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Editors' Corner

Spring is officially here. The winds can be blustery and they can bring sheets of rain, but in our hearts we know that the annual miracle of rebirth will occur and for this we can be thankful.

Marilyn Schafer has a dual role here since she was the gracious hostess of the February THLA Meeting and also wrote the description of that Meeting for this Issue of the News in her capacity as Secretary. Thank you Marilyn!

The next meeting on Monday April 15th on "The Natural History of the Film Festival" promises to be lots of fun and the Annual Dinner Meeting on Monday May 13th is always an enjoyable occasion. I regret having to miss it this year since I will be in Sri Lanka.

Attached to this Issue are the ballot for election of next year's THLA Executive and biographical information on each candidate; the Annual Dinner Meeting notice; and, the Software Survey. Please take a moment and respond to the respective persons as directed.

I wish everyone a joyous Spring, Happy Easter and Good Passover. See you on April 15th.

Bonnie Brownstein, Editor

THLA NEWS Inside Circuit

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Finally we are emerging from the dreary Toronto "grey season", and the longer and brighter days are a reminder that Spring may be just around the corner. The new Season ushers in some changes for THLA, which the Executive believes will make life easier for all members.

Subsequent to a presentation by Joan Leishman, at the February 13th Executive Meeting, an agreement was reached to embark on a joint project between THLA and the Consortium for production of the UNION LIST OF PERIODICALS. Data entry and updating for the next edition slated for June 1991 would be done by the Consortium Office. Changes would be reported by the participants on a continual basis and revisions would be distributed twice a year with supplements if needed.

This method will provide a much more reliable, expanded product both for ILL and collection rationalization purposes. Every effort will be made to keep the cost at the current level for THLA participants. You will soon be hearing from the new THLA/Consortium Union List Committee re the next edition. For more details check Elizabeth Reid's submission about the new committee appearing in this issue. Stay tuned for further developments as the committee irons out the fine points.

The THLA membership period is being extended to December 1991. The general consensus was that switching to the calendar year would be more convenient for renewals and simplify this task for our Treasurer. Many are away during the Summer and consequent renewal amnesia makes it difficult to produce a membership list, plan programs and balance our budget. By the Fall most of us are in high gear so membership renewal should be less painful. Watch your September Newsletter for renewal details.

Our last meeting at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College was a real success due to the efforts of our congenial hosts Marilyn Schafer and her Staff. It was an opportunity to learn the latest about integrated systems and socialize while sampling the delicious nibbles. The April meeting at the Faculty of Dentistry promises to give us insight into the Toronto Film scene. Hope to see all you film buffs there.

Remember to book the May THLA Dinner Meeting on your calendar and to check out the CHLA Conference Program. With the Conference almost in our back yard this year it would be encouraging for the organizers to see a good turnout from Canada's largest Chapter. You could probably hitch a ride with somebody to Hamilton and the Hotel costs are a bargain comapared with SLA or MLA. Mind you it may not sound as exciting as San Antonio or San Francisco but it's much more likely your Institution will foot the bill for a local event than pay a fortune for a more distant exotic destination. Even as a former Hamilton escapee I am looking forward to seeing how the City has evolved over the last 15 years.

TORONTO HEALTH LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION FEBRUARY MEETING 910218 CANADIAN MEMORIAL CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE

TOPIC: INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEMS

PRESENTERS: LAURA CHAKRAVARTY & RICHARD EARLE - AVEC

TECHNICAL SERVICES

MARIA PHIPPS & LAWRENCE FOLLAND - M.E. PHIPPS

AND ASSOCIATES

ATTENDEES: 35+

Following a delightful light supper provided by the C.C. Clemmer Health Sciences Library the Library was toured by most of the attendees. The meeting itself began with a welcome from Dr. Jean Moss, President of CMCC who talked about the kind of program carried out at CMCC and where the Chiropractor fits into the Health Care team. This was followed by an informative video about the College which has been produced by Margaret Butkovic and the audiovisual technicians in the Media Services Department of the Library.

