

# THLA NEWS

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## Editors' Corner

The Health Science Resources and Information Consortium began operation officially on January 1, 1990. After 2 3/4 years of diligent work by members of the Consultative Committee, there is a formal Toronto library network in place. The interim Management Committee is currently reviewing applications for a Consortium Director. All Consortium members can look forward to the Annual General Meeting in the fall. In the meantime, members will be receiving an update facts sheet, soon. This issue of the NEWS salutes the Consortium, and extends best wishes for an on-going effective partnership among all participants in this new venture.

There are a number of forms included with this issue. One is the Ballot for the election of our 1990-91 THLA Executive. (Blue) Biographical sketches of the candidates are on an attached page. (Grey). Please participate in this election by completing the Ballot and returning it to Tsai-O Wong before April 20, 1990.

Another form is an RSVP for the annual THLA Dinner Meeting in May. (Salmon) Eva Gulbinowicz has requested that we return the RSVP forms, accompanied by a cheque for payment, by May 1, 1990. The members of the THLA Executive will be introduced at this meeting.

The next issue of the THLA NEWS is due for publication in June. It is the last issue for this THLA year, and the copy deadline is June 1, 1990. We invite your contributions.

Marjory Morphy  
Editor

## INSIDE CIRCUIT

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Some of you may have already heard that I'll be leaving the Faculty of Dentistry Library at the end of February. I will not be going to another health sciences library, but back to my original interest - film. Anyone who knows me well knows that every September I run around for ten days straight rushing from obscure foreign film to

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obscure foreign film - in 1989 I think I saw fifty films (and that's while still working). I will be the Chief Librarian of a yet unnamed merging of the Ontario Film Institute and the Festival of Festivals (the people who run the wildly successful film festival every September). My new phone number is 967-7371 (FAX 967-9477) and I'll be at 69 Yorkville ave., Suite 205 until mid-May when our building at 70 Carlton Street is renovated.

Although I will no longer be employed in the health science, this does not mean that I will be "dropping out." I intend to complete my terms as President and Past-President and carry out all attendant duties. Frankly, I would miss all of you too much not to continue : the people I have met through my involvement in THLA are first-rate. I hope that you won't mind if I call upon many of you to supplement the information and skills that I'll be needing in my new position.

Back to business...

**Rita Shaughnessy** deserves much credit for organizing the balanced and stimulating January 22nd program on primary care medicine. Presentations by herself, Dr. Wilfrid Palmer and Lynn Dunikowski elicited many questions from THLA members.

Just after our January newsletter came out, I received a letter from W.R. Maes, Chair and CHLA Representative of the Joint ILL Committee which CHLA/ABSC initiated in response to Recommendation 3 of the Flower Report: "A Joint SRCMSL/CHLA Committee should be established to study interlibrary loans in the health sciences sector, and to make recommendations on a) ways to manage the volume; b) ways to rationalize costs; and c) ways to improve delivery time." (p.84)

The Joint Committee meets again in April 1990 and it would be most appreciated if THLA members could send any comments or suggestions to **W.R. Maes** by April 1st. As **Mr. Maes** said in his letter, "Input from the Chapters on this matter is essential in order to ensure that any recommended changes will be beneficial to the membership and to the health sciences library community at large." Please take a moment to respond to the "Comment Sheet for Interlibrary Loan Discussion" reproduced later in this newsletter. (Ivory)



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I know that I'm particularly looking forward to our April 9th meeting at the Clarke Institute on "Jack the Ripper: Psychiatric Profile" (it must be my history background). **Rosemary Ulliyot** assures me that **Dr. Steve Hucker** is a mesmerizing speaker and there will be appropriate audio-visual enhancements. You'll also have a chance to visit the library and enjoy a light supper beforehand beginning at 6 p.m. Please be sure to R.S.V.P. to **Rosemary** at 979-6820 so that the food can be arranged.

Since Massey College was such a successful site for last year's annual dinner meeting, we decided to try it again. Our speaker will be **Paula Caplan**, author of The myth of women's masochism and Don't blame mother: mending the mother-daughter relationship. Be sure to attend on May 14th or live to regret it.

Last, but by no means least, VOTE! And if you thought about running for office this year but put it aside for one reason or another, let me know if you're interested for 1991-92

**Susan Murray**  
President

TORONTO HEALTH LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION  
JANUARY MEETING  
22 JANUARY 1990  
WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOSPITAL

TOPIC: PRIMARY CARE MEDICINE: TRENDS, INFORMATION NEEDS, RESOURCES

SPEAKERS: **DR. WILFRED PALMER**, CHAIRMAN, DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & COMMUNITY MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
**LYNN DUNIKOWSKI**, LIBRARIAN, COLLEGE OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS OF CANADA, UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO  
**RITA SHAUGHNESSY**, LIBRARIAN, DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY & COMMUNITY MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

ATTENDANCE: 20

**RITA** discussed the results of a survey which she had sent to the membership and spoke about the Department of Family & Community Medicine. She identified primary health care as the part of the health care system characterized by first contact care, comprehensive and integrated care, and care provided over a period of time.

