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Why CHLA/ABSC Needs You, and Why You Need CHLA/ABSC!

Liz Bayley, President, CHLA/ABSC

The Board of the Canadian Health Libraries Association/Association des bibliothèques de la santé du Canada met in Toronto on March 3 and 4. Anita Lambert-Lanning, THLA president, was able to attend on the Friday and to provide valuable input and feedback from your chapter's perspective. One of her comments was that she hadn't realized how much the Board was doing to represent health libraries on a national and international level, and how important it was for you to be aware of the "bigger picture". I took the opportunity to attend the THLA executive meeting on March 9 to outline CHLA/ABSC's goals and activities, and am following up on the invitation of Marina Englesakis to tell you a bit about your national association.

The CHLA/ABSC Goals and Strategies for 1999/2000 appeared in the Fall 1999 issue of *Bibliotheca Medica Canadiana* (BMC), and are also posted on our Web site: www.med.mun.ca/chla/plan.html

We have six goals:

Goal 1: To take a leadership role in the development of the Canadian health information and knowledge network. We have sent a proposal to Health Canada for a pilot project for a National Network of Libraries for Health, which will appear in the upcoming issue of BMC. We represent you on committees of the Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information (CISTI) and the National Library of Canada, where important issues concerning resource sharing are discussed.

Goal 2: To advocate for health libraries and health information services. The Board spent Saturday morning discussing advocacy, in particular how to ensure that CHLA/ABSC remains relevant to you. We have developed an advocacy workshop, which we are planning to take "on the road" to give you the tools to protect and promote your services.

Goal 3: To foster and support CHLA/ABSC chapter development, cooperation among the chapters and communication between the Board and the chapters. You and your chapter are very important to us. When we serve on national committees, approach Canadian government agencies and attend national and international meetings, we need to represent your ideas and concerns. Strong chapters are essential to build and maintain a strong national organization.

Goal 4: To build and maintain partnerships with other associations, organizations and funding agencies. The Board has compiled a list of partners which we will target, including CISTI, the National Library, Health Canada, the Canadian Medical Association, the Canadian Nurses Association, and the Medical Library Association. When health information and health libraries are discussed, we want to be at the table!

Goal 5: To ensure a strong presence in the development of health services library and information standards. CHLA/ABSC sends a representative to the Canadian Council on Health Services Accreditation. When standards for health care facilities are being developed, we want to ensure that health libraries are recognized as an essential component. We are also working with the Medical Library Association to develop benchmarking tools.

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Goal 6: To ensure the development and provision of quality continuing education and professional development opportunities, programming and resources in support of identified needs of CHLA/ABSC members. We continue to produce information sheets and a high quality journal (which we are submitting to NLM for consideration of indexing in MEDLINE) and to support chapter and individual continuing education through our development funds and grants. We are also investigating a mentorship program.

We feel that a national health libraries association is vital to the planning and implementation of health information services in Canada, just as local and regional chapters are essential to the support and promotion of health libraries in your own communities. We need your input, both through your THLA executive and directly from you. So become or remain a member of your local chapter and of your national association.

I would love to hear your ideas and concerns. I can be reached by phone: 905-525-9140, ext. 22545, by fax: 905-528-3733, by e-mail: baylejl@fhs.mcmaster.ca or by post: Health Sciences Library, McMaster University, 1200 Main Street West, Hamilton, ON L8N 3Z5.

Liz Bayley, President/Présidente

Library & Resource Centre Profile

CANADIAN COLLEGE OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

The Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine is the only college of naturopathic medicine in Canada. Students attending CCNM study for 4 years to meet the requirements of the government of Ontario and graduate as Doctors of Naturopathic Medicine. Five years ago, CCNM had 143 students enrolled; today they have over 500 students. The small staff team in Learning Resources Centre (LRC) of CCNM has its hands full keeping up with the rapid increase in demand from this growing body of students and a growing body of literature.

Collection Focus

CCNM students must have three years of pre-medical university studies before attending CCNM. At the College they receive training in basic medical sciences, diagnosis, naturopathic principles and therapeutics, and clinical experience. The curriculum at CCNM trains NDs in seven different therapeutic modalities: Acupuncture/Oriental Medicine; Botanical Medicine; Clinical Nutrition; Homeopathic Medicine; Hydrotherapy; Naturopathic Manipulation and Lifestyle Counseling and Prevention. The collection of the LRC focuses on providing information in these areas as well as basic medical sciences. A donation from Essiac® International has allowed the library to build a premier collection in the area of Botanical Medicine.

