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Editors' Corner

It's membership renewal time again! Enclosed with this issue is the 1986/87 renewal form. Please send it along with a cheque to Jennifer Taylor, our new Treasurer, by June 30, OR ELSE you'll miss out on the first issue of the News and will not be included on the membership list.

It is also time for the changing of the THLA guard. We wish fond farewells to the outgoing executive and a hearty welcome to the newcomers. As for the editorial team this entails both good and bad news. The good news is that Pat Fortin has joined us. She comes with a keen interest in writing and publishing (she likes to start small) and some previous experience as well. The bad news is that Mary Boite, one of the originals of THLA News has moved on to other responsibilities. She will be a contributor rather than a collector of the News.

Susan and I will miss Mary's cheery chatter as well as her leadership. It's comforting to know that she is still on the executive should we need her for guidance.

Happy holidays! You will be hearing from us again in September.

Rita Shaughnessy
Associate Editor

The last word (as usual!)

I will miss Rita and Susan's companionship, and writing this column, as much as they will miss me. It is nice to know that they value my (often unsolicited) opinions! THLA and the News has certainly grown during the past three years; the presence of three flourishing interest groups and the birth of the Ontario Hospital Libraries' Association is evidence of that. I am happy to have been able to report on that growth.

Mary Boite
Senior Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our annual dinner meeting on May 5th proved a very successful conclusion to the year's activities. Approximately sixty members enjoyed the fine food, service and facilities of the Westin Hotel, as well as the timely presentation by invited speaker Kathleen McDonnell on biases against women in the medical profession and medical literature. For all the arrangements for the evening, we must again heartily thank Catherine Pepper.

At the May 5th meeting Jan Greenwood announced the Executive election results. For the 1986/87 year, President-Elect is Mary Boite, Secretary is Suzanne Tabur, Treasurer is Jennifer Taylor and Newsletter Assistant Editor is Pat Fortin. And

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as Lynda Baker, Catherine Weisenberger and Jan Greenwood leave the Executive, I would like to express gratitude on my own behalf and on behalf of the membership for the many hours of work they have volunteered to THLA.

Renewal forms are enclosed with this issue. Prompt renewal of your membership will spare the Executive much extra work in the fall and will also ensure that you receive your September newsletter without delay.

In this my last "President's Message", I would like to thank the membership for the opportunity this past year of serving as your president and to encourage all members to maintain an involvement in THLA. And indeed, an excellent means of involvement is provided with this newsletter. Your comments and suggestions on the enclosed questionnaire will be of great help to us in organizing the fall programme.

Until then, best wishes for a happy and safe summer.

Bev Brown
President

ATTENTION, ONTARIO HOSPITAL LIBRARIES' ASSOCIATION MEMBERS:

The first OHLA Newsletter is on its way! It should be in your hands soon.

INSIDE CIRCUIT

MeetingsMeetings

I am sure that all of you will be spending a lot of time this summer thinking about next year's THLA activities, soif anyone has any suggestions for programs, speakers, locations, or other thoughts for next year, please feel free to call Mary Boite, President-Elect at 923-3523, ext. 115. All suggestions gratefully received and considered.

General Meeting May 5, 1986

The annual dinner meeting, held from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at the Westin Hotel, began with a lively cocktail hour and continued with a delicious meal. During the meal the Executive Committee, who were seated at the head table were introduced individually to the group, and the new members on the Executive were introduced from the floor.

Kathleen McDonnell supported her talk with slides; a lively discussion period followed. She has also provided us with a bibliography, a copy of which is enclosed with the News.

Report from the Nominations and Elections Committee

As Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee I'd like to thank Sheila Swanson and Catherine Weisenberger for serving on the

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committee, the 8 candidates for allowing their names to be put forward and the 79 members who cast ballots for an excellent 60% return rate.

The Committee was impressed by the fact that 3 of the new members of the Executive have previously run for office and had the commitment and courage to stand again. We hope that those who were not successful this time will be encouraged by this to stand again in future years. The impressive return of ballots reveals a commitment to THLA which is gratifying to the outgoing Executive and should be encouraging to the incoming officers.

In 1986/87 your new Executive will be:

Catherine Pepper	President
Bev Brown	Past-President
Mary Boite	President-Elect
Suzanne Tabur	Secretary
Jennifer Taylor	Treasurer

The Editorial Team will comprise:

Rita Shaughnessy	Editor
Susan Hendricks	Associate Editor
Patricia Fortin	Assistant Editor

The Committee wishes the new Executive a vigorous, productive and harmonious year.

Respectively submitted,

Jan Greenwood, Chair
Nominations and Elections Committee

A Word of Thanks from the
Past-President...

In leaving office I would like to put in writing, for those members who missed the superb Annual Dinner, my thanks to the THLA Executive. Working with them has been a real learning and pleasurable experience for me during the past three years.

Bev Brown has brought incomparable dignity to the office of the THLA President and I am sure that you share my gratitude for the image she has conferred upon health librarianship as a whole. To Catherine Pepper we owe thanks for a varied and challenging program throughout the 1985/86 Association year. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer tend to be less public than the other offices, but I can vouch for the fact that Lynda Baker and Catherine Weisenberger have been unstinting in their commitment and I look forward already to working with them again on another project in the near future.

