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President's Corner

by *Diane Gardner*,

Is it spring time yet? Everyone keeps saying it is right around the corner but no one knows exactly which corner. I love spring time with the new grass and flowers popping up through the soil. You drive to work one morning seeing everything brown and muddy – then on your way home mother nature has done her magic spreading wonderful spring time colors all over the place. It makes for a wonderful change out of winter and renewing your hope for the future.

Speaking of changes there are a lot of them going on in the world today and it seems like every news station has to provide 24 hour coverage to every little thing and then you have all the regular stuff in your life wanting your attention that you can sometimes forget about a few important items right here. Like the new membership year for MHSLA being July 1 through June 30. Have you sent in your MHSLA membership dues? Now you might ask how valuable is membership in MHSLA? Some, after looking at the history of our organization, might consider it invaluable. Some might consider it part of their professional role and still others might consider it a great way to stay in touch with other librarians they know and respect. Deadlines are important and we would really like to see everyone have their dues paid before July 1 so we have an accurate count of our membership.

How important are deadlines in today's world – well for one Denver Bronco's player being six minutes late faxing in his renegotiated contract cost him a position on the team and 8 million dollars. Although being late with your MHSLA dues won't cost you 8 million dollars or a spot on our team, it does make it harder for those members planning conferences and negotiating group purchasing.



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So take a few minutes from all the stuff competing for your attention – fill out your membership renewal form, use whatever payment system you have to use and check that off your to do list. Get ready to enjoy the spring time. The Western group is planning a great conference for the fall but we have a wonderful summer to look forward to first.

Important Membership Date Change

Ah, Spring!! The birds are starting to sing in the mornings, snow is starting to disappear, my car isn't covered with salt—oh wait, it still is. Hey, I don't remember getting a renewal notice for my MHSLA membership! Does that sound familiar? Well there's a good reason you haven't been reminded—yet.

For those who didn't attend and for those of us who did attend the Annual Business Meeting last October in Novi but have forgotten, MHSLA voted to change our fiscal year from January to July. That means that you, as a member, got a free six months on your membership!!! So your membership will run from July 2013 to June 2014. YEA!!

Those of you who have been proactive and have already sent me your renewals (and you know who you are) will be added to the directory in our next update (probably before the first of April). If you wish to renew at this time, the updated renewal form is available on the MHSLA website. Your membership will be good until July 2014.

So, you can expect to start getting reminders from me as Membership Chair in late April or early May (and then constant nagging from me if you don't renew on time—end of August). If you have not renewed by that time (the end of August), you will NOT be eligible for Members rates on conference registration in October!!

And just another reminder.....if you pay for your membership with PayPal, you MUST send me a copy of the renewal form...I don't get a copy from PayPal so I won't know if you have renewed or not.

Now, back to Spring...starting to look at seed catalogs, packing away winter clothes, washing windows...wait that's not fun. Oh well, has to be done sometime. Until then, see you at the conference in Grand Rapids!

Doris Blauet
Membership Chair

Get Ready to Ride the Currents of Change in Grand Rapids.

The Education Committee members have been busy over the last two months contacting and securing speakers for the program in October. Our Wednesday will consist of 4 choices for 4 hour CEs. It may be hard to choose from these selections: Marty Magee and Barbara Jones will present a program on “Business Communication Library Style”; Emily Hurst will present “Information at your Fingertips” (this is a hands on class with 20 tablet devices, seating is limited!); Holly Burt’s class “Patient Safety Resources Seminar: Librarians on the Front Lines” is scheduled for the afternoon along with “Healthy Aging at your Library: Connecting Older Adults to Health Information” presented by Samantha Hewakapuge.



We’ll start the day on Thursday with Erika Oliver and Happy Crap: Unleash the Power of Positivity. “Imagine yourself teaming with energy and enthusiasm and no goal out of reach, no matter what the circumstances. Is it possible? Yes! When you learn to release and unleash your positivity power, anything is possible” Erika will continue her presentation as a concurrent session in the afternoon. A second choice on Thursday afternoon is a session on “Libraries and EMRs”.

We’ve taken members comments about the PowerPoint presentations and we’ve slated them for the start of the day on Friday with a session following so that members can discuss thoughts and ideas with the presenters. We’ll round out the day with an “unconference”, a chance for members to take ownership of the day to lead discussions on topics of interest to the members.

So grab a paddle and life jacket and take a seat as we ride the currents of change!

Call for Papers and Posters

The Program Committee invites proposals for contributed papers and posters for the joint Midwest Chapter MLA and HSLI Conference to be held October 5-8, 2013 in East Peoria, Illinois. The conference theme is “Navigating a River of Information”. We encourage you to take a literal or figurative (use your fertile imagination) approach to our theme. You can highlight various topics such as teaching or education, administration, practical problem-solving, document collaborative efforts or outreach activities, describe innovative programs, or report on research in librarianship, resources or services.