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**Dr. Palmer** called his talk "The Second Medical Revolution: from Biomedicine to Infomedicine". He described the first medical revolution as the science of disease. The second medical revolution involves an information model that is a self organizing system responding to multiple interactive external and internal programs.

**Lynn** described the Canadian Library of Family Medicine. She described the Library's involvement with the production of FAMLI. She also reviewed the quality, scope and quantity of journals in the Primary Care field and spoke of the importance of indexing the information they contain.

**Lynn** and **Rita** compared their institutions (**Lynn** has no collection but uses UWO's collection; **Rita** is located off site at U of T and has her own collection). They discussed the databases they use, types of questions asked, and methods of disseminating information.

To end the session, **Dr. Palmer** showed a videotape used in training Primary Care physicians and **Lynn** demonstrated PS II Caseload, a computer program based on patient case histories.

The speakers were introduced and thanked by **Eva Gulbinowicz**. Thanks to **Margaret Robbins** and the Department of Family & Community Medicine for arranging the facilities and refreshments.

## FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

April 9, 1990

TOPIC: Jack the Ripper: Psychiatric Profile

PRESENTER: **Dr. Steve Hucker** - Director, Forensic Psychiatry Unit, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry

PLACE: Clarke Institute of Psychiatry

TIME: 6:00 P.M. Light supper - 2nd floor, followed  
by short library tour.  
7:00 P.M. Meeting in Auditorium

PARKING: Underground parking at the Clarke is approx. \$3.00. There is also some street parking available.

R.S.V.P.: to **Eva Gulbinowicz**, at 965-2561, by April 4, 1990.

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May 14, 1990

## ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

TOPIC: The myth of women's masochism and Don't blame mother: mending the mother-daughter relationship.

SPEAKER: Dr. Paula Caplan

PLACE: Massey College  
University of Toronto  
4 Devonshire Place

TIME: 6:30 Cocktails (Senior Common Room)  
7:30 Dinner (Great Hall)

MENU: Consomme au Sherry  
Salmon  
Cheesecake  
Coffee or Tea

COST: \$27.00 (members)  
\$32.00 (non-members)

DIRECTIONS: Massey College is on the corner of Hoskin Ave. and Devonshire Place (one block east of St. George St.) Take the TTC to the St. George subway stop, and walk south on Devonshire Place. (Devonshire Place is on the west side of Varsity Arena). There are parking lots on Devonshire Place and on St. George St.

R.S.V.P.: to Eva Gulbinowicz by May 1, 1990. Please use enclosed form (SALMON), and include cheque made payable to the Toronto Health Libraries Association.

NOTE: Those with dietary restrictions, please inform Eva Gulbinowicz as soon as possible, please.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

Later in this issue of the NEWS you will read a report of a recent Teleconference on Personal File Management, presented by Linda Devore, on March 6, 1990. Jan Greenwood says that it was an excellent presentation. Upcoming Teleconferences are addressing other important library issues, and you may want to attend.

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## TELEMEDICINE SERIES

10 April 1990

TOPIC: The MIS Guidelines: Their impact on Hospital Libraries

PRESENTER: Susan Hendricks

1 May 1990

TOPIC: Strategic Planning of Health Sciences Libraries

PRESENTER: Dorothy Fitzgerald

22 May 1990

TOPIC: Role of the Library Technician in the Hospital Library

PRESENTER: Sonia Hollins

12 June 1990

TOPIC: Update from the CHLA Annual Meeting in Edmonton

PRESENTER: Joanne Marshall and members of the CHLA Executive

DAY and TIME: Each Teleconference is on a Tuesday, from 11 - 11:45 A.M.

SERIES MODERATOR: Jennifer Bayne  
Fudger Library  
Toronto General Hospital  
340-3429

## INTEREST GROUPS

### UNION LIST COMMITTEE

The members of the Union List Committee are reviewing responses to journal holdings information updates provided by Union List library participants. This is a detail-oriented task, requiring a great deal of the committee members' time and effort. They require all the support we can give them. The members of this committee include:

Elizabeth Reid - Chair and Secretary  
Eleanor Hayes - Coordinator  
Dorothy Davey  
Mary Smith  
Cathy Lindsey-King  
Pat Fillery - Editor

The contact person is Eleanor Hayes. Her phone number is 767-8522.