As I move into the role of CHLA Vice-President I must take this opportunity to thank you for your support; I am humbly grateful to you and will rely on you in the future to ensure that I do not lose touch with the grass roots. THLA and CHLA have served each other well in the past; long may it remain so.

Jan Greenwood

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INTEREST GROUPS

THLA Microcomputer Group

January 20, 1986 Meeting

The meeting, held in the Sigmund Samuel Library, consisted of a brief presentation by George Shirinian on the Personal Computer Club of Toronto, followed by a demonstration of various software programs available from the club. Meetings of the club are held on the third Tuesday of every month, at York Mills Collegiate at 7:30 p.m. The membership fee of \$35 includes a free disk with the software catalogue. To join send a cheque with your name and address to:

Personal Computer Club of
Toronto
P.O. Box 429
Station A
Toronto, Ontario M4W 1N6

May 26, 1986 Meeting

A demonstration of the Sidney Micro Library System was the focus of this meeting. The system is an MS/DOS compatible integrated library system consisting of several modules including cataloguing, circulation, serials management and patron on-line catalogue. Look for more news on this and future meetings in the next issue of the newsletter.

Disability Resource Library Network

The DRLN met on March 4, 1986 at Lyndhurst Hospital for an interesting presentation and discussion on collection development and acquisition tools. The presentation was given by Wendy Atkinson, School

Librarian, The Hugh MacMillan Medical Centre and Peter Bernauer, Research Librarian, The Canadian Paraplegic Association.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 10, 1986, at 2:00 p.m. at The Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled, One Yonge St., Suite 2110. The topic of Library Automation will be presented to the group by Elaine Bernstein, Librarian, the Hugh MacMillan Medical Centre, Robert Jaegglin, Librarian, The Canadian Rehabilitation Council for the Disabled, and Carol Roup, Librarian, The Canadian Mental Health Association.

Guest librarian at the meeting will be Gunela Astbrink of the Disability Information and Resource Centre Inc. in Australia. Ms. Astbrink is a member of the Working Party on National Information Systems for the Disabled and will be visiting disability information centres in Canada, the U.S.A., and Britain on a study grant award from the Library Association of Australia.

For further information contact Elaine Bernstein at 425-6220 ext. 517 (Hugh MacMillan Medical Centre, 350 Rumsey Rd.) or Jean Chong 425-5551 (afternoons).

FACES & PLACES

ANNE KUBJAS and her husband MARTIN TAMMEMAGI are delighted to announce the birth of Elva Krista. She was born May 3, 1986 at Women's College Hospital.

The telephone number for the library at Sunnybrook Medical Centre is 480-4562.

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The Editorial Team, and, I am sure, the other members of THLA, would like to congratulate JAN GREENWOOD on being elected to the position of Vice-President of the Canadian Health Libraries' Association. If she is as inspired a leader in that association as she has been in THLA, we are sure that CHLA will have a prosperous couple of years ahead.

CONFERENCE TROTTING

The CHLA/ABSC annual meeting in Montreal takes place June 15-18, 1986. We hope to see many of you there!

The Nurses for Social Responsibility (NSR) which is open for membership to anyone interested in peace and social issues, particularly relating to health, is holding a members (and interested others) meeting Thursday, July 10 at 7 p.m. in the community centre at 519 Church St. (at Isabella).

MARKET PLACE

Positions Available

Hospital for Sick Children seeks a Director of Hospital Library. MLS from an accredited program with experience in on-line searching and at least 2 years management experience in all facets of a health sciences library essential. Will be responsible for a staff of 6. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. Apply to: Director of Human Resources
Hospital for Sick Children

555 University Ave., Toronto M5G 1X8

The Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College is seeking a Reference Librarian who will be responsible for the Reference Dept. and some circulation & technical services.

Qualifications: MLS from an accredited library school; on-line searching familiarity required; health sciences library experience preferred; bilingual ability highly desirable. To start August 1, 1986. Please submit C.V. with three references to Claire Callaghan, Director of Library Services, Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College, 1900 Bayview Ave. Toronto M4G 3E6.

(Editor's note: you will note that the date for submission has passed; we thought, however that members would be interested in knowing about the position).

CHIEF LIBRARIAN- the Toronto General Hospital, Fudger Medical Library. Will report to the Director of Utilization and Special Services & will be responsible for: supervision of staff, purchase of library material, overseeing literature searches and recommending new initiatives for the library. Educational requirements: MLS from an accredited library school and at least 5 years' experience. Salary appropriate to the degree of educational and experience qualifications. Submit resumes to:

Toronto General Hospital
Personnel Dept.
657 University Ave.
Toronto M5G 1L7

Public Services/Reference Librarian needed for the Health Sciences Library, serving the Colleges of Medicine, Dentistry and Nursing at the University of Saskatchewan Library. Qualifications: degree from an accredited Library School and an academic

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background in the Life Sciences; advanced degree in one of the Life Sciences an asset. Also required: at least 2 years relevant experience; demonstrable experience in on-line searching (NLM, CAN/OLE). Available: immediately

Level: Librarian II for fully qualified individual; Librarian I appointment may be considered for a candidate not possessing all required experience.

