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Editors' Corner

With this issue you will be receiving your copy of the THLA Membership List for 1988-89. Those people who have not yet renewed will be missing from this list and will also not be receiving the NEWS. We've noticed a few familiar names missing and we will point this out to those members when we see them. Back issues of the NEWS and membership lists can be obtained upon renewal.

As the leaves stop falling, and get raked away for the winter, our thoughts turn to our next meetings: the deadline for registration for the Nov. 18 continuing ed. course has been changed to Nov. 11. See further details in the Inside Circuit. Of course you won't want to miss our friendly Christmas social on Dec. 5. Mark it on your calendars now.

Our president Tsai-O Wong has included in this issue highlights on happenings within CHLA, which should prove informative to our members. If you've been wondering what's happened

to the Union List, see the update in this issue.

Anne Kubjas

Editor

INSIDE CIRCUIT

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I was overjoyed to see so many of you at our first meeting on Sept. 14th. Maggie Weaver, Dialog Coordinator of Micromedia/Dialog, gave an excellent presentation on "Effective Writing Skills". We appreciate her generosity for sharing her expertise with us free of charge. A "Thank You" also to the Faculty of Dentistry Library staff for hosting the meeting, and providing such a beautiful lecture theatre. Gestures like these allow us to really stretch our budget.

Some of you have already registered for the November 18 C.E. Course on "Marketing and Intrapreneurship: Marketing Library

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Services to Top Administrators." I would strongly encourage anyone who has not yet registered to do so before the Nov. 11 deadline. This workshop, given by Rya Ben-Shir, has received very favourable evaluations from the Ottawa Hospital Libraries, and the Maritime Government and Special Libraries groups. Rya, a graduate of McGill University, frequently speaks at conventions and gives workshops in both Canada and the United States.

The next newsletter won't be published until the New Year, so please RSVP for our annual Christmas social on December 5th -- Same place! Same time! Let's have some fun (a lot) and network (a little)!

Tsai-o Wong
President

THLA FALL MEETING

THLA's first general meeting, held on Wednesday Sept. 14 at the Faculty of Dentistry, U. of T., was attended by about 64 members. Maggie Weaver, Dialog Coordinator of Micromedia, speaking on "Effective Business Writing", provided a comprehensive overview of the writing process. She covered the following aspects: approaches to

writing; purpose; audience; structure; the draft; style; design; revisions; and editing and reviewing. A very useful handout was distributed to those present. A few extra copies are available from Susan Murray (979-4372). Maggie also recommended the following books:

Canadian Secretary's Handbook. 2nd ed. Don Mills, Ont. : Collier-Macmillan, 1983.

Editing Canadian English. Prepared by the Freelance Editors' Assoc. of Can. Vancouver: Douglas and McIntyre, 1987.

Plattor, Emma. WEP: A Handbook for Writing, Editing, and Publishing. 2nd ed. Toronto: Gage, 1980.

Special thanks to Susan Murray, Susan Goddard and Margot Froud of the Faculty of Dentistry Library for arranging the room. Refreshments were provided by THLA.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 1988-1989

Nov. 18/88 Continuing Education Course It is not too late to register for the all-day workshop "Marketing and Intrapreneurship." Tsai-O Wong has heard Rya Ben-Shir speak at the 1988 MLA Conference and was most impressed. Ms. Ben-Shir has made presentations at numerous conferences, conducted

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many workshops and published in the areas of marketing and computer software. Before her present position at the MacNeal Hospital, she was a librarian at McGill University Medical Library and the Jewish Rehabilitation Hospital in Montreal.

Date: Nov. 18/88, 9 a.m.-
5 p.m.
Registration: 8:30-
9 a.m.

Topic: Marketing
Information Services to
Top Managers

Place: Queen Elizabeth
Hospital
Lecture Theatre
550 University Ave.

Directions: Queen
Elizabeth Hospital is on
the northwest corner of
University Avenue and
Dundas Street.

By car: not
advisable; parking is
limited and expensive.
There are parking lots at
Mt. Sinai, City Hall,
Village by the Grange and
on Centre Street (one
block east of University
Avenue at Dundas).

By TTC: the better
way. Nearest subway stop
is St. Patrick's on the
University line; on the
Bloor-Danforth line, get
off at Dundas & take a
#505 streetcar three
stops west.

Plan to attend and do
yourself and your library

a favour!

Registration form
deadline Nov. 11, 88,
with name, organization,
address and telephone
number.

Current THLA Member
\$50.00
Non-member
\$60.00
Retired/Stud/Unemp
\$30.00

Please make cheque
payable to: Toronto
Health Libraries
Association and send to
Susan Murray/Dentistry
Library.

