen
Wark and Rhona Kelley. A renewal letter will be

sent to all 1997 members in June.

Newsletter - Jan Perone

The Newsletter will be out this week. Jan thanked everyone for submitting information. All future submissions should be sent to Sue Hollander.

Nominating - Nancy Stump

Nominees are needed for the following positions: President-Elect, Treasurer, Resource Library Representative, Non-Aligned Representative and two Consortia Representatives. Nancy will send a mailing requesting nominees.

Past President - Rhona Kelley

No report.

Fall Meeting Report - Laura Wimmer

(See Announcements)

Illinois State Library Report - Lynn Bierma

The first round of LSTA grants was awarded, and some went to HSLI member institutions. There will be an OCLC Cataloging seminar in Springfield on November 11-13: Tools and Concepts for the Next Generation Cataloging. FirstSearch will be adding Health Reference Center (Academic) in July. In September 1998 Web-Z will have searching capability; November 1998-ILL capability; early 1999- shelflist data available. Non-ILCSO holdings will not be loaded into IO by OCLC. DRA training has been on the Classic system to be available late summer; June 10 ends cataloging; July 23 is the shutdown for borrowing through IO.

Illinois State Council - Donna Roginski

(See Illinois State Council)

Old Business

SILO Update - Laura Wimmer

129 SILO lists were sold of 139 printed. Each copy cost \$19.31.

Bylaws Change - Nina Pals

HSLI Bylaws Sections D and G are contradictory.

Nina will talk to Walter Wilkins about the Law Section 501 (c)(3) of the IRS code.

Update of Officers Notebooks and Duties - Nina Pals
Each officer will update their binder(s) before passing it onto the next officer.

New Business

Date for Dropping Non-renewing Members - Nina Pals

Renewal letters will be sent in January. Renewals can also be done at the Annual Fall meeting. The cutoff for renewing is April 1; 1998 members will then be dropped.

Rotating Annual Meeting between Consortia (as Hosts) - Nina Pals

Toni will talk to Arlis for Quincy to host the 1999 HSLI meeting. This idea will be presented to the State Council Consortia representatives at the fall meeting.

Annual Meeting Format - Nina Pals

Add poster sessions.

Two-year Terms for Officers and Chairs - Nina Pals

Board approved the recommendation of a bylaws change to increase officers' and chairs' terms of office.

New Projects - Nina Pals

- Reimbursement for mileage to attendees of the midyear Board and Council meetings. The procedure is to fill out a form and return it to the Treasurer for reimbursement. When the Treasury falls below \$10,000.00 the Board will revisit this reimbursement. Board members approved.
- More money should be added to the programming budget. A new line will be added.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Submitted by **Rhona Kelley**

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THIS...AND THAT...

Syed Maghrabi would like readers to know that the L. Lewis Cohen Medical Library at the Louis A. Weiss Memorial Hospital has new fax and phone numbers. They are as follows:

VOICE: (773) 564-5820
FAX (773) 564-5821

Please make note of this for your records.

Toni Tucker reports her email address is incorrect in the directory. The correct address is:
ttucker@darkstar.rsa.lib.il.us

MAKE ME LAUGH☺☺☺

World's Shortest Books: (In order)

25. "Things I wouldn't Do for Money" by Dennis Rodman
24. Human Rights Advances in China
23. The Differences Between Reality and Dilbert
22. "The Book of Virtue" by Bill Clinton
21. "To all the Men I've Loved Before"
Ellen DeGeneres
20. "My Plan to Find the Real Killers" by OJ Simpson
19. "Strom Thurmond: Intelligent Quotes"

18. Al Gore: The Wild Years
16. America's Most Popular Lawyers
15. Career Opportunities for History Majors
14. Detroit: A Travel Guide
13. Different Ways to Spell "Bob"
12. Dr. Kevorkian's Collection of Motivational Speeches
11. East UNIX /* GCFL: come on! it's not that difficult!:-)*/
10. Ethiopian Tips on World Dominance
9. Everything Men Know About Women
8. Everything Women Know About Men
7. French Hospitality to non-Francophones
6. George Foreman's Big Book of Baby Names
5. "How to Sustain a Musical Career" by Art Garfunkel
4. One Hundred and One Spotted Owl Recipes by the EPA
3. Staple Your Way to Success
2. The Amish Phone Book

And, the Number One World's Shortest Book...