Salary (Libn. II): \$28,076 - \$35,318).

Send: complete curriculum vitae and names of three references to: Frank Winter, Acting University Librarian and Director of Libraries University of Saskatchewan Library Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7N 0W0 by JULY 4, 1986.

For complete ad please contact Jan Greenwood at 963-9383, ext. 230 or Mary Boite at 923-3523 ext. 115.

Ohio State University is looking for a Manager, Children's Hospital Library, a branch of the University Health Sciences Library. Will supervise staff of 1 professional and 3 support staff.

Qualifications: MLS from an ALA accredited program with 3-5 years progressive experience in a health sciences setting, strong management skills, knowledge of automation & searching on-line. Salary commensurate with qualifications. Applications received by May 31 given first consideration.

Apply with resume & names & addresses of 3 references to:

Elizabeth J. Sawyers, Director
OSU Health Sciences Library
376 w. 10th Ave.
Columbus, Ohio 43210

Contact Mary Boite for full ad, at 923-3523 ext. 115.

Journals Wanted:

December 1985 issue of Archives of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation. If you can help call Elaine Bernstein at 425-6220 ext. 517.

Linda McFarlane at Sunnybrook Medical Centre library (480-4562) is looking for:

Nursing Mirror Vol. 155, #19 (1982); Vol. 156, #9,11,13,18,25 (1983); Vol. 158, #12,21 (1984); Vol. 159, #15,19 (1984); Vol. 160, #4 (1985); Vol. 161 #20,21,22,23,24, & 25 (1985)

Nursing Times Vol. 78, #45 (1982); Vol. 77, #7 (1981); Vol. 79, #2,9,12 (1983); Vol. 80, #41,47 (1984); & Vol. 81, #51,52 (1985).

Sunnybrook Library is also giving away duplicate journals at the best possible price: free.

Call Linda at 480-4562 to set a time to go and choose what you need; just leave her a list of what you have taken.

The RNAO library will be looking for a Library Technician for a 17 week maternity leave contract position. This will start approximately the 25th August, 1986. For further details please contact Mary Boite, Librarian at 923-3523, ext. 115.

For Your Information....June 19, 7:30 - 10:00 p.m.

Radiation: How It Hurts - Attend a forum on the health effects of radiation, sponsored by the Community Advisory Board of the Eastern Health Area. Featuring Nurses for Social Responsibility, Can. Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, Coordinator emergency planning Metro Police. Ralph Thornton Centre, 765 Queen St.E.

QUESTIONNAIRE

WORKSHOP ON HEALTH SCIENCE LIBRARIANSHIP

As many members are aware, the Faculty of Library and Information Science at U. of T. has not offered a health sciences course this past year; nor, due to budget constraints, will they be offering a course in the 1986-87 academic year. FLIS students have approached THLA members and the Executive, asking if we might lend our support and if possible, fill in a few of the gaps.

As a result, THLA has approached FLIS with the idea of presenting a one-day workshop on health sciences librarianship for students and others interested in a basic introduction to the field. We have discussed holding the workshop in a hospital library on a Saturday in November. The fee for registrants would be minimal.

This should prove to be an excellent professional activity, a way to involve ourselves with the educational process and to communicate our interest and expertise to students who may one day share the field with us.

To organize this workshop, however, we need your support, ideas and assistance. The brief questionnaire on the reverse side is designed to allow each member an opportunity to recommend program topics and speakers. Please take a few moments to write down your thoughts.

Catherine Pepper, Mary Boite and I are working to finalize the program and speakers by mid-August. We would appreciate receiving responses by June 27.

Bev Brown

DIRECTIONS: Circle the appropriate answer(s) in multiple choice questions.
Please return the completed questionnaire no later than June 27th
to Bev Brown, Librarian, Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College,
1900 Bayview Ave., Toronto, Ontario M4G 3E6.
Thank you.

QUESTIONNAIRE

A. Course Content

1. What specialty areas do you think are important to cover (e.g. medicine, nursing, etc.)?
2. More time should be spent on
 - a. An overview of the Canadian health care system
 - b. The general health sciences literature
 - c. The literature of particular specialties
 - d. Library services in difference setting (e.g. hospital, government, association, academic, public (consumer health)
 - e. All of the above should get equal time
 - f. Other (please specify)

B. Learning Objectives

1. At the end of the one-day workshop, it is important that participants:
 - a. Have gained a basic understanding of the Canadian health Care system
 - b. Understand the role of the library in various health-related settings
 - c. Have gained some knowledge of the key resources (print and other) available in the health care field.
 - d. All of the above
 - e. Other (please explain)

C. Instructors

Would you like to recommend names of THLA members as possible instructors?

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| a. Name(s) | b. Area of Expertise |
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Please feel free to make additional comments or add names on the other side or on an extra sheet of paper.

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