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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Board Meeting:

The summer Board meeting was held on June 22, 2001 in Urbana. We had an opportunity to see the facilities for the Fall Conference and they are quite nice. Jerry

DeWitt was our host at Carle Clinic. Seventeen members attended

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the meeting.

The Board is complete with the edition of Paul Blobaum as Legislative chair and Janet Gayle as the Bylaws chair. Some of the issues we are working on include:

- Revised consortium lists
- Pre-conference planning
- Inventory of the many boxes and folders held by various officers and committee chairs.
- Archival lists
- Scholarship opportunities at our annual meeting
- Updating and revising the web page (Remember that updating your information is your responsibility!)
- Election of a secretary for 2002-2004
- Meeting with the State Librarian

Silo Information:

There are a few copies left for those libraries that missed their opportunity to buy one. Contact Nancy Stump at UIS for more information. The next edition will be out in 2003. Some members did not understand why the university libraries were

left off of the list. The decision to restrict the list to health science libraries was made some years ago and reiterated by the current board of HSLI. The issue is the size of the holdings. Adding university titles would make the list too long and too expensive to duplicate. Libraries on the list have the bulk of their holdings in the health sciences.

The other problem seemed to be the completeness of the list. We base the designation of library on the OCLC standards. We do not delete libraries. That is the responsibility of the closing library or its parent institution. They must notify the Illinet network.

We did discuss putting a list in the beginning of the holdings. We will have a group of librarian's look into all of these issues before we do the next edition.

Group purchase of databases:

Basic Facts:

- A group buy will be cheaper than going alone. IF the price is higher, perhaps it includes remote access or more simultaneous users.
- A group buy needs to be the same database and vendor but can be tailored to your needs.
- The vendors will work with you to pro-rate if you have already paid for a specific product.
- The more participants, the lower the price.
- The vendors will give you a trial.

Eighteen members expressed interest in participating in a group purchase. Of those eighteen, thirteen wanted a quote for CI-NAHL. The others were spread about various products. Information was sought from nine different vendors. After much discussion with sales persons and with the Board,

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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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NEWS AND NOTES

HSLI Annual Conference Stipend

Last year the HSLI Board awarded conference stipends to two HSLI members. Both found the conference stimulating, as shown in the reports written for the HSLI newsletter.

HSLI will again offer a limited number of conference stipends to qualified applicants who demonstrate financial need. Stipends are available to attend the 2001 conference, to be held November 15-16, 2001, at Carle Education Forum, Urbana, IL.

Applicants must:

- be HSLI members with 2001 dues paid in full, and
- submit a completed application by September 14, 2001.

Members receiving stipends will be notified by October 15, 2001.

Stipends will be awarded on the basis of financial need and will cover full conference registration and lodging (if your residence is not within a 40-mile radius of Champaign-Urbana) at the conference hotel. Members who receive a stipend will be asked to write a short article about their conference experience for the HSLI Newsletter.

For an application, check p. 4 of this issue of the HSLI newsletter or website <http://hsl.org>.

Questions? Contact Virginia Gale at 815-725-7133 x3530 or VirginiaAGale@ProvenaHealth.com.

HSLI Website Directory

The HSLI Website directory of members is continually updated. Please help to maintain the accuracy of the directory by checking the directory to make sure your listing is correct and complete. Please contact Fran Kovach, HSLI Webmaster, at fkovach@siumed.edu with any changes to your directory data.

PDA Information

PDA Listserv

Announcing a listserv for health sciences libraries supporting palmtops (handhelds, PDAs, Palms and PocketPCs). It is an open listserv -- anyone may join. Commercial postings should be limited to five lines, including web addresses and telephone numbers. The listserv is library-pdas@listserv.Arizona.EDU

SUBSCRIBE: listserv@listserv.arizona.edu

MESSAGE: subscribe library-pdas Your Name

Submitted by Mari Stoddard,
Arizona Health Sciences Library

PDA Resources

MDnetguide (www.mdnetguide.com) had included in the May 2001 issue (some of it available online) a special section on resources for PDAs.

Submitted by Sue Hollander, UIC Library of the Health Sciences, Rockford, IL

(President's Message, Continued from page 1)

we feel we can recommend a few proposals.

First Search will give us a good rate to add CINAHL to the databases provided by the State Library. This is an easy way to add CINAHL to a list you probably already provide for your patrons. The use is unlimited and if you are a cataloging member of OCLC, you will get a 5% discount. The quote is based on 13 participants and is \$1,579 per year.