The Evening's Program was opened by Rosemary Ullyot who introduced the speakers. Richard Earle of AVEC discussed and demonstrated EdiBase, an interesting and powerful database management package. Laura Chakravarty followed with a detailed demonstration of some modules of DataTrek's Card Datalog, an integrated library management system. Maria Phipps and Lawrence Folland together presented some aspects of InMagic. As time was growing late they did not have time to complete their part of the program but invited anyone who was interested in seeing more to their next regularly scheduled Toronto demonstration.

All presentations were very well received and enjoyed by all. Eva Gulbinowicz thanked the participants on behalf of THLA.

THLA FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

APRIL 15, 1991 DATE:

7:00 P.M.

THE NATURAL HISTORY OF THE FILM FESTIVAL; TIME: TOPIC:

OR I LOST IT AT THE MOVIES, BUT FOUND IT IN

THE LIBRARY

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

SPEAKERS: PIERS HANDLING, DEPUTY DIR., FESTIVAL OF FESTIVALS

Please RSVP to Rosemary Ullyot at 967-1517 before April 11th.

The Faculty of Dentistry is located at 124 Edward St. It is accessible by TTC. Take the University Subway to St. Patrick and walk one block North on Dundas.

There is Meter parking, parking at the Eaton Centre and an underground garage at 123 Edward St.

MAY 13, 1991 DATE:

6:00 FOR 7:00 P.M. TIME: ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

TOPIC: MASSEY COLLEGE

PLACE: SPEAKERS: COUNSELOR JACK LAYTON

(See Registration Form attached)

THLA NEWS Continuing Education

FLIS - U of T SCHOOL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION: 9 - 5pm (For further details call: 978-7111: 978-4666: 978-3107)

APRIL 5 DISASTER PLANNING

INSTRUCTOR: James Turner (Friday)

9 - 4:30 p.m.

APRIL 12 STRATEGIC TECHNOLOGY PLANNING (Friday) INSTRUCTORS: Stephen Abram &

9 - 4:30 p.m. Jane Dysart

APRIL 19 HOW TO AUTOMATE YOUR RECORDS MGMT

(Friday) PROGRAM

9 - 4:30 p.m. INSTRUCTORS: Caroline Werle &

Brenda Brooks

APRIL 26 CATALOGUING COMPUTER FILES:

(Friday) A PRACTICAL SESSION 9 - 4 p.m.

INSTRUCTOR: Jean Weihs

Note: Jean Weihs would like to base her seminar on your problems with, and questions about, cataloguing computer files (software programs and data files). Please submit them now, to the attention of Marcia Chen, for inclusion in the

Spring seminar.

MAY 10 GENEALOGY

INSTRUCTORS: Marion Wilburn & (Friday)

9 - 4:30 p.m. Lynn Morgan

JUNE 5, 10 & 12 ONLINE INFORMATION RETRIEVAL: AN

(W, M, W) INSTRUCTOR: Ruth von Fuchs

1 - 4 p.m.

 TELEMEDICINE HOSPITAL LIBRARY SERIES: 11 - 11:45 AM (Contact your Hospital Co-ordinator for details)

APRIL 9 ALPHABETIC ANNOTATED MESH: A TOOL

FOR SUBJECT CATALOGUING

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Gillespie, Gillespie

Information Svcs., London

APRIL 30 RAISING THE PROFILE OF THE HOSPITAL

LIBRARY: ONE LIBRARY'S EXPERIENCE

INSTRUCTOR: Mary Gillet, Director,

Medical Library, Victoria

Hospital Corp., London

MAY 21 PREPARING A BUSINESS CASE: HOW TO GET WHAT

YOU REALLY WANT AND NEED

INSTRUCTOR: Pamela Stoksik, Head, Tech.

Svcs., Ontario Legislative

Library, Toronto

JUNE 11 TIME MANAGEMENT: RECAPTURING AND

EFFECTIVELY MANAGING YOUR MOST VALUABLE

RESOURCE-TIME!