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## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

1. The CHLA/ABSC Annual Conference is being held in Edmonton, Alberta on June 9-13, 1990. The theme is **HEALTH INFORMATION FOR ALL**. The Conference fee is \$150.00 for members and \$170.00 for non-members. For further information about the Conference please contact:

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University of Alberta  
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Telephone: (403) 432-2325  
Envoy: AEU.J SCOTT

Those travelling to Edmonton are encouraged to note the following information. For every 30 people booking air travel through the Air Canada Conference Line, CHLA will receive a free ticket. There will be a draw for these ticket(s) at the Annual General Meeting and all conference registrants will be eligible to win. The Air Canada Conference Line number is 1-800-361-7585. Please quote CHLA's Conference registration number 90-284 when you book

2. CHLA/ABSC Standards Update - see attached.

3. JCAHO Standards Revision - see attached.

4. CHLA/ABSC Task Force on the CHA/MIS Guidelines - see attached.

5. Telemedicine Teleconference: Personal File Management Software - see attached.

### CHLA/ABSC STANDARDS UPDATE

The response by CHLA members to the current draft of the **CCHFA Standards** has been generally very positive. Such comments and criticisms I have received that seem to meet the consensus of hospital librarians throughout Canada will be incorporated into a final submission to CCHFA on March 19.

CHLA is now faced with the task of adapting the "Library Services" section of the **CCHFA Draft** for interpretation by small health facilities. If any THLA hospital librarians have ideas about how best to do this I would be very pleased to hear from them. Unfortunately, CCHFA requires a response by March 30.



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## JCAHO Standards Revision

Some THLA members may have seen an encouraging item in the January 1990 issue of **MLA NEWS**. It appears that the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations plans to make the provision of library services a "key" indicator for evaluating hospitals in the U.S. More details from this article will be reported in **BMC 11(4)**.

**Jan Greenwood**

Chair, CHLA/ABSC Task Force on Hospital Libraries

## CHLA/ABSC Task Force on the CHA/MIA Guidelines

A pilot project to pave the way for establishing an average-time formula for workload measurement systems in health libraries has just been completed. Three THLA hospital libraries participated.

The data from the project will be tabulated and analysed during March and the results published in **BMC**. A panel on workload measurement systems is to be offered at the 1990 CHLA/ABSC Annual Conference and Susan Hendricks, Co-chair of the Task Force, will be looking at the impact of the MIS Guidelines on hospitals in the Telemedicine program scheduled for April 10.

**Jan Greenwood**

Secretary, Task Force

## Telemedicine Teleconference: Personal File Management Software

On March 6 **Linda Devore** gave an excellent teleconference presentation on a topic of growing interest to librarians: personal file management software.

Under discussion were such factors as the role of the library in providing end-user support, the necessity for conducting a needs assessment, how to determine whether to automate personal files, and the various software options available. A caveat to one question about "free-ware" and "share-ware": it is through such packages that computer viruses are likely to enter your system.

Among the impressive handouts were sample screens from 4 software packages, a significant bibliography and a list of packages with pricing information and the availability of demo disks. **Jan Greenwood** had the awesome challenge of moderating for **Jennifer Bayne** who was attending a conference in Washington, D.C.

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## MARKETPLACE

### POSITION AVAILABLE

#### QUEENSWAY GENERAL HOSPITAL

Full-time Library Technician: Q.G.H. is a 309 bed acute care community hospital and requires a Library Technician with excellent interpersonal and organizational skills. This is an opportunity to exercise your library expertise. The successful applicant would be responsible for acquiring, organizing and processing library materials and assisting in the provision of reference services, along with processing interlibrary loans to extend user access to outside resources. Qualifications: A graduate of a recognized Library Technicians course, preferably with previous experience in a health care library. Word processing is also required. Please submit resumes to:

Human Resources Department  
Queensway General Hospital  
150 Sherway Drive  
Etobicoke, Ontario  
M9C 1A5

### POSITION AVAILABLE

#### UNIV. OF TORONTO, DENTISTRY LIBRARY

POSITION: LIBRARIAN I OR II (CONTRACT)  
PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT: May 1/90 - Dec. 31/91

QUALIFICATIONS: Grad. of accred. lib. school. Experience in an academic or special library. Flexibility, ability to communicate effectively in oral & written English, and the ability to work effectively with students, staff, faculty and external users of the library. Relevant cataloguing experience. Experience in online database searching and ability to work independently.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Orig. cataloguing, supervision of derived cataloguing. Online & CD-ROM searching, assistance with end-user searching. Providing ref. service, lib. instruction & demonstrations of the CD-ROM system. Assistance w. collection development & projects such as inventory & stack shifts. Other library duties as required.

SALARY RANGE: LIB I: \$27,500 LIB II: \$30,100 - \$36,400

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Send written applications to: **Ms. Lisa Raftis**, Manager, Personnel Services, Robarts Library Personnel Services Department, 130 St. George St., Toronto, Ont. M5S 1A5 by **March 30, 1990.**

## POSITION WANTED

**Khatija Mohammed**, a Seneca Library Technician Graduate seeks full-time employment within a healthcare environment. Please contact **Khatija** at 288-2402.

