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Editors' Corner

Greetings from all of us on the Editorial team: Susan, Anne and Marjory. now am much more appreciative of the tremendous amount of work accomplished by each and every one of my predecessors! It is no mean task to coordinate the acquisition of news items from a variety of sources and to arrange for their printing. I must thank Anne and Marjory at the outset for their assistance and willingness to keep me on target. Already, the NEWS is being submitted to print slightly beyond the expected date. My apologies to all of you for not getting out the NEWS quite as soon as we had hoped.

This year does promise to be an interesting one. Make sure that you mark off our meeting dates in your calendars now! Each one will be worth your time. This year THLA is moving to new ground and will make one of its meetings a three-hour CE Course on "Workload Measurement". This course is being sponsored free of cost to members only. Nonmembers (i.e. your fellow librarian-friends) may attend at a cost of \$15.00

Our membership list and labels are being generated this year by THLA member Dorothy Davey, of Medical Information Services. We are just ironing out the

bugs in this new system and we ask your indulgence. Any problems you may encounter in receiving your copy of the NEWS, changes of address, incorrect address etc., should be reported to your Editor (Susan Hendricks Librarian, Oshawa General Hospital, 24 Alma Street, Oshawa, Ont. LIG 2B9, (416) 576-8711, ext. 3334/3567). Of course, you realize that members who have not paid their annual dues cannot expect to receive a copy of the NEWS! We have made an exeception this time because of the changeover to the new system. However, be forewarned that this is the last issue you will receive until your 1987-88 memberfees have been ship received. I note that Mary Boite, our President, has encouraged you all to forward them to the Treasurer as soon as possible, or to bring them to the meeting in October, so I will not say anything more about this problem.

As Editor of another newsletter (which shall go unnamed!), I have seen how a dynamic readership constituency can transform a factual and newsworthy newsletter into a forum for the discussion of issues vital to the library profession. I urge you to write letters to the Editor if you would like feedback from your peers on a certain

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issue. These will be printed in the NEWS (though perhaps edited if overly long) and THLA members will be invited to respond. While it is relatively easy for us to telephone back and forth to each other when we have a problem, discussing issues in the NEWS adds a whole new perspective and dimension to the consultative process and extends the sharing beyond your immediate circle of business acquaintances. Try it! You'll like it! I would also encourage all of you to submit items for the FACES & PLACES and SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS columns to Marjory Morphy, our Assistant Editor. The team has devised a system to share the work: Anne Kubjas is our word processor, Marjory is handling the above-mentioned two columns, and everything else falls to the Editor. So keep all of us busy and submit your news to the appropriate member of the team!

The COPY DEADLINES for this year are as follows:

Nov. 2, 1987 - Vol.7 no.2 Jan. 4, 1988 - Vol.7 no.3 Feb.22, 1988 - Vol.7 no.4 May 23, 1988 - Vol.7 no.5

Policies for submitting material to the NEWS will be the same as last year:

- 1. Deadlines for submission of copy will be printed in the first issue of each volume of the NEWS.
- Submissions received after copy deadline will appear in the subsequent issue of the NEWS.
- 3. Articles for publication in the NEWS should not exceed one

typed page double spaced or 250 words.

4. When inserts are to be mailed with the newsletter, sufficient copies must be supplied by the printing deadline.

Note: Inserts must not exceed one double-sided page.

Most of you who know me realize that I am a "people"-person and that, like Mary, I like nothing better than a good "discussion"! This editorial is rather long but there is always so much to say at the beginning of a year! I promise to be more circumspect in future issues.

Regards to all our membership,

Susan Hendricks Editor

## INSIDE CIRCUIT

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The easiest and most pleasant task of the President at the beginning of each year is to welcome members, and most especially new ones, to the Association. THLA continues to grow, a fact attested to by the many new faces present at the meetings. We are, however, convinced that growth does not necessarily lead to the loss of personal contact which has always been very important in THLA. So please, consider this a warm invitation to meet new friends and get involved!

The first meeting of the new year has as its topic "Pay

Equity", a subject which greatly concerns me, and I'm sure, many of you as well. It teresting events planned by our President-Elect, T'sai-O Wong. been impressive and I am sure we will all enjoy the results. yet renewed your membership, send your renewal and \$15.00 to or bring it to the October meeting.

The summer has meant a small hiatus for the Executive, at least in terms of THLA business! Some of us, and many others of you, were present at CHLA in Vancouver in June (a wonderful time that already seems very far away and long ago!) A personal highlight was winning a box of B.C. smoked salmon at the Annual General Meeting. (Still uneaten, by the way - I'm waiting for the perfect occasion.) The meeting itself contained some important information on the state of health sciences librarianship in Canada. If any of you are interested in reading Libraries without walls: Blueprint for the future; Report of a survey of health science library collections and services in Canada, by M.A. Flower (The Flower Report), the Executive has a copy. Additional copies may be obtained from CHLA. The report is a joint project of the Special Resource Committee on Medical School Libraries of the Association of Canadian Medical Colleges, and the Canadian Health Libraries Association.