INSTRUCTOR: Shelley Aubry, Director,

Educational Svcs., Woodstock

General Hospital

Miscellaneous

THLA UNION LIST OF SERIALS - NEW EDITION PREPARATION

A joint THLA/CONSORTIUM Committee has been established to advise on and direct the production of the 7th edition of the Union List of Periodicals. THLA established an ongoing Union List Committee for the first time in 1989. Committee Members continuing from last year are Dorothy Davey, Cathy Lindsey-King, Elizabeth Reid and Mary Smith. New Members are Linda Devore and Joan Leishman. The Committee has equal numbers of Consortium and non-Consortium Members and all are THLA Members.

Input and editing work will be done by the Consortium Office. Except for this change we have decided not to make major changes in policy, procedure, content or format with this edition. The list can hopefully be produced in a couple of months after update information is received from all contributors. The updating process can eventually become continuous and practically effortless (!) under this arrangement.

I wish to thank *Eleanor Hayes*, Co-ordinator and *Pat Fillery*, Editor for their valuable contributions to the Committee last year. The first meeting of the Committee this year was on Wednesday March 27th. If you have any questions or would like more information please contact *Elizabeth Reid*, Chair at 369-5750. Thank you.

o !! PRESS RELEASE !!

NEW DIRECTIONS - CHLA/ABSC 15TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

WHERE:

HAMILTON, ON

WHEN:

JUNE 15 - 20, 1991

C.E. COURSES INCLUDE:

o June 15 - Panning for Gold with Ann McKibbon, (1/2 day) Health Info Research Unit, McMaster re clinically relevant searching.

o June 15 - Managing your Hard Disk with Staff (1/2 day) from the Computation Services Unit of McMaster.

o June 15 - Getting your Message Across with Helen-(Full day) Ann Brown of BRS Info Technologies.

o June 16 - Evaluating Library Services with (Full day) Dr. Charles McClure, Syracuse Univ.

o June 16 - Designing Work Space that Really Works.
(Full day)

o June 16 - Managing Stress with George Koblyk of the (1/2 day) Mohawk College Stress Management Education Centre.

For more details of the rest of the program see THLA NEWS Vol. 10 (3). Full details will soon be sent to all CHLA Members.

THE CANADIAN REHABILITATION COUNCIL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We are interested in locating materials in any format for a unique database development project. The S.H.A.R.P. Project (Safe Homes and Risk Prevention) involves the creation of a bibliography of journal articles, monographs, audio-visual materials, pamphlets as well as several other formats all related to safety for senior citizens in the home environment.

Since a significant portion of this material is not indexed we would appreciate any information you might be able to provide with respect to special in-house projects or special collections.

Please contact: Michael Nuyen

Project Coordinator

Canadian Rehabilitation Council 801-45 Sheppard Avenue East

Toronto, ON M2N 5W9 TEL: 416-250-7490 FAX: 416-229-1371

NEW AUDIOVISUAL RELEASE

Lezlie Wagman, AIDS Educator at the Vancouver Health Dept. is the Executive Producer of a new film on homophobia. Too Close for Comfort is a 27 minute production that deals with homophobia as it affects both people with HIV infection of AIDS and others. It is not an AIDS education video per se.

Instead it looks at the broader issue of discrimination that has made AIDS so controversial.

This is not a preachy or didactic video. It is a compelling story about a group of young adults that holds the viewers' attention and raises questions about society's attitudes. The production is intended for use with students both secondary and post-secondary and would also be of interest to health, education and human service professionals.

Copies and accompanying manual are available from:

Canadian Filmmakers Distribution West 1131 Howe St., Suite 100 Vancouver, B.C. V6Z 2L7

TEL: 684-3014 FAX: 684-7165

Cathy Rayment Vancouver Health Department

ONTARIO ASSOC. OF LIBRARY TECHNICIANS
18TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
MAY 22-25, 1991
RYERSON POLYTECHNICAL INSTITUTE
350 VICTORIA STREET
TORONTO, ONTARIO

INFOWAVE

The Toronto Area Library Technicians Association invites you to attend the 18th Annual OALT/ABO Conference.