Electronic Resources

Allopathic medical databases such as Medline, HealthStar, and Toxline are accessed quite regularly by CCNM students and staff. However, these databases do not index many of the alternative therapy journals and in many cases only index articles relating to biomedicine. The LRC also subscribes to two databases that focus specifically on alternative medicine: AMED and Alt-Health Watch.

AMED (Allied and Alternative Medicine Database) is compiled and maintained by the Health Care Information Service of the British Library. Subject coverage of the database includes: acupuncture, homeopathy, palliative care, Chinese medicine, hospice care, physiotherapy, chiropractic, hypnosis, podiatry, herbalism, occupational therapy, rehabilitation, holistic treatments and osteopathy.

Alt-HealthWatch, produced by Softline Information Inc., is a full-text database of periodicals, peer-reviewed journals, academic and professional publications, magazines, consumer newsletters and newspapers, research reports, and association newsletters focused on complementary, alternative and integrated approaches to health care and wellness.

In addition to these bibliographic databases students have access to a number of specialized electronic resources. Among these are IBIS (Interactive BodyMind Information System) which is an electronic encyclopedia covering nutrition, botanical medicine, acupuncture, homeopathy and more. MacRepertory and RADAR are both designed for homeopaths and are electronic repertorizing programs. The LRC is actively expanding its collection of electronic resources and includes programs focusing on botanical medicine and Chinese medicine as well as homeopathy.

World Wide Web

The World Wide Web offers a proliferation of sites focusing on alternative medicine and it is an ongoing challenge of the LRC to assist students to access authoritative web sites. Student research associates have been working with the LRC to seek out and review web sites of value to CCNM students. The first draft of this annotated list of sites is available on the library's web site, <http://www.ccnm.edu/lrc/index.htm>

If you would like further information about CCNM's Learning Resources Centre please feel free to contact **Sandy Iverson, Director**, Learning Resources Centre.

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Changes....

Carolyn Archer has left the Office of the Worker Advisor. She is now the Manager of the Reference Library at the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB).

Marjina Grkavac has joined the Rouge Valley Health System - Centenary Health Centre Library as a part-time library technician. Marjina is a graduate of the Library and Information Technician diploma program at Seneca College and works part-time at the Cederbrae Public library as well. She can be reached at 416 284-8131 x 4278 or at mgrkavac@centen.on.ca

Dora Dempster, formerly of the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, has joined IMR Internet Training (<http://www.workingfaster.com>). She can be reached through the IMR office at (416) 928-1405.

Dianne Reid has retired from the library at the Centenary Health Centre.

Tara Zarrin has replaced Sister Valerie Clarke in the Library at St. John's Rehabilitation Hospital. Tara may be reached at (416) 226-6780 ext. 7350.

Sister Valerie Clarke, formerly of the library at St. John's Rehabilitation Hospital, has been appointed Director of Mission at the Hospital.

Brian Cameron is filling the Public Relations position on the CHLA executive, replacing **Cheryl Martin** from Quinte Healthcare.

Congratulations!

Linda Devore was the 1999 recipient of *The Joan Leishman Award of Merit for Excellence* in Health Science Information. Linda, who works for the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, was presented with the award at the Health Science Information Consortium of Toronto Annual General Meeting on December 3.

THLA CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES

Motions for the THLA Annual General meeting regarding changes to the THLA Constitution, and the THLA Bylaws, Rules and Regulations (*additions or changes are in italics*)

Motion 1: RE: THLA Constitution Article IV Section 2 General Meetings

That the current wording be changed to: Three (3) additional General Meetings *may* be held each year.

Motion 2: RE: THLA Bylaws, Rules and Regulations Article I Executive Committee, Section 2 Meetings

That the wording of the last sentence of the paragraph be amended to: Members may not miss more than three (3) consecutive meetings *without just cause*.

A review of the THLA Constitution and THLA Bylaws has resulted in these requested changes. These motions will be addressed at the Annual General Meeting to be held on May 18, 2000. Please review the THLA Constitution and THLA Bylaws prior to the AGM, in order to cast a knowledgeable vote!

Upcoming Conferences

MLA/CHLA Joint Annual Conference

Demystifying the Dragon

May 5-11, 2000

Vancouver, British Columbia

www.mlanet.org/am/am2000/index.html

www.med.mun.ca/chla/english/

SLA Annual Conference

Independence to Interdependence:

the next phase in the information revolution

June 10-15, 2000

Philadelphia,

www.sla.org/conf/

CLA Annual Conference

June 21-25, 2000

Edmonton, Alberta

www.cla.ca/conference/conf.htm

8th International Congress on Medical Librarianship

July 2-5, 2000

London, England

www.icml.org

ALA Annual Conference

July 6-13, 2000

Chicago, Illinois

www.ala.org/events/

Global 2000 — Worldwide Conference on Special Librarianship

The Information Age: Challenges & Opportunities

October 16-19, 2000

Brighton, England

www.slaglobal.org

Continuing Education/ Upcoming Events

Faculty of Information Studies University of Toronto

For more information, contact Marcia Chen (416) 978-7111;

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www.fis.utoronto.ca/conted. Price range: \$100 - \$595.