Finally, attached to this Newsletter, you will find a Needs Assessment Survey which is the first of a series of in- we urge you to complete and send in to the President-Elect as soon as you have read and Her work and imagination have considered it. We want the programs and even the social events to reflect your needs as If you or a colleague has not much as possible, so please take the time to let us know you will miss out, so please what those are. Your response is needed to make this Associa-Leanne Johnson, Treasurer, THLA tion help you provide relevant assistance in your professional life. This is your chance to speak up!

> I hope to see many of you soon at the first meeting of the 1987-88 year.

> > Mary Boite President

#### THLA FALL MEETING

Mon. October 26, 1987. Date:

Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd. Place: 401 The West Mall Suite 700 (8th Floor) Etobicoke

Directions: Hoffmann-La Roche is located at the intersection of the West Mall & Burnhamthorpe.

By car: Head south from the 401 or north from the QEW to Burnhamthorpe Rd. Go west one block to the West Mall. Parking is available at the front or rear of the Office Tower.

By TTC: From Islington Subway Stn. take a Route 50 Bus (west). Hoffmann-La Roche is about 15 min. by bus from stn.

\*\*\* See enclosed map \*\*\*

Time: 7 p.m. Business Meeting & Educational Session.

Topic: Pay Equity: What it means and how it affects

> Mr. Ruben Benmergui Director of Personnel, Oshawa General Hospital will discuss the new legislation and its impact on the employment scene.

Note: R.S.V.P. to Tsai-O Wong or her staff by Wed. Oct. 21, 1987. 848-7394

#### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 1987-1988

Dec. 7/87 Christmas Social Held at the Staff House, Princess Margaret Hospital

Feb. 1/88 Library Workload Measurement. 3 hours (6 to 9 p.m.) Held at Toronto General Hospital. Susan Gillespie, Library Consultant.

Mar. 28/88 Disaster Contingency Planning for Libraries. Held at Hospital for Sick Children. Karen Turko Head of Preservation Services,

\*Registration required\*

U. of T. Libraries; Deidre Green Director, Library Services, Hospital for Sick Children.

May 9/88. Dinner Meeting Education Resource Centre
"The Mythology of Icecream" Oshawa General Hospital Held at Loews Westbury

Hotel. Prof. Margaret Visser York University.

#### THLA EXECUTIVE 1987 - 1988

Mary Boite, President Part Library Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario 33 Price St. Toronto, Ont. M4W 1Z2 923-3523 Ext. 115.

Tsai-O Wong, President-Elect L.G. Brayley Health Sciences Library Mississauga Hospital 100 Queensway Mississauga, Ont. L5B 1B8 848-7394.

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION

Mark your calendars now for the 3-hour course on Feb. 1, 1988. Topic: Library Workload Measurement Instructor: Susan Gillespie Library Consultant Price: Free to THLA members

\$15.00 for non-members.

#### October 16, 1987

Place: FLIS, U. of T. Topic: Indexing Special Collections

Instructor: Michele Hudon Price: \$85.00

#### October 23, 1987

Place: FLIS, U. of T. Topic: Discipline: Fair dealing Theme: Harnessing Information with the employee Instructor: Charlotte Mudge Price: \$85.00

October 30, 1987

Place: FLIS, U. of T. Topic: Periodicals: a minicourse on selection / deselection, acquisition, processing and use in reference and research.

Instructor: Craig Fairley Price: \$115.00

#### November 27, 1987

Place: FLIS, U. of T. Topic: Training end users. Instructor: Joanne Marshall Price: \$85.00 see enclosure \*\*\*

#### November 29, 1987

Place: Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

OHLA Annual Meeting.

Topic: MLA CE 246:

Budgeting for Small

Libraries.

Instructor: Jean Antes \* Registration is limited to 30 participants. \* Contact: Susan Gillespie Continuing Education Chair OHLA 1512 Weston Road London, Ont. N6G 1H4

## CONFERENCE TROTTING

UNYOC, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. October 22-24, 1987.

For more information contact: T. Flemming McMaster University Health Sciences Library,

Toronto Health Libraries Association \_\_\_\_

1200 Main St. W. Hamilton, Ont. L8N 3Z5 525-9140 (x2321) Envoy 100: T. Flemming

> OLA Annual Conference Harbour Castle Hilton November 19-22, 1987.

Contact: Larry Moore
OLA
73 Richmond St. West
Suite 402
Toronto, Ont. M5H 1Z4
363-3388.

OHLA 2nd Annual Meeting OHA Convention, Toronto November 29-30, 1987.

Theme: Management Strategies for the Small Library: Commitment, Courage and a Lot of Heart.

Principal Speaker: Guy St. Clair, author of Managing the One-Person Library.

For more information contact: Christie MacMillan Soldier's Memorial Hospital 170 Colborne St. W. Orilla, Ont. L'3V 2Z3 (705) 325-2201.