Concurrent contributed papers will be presented on Sunday October 6, 2013 from 11am-12pm and on Monday October 7, 2013 from 10:30am-11:30am.

The posters will be presented Sunday October 6, 2013. They will be available for viewing from 10am – 5pm with presenters present from 4pm-5pm.

For contributed paper proposals and poster proposals submit an abstract no longer than 250 words describing your paper or poster.

- Include your name, position title, address, phone number and email address on all submissions.
- Email your abstracts to Linda Feinberg (Lfeinberg@northshore.org).
- The deadline for abstract submission is Friday May 24th before the Memorial Day weekend.
- Notifications of paper and poster acceptance will be made by early-mid June.

The Midwest Chapter Professional Practice Committee is again awarding monetary prizes to the best RESEARCH papers and posters. Look for more information soon about applying.

For more information on the Midwest Chapter meeting, see the conference web site: <http://midwestmla.org/conference2013/>. Please refer to the Papers and Posters sections for more information as it becomes available.

Patient Education Rounding Program at Munson Medical Center

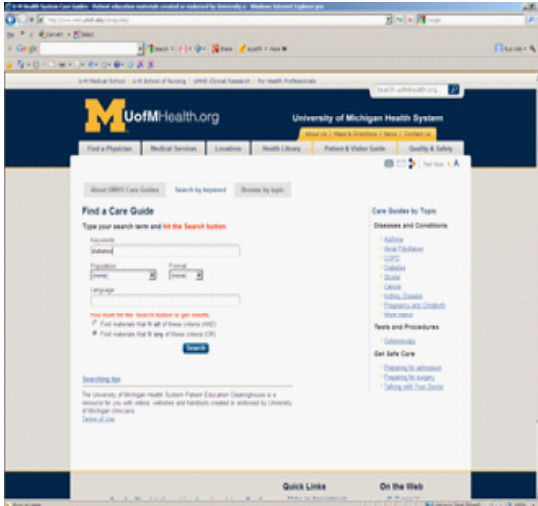
The Community Health Library (CHL), at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City, recently began meeting with staff in Munson's Rehabilitation Department to develop a patient education rounding program on the inpatient rehabilitation unit. Barb Platts, Manager of Knowledge Management Services, and Janette Ransom Grice, Senior Information Research Specialist at the CHL, hope to provide patients, family members and caregivers, with lay-level health information that will reinforce the education provided by the nursing staff. The goal of the programs is to increase patient compliance and reduce readmissions.

Grice will use an iPad and a pocket projector to provide real time answers as well as provide access to on demand consumer health interactive videos and teaching programs. Currently, the rehab unit is developing a patient information pathway that will identify when teaching will occur during the patients recovery. Grice will supplement this teaching during scheduled visits to provide resources and answer questions.

UMHS Now Available

The University of Michigan Health System (UMHS) Patient Education materials are accessible to the general public through <http://www.med.umich.edu/careguides/>

This page searches the UMHS Patient Education Clearinghouse, a database that links to patient education materials created or endorsed by University of Michigan clinicians. This is an authoritative resource for print, video or web-based materials that have been reviewed and approved by UMHS experts. The Clearinghouse links to over 1,000 materials including 136 videos, 883 print, 50 websites, 273 pediatric materials and 95 materials in languages other than English. The Care Guides site enables patients, families and the general public to access the same patient-education materials UMHS clinicians provide in the exam room and the bedside.



Users can search the database by keyword, target population, format and language. The site also includes a Browse by Topic page. The Clearinghouse is coordinated by UMHS Patient Education librarian, Ruti Volk.

Announcing Member Scholarships

The MHSLA Education Committee would like to announce that they will be seeking applications for the Member scholarships. The MHSLA Member scholarship application will be announced in early June with the winners being selected by mid July. There are two scholarships to be awarded. One for a member who has never attended the MHSLA Conference and one for a member who would like help with either the cost of registration or hotel costs. Look for more information on the listserv as the conference gets closer. The scholarship applications along with contact information will be on the MHSLA webpage.

Note from the Editor

Hi all,

This is the 100th issue of the MHSLA News! It has been my pleasure and honor to be the editor as we hit the century milestone. I would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed stories and news items throughout the years.

In the next few weeks MHSLA Archivist Ali Konieczny and I will be putting together a special issue with highlights from the last 100 Issues. We welcome any suggestions for noteworthy, historic, interesting, funny, or challenging pieces you would like to see again. Please email all suggestions to: awheeler@msu.edu

As a sneak peek, here are two historic items from the archives!