Discount for early registration.

Apr. 1 - May 13 Internet Search and Retrieval Strategies

Apr. 3 - May 8 Methodology - Basic- Part 1

Apr. 3 - May 8 Methodology - Basic - Part 2

Apr. 3 - May 15 Current Awareness Services on the Net

Apr. 3 - May 8 Wills and Estate Records - Basic

Apr. 5 - Apr. 27 Strategies for a Web Presence

Apr. 7 Records Inventory and Retention Scheduling

Apr. 11 - May 16 Introduction to Structured Markup for Documents & Data: XML

Apr. 13, 14 Websites: Designing Data

Apr. 14 Classification Systems

Apr. 28 Windows Wide Open Micrographics and Imaging

May 1 - June 5 Methodology - Basic- Part 1

May 1 - June 5 Methodology - Basic - Part 2

May 1 - June 5 Land Records - Basic

May 3 - July 5 Effective Project Management - More Than Software

May 3 - 31 Web Site Implementation and Management

May 4 - June 22 An Overview of Internet Technologies

May 5 - Creating Web Documents, Part I: An Introduction to HTML

May 5 Records Management Program Administration I

May 5 - July 7 Introduction to Java and JavaScript for Non-Programmers

May 6 - June 17 Virtual Reality on the Web: An Introduction to VRML

May 10 - June 28 Usability/Evaluation

May 12 Information Analysis: Adding Value to Information Services

May 12 Electronic Records

May 12 Records Management Basic Level Certificate Exam

May 19 Creating Web Documents, Part II: Design and Functionality

May 22 - July 3 Internet Competitive Intelligence

May 23 - June 15 Multimedia Preparation for the Web

May 27 - July 22 An Introduction to E-Business

June 5 - 28 Strategies for a Web Presence

June 5 - July 10 Methodology - Basic- Part 1

June 5 - July 10 Methodology - Basic - Part 2

June 5 - July 10 Research at the Family History Center™

Consumer Health Information Service (CHIS) Toronto Reference Library Educational Health Presentations

All sessions are held in the Beeton Auditorium on the first floor of the library.

Locating Reliable Health Information on the Internet

Do you have an itch to scratch or a heart to mend? The Internet abounds with health information but is it accurate? Reliable? This course will provide a general introduction to health information resources on the Internet. Participants will learn how to find and critically evaluate health web sites in order to make more informed health care decisions.

Dates: April 4, May 2 or June 6/2000

Time: 10-12

Instructors: CHIS staff

Place: Toronto Reference Library, 789 Yonge Street

N.B. To register, phone User Education at 393-7209.

The course is limited to 8 people. Participants must have basic keyboarding skills and be able to use a mouse.

Date: Wednesday, April 12

Time: 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Topic: Be Heart Smart

Learn more about cardiovascular health from Dr. Fred Hui, a physician who integrates complementary and alternative therapies in his practice. Dr. Hui will discuss the prevention of heart disease and circulatory disorders, blood pressure, and the role of heart medications. He will also present conventional and alternative therapies for heart disease (including chelation therapy), and natural supplements, vitamins and antioxidants.

Date: Wednesday, May 24

Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Topic: Migraine Awareness

Join Emily Levitt, Communications Manager of the Migraine Association of Canada, for a presentation on migraines. A migraineur herself, Ms. Levitt will outline the key features of diagnosis, triggers, prevention and tips for managing migraine at home and at work, and the services available by contacting The Migraine Association of Canada.

Date: Wednesday, June 7

Time: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Topic: Forgotten Memories: An Introduction to Alzheimer Disease

Learn more about this devastating illness: symptoms and progression of Alzheimer's, risk factors, available treatments, and caring for someone with Alzheimer Disease. Inika Anderson, Education Program Leader for the Alzheimer Society of Toronto will be the presenter.

CHIS Web -Health Events 2000:

CHIS has just posted the Health Events 2000 listing and updated the list of toll-free numbers for health organizations. <http://www.tpl.toronto.on.ca/TRL/centres/chis/index.html>

Additional CE Opportunities:

Strategically Planning Your Library's Internet Presence 6 May 2000, Vancouver

Rita Vine and Henry Mandelbaum of IMR Internet Training lead this full-day MLA-accredited course, which will be offered during the joint conference of the Medical Library Association and the Canadian Health Libraries Association. Check out your MLA-CHLA/ABSC conference program for more information and registration options.