The theme of INFOWAVE focuses on communication. Communicating with people or machines is the lifeline of our profession. Doing it efficiently, productively and creatively allows us to perform to our maximum.

We are offering you a choice of 39 different programs. Come, experience the major online services like Infoglobe, FP online, etc., with hands on opportunities. Learn how to effectively communicate the procedures of your workplace or negotiate the implementation of that special project. Discover what is here and what is up and coming in information technology - our future.

Visit the many wonderful libraries in the Toronto area.

And, most important, come and meet your peers.

Conference information available from: Pat Petruga (416) 593-5211 x2233 Rita Piazza (416) 364-6244

Marketplace

Tahereh Zarrin is seeking a position in a Health Science Library. Tahereh obtained an MLS from Vanderbilt University and then did a 1-year post MLA certificate program at UCLA. She has a variety of experience in both public and technical services including collection development, cataloguing, reference, etc. She has also worked in the Health Science Libraries at both the above Universities. Please leave a message for Tahereh at 733-9584 from 6 - 10:30 p.m.

Sunnybrook Health Science Centre requires a Librarian to take responsibility for the Toronto-Bayview Regional Cancer Centre Library. Major duties include: computerized bibliographic searching; collection management and document delivery; planning services and faculties; and, management of bibliographic files. Skills required: excellent communications; initiative; ability to relate to senior staff; searching MEDLARS files; and, an MLS.

Submit applications to:
Bob Webster
Human Resources Dept.
Sunnybrook Health Science Centre
2075 Bayview Avenue
North York, ON M4N 3M5

* Quote File #1249

GLAXO Canada Inc., one of Canada's leading and fastest growing Pharmaceutical Comapnies is seeking an Information Centre Co-ordinator who will be responsible for the promotion and management of Library Services.

This is a state-of-the-art corporate environment providing information support to Medical, Technical, Marketing and other Departments.

The candidate must possess as a minimum a Master's in Library Science from a recognized University with five years experience in Special Libraries, or equivalent education and experience. A background in the Health Sciences is preferred.

Interested parties should send a comprehensive resume to:
Dr. Mark Towers
Manager, Employee Relations
GLAXO Canada Inc.
1025 The Queensway
Toronto, ON M8Z 5S6

F.Y.J.

CHLA/CCHFA LIAISON - AN UPDATE ON HOSPITAL LIBRARY STANDARDS
1992 CCHFA STANDARDS:

Thanks to the broad response from the field, proposed revisions to the 1992 CCHFA Standards were submitted by the mid-February deadline. The complete recommendations to CCHFA are being published in BMC 1991; 12(4).

A global change from "Library Services" to "Library and Information Services" has been requested. Reflecting the major concern of the health library community about the qualifications statement in Standard II.7.1, the following wording has been suggested for 1992:

- masters degree in library/information science
- management education/experience

CCHFA was also asked to clarify and maintain consistency in setting standards for small versus large institutions.

Suggested additions to Standard IV.7 were:

- automated library systems
- access to Medline and other online bibliographic databases

NEWS FROM THE SURVEY FIELD:

The news from the accreditation survey field is good. Although we are only in the first quarter of 1991, several libraries that have experienced accreditation in 1991 have reported favourable results, noting that the surveyors are well aware of and impressed by the CHLA Standards.

In one instance an accreditation surveyor requested a separate report for Library Services after the hospital had presented a combined submission from Education and Library Services. In another the surveyor gave an oral presentation to the hospital in which he noted flagrant violations of the standards in terms of the Library's budget, staffing and space.

The few librarians that have expressed concern about the lack of mandatory standards for hospital library committees will take heart also from the interest shown by some surveyors in hospital library committees and in particular their emphasis that these (where they exist) should be active and interdisciplinary.

FUTURE OF CHLA/CCHFA LIAISON

After several years of being involved in the issue of hospital library standards, it is time to move on. All being well it will be possible to announce at the CHLA/ABSC Annual Conference in Hamilton (June 15-19) the name of my successor. In the meantime please continue to forward reports of accreditation experiences so that these may be monitored and feedback provided to the field; this issue will be of continuing interest to the CHLA/CCHFA Liaison (and indeed the Ontario Medical Association's Consulting Health Librarian).