Silverplatter bases its quote on a 15% discount. It too includes 13 participants and ranges from \$1,759 to \$2,025 depending on how many simultaneous users (5-20).

Ovid is a little more complicated quote. They have purchased Silverplatter but the two entities are to remain. The advantage to us is that we may choose from Ovid or Silverplatter products. They have supplied pricing for many different databases. CINAHL would be \$2,146 based on 10 participants.

Please let me know if you are interested.

2001 HSLI Conference Schedule
November 15-16, 2001
Carle Foundation Forum, Urbana, IL

Thursday, November 15, 2001:

7:30 - 9:00 *Registration & Continental Breakfast*
8:00 - 12:00 *Technology Troubleshooting - Kay Cloyes (limit 16)*
9:00 - 12:00 *Copyright - Ken Crews (auditorium)*
12:00 - 1:00 *Lunch*
1:00 - 5:00 *Benchmarking - Joanne Gard Marshall (auditorium)*
1:00 - 5:00 *Managing Your Web Pages- Karen Fletcher (limit 20)*
5:00 - 6:30 *Wine & cheese with round tables*

Round Table topics:

<i>Benchmarking</i>	<i>Showing the Value of Your Library</i>
<i>Copyright I (Lynn Wiley)</i>	<i>Consumer Health (Tammy Mays)</i>
<i>Rethinking Reference</i>	<i>Web-Based Instruction (Virgil Varvel)</i>
<i>2 - "Make Up Your Own Topic" Round Tables</i>	

7:00 *HSLI Board Meeting*
7:00 *Dinner on your own*

Friday, November 16, 2001: *\$15

8:00 - *Registration & Continental Breakfast*
9:00 - 10:00 *Keynote address - Joanne Gard Marshall*
10:00 - 10:30 *Break*
10:30 - 11:15 *Technology Forecast - David Dorman*
11:15 - 12:00 *NLM Update - Chris Shaffer, Tammy Mays*
12:00 - *Lunch (Box lunches)*
12:30 - *HSLI Business Mtg*

**HSLI is doing an outreach to other types of librarians. Friday will be open to all librarians in the area who want to attend for the cost of meals.*

HSLI 2001 Annual Conference Stipend Award

APPLICATION

Health Science Librarians of Illinois
2001 Conference Stipend

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Have you attended an HSLI Conference in the past five years? Yes__ No__

Please tell us why you need a stipend to attend the HSLI conference :

Signature _____ Date _____

Stipends will be awarded based on demonstration of financial need.
You will be notified by October 15, 2001 if you have been awarded a stipend to attend the conference.
If selected, you will be asked to write a short news article about your conference experience for the HSLI Newsletter.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY SEPTEMBER 14, 2001 to:

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Or E-mail to VirginiaAGale@ProvenaHealth.com

Questions? Call Virginia Gale at 815-725-7133 x3530

Keeping Your Edge

The Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center Library performs regular needs assessments for all types of patrons. The FY 2001 needs assessment was the first time that patient care was not cited as the major information need for physicians, nurses and other clinical personnel. The most urgent need for information was to help patrons stay current in their respective fields.

With input from clinical staff, administrators, managers and Training & Development, we identified our Intranet as the best method to meet the varied needs for staying current. Below is a list of Websites that our "Keeping the Edge" Intranet page links to. All are news pages updated daily or weekly. Many provide electronic subscription that can be e-mailed directly to the user.

For Physicians

AMA News - <http://www.ama-assn.org/public/journals/amnews/>
Medscape (can be personalized for specialties) - www.medscape.com

For Nurses

Nurses - <http://www.nurses.com/content/homepage/>
NursingCenter - <http://www.nursingcenter.com/>

Health Management

Accreditation Connection - latest weekly accreditation news, analysis and advice from HCFA, JCAHO and other survey organizations - <http://www.accreditinfo.com/>
AHA News Now - <http://www.ahanews.com/>
Healthcare Corporate Compliance Supersite - <http://www.complianceinfo.com/>
Health Care Advisory Board - www.advisory.com
Health Care Safety Supersite - <http://www.healthsafetyinfo.com/>
Health Information Management Supersite - <http://www.himinfo.com/>
Long-Term Care information Supersite - <http://www.snfinfo.com/>
Medical Staff Leader Information Supersite - <http://www.msleader.com/>
SafetyInfo - <http://www.safetyinfo.com/>

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News You Can Use — from the Illinois State Library

Union List Reminder

SERHOLD and OCLC

As indicated previously by Chris Shaffer of GMR, SERHOLD and OCLC union lists are separate. You must update both lists. If you update SERHOLD it will not automatically update OCLC and vice versa. NLM and OCLC are looking to methods of transferring data between the two systems. For more information see <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/pubs/factsheets/serhold.html> and <http://www.oclc.org/oclc/union/taskforce.html>.