1. The Engineer's Guide to Fashion!

👉 JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Assistant Librarian

Carle Foundation Hospital

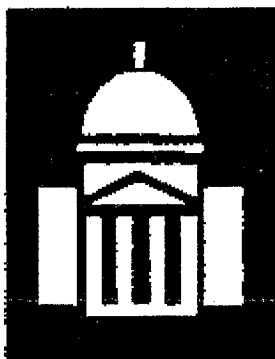
We are seeking a masters prepared librarian to assist in all aspects of interlibrary borrowing services. To qualify, you must possess a **Masters Degree in Library Science**. Previous experience in a medical library as **librarian or as intern beneficial**. Demonstrated **ability to conduct complex online searches, computerized catalogs and bibliographic database searches a must**.

Our library's mission is to improve the health of our community by providing access to appropriate information for the critical

knowledge needs of our patrons. Our patrons include the medical staff and all employees of the Carle Foundation and Carle Clinic Association, our patients and members of the community.

Qualified candidates submit resume to: Kathy McCasky, Manager-Employment, Carle Foundation Hospital 611 W. Park, Urbana, IL 61801. (217) 383-3048 fax (217) 383-3373, EOE.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS



Keeping our administration and management aware of changes in laws and regulations is an important role for the hospital librarian. COMPLIANCE is the latest buzzword we have added to our vocabularies. Changes to state laws in Illinois can be monitored for FREE by putting

your library on the mailing list for "The Flinn Report: Illinois Regulation." The description under the newsletter banner reads, "Illinois Regulation is a summary of the weekly regulatory decisions of State agencies published in the Illinois Register and action taken by the Illinois General Assembly's Joint Committee on Administrative Rules. Illinois Regulation is designed to inform and involve the public in changes taking place in agency administration." The four page newsletter can be copied for distribution in your hospital. To subscribe, call the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules office in Springfield at 217-785-2254. At this time the Flinn Report is NOT available on the State of Illinois web site.

Paul Blobaum

INTERNET

Errors in Internet Patient Information

A study published in the June online "PediatricsElectronic Pages" should be cause for concern among librarians who use and recommend patient education Web sites. Universities may be publishing medical information on the Internet that is full of errors. HJ McClung and associates reviewed 60 Web pages on childhood diarrhea that were sponsored by physicians, nurses, and university medical centers.

Researchers found that 80% contained inaccurate information. Some university-sponsored sites incorrectly recommended that children with diarrhea be forced to fast or that the children drink sports beverages to replace fluids. In 1996 the American Academy of Pediatrics recommended against treating diarrheic children with sports beverages, juice, or chicken broth because they were too low in electrolytes.

McClung recommends that university-sponsored Web sites be peer reviewed as a quality-control measure. In the meantime, how do we, as librarians and non-clinical people, determine if the Internet sites we consider legitimate and authoritative contain inaccurate information?

Evaluated Consumer Health Web Resources

Internet consumer health education documents should improve consumer health, yet the concern is that patients are accessing unfiltered, unscientific, commercially-motivated, and poorly focused consumer health resources.

