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## Editors' Corner

Welcome to a new year of activities for THLA members and a new volume of the **NEWS**! The heat of the summer did not slow down the very busy members of your Executive, who have planned a wonderful program for this year and have produced the first issue of the **NEWS** in record time.

I would like to draw your attention to the fact that the first meeting of this year is **Sept. 14**, a month earlier than in the past, and an RSVP is requested by **Sept. 8**. I'm personally very keen on hearing the talk on "Effective Writing Skills" by **Maggie Weaver** of Micromedia, and hope it will help me write better editorials!

Note that this year's program includes a CE course given on **Nov. 18** for THLA members and that you are encouraged to register early on the enclosed form.

Please also take the time to read the information on the **Interest Groups**. They may have more to offer for you than you thought.

I'm happy to report that more of you have renewed your memberships than was the case last year at this time. However,

there are still some who have yet to do so, and to them I say - What are you waiting for? You will not receive any more issues of the **NEWS**, and you will miss out on some great events. - Renewals and new membership requests are to be sent to our Treasurer, **Ken Ladd** (tout de suite!). However, any changes of address, phone no. and other such information should be reported to your new Assistant Editor, **Bonnie Brownstein**.

Once again our membership list and mailing labels are being generated by THLA member **Dorothy Davey** of Medical Information Services. This system seemed to work very well last year, but if you are having problems with receiving your copy of the **NEWS**, don't hesitate to call me.

Remember that we encourage and welcome any submissions to the **NEWS** by or for our membership. You may send these to me, or if you prefer sending via HPI, you may do so to our Associate Editor **Marjorie Morphy**, at the North York General Hospital. Addresses and phone numbers are to be found later in this issue.

The following are the **COPY DEADLINES** for this year:





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Policies for submitting material to the **NEWS** remain unchanged:

1. Deadlines for submission of copy will be printed in the first issue of each volume of the **NEWS**.
2. 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.

**Anne Kubjas**  
Editor

## INSIDE CIRCUIT

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One of the joys of being the President is that THLA business is never far from my mind. THLA does deserve my full attention because over the past ten years it has given me golden opportunities to grow professionally, and to become acquainted with so many of you.

It is always heart-warming to know that I can count on your support and assistance whenever I call upon you. With your excellent input and recom-

mendations, the Executive has been working hard during the summer, planning programs for the coming year. The total number of programs will increase from five to seven, and we have scheduled some of them away from the traditional Monday evenings to accommodate members with Monday night commitments. This way, more members will be able to benefit from all or some of the programs.

Please participate and show us you do care!

**Tsai-O Wong**  
President

### THLA FALL MEETING

Date: Wed. September 14, 1988  
6 p.m. Tour of Dentistry Library for anyone interested by **Susan Goddard**.  
7-9 p.m. very short-Business Meeting followed by Speaker, **Maggie Weaver**, Micromedia Ltd.

Topic: Effective Writing Skills  
- reports, memos, proposals, resumes

Place: Faculty of Dentistry  
124 Edward St.  
Room 170

Directions: Faculty of Dentistry is on Edward St. (which is one block north of Dundas St.) between University Ave. and Chesnut St.

By car: Parking is scarce as hen's teeth; try meters on street or lots at Centre Ave. (the closest - one block west of Chesnut, \$3 flat rate after 6p.m.), City Hall, Hospital for Sick Children, or Mt. Sinai.



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By TTC: Much smarter: nearest subway stop is St. Patrick's on University line (walk one block north to Edward, then east); on the Bloor-Danforth line, get off at Dundas and either take a #505 streetcar two stops west (then go north on Chesnut St.), or walk the 2-3 blocks.

Note: Please RSVP to **Susan Murray** by Fri. Sept. 8, 979-4372.

## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 1988-1989

\* **Nov. 18/88** CE course for MLA credit: Marketing Information Services to Top Management by **Rya Ben-Shir**, MacNeal Hospital (Illinois)

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Queen Elizabeth Hospital

N.B. see enclosed Registration Form

\* **Dec. 5/88** Christmas Social

5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Staff House,

Princess Margaret Hospital

\* **Jan. 16/89** Copyright by **Liz Avison**, U. of T. Audio-Visual Library and **Ann Rae**, U. of T. Faculty of Law.

Time: 7-9 p.m.

U. of T., Sigmund Samuel

Library, Alice Moulton Rm

\* **Feb. 22/89** Database Management (workshop covering the basics of databases using dBase III as an example) by **Dorothy Davey**, Medical Information Services & **Ken Ladd**, Toronto Inst. Med. Technolgy.

Time: 4-8 p.m.

Tor. Inst. Med. Tech.

\* **Apr. 11/89** End-User Searching (training programs developed by McMaster U. Health Sci. Lib.) by **Linda Baker**, McMaster U. Health Sci. Lib.

Time: 7-9 p.m.

Toronto Western Hospital

\* **May 15/89** Annual Dinner Meeting

Speaker: **Bob Rae** NDP Provincial Leader.