Grants

In January 2001 two health science libraries received Education and Automate grants. Congratulations to Blessing Health Professions (new LAN) and Graham Hospital Association (new LAN).

FY02 LSTA Current Grants

Located on the IL State Library Web site at http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/library/isl/grants/2002lsta_announce.html.

Dream Grant (\$5,000 to \$15,000) – Do you have a dream for your community? New service, creative activity or unique approach to library services? Want to replicate an exemplary program, service, or idea that has been successfully implemented elsewhere but would be new to your library community? Want to expand hours or services?

Grow with a Pro (\$500 to \$4,900) – contract with a professional to work with your staff or community to enhance their ability to provide and/or plan library services.

Educate and Automate grant opportunities (LANs) will be announced in the next couple of months.

Virtual IL Catalog

Progress is being made. A new vendor has been selected for the VIC platform and all but two library systems and their non-OCLC members are waiting for profiling. Chicago Library System will only be profiling public libraries at this time.

ILLINET Interlibrary Loan Code

Located on the State Library web site at http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/library/ill_code.html.

E Government Act of 2001

If you are a government related health sciences library this may affect you! The E-Government Act is a bill to enhance the management and promotion of electronic government services and processes by establishing a broad framework of measures that require using Internet-based information technology to enhance citizen access to government information and services, and for other purposes. See <http://thomas.loc.gov>. Type in E Government Act in the Search box and click on the search button. The E Government Act will be the first Act listed (S.803.IS).

Check it out!

Pharma-Lexicon is a web site that contains a quick reference to medical and pharmaceutical acronyms and abbreviations, and what they stand for. It also contains links to:

Coreynahman.com

Pharmaceutical news and information; updated daily.
www.coreynahman.com

Allhealthnet.com

A global medical and health search engine with access to 20 million medical/pharmaceutical pages.
www.allhealthnet.com

MDLinx.com

Daily medical news.
www.mdlinx.com

NeedyMeds

Patient assistance programs offered by US pharmaceutical companies.

There are also links to colleges, clinical research, hospitals, and medical and pharmaceutical libraries worldwide, along with links to online journals and more.

Lynn Bierma
Illinois State Library Liaison

Harriette M. Cluxton

Personal Recollections

I am sharing a number of professional and personal recollections of Harriette M. Cluxton who passed away this May. Harriette was well known as a very active hospital librarian, and stayed professionally active beyond retirement.

When I took my first professional hospital librarian position at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in spring of 1972, it was important that I initially make the acquaintance of local hospital librarians. By serendipity, the first such contact was Harriette M. Cluxton, Medical Librarian at Illinois Masonic Hospital. As a very green neophyte, I was quickly impressed by Harriette's qualities of practicality and can-do directness. Harriette was generous with her advice; and her professionalism was immediately apparent. Soon enough, she introduced me to the local professional organizations. She was President of the Special Libraries, Chicago Chapter, and encouraged me to come to dinner meetings there. Harriette, before her library career, taught English and Latin. She spent time in Cleveland, Ohio and worked as a hospital librarian. Among her first experiences in medical librarianship was at the Illinois College of Optometry. In the very early 1960's, she arrived at Illinois Masonic Medical Center where she stayed until mid-1980.

But most importantly, Harriette introduced me to the then Hospital and Nursing Librarians of Illinois, (now Health Sciences Librarians of Illinois). I later found out she, William, and Martha Kona of Rush University, then Rush Presbyterian Hospital of this very important local group. Harriette was the complete hospital librarian. She conducted herself as a working colleague of the medical staff—and undoubtedly there was mutual respect. I also found out I was not the only medical librarian mentored by Harriette. Harriette was in touch with librarians throughout the Chicago area, around Illinois and perhaps beyond. She was the informal consultant that administrators contacted when they needed information about librar-

ian salaries, budgets, programs, acquisitions, etc. I recall numerous librarians giving testimony to Harriette's acute advice. More often than not, they worked to the benefit of the hospital librarian in need. Harriette attended MLA meetings as a member. She once served as a Parliamentarian during a business meeting. But while always interested in MLA issues, Harriette's main contributions were in local and regional professionalism.