Dec. 5/88 Christmas
Holiday Social

Time: 5:30-9 p.m.
5:30-6 p.m. Cash Bar

6 p.m. Dinner

Place: Ontario Cancer
Institute
Staff House
2 Wellesley Place

Directions:
Wellesley Place is north
of Wellesley between
Jarvis & Sherbourne.
There is limited parking
on Wellesley Place in the
hospital parking lot.

Cost:
Tickets will be available
at the door and will
include food, a glass of
wine and a chance on door
prizes.
\$6.00 members
\$8.00 guests

R.S.V.P.
Nov. 30/88
Susan Murray, 979-4372

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Volunteers:

Needed to make decadent desserts (crispy cookies, tantalizing tortes & trifles, phenomenal pies and calorie-laden cakes). Please phone Susan Murray at 979-4372.

Come or risk missing the social event of the season!!!

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Creative Problem Solving (this was incorrectly listed in the last THLA News as the title of the OLA Conference)

Date: Nov. 17/88, evening

Sponsor: SLA

Info: Lester Webb, 866-3952

Cathie Burke, 869-1130

Labour Relations:
Managing the Problem
Employee

Date: Nov. 18/88, all day workshop

Sponsor: CASLIS/CLA

Info: Martha Foote, 369-7285 (CASLIS)

Cataloguing with a Micro

Date: Nov. 25/88, 8:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Place: FLIS, U of T

Cost: \$101 before Nov. 11 ; \$115 after Nov. 11

Instructor: Lynne Howarth

Info: Marcia Chen, 978-7111

More Skills in Online Searching: Using Microcomputers for Accessing Online Files, Downloading and Editing Search Results

Date: Dec. 9/88, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Place: FLIS, U of T

Cost: \$101 before Nov. 24; \$115 after Nov. 24

Instructor: Ellen Jones

Info: Marcia Chen, 978-7111

Canada Online Conference

Date: Dec. 12-14/88

Place: Sheraton Centre

Info: Renee Roy, 593-5211

INTEREST GROUPS

DISABILITY RESOURCE
LIBRARY NETWORK

The last meeting of the DRLN was held on Tues. Sept. 27th at the Metropolitan Toronto Reference Library (MTRL), hosted by Maureen Perez. The Highlights of the meeting included discussions of the co-ordination of DRLN and THLA activities and the future direction of DRLN programming. Several videos from the MTRL collection on serving the disabled were shown. The next meeting will take place on November 22nd. For further information contact Maureen Perez.

Teresa Helik

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CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The Final Report of the Needs Assessment Study, is entitled Linking Libraries : a Needs Assessment Study for the Development of a Health Science Resources & Information Network for the Metropolitan Toronto Area. On October 6,

1988, the Consultant, Bonnie Campbell, presented a summation of this Final Report to Toronto area health librarians. The Report recommended the establishment of a library consortium for the Toronto area, and this recommendation was accepted in principle by those attending the meeting.

The Consultative Committee will continue to meet to plan and implement the consortium concept. Tsai-o Wong has joined the membership of the Consultative Committee.

the next 3 months. The time-consuming process of editing of members' holdings, verification of titles, planning, evaluation, etc. would be handled later for a 6th edition. These new titles would not need to be added again.

The Committee has not yet decided on an efficient and cost-effective mechanism for production of a full new edition. A new factor to be considered is the possible formation of a formal network, which has as one of its mandates the production of a union list.

If members have any comments or concerns regarding this recommendation, please contact the chairperson as soon as possible.

Elizabeth Reid
Chairperson
369-5750

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THLA Union List Update

The Union List of Periodicals Strategic Planning Committee, with THLA executive approval, has recommended the production of a supplement to the 5th edition of the Union List. The goal is to provide a holdings list of only brand new titles, that can be compiled quickly with minimum effort required, within

Projects for FLIS Students

The course "Health Sciences Information Resources" will be given at the Faculty of Library and Information Science in the Spring term (January to April 1989). Health Sciences Librarians who have a project for a FLIS student are invited to submit a one to two page project description. The project should take approximately 30 hours to complete and must result in a final report that

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can be evaluated by the supervising librarian and the instructor. Project descriptions should include: project title, brief description, list of tasks involved in the project, and the name, address, and telephone number of the supervisor. Send the project descriptions to Joanne Marshall, Faculty of Library and Information Science, 140 St. George Street, University of Toronto, Toronto M5S 1A1. For further information contact Joanne at 978-4664.

Sources for Information Course

Maggie Weaver (our speaker at the Fall General meeting) also teaches the Sources of Information course in the Information Studies programme at Ryerson, and has kindly supplied us with the course descriptions. Anyone wishing more information about any of these courses should call the Program Co-ordinator Marilyn Cornwell at 979-5180.

