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A Message from MHSLA President Melanie Bednarski

Well another conference is upon us. Last time it was in Novi; I was in a boot for an injured foot. This year I am currently in a cast and hope to be in a boot by the time the conference actually gets here. I broke my foot in four places doing a charity event called MuckFest. It is for Multiple Sclerosis. I have a few friends that suffer from this debilitating disease. It occurred to me that I am not the only one who donates their time to worthwhile events and maybe as an organization we can make a positive impact.

I know at a conference in Frankenmuth we asked for donations of mittens, gloves and hats for the Flint community. At last year's conference we collected donations for the Michigan Ovarian Cancer Alliance. We will be asking for donations again to this organization in honor of our colleague and friend Diane LeBar. As we all know, Diane's family sponsors a scholarship to the conference every year in her memory.

I know this is a volunteer organization, but I would love to know what else our members donate their time and efforts towards. Perhaps write up a paragraph about your experience with different volunteer opportunities for the next newsletter. Please read the rest of the newsletter. It will detail all great activities planned for the conference and give you a glimpse into our organization.

Now let's have a wonderful conference!

Melanie Bednarski, MLIS



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Registration Open for 2016 MHSLA Annual Education Conference

(Oct. 12 - 14 in Novi, MI)

By Courtney Mandarin

Registration is [currently underway](#) for the Michigan Health Sciences Library Association's Annual Education Conference. This year's conference will take place on **October 12-14** at the **Baronette Renaissance Hotel in Novi, Michigan**. The theme is **Think Outside the Book** and the program is packed with CE opportunities, interesting speakers, poster presentations, vendor dine and learns, as well as ample time for networking with your fellow medical librarians. Considering attending this year's conference? Here are some of the highlights.

The Continuing Education courses really offer something for everyone. Wednesday's courses include: Translational Bioinformatics; Lean Process Improvement Demystified; Engaging the 21st Century Learner: Best Practices & Classroom Management Techniques; and Planning, Conducting & Publishing Research. The concurrent courses on Friday will be Introduction to Visualization for Librarians and Health Policy Information Seeking: Sources and Strategies for Effective Searching.

This year's keynote speakers will be Thomas Buchmueller, health economist from the University of Michigan, and Sally Gore, research evaluation analyst for the University of Massachusetts Center for Clinical and Translational Science. Thomas Buchmueller's research focuses on the economics of health insurance and his lecture will cover how the Affordable Care Act has affected insurance coverage and the use of health care services. Sally Gore previously served as an embedded research librarian and informationist at the Lamar Soutter Library and is also well known for her blog, "A Librarian by Any Other Name" (<http://librarianhats.net>). Her talk will focus on the ever-changing role of health science librarians and how to harness our various skills to help ensure our profession stays relevant.

If you are interested in attending MHSLA 2016, please visit the conference website (<http://mhsla.org/home/2016/index.htm>). Here you can find [registration information](#), the full [conference program](#), [details about the CE courses](#) and the [complete conference schedule](#). Hope to see you there!

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MHSLA Annual Conference: “Think Outside the Book” Oct. 12-14 in Novi Michigan A Quick Overview:

Keynote Speaker: Tom Buchmueller – Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy, Chair of Business Economics, University of Michigan. Dr. Buchmueller is a health economist whose research focuses on the economics of health insurance and related public policy issues.

Featured Guest Speaker: Sally Gore, MS, MS LIS, research evaluation analyst for the University of Massachusetts Center for Clinical and Translational Science.

Wednesday, Oct. 12 4-hour CE’s:

- Engaging the 21st Century Learner: Best Practices & Classroom Management Techniques - *Erin Wimmer*
- Lean Process Improvement - *Jessi Van Der Volgen*
- Planning, Conducting & Publishing Research - *Nancy Allee*
- Translational Bioinformatics - *Diane Rein*

Friday, Oct. 14 2-hour CE’s:

- Finding Information for Health Policy Questions - *Smith & Wheeler*
- Data Visualization - *Jean Song & Marci Brandenburg*

Other Activities:

- Lightning Rounds
- Vendor Displays
- Panel Discussion: “Ch-ch-ch-ch-Changes - Turn and Face the Strain”
- Dinner at the Toasted Oak restaurant
- And more...

Please check out the [conference program](#) for more information.

[Registration is now open!](#) Please plan to join us in Novi.

MHSLA Annual Conference 2016
“Think Outside the Book”
When: Oct. 12- 14
Where: Baronette Renaissance Hotel, Novi MI
[Please Register and Join Us!](#)

Thinking about applying for GMR funding for MLA webinars?

If so, follow these steps:

1. Complete the [online application form](#)
2. Don't forget to indicate which webinar you wish to view
3. Sign the form
4. Email the application form to Barb Platts at bplatts@mhc.net

You will be notified by the GMR if your request was funded. If your request was not funded, MHSLA may provide financial support

Article published by MHSLA Member!

Jennifer Barlow (Borgess Medical Center, Kalamazoo) is a named author on an article just published by the Journal of Nursing Care Quality. "Patient Perceptions of Sitting versus Standing for Nurse Leader Rounding" (PMID: [27479517](#)) is available online in *JNCQ*'s Publish Ahead of Print section and will appear in print in the April 2017 issue. Jennifer worked with other members of the hospital's Nursing Research Council on this study. They hope to do additional studies to further explore the effect of posture on provider-patient communication.

Congratulations, Jennifer!

MHSLA Member hired at MidMichigan Health!

Earlier this summer Kristin LaLonde was hired as the Health Sciences Library Manager at MidMichigan Health. Congratulations, Kristin!