## INTEREST GROUPS

#### MICROCOMPUTER INTEREST GROUP

The first 1987-88 meeting of the Microcomputer Interest Group will be held at the Toronto Institute of Medical Technology (TIMT) on November 3 at 6:30 p.m. The discus-

sion will centre around the future direction of the Microcomputer Group, possible funding options, and the 1987-88 meeting formats. The host for the meeting, Ken Ladd, will act as Co-Ordinator for this meeting. Light refreshments will be served.

There will be a demonstration evening at TIMT on December 1 at 6:30 p.m. Ken Ladd will demonstrate the Sidney circulation and catalogue enquiry modules as implemented at TIMT. The serials module is currently being implemented.

All members of THLA are welcome at these meetings.

## DISABILITY RESOURCE LIBRARY NETWORK

Joanne Badali, resource librarian, Services for Disabled Persons at the North York Public Library, was the host for the September 15th meeting of the DRLN. Members were given a personal tour by Joanne of the newly-opened central library with particular attention paid to the specialized collections and aids for persons with various disabilities.

Co-chairman Maureen Perez of the Metro Toronto Reference Library, presented the financial report and discussed the compilation of a new members' directory currently underway. Robert Jaeggin thanked the DRLN for the valuable assistance provided by many of its members in the production of the recently released 3rd edition of the CRCD Rehabilitation Classification Scheme and its companion feature, the Rehabilitation Thesaurus. Robert also discussed some of

his recent correspondence with colleagues in Australia who are engaged in the creation of a national thesaurus and classification scheme for cataloguing library materials in the area of disability and rehabilitation.

The next meeting of the DRLN is scheduled for November 3rd, 2:30 p.m. at the Ontario March of Dimes, 60 Overlea Boulevard, Toronto. Anyone interested in library or information resources for disabled persons is most welcome. For further information contact Robert Jaeggin, librarian with the Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled, and co-chairman of the DRLN, 862-0340.

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

# ESTABLISMENT OF A CONSULTATION COMMITTEE

In April, the University of Toronto Science & Medicine Library sent two documents to the Librarians of the Teaching Hospitals & Institutional Affiliates: one was a Proposal for a Health Sciences & Information Network; the other was notification of a change in Book Delivery Policy.

The Network Proposal outlined the concept of the phased implementation of a computerized network, based on cooperative arrangements between the U. of T. Library and the Teaching Hopitals and Affiliated Institutions. The change in Book Delivery Policy involved interlibrary loan journal requests submitted to the U. of T. Library. All journal requests would be photocopied, with a fee for service. Actual journals would no longer be available for borrowing. The implementation of this change in Book Delivery Policy, originally scheduled for September 1987, has been postponed until at least June 1988.

After receiving these documents, the librarians from the Teaching Hospitals and Affiliated Institutions held a number of meetings to discuss the issues involved. Subsequently a Consultations Committee was established, comprised of representatives from the above group, and from the U. of T. Science & Medicine At the first meeting Library. of this Committee, held in August, it was decided to place emphasis on developing goals & objectives relating to the Network Proposal. A subcommittee, formed to work on this aspect, met in September. The next meeting of the Consulation Committee will be held on October 26 at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at U. of T. Science & Medicine Library.

Further information will be published in future issues of THLA NEWS.

## **FACES & PLACES**

Elaine Bernstein, Librarian at the Hugh MacMillan Medical Centre, notes that their telephone listing in the THLA Union List of Periodicals is incorrect. Please correct the listing to read: (416) 425-6220.

Jennifer Bayne, Chief Librarian at Toronto General Hospital, doesn't spend her evenings curled up at home with a good book! A member of the chorus of the Canadian Opera Company, Jennifer recently appeared in La Forza del Destino at the O'Keefe Centre.

Most of you by now will have heard of the unfortunate accident which befell the Hospital for Sick Children's Library this summer. A major flood doused and ruined over \$100,000 worth of the library's journals. Deidre Green hopes to restock her collection with the assistance and generosity of her fellow librarians. She will be sending out a separate mailing of her missing issues shortly. If you have any of these on your duplicates list, remember her library before discarding them.

## MARKETPLACE

A complete copy of the Cumulated Index Medicus from 1971 to 1979 is available from Boehringer Ingelheim as a donation to any library that may have a use for them.

Contact: Mrs. Kathleen Lawday Boehringer Ingelheim (Canada) 977 Century Drive Burlington, Ont.

L7L 5J8 (416) 639-0333

The Ontario Government Libraries Council notes that the 4th edition of Libraries and Resource Centres in the Government of Ontario is available at \$6.00 (Cdn.) per copy from: Publications Services

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Librarian (BLS), last 17 years in Health Libraries, seeks part-time or short-term position in Central Ontario. Has organized, catalogued and maintained small special libraries, composed reports, and translated from French; is interested in learning more. Contact Joan-Mary Attwood, 90 Warren Rd., Apt. 314, Toronto, M4V 2S2. 920-4556.

Librarian (BLS) is seeking a full time position in a
health sciences library. Has
done cataloguing at U. of T.,
has run her own successful
business and has administrative
experience. Contact Henny
Sarah Juttmann, 737-3104.