To address this, Medical Matrix, www.medmatrix.org, offers the "Internet Consumer Health Resources List". The ranks in this list are based on a resource's ability

to support and enhance consumers' interaction with experts in a complex, scientifically-based healthcare system. In this regard, we have emphasized sites that provide disease-specific information that can assist a patient in asking appropriate questions during a health provider encounter. Our Medical Matrix Code of Conduct and Ranking Criteria for Medical Documents have been applied. These measurements consider:

1. Point of Care Application
2. Dimension
3. Peer Review
4. Hierarchical Knowledge
5. Authority
6. Currency
7. Conflicts of Interest
8. Navigation

The Medical Matrix 1998 Internet Consumer Health Resources List can be found at:

<http://www.medmatrix.org/index.asp>
(Patient Education)

Quackwatch: Your Guide to Health Fraud, Quackery, and Intelligent Decisions

<http://www.quackwatch.com/>

Quackwatch, provided by Dr. Stephen Barrett with the aid of a 127 member advisory board consisting of doctors, dentists, pharmacists, veterinarians, professors, and others, has the simple purpose of combating health-related frauds, myths, fads, and fallacies. It does this through a series of articles, some brief, some detailed, dealing with topics from Ayurvedic Mumbo-Jumbo to Chinese Medicine to Vitamin C. The articles are informative, opinionated, and entertaining. They are sure to help devotees of Western Medicine rest easy and infuriate devotees of Alternative Medicine. [Source: JS Scout Report]

Test Your PC for the Year 2000 Problem

NSTL, the world's leading independent information technology testing organization, provides a free program to test your personal computer for the Year 2000 problem at

http://www.nstl.com/html/y2k_fac.html. This web page also includes a list of frequently asked questions about the Year 2000 problem.

LIBRARY SYSTEMS

Council members need a better understanding of their responsibilities for themselves, as well as for HSLI membership. This will be published in the Newsletter. Consortia Coordinators are listed on the GMR web page (www.nlm.nih.gov/gmr). The Chicago and South Consortium is doing a survey amongst themselves on searching. Northwestern Consortium is using QuickDoc and liking it.

Donna Roginski

NN/LM GMR

Hello Network Members,

Recently, I used GMRLIST to distribute some late breaking information from the National Library of Medicine that was announced at the Medical Library Association's '98 Meeting. I heard that many people were not aware of this note or the GMRLIST. The GMRLIST is an Internet discussion group for GMR network members that focuses on medical and health information concerns. It can be used to announce regional meetings, conduct discussion about regional issues, ask for volunteers for regional activities, etc. The group is maintained by GMR staff who monitor the list, answer questions, and make announcements. Anyone can subscribe and post messages. Instructions on how to subscribe are

listed below. They are also available at our website at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/gmr/info/>.

Thank you for helping us build information pathways.

Charniel McDaniels, MS
Network Coordinator: Resource Sharing
National Network of Libraries of Medicine
Greater Midwest Region
University of Illinois at Chicago

Subscription Instructions GMRLIST

To subscribe:

- Send email to <listserv@uic.edu>
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(Use your name, not your email address)

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Things to Ponder... (from the Intern)

If a man is standing in the middle of the forest speaking and there is no woman around to hear him, is he still wrong?

If a deaf person swears, does his mother wash his hands with soap?

If someone with multiple personalities threatens to kill himself, is it considered a hostage situation?

Is there another word for synonym?

Isn't it a bit unnerving that doctors call what they do "practice?"

When sign makers go on strike, is anything written on their signs?

Where do forest rangers go to "get away from it all?"

Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?

If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?

Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

If a stealth bomber crashes in a forest, will it make a sound?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Can vegetarians eat animal crackers?

If the police arrest a mime, do they tell him he has the right to remain silent?