Issue #1 1980 First President's Column

President's Column

Greetings to everyone in the state association! This year promises to be a very exciting and rewarding time for health sciences librarians to be a part of our state association. We have come a long way in just two years – and this remarkable growth can be attributed to the leadership of our presidents – Faith and Anni. Our first issue of the association's newsletter is symbolic of the dedication and voluntary efforts of many librarians around the state of Michigan working together in a spirit of cooperation to build a state association for health sciences librarians.

Our newsletter, to be effective, must serve as a vital communication link between the officers on the Executive Board and the members of our state association. Included in the first issue of the newsletter is an Executive Board Roster. This roster lists the addresses and phone numbers of all the officers on the Executive Board. Your officers represent your professional and educational interests. Please feel free to contact the officers or me at any time to inform us on what you think regarding educational and professional concerns and priorities for our state association. The Executive Board exists to serve you! I am encouraging members to be active participants in the decision making process. You can also express your ideas at the "grassroots level" by talking to your local area group representatives or by contacting committee chairmen in our state association.

I am confident that this year our association will continue to grow and thrive – exploring new directions in health sciences librarianship. As your President, I have made a "commitment to excellence in librarianship" and pledge to work diligently toward fulfilling this commitment for our state association.

–Carole Colter

Issue #2 Fall 1980

A. Alfred Taubman Medical Library

The University of Michigan's A. Alfred Taubman Medical Library opened July 21. Library facilities occupy 64,000 of the five-story building's 92,850 net square feet. The handsome brick and bronze glass structure is shared with the Medical School's Learning Resource Center.

The new building features a Reference Information Services Reading Room, a Rare Book Room and a Reserve Reading Room. General reading areas, surrounding the book stacks on levels five and six, seat nearly four times the number of readers accommodated in the former library. Staff members, recently crowded into converted stack areas and old storage rooms, have offices and work areas designed to house their specific functions.

Various changes in services and policies coincided with the opening. Journals are restricted to in-house use; MEDLINE and other data bases are available for Reference use; a book detection system replaces the door guard; additional photocopy machines are available. Elevators, carpeting, good lighting, new furnishings, and pleasant spaces combine to create bright, comfortable, easy-to-use reading and study areas. Other changes will come later; integration of the pharmacy collection; installation of a computerized circulation system; the addition of some new staff positions. The formal dedication will be held in November.

- Yvonne Wulff, Head
A. Alfred Taubman Medical Library

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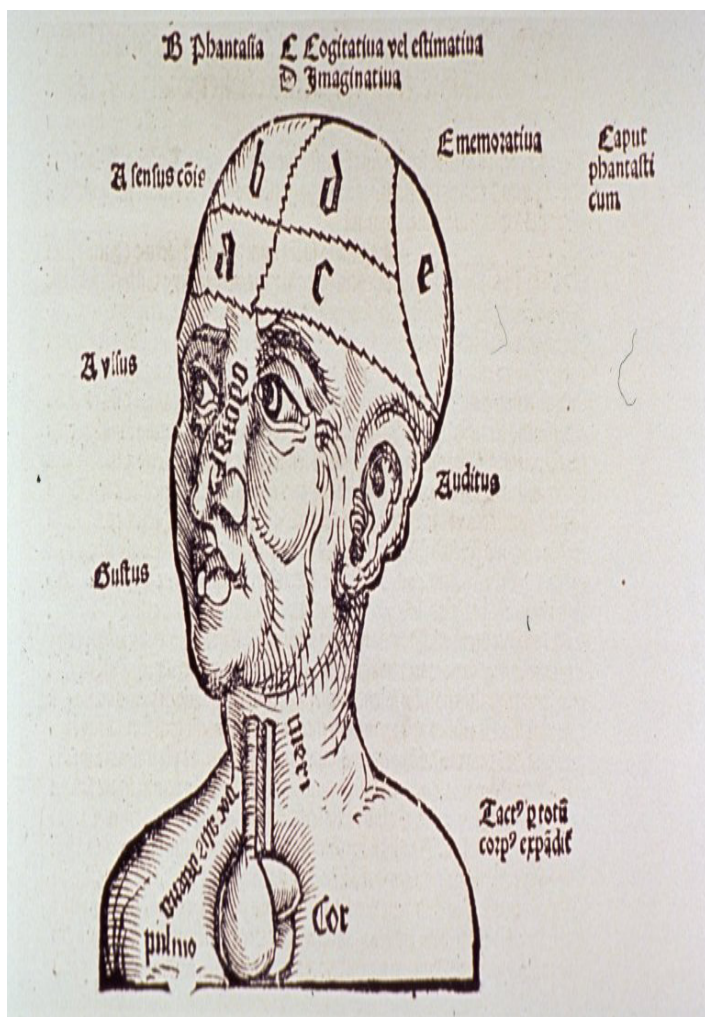
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