Time: 5:30 (cocktails)

6:30 - 9 p.m. (dinner)

Massey College

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION

**Intoduction to Online Searching**  
Date: Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6/88  
(evenings)

Place: FLIS, U of T  
Instructor: **Ruth Von Fuchs**  
Info: **Marcia Chen**, 978-7111

**Tips for Selecting and Cus-  
tomizing Software**

Date: Sept. 28/88  
Instructor: **Miriam Ryan**  
Info: **Felicity Pickup**, 978-2301  
Sponsor: CAIS/CASLIS

**Relational Databases**

Date: Sept. 30/88, evening  
Place: FLIS, U of T  
Instructor: **Sally Grande**  
Info: **Marcia Chen**, 978-7111

**Relationship of Indexing and  
Technical Writing**

Date: Oct. 13/88, 7:30 p.m.  
Place: FLIS, U of T, Faculty  
Lounge  
Cost: Free

Instructors: **Roy Hartschorn**  
(IBM) and **David Gow** (IASC)  
Sponsor: IASC (Indexing &  
Abstracting Society of Canada)  
Info: **Chris Blackburn**, 491-4857

**Current Issues in Librarianship**

Date: Oct. 19/88, 6 p.m.  
Place: Metro Central Reference  
Library, Meeting Room D  
Instructor: **Vivienne Monty**  
Sponsor: TALTA (Toronto Area  
Library Technicians Assoc.)  
Info: **Catherine Honkawa**, 224-  
1761, ext. 223

**Direct Elections for  
Metropolitan Toronto**

Date: Oct. 20/88, Buffet lunch-  
eon  
Place: Holiday Inn  
Sponsor: SLA  
Info: **Lester Webb**, 866-3952  
**Cathy Burke**, 869-1130

**Records Management**

Date: Oct. 28/88  
Place: FLIS, U of T  
Instructor: **Caroline Werle**  
Info: **Marcia Chen**, 978-7111

**Video in Your Library**

Date: Nov. 2/88, all day  
Sponsor: OLA & CLA  
Info: **Jean Weihs** (OLA),  
961-6027

**Creative Problem Solving**

Date: Nov. 3-5/88 (Annual Con-  
ference)  
Place: Royal York Hotel  
Sponsor: OLA  
Info: **Jean Weihs**, 961-6027



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## CONFERENCE TROTTING

**UNYOC in Toronto**  
**Oct. 12-15, 1988**  
**Loew's Westbury Hotel**

CE Courses Offered:

Wed. Oct. 12:

**Getting the Most out of the Library's Micro.**

(\$85/\$100 non-members)

**Medline on NLM and BRS:  
a Comparison of Search Capabilities. (\$75.)**

Sat. Oct. 15:

**Data for Decision-Making.**

(\$110/\$125 non-members)

**Medline Search Strategy.**

(\$30.)

This year's conference, with the theme "Discover Your Worth", will re-evaluate the role of the information provider in the changing health care environment. For registration information contact: **Mary Anne Trainor**, Chair

UNYOC 1988 Registration Committee

McMaster University  
Health Sciences Lib.  
1200 Main St. W.  
Hamilton, Ont. L8N 3Z5

**OHLA**  
**Oct. 17, 1988**  
**Metro Toronto Convention Centre**

The theme is "Thin Ice: Legal & Ethical Hazards of Providing Medical Information", and afternoon sessions will discuss copyright and the implications of the impending legislation.

Courses at this conference take place on Oct. 16:

**Career Self-Management Strategies** (\$110/\$135 non-members)

**Basic Cataloguing** (\$80/\$100 non-members)

For further information contact **Dora McPherson** at University Hospital in London: (519) 663-3465.

### Telemedicine Program for Hospital Libraries

Sept. 23 "Choosing a Micro for your Library" with **Mike Ridley**.

Nov. 4 "The Roles of CISTI & HSRC and How They Help the Hospital Librarian" with **Maureen Wong**.

Nov. 25 "A.V. Sources and Uses in the Health Sciences" with **Claire Callaghan**.

Dec. 16 "Pay Equity & Job Descriptions" with **Susan Hendricks**.

Feb. 3 "Electronic Mail" with **Mike Ridley**.

Information: **Jennifer Bayne**, 595-3549.

Cost: \$65.00/program/site

## INTEREST GROUPS

### **DISABILITY RESOURCE LIBRARY NETWORK**

The last meeting of the DRLN was hosted by **Ann Chin** at Lyndhurst Hospital May 25/88. Included at this well-attended meeting were 2 new members, **Marcia Douglas** from the Workers' Compensation Board and **Miriam Ticoll** from the G. Allan

**Toronto Health Libraries Association**



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Roeher Inst. The highlights of the meeting were the information exchange by members, especially concerning automation, and a tour of the Lyndhurst Library, an enviably modern and well-lit facility.

The next meeting will be held on Sept. 27 in the Metro Toronto Reference Library AV Dept., at 2:30. For further information, contact **Maureen Perez** at 393-7101.

**Teresa Helik**  
DRLN Secretary

## MICROCOMPUTER INTEREST GROUP

Due to poor attendance, the Microcomputer Interest Group is being suspended. For the time being, its activities will be integrated into the main THLA program, with one of the upcoming general meetings dedicated to microcomputer technology. That meeting will be on Feb. 22, and its subject will be database management for small libraries. Future plans for this interest group will be reassessed after that meeting. Please call **Ken Ladd** at 596-3124 if you have any comments on the group.

## CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The Needs Analysis Study (NAS) has been conducted over the summer months by **Bonnie Campbell** of Campbell Consulting Limited. To aid in the preparation of her Report, and to obtain representative librarian input relating to the issues involved in the Study, she has conducted a number of in-person interviews, and held two focus group meetings. The

Draft Final Report was presented to the members of the Consultative Committee on August 22. Subsequently, it will be distributed to members of the Toronto area library community encompassed by the NAS, and to their CEO's for review and comment.

## FACES & PLACES

**Eleanor Hayes** is retiring from her position in the Library at Mount Sinai Hospital at the end of August 1988. She has been a long-time member of THLA, and has made major contributions to its activities. Most recently she edited the 5th edition of the THLA Union List. We express to her our heartfelt appreciation for her many efforts, and wish her health and happiness in the interests she pursues this Fall.

We extend to **Jennifer Bayne** our sincere sympathy on the death of her sister in early August.

The **Faculty of Dentistry Library** has had to cancel virtually all of its non-dental journal holdings. About the only exceptions are journals in the areas of anatomy, anaesthesia and radiology.