The 1970's were a very expansive time in the development of hospital librarianship. Harriette very carefully cultivated the RML, soon to be known as the Network. I think she was instrumental in developing partner relationships, which demonstrated that the hospital library was a vital, contributing, independent entity. She served on numerous committees and task forces. And her major contribution, I believe, and I think her most beloved professional development was the establishment of the Metropolitan Consortium. At the same time, Harriette was very keen on Consortium development throughout the State of Illinois and fostering cooperative working relations. She was mother of the Metropolitan Consortium for about 5 years from 1975 onward, and happily turned the gavel to her successor coordinator once bylaws, etc. were in effect. Harriette still served on the Metropolitan Bylaws Committee as late as the early 1990s when she had already retired from Illinois Masonic in 1980. She was also Metro's archivist after retirement, too. Her retirement announcement was from the Old Testament, (Proverbs): began with: "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." Most fitting, as Harriette served as a church deacon.

Many recall Harriette as direct, an advocate for sound ideas, and a very astute political observer and player. To work on a by-laws committee with her would impress the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee.

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Discussions with Harriette sometimes engendered sharp differences of opinion. But it was never personal, provocative, grandstanding, or embellishing ego. Harriette had an extremely secure ego. She just wanted everyone else to think through problems and issues on the highest possible plane. Differences of opinion might be temporarily vexing. But, Harriette invariably had quality facts at hand, and presented them in a convincing manner. She just expected you to do the same. Constructive enlightenment and high-minded advocacy were her hallmarks.

An inactive retirement was out of the question for Harriette. She kept her hand in Consortium activities by acting as Metropolitan Consortium's archivist. She contributed regularly to the Metrometeor with her own tailor-made column known as Harriette's Historiette, which ran at least 15 years! I will quote from her one of her last columns in Fall, 1998 Metrometeor:

“Musings”

“Do any of our libraries specialize in books on certain subjects? Of course, I am not talking about those of you who have key words in the name of your institutions—psychology, nutrition, etc. ...Back in the 70's when the Consortium was young, it was important to recognize such matters, not always for interlibrary loans, but for help with reference questions, or purchase considerations, and for occasionally sending our patrons to other libraries under “open access.””

“Most of us were struggling one-person libraries then. Searches were done by hand-many hours were spent bent over INDEX MEDICUS, and the card catalog. The telephone, typewriter, and maybe a cassette player for Audio Digest tapes represented technology. Our first libraries to get MEDLINE—which they shared—were pioneering heroes. In retrospect, I wonder how we got so much done, with so little. And remember, we were building the concepts of resource sharing networking then, on which so much depends today.” (Note that Harriette was in no way anti-automation. She decided to leave these matters to her successor).

The Midwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association was one of her great interests in her later years. She served as Archivist; and on the by-laws and audit committees.

Her interests were multi-fold. She was proud of her home, a rare Frank Lloyd Wright Victorian single family house in Oak Park, Illinois. She reviewed professional library books for library journals. She and her recently deceased husband, Everett, both had a great interest in music. They had an enormous jazz record collection as well as classical representation. And in recent years, Harriette would assist Everett at his musicales, as he was a performing musician. Even what may have passed as eccentricities were a professional's emblem. Not one to waste time, Harriette would scan the “throw-away medical journals” under the hair dryer at the beauty shop and clip articles for the filing cabinet, the bulletin board, or an interested health professional.

For those coming of age in the 1960's, 1970's, and early 1980's, Harriette M. Cluxton was synonymous with hospital/medical librarianship. Harriette, your colleagues wish to pay highest respects. Our profession is greatly enriched by your example and your substance. We bid farewell; but we do not forget.

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Shabbona Consortia

Have not heard from them yet. Email sent 7/3
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Membership Application
HEALTH SCIENCE LIBRARIANS OF ILLINOIS



Please check one: New Member ___ Renewal ___ Year _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Institution Affiliation _____

Institution Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____



Work Telephone () _____ Fax Telephone() _____

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Library System (ILLINET) Membership Yes ___ No ___

Name of Library System _____

Regular Membership: \$10.00

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Members have one vote on all matters of HSLI Business.

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If you have any items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to Nina at npals@sblhs.org or Molly at mhorio@bromenn.org. Likewise, any suggestion or recommendations, please e-mail to Nina or Molly.

Future deadlines: October 1, 2001
December 1, 2001



Share the knowledge