Putting the Internet to Work in Your Library

10 June 2000, Philadelphia OR

11 June 2000, Philadelphia

Join Rita Vine of IMR Internet Training in Philadelphia for a reprise of this popular course, sponsored by the Special Libraries Association. A fast-track, half day lecture on how to harness the Internet in reference and information searching. This course received the top overall rating of all continuing education courses at the 1999 SLA annual conference! More information and registration options will appear on the SLA Web Site:

<http://www.sla.org/conf/2000conf/index.html>

IMR Internet Training has launched a new, FREE electronic newsletter, called **IMR Sitelines**, for clients and students. You can subscribe electronically at: <http://www.workingfaster.com/newsletters.htm>

Net Explorations: Finding the Internet Evidence – MLA-CHLA/ABSC Conference, Vancouver May 6, 2000 (8am-noon)

Be inspired by exploring some of the newest modes of finding clinically relevant evidence on the web. Learn to evaluate a sample document. Begin to understand the difference between the many new modes of evidence-based materials available in the primary health care domain for practicing clinicians and health science librarians.

Instructors: Anita Lambert-Lanning MLS, Research Librarian anita.lanning@utoronto.ca and Michael F. Evans MD michael.evans@utoronto.ca of the Department of Family & Community Medicine at the Toronto Western Hospital a division of the University Health Network.

This course will be offered as a half-day MLA accredited course during the MLA-CHLA/ABSC Conference in Vancouver, BC. See this and other course listings at:

<http://www.mlanet.org/am/am2000/ce/cemay6.html>

**April is
Cancer Month**



Welcome to Spring 2000 and nearly 19 full years of THLA News!

It is the first day of Spring and already there is more 'weeding' to do than there is time to do it! In an attempt to save time for our members and encourage effective use of the Internet I am happy to announce the launch of the new THLA web site at our next meeting on April 17th! It is the intent of this year's board to provide you with highlights from our newsletter and links to all our members' web sites! This "members' web sites" section of the THLA web site will allow all members to a) promote their institution or company web site and b) provide an excellent reference and referral source for health information sharing among THLA members and prospective members. Fax or e-mail your details on the enclosed form ASAP so we can get this up and running! Your ideas about this "members' web sites" list are most welcome and will be discussed during our April 17th meeting along with the new "virtual library" work of Tim Tripp of the University Health Network. So don't miss this meeting...and this is an 'in the flesh' not a virtual meeting!

Many thanks go out to new member Graziela Alexandrova of The Erinoak Information & Resource Centre for her unique contribution to last month's feature member article as well as to Sandy Iverson for her feature in this issue about the Library at the Canadian College of Naturopathic Medicine. These articles provide unique insights into the bread and butter of our work as health librarians and are greatly appreciated! Liz Bayley came all the way from Hamilton to raise THLA board awareness of CHLA and we are very pleased to have her share her insights with us in this issue of our newsletter. Thank you, Liz.

The board has taken on the task of updating our bylaws thanks to the diligent work of our secretary Ani Orchanian. As a result there will be some brief voting on proposed changes to our bylaws at our May meeting so yet another reason to come along for the May 18th trek to the MONTREAL BISTRO & JAZZ CLUB (see enclosed flyer).

For those of you planning to go out to Vancouver for the MLA-CHLA/ABSC Conference or any of the many other information related conferences (e.g. Information Highways Conference in Toronto or the SLA conference in Philadelphia in June) we are looking for intrepid reports on these events. So get published and send your impressions and observations to marina.englesakis@uhn.on.ca anytime.

But whatever you do this spring ... weed, walk, cycle, run, browse, buy or 'stop to smell the roses' have fun doing it!

Anita Lambert-Lanning, THLA President

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THLA 2000 Events

Monday, April 17, 2000 6:00-8:00pm

"Trust me, I'm a Librarian"

The Virtual Library Project at the University Health Network.

Speaker: Tim Tripp, Virtual Librarian, UHN

Where: Toronto Western Hospital,
Main Pavilion, 6th Floor
Ophthalmology Lab, Room 308
399 Bathurst St.

NB: Use the "Yellow" elevators.
Refreshments available
THLA web site will be launched!

Thursday May 18, 2000 6:00pm



THLA Annual Meeting & Banquet

Where: Montréal Bistro
65 Sherbourne St., Toronto
www.montrealbistro.com

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