CHLA Communication Highlights

The membership fees for 1989-90 are:
\$45.00 - regular member
\$55.00 - subscription to BMC
\$65.00 - Institutional

membership

\$25.00-Emeritus & Student
\$2,500.00 - Sustaining membership

Future Annual Conferences:

1989 - Ottawa (May 28-30, 1989)
1990 - Edmonton (June 10-13, 1990)

Mailing Label Cost:

\$40.00 per set for chapters, other associations and individuals with the proviso that the information mailed provides some benefit to the CHLA/ABSC

CHLA developed a 2-page fact sheet (No. 1) "Facisimile Transmission"

Two New Chapters

Northwestern Ontario Health Libraries Association
W.W.D. (Wellington, Waterloo, & Dufferin) Health Library Network

Special Committee on MIS/WMS (Management Information Systems/Workload Measurement Statistics):
Jan Greenwood, J. Van Reenen, and Susan Hendricks have been asked to take part.

A CHLA member, Frances Groen, is now president-elect of the Medical Library Association

"Hospital Library Standards" task force, chaired by Jan Greenwood has been working very hard for the past year.

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It is now at a draft-revision stage.

CISTI News

CISTI is currently running a pilot project to test the use of telefacsimile transmission. A policy may be in place by the end of 1988.

I.L.L. Policy: CISTI will now accept ten (10) Urgent I.L.L. requests per week rather than two (2) per day.

FACES & PLACES

To members of the Toronto Health Libraries Association :

Thank you for your gift in celebration of my retirement. The tickets to Roy Thompson Hall are a wonderful gift. I see they are not only for the auditorium but may also be used to purchase items from the boutique.

The boutique has a good selection of records. My first purchase will be a recording of Glen Gould playing Beethoven's Eroica Variations.

I have not decided on the auditorium visits yet. But I am looking forward to an exciting year.

I shall try to "grow old gracefully," listening to beautiful music.

Thank you again for

your thoughtfulness.
Sincerely, Eleanor Hayes

A son, Andrew, was born on July 2, 1988 to Helen Kurnuta and her husband Richard.

Congratulations to Eva Gulbinowicz for successfully completing her Ph. D.

We extend to Margaret Robins our sincere sympathy on the passing of her mother in August.

Our best wishes go to Gayle Casey, who was married to Brian Fitzgerald on Oct. 29, 1988.

Teresa Helik has left her position at the CNIB library to become Head of Technical Services at the C.C. Clemmer Health Sciences Library of the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College.

MARKETPLACE

The CRCO is looking for a Library Technician to catalogue disability-related literature, according to a special classification scheme. Knowledge and judgement in this subject matter is required. Other responsibilities include typing, maintaining records, statistics, compilation of bibliographies and on-line activities directed

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by the librarian.
Contact Maureen Vasey,
(Canadian Rehabilitation
Council for the Disabled,
Suite 2110, One Yonge
St., Toronto, M5E 1E5).

The CRCD is also
looking for a Data Entry
Clerk to enter data into
a library system on an
IBM computer. Applicant
must have excellent
typing skills and data
entry experience.
Knowledge of DBase 3 or 4
is an asset. Contact
Mona Zaccak at the CRCD.

The Hamilton Academy
of Medicine and Hamilton
Civic Hospitals
(Hamilton General
Division) are seeking a
Librarian for their
combined library to be
responsible for all
Library functions.
Please submit resume by
Nov. 15, 1988 to Human
Resources Department,
Hamilton Civic Hospitals,
237 Barton Street East.,
Hamilton, Ontario, L8L
2X2.

The library provides
service to the members of
the Academy of Medicine,
as well as, all levels of
employees of the Hamilton
General & works with
other libraries in the
Hamilton-Wentworth Health
Library Network. The
Academy has over 800
members. The hospital is
a 415 bed teaching
hospital affiliated with
McMaster University.
The position reports to
the Vice President of the
Hamilton Civic Hospitals
(General Division).

There are plans to
hire a full time Library
Technician in the coming
year.

Minimum requirements
are an M.L.S. Excellent
personal communication
skills are required.
Experience in a Health
Sciences Library and on-
line searching skills are
assets.

Seeking Library Position,
Rodica Ben Dor has a B.A.
in English Language and
Literature and Library
Education equivalent to
an M.L.S. She has 4
years experience in a
University Library. She
speaks English, French,
Romanian, Hebrew and a
little Japanese.
Please call 730-9263.

Available to a good home:
Medical and Health Care
Books and Serials in
Print 1986

Please contact: Dentistry
Library 979-4560 (We can
send out via HPI)