Jan Greenwood CHLA/CCHFA Liaison

Susan Hudson, Associate Editor of THLA NEWS is moving to Ottawa to start a new chapter in her career. The other members of the editorial team will miss her but we wish her all the best. For this reason there are now 2 positions available on the Editorial team which we did not know when the nomination forms went out. We need both Assistant and Associate Editors. Anyone wishing to volunteer should please call Bonnie Brownstein before April 26th at 864-5854.

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NOMINATIONS !!!

For President-Elect: MADELINE GRANT

Has been the Manager of the Staff Library at the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care since 1988; from 1983-87 she was the Librarian of the J.W. Crane Memorial Library of Geriatrics and Gerontology. A graduate of the University of Toronto (B.A. and B.L.S.) and the University of Waterloo (M.A.), she has held a number of positions in University and Special Libraries and has been active in many Library Associations, especially CASLIS and SLA; she has been a member of THLA since 1984. As a member of the THLA executive, Madeline looks forward to forging strong links with the new HSI Consortium and to addressing many of the issues now facing Hospital Librarians.

For Secretary: ELAINE WRIGHT

Has worked at the Science & Medicine Library since graduating from FLIS in 1981 and has always been a member and supporter of THLA. She is currently Head of Information Services and involved with hiring and supervising of Stacks Staff. At home she enjoys using a Macintosh for word-processing and other electronic communications which should assist with the work of Secretary for the Association.

SUSAN GODDARD

Received both her BLS and MLS degrees from the University of Toronto. She has worked at the Faculty of Dentistry Library since 1974 and has been a THLA member since 1975. She served for several years as social convenor of the Librarians' Association of the University of Toronto and has been the secretary of the Council of Campus Libraries since 1984. Susan has thoroughly enjoyed her association with THLA.

For Treasurer: GRACE B. KOPEC, B.A., M.L.S.

Earned her degrees from the University of Toronto and the University of Pittsburgh respectively. Her 10 years health sciences experience include such hospitals as St. Michael's, Doctors and currently the Cdn. Memorial Chiropractic College.

She has also worked in the Science/Technology area at the Centre of Forensic Sciences and for Shell Canada.

As a long time member with THLA Grace feels committed to furthering the Association's mandate of representing the membership's interests and of improving their standing and working conditions.

HELVI THOMAS

Has been the Librarian in chare of Library Services at Scarborough General Hospital since 1986 and prior to that, part time Librarian there. She received her M.L.S. degree from the University of Toronto and her B.A. from Dalhousie University, Halifax. Helvi has been active in a number of new projects for her Library such as the development of an online Library Catalogue, the relocation and redesign of the Library and currently the development of an Audio Visual Graphics Service. Helvi is a member of OHLA, MLA, CHLA and since 1982 a THLA member. She is willing to lend a helping hand for the smooth functioning of THLA.

For Assistant Editor: TERESA HELIK

Has a B.A. and a BEd. from St. F.X. University in Nova Scotia and an MLS from U of T (1987). Formerly the Head of Technical Services at the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College Library, she is now with the U of T Dentistry Library. As part of her duties there she edits the library newsletter, Filling the Gap and gives general instruction to students on writing term papers. Teresa has also produced many of usual types of library writings, including budgets, bibliographies, procedure manuals etc. A member of THLA sincd FLIS, Teresa looks forward to deepening her involvement with the organization.

SOFTWARE SURVEY

In order to facilitate the sharing of microcomputer expertise among THLA members, we would ask you to list below any micro software you or your institution are currently using for library applications. Please exclude word processing applications.

The results of our previous survey were published in THLA News 1990(Mar);9(4) and updated in 1990(June);9(5). List here only items that have not been submitted previously, or items for which the applications have changed. Also, please indicate if any of your previous listings are now obsolete.

NAME OF SOFTWARE	LIBRARY APPLICATION

Please forward your replies to: Dorothy Davey

Medical Information Services

175 Dinnick Crescent Toronto, ON M4N 1M4