## FACES & PLACES

**Susan Hudson**, formerly Manager of the Scientific Information Centre at Warner Lambert Canada has branched out into Retail Pharmacy which also involves Medical/Scientific/Business Information Services. **Susan** continues as part of the THLA Editorial Team and may be reached at 922-3333 or at 968-7484.

**Lynda Robbins** is the first librarian at the recently opened Markham Stouffville Hospital and has responsibilities for audiovisual services, as well as the library.

**Marcia J. Douglas** is no longer with the WCB Reference Library, having recently accepted a position with the records management firm, Arenburg Consultants Ltd.

**Sandra Albanese** is the new library assistant at the Ontario Medical Association, replacing Jenny Dunlop who is now at home in Burlington enjoying motherhood.

**Violet Skory** is now at the recently established York County Hospital Health Science Library and is the library's first full-time staff person.



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## DIRECTORY ADDITIONS AND CHANGES

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## LAST MINUTE UPDATES - DIRECTORY ADDITIONS & CHANGES

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The Toronto Institute of Medical Technology (TIMT)  
is now called The Mitchener Institute for Applied  
Health Sciences



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## LAST MINUTE UPDATE - FACES & PLACES

Sharon Virtue is now Manager, Health Sciences Library at Doctors Hospital. For the past 2 years she was an Information Specialist at Northern Telecom, and prior to that she was Resource Centre Manager at the Palliative Care Foundation.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Library at Doctors Hosp. will be moving this summer (June/July). This will necessitate an interruption of library services offered to THLA members until September. In preparation, extensive weeding of the book and serial collections is underway. The 6th ed. of the THLA Union List of Serials will not accurately reflect Doctors Hospital's serials holdings for this reason.



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## THLA SOFTWARE SURVEY

Eleven libraries responded to our software survey which was included in the November 1989 issue of the THLA News. If your library does have software (excluding word processing) and you overlooked the survey, please send in your information.

In all cases, the wording used in the survey results is that submitted by the reporting library. If the information is unclear or incomplete for your purposes, please contact the library in question.

### Library Acronyms

BOG	-	Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care
CFS	-	Centre for Forensic Sciences
CL	-	Connaught Laboratories
CMCC	-	Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College
CS	-	Concord Scientific Corporation
MSH	-	Mount Sinai Hospital
NYG	-	North York General Hospital
OML	-	Ontario Ministry of Labour
TWH	-	Toronto Western Hospital
UTD	-	University of Toronto, Faculty of Dentistry
WCH	-	Women's College Hospital

<u>Name of Software</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Library Application</u>
BASIS	OML	Library periodicals index, online library book catalog, decisions of Employment Standards Branch
Biblio links 1.1	CS	Download link from DIALOG/MEDLARS to Pro-Cite
Bibliofile	CMCC	Derived cataloguing
Card Datalog	CMCC WCH	Integrated library system " " "
CCInfodisc	CS	Occupational health and safety / WHMIS on CD-ROM
Cross Talk 3.5	CS	Communications
Current Contents	CFS	Ordering reprints, downloading data for database creation
dBASE III	OML	Database management
dBASE III+	CS MSH	Serials control Holdings, housestaff list, MSH patient education, resource directory
dBASE IV	NYG UTD	Book & journal purchases, card catalogue since January 1989 Serials holding list

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	TWH	Serials holding list, acquisitions list, house-staff list, reports
Empress 42	CFS	Automated slide catalogue, acquisitions, reprint files, circulation
GratefulMed	CFS	Searching MEDLINE
INMAGIC 7.1	CS CL	Library catalogue & applications Collection catalogues
Lotus 1-2-3	MSH OML	Statistics Budgeting & statistics
Norton Utilities	CFS	Editing online searches, changing directories & files, reconstituting data
Oracle	OML	Hansard index
PC-Talk	CFS	Telecommunications
PC-UT	OML	Telecommunications
PFM	OML	File management
Printmaster	UTD	Graphics for newsletter
Pro-Cite 1.4	CS	Bibliographies
ProComm +	OMCC CFS OML	Communications - online searching Online searching, uploading and downloading data Telecommunications
Rapidfile	CFS	HPLC database
Reference Manager	MSH UTD	Specialized bibliographies, end-user training Staff articles
Sidekick	OML	Journal & daily organizer
Smartcom	TWH	Online searching
Sydney	BOG MSH	Cataloguing, circulation, acquisitions lists (eventually, serials control) Cataloguing (eventually, serials, acquisitions and circulation)
Symphony	OML	Statistics, spreadsheet applications
Telix	OML	Telecommunications
Ventura	CFS	Newsletter production