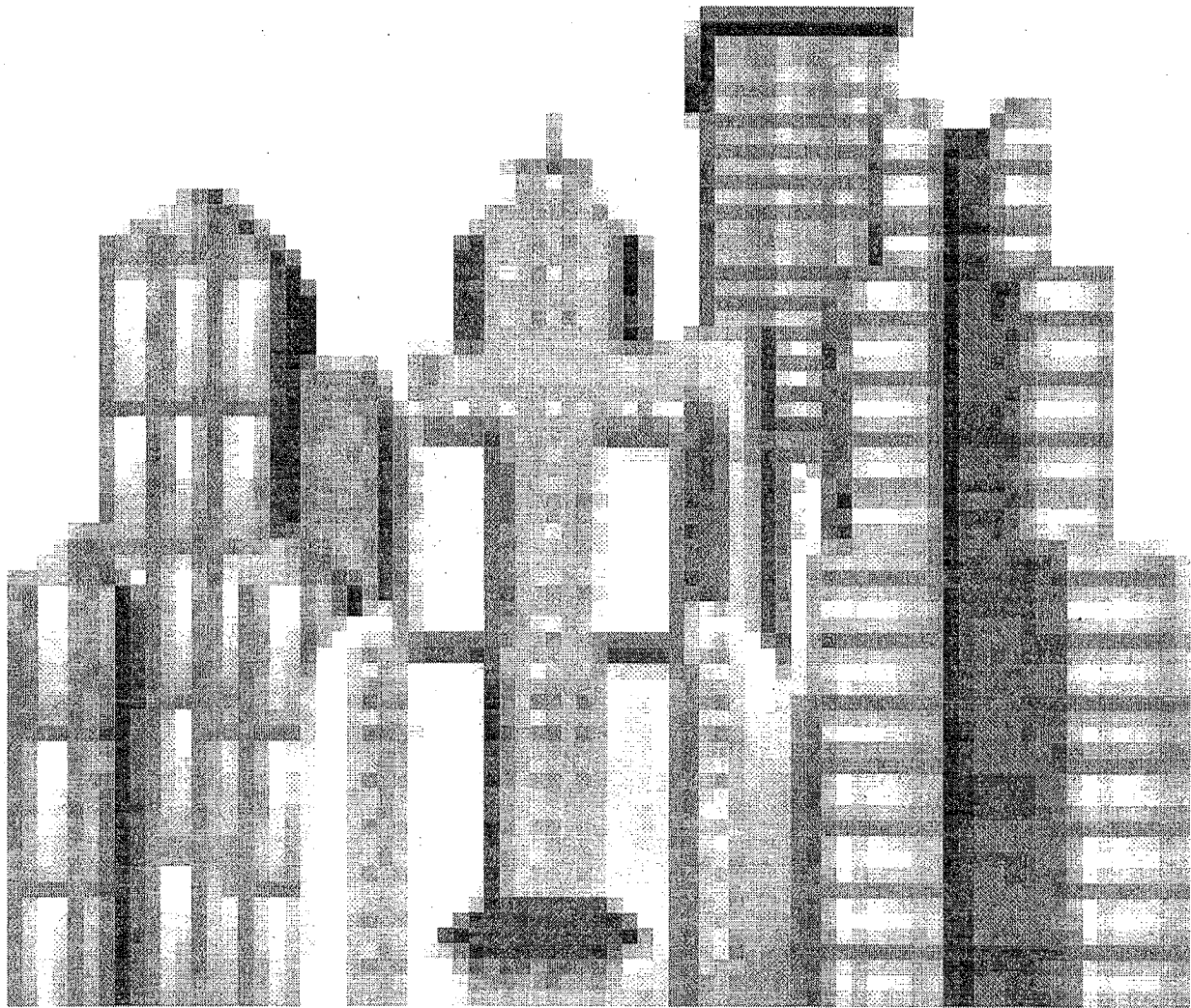
Why do they put Braille on the drive-through bank machines?

How do they get the deer to cross at that yellow road sign?

Why do they sterilize the needles for lethal injections?

Is it true that cannibals don't eat clowns because they taste funny?

TheHSLI newsletter is published quarterly as a service to HSLI members. All contributions are welcome. Please submit typed articles (on disk in WP format is good, too!) to Sue Hollander at (815) 395-5655 (fax) or sholland@uic.edu (e-mail) NEXT DEADLINE: OCTOBER 15, 1998. We rely on our members for contributions; please help make this newsletter an effective tool for communication.



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