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KEYNOTES

I am honored to serve as President of the FHSLA this year. Many thanks for the success of our association in 1987 go to the officers for their contributions: Lee Whiteside-Murphy, President; Judy Johnston, Treasurer; and Pat Jennings, Secretary. Any association can be only as strong and effective as its members and we were fortunate to have these people working on our behalf in 1987. Also many thanks to those who have agreed to serve as officers for 1988/89 : Helene Petty, Vice President/President-Elect; Roberta Bronson, Secretary; and Linda O'Callaghan, Treasurer. I am sure this will be a great year!

Susan Woods has agreed to continue as Chairman of the Membership Committee - we are fortunate to have someone as capable and dedicated as Susan to serve in this important capacity. Stan Bustetter, EBSCO Representative, has agreed to serve on this committee and spread the word of our organization across the state of Florida. I am sorry to say that Inez Tamanaha is unable to continue as editor of the Alert. We greatly appreciate her efforts over this past year. Anyone wishing to direct their talents toward the endeavor, please give me a call. During the day I can be reached at (904) 777-7583. My home telephone number is (904) 772-9761. Other committees include Strategic Planning Committee, Nominating Committee, and Program Committee. If you are interested in serving on any of these please contact me.

Thank you all for your help and support this past year-I am going to need it even more in 1988!!!!!!!

Bettye Stilley
President 1988/89

Another year has been completed for the Florida Health Sciences Library Association, culminating in the Annual Meeting held at the Omni Hotel in Jacksonville. This year's meeting was held jointly with the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association, March 15-18, 1988. The weather and the setting were beautiful, and the program was excellent. Many thanks to Bettye Stilley, Carolyn Hall, Pat Moneyhan, and Pam Neumann for their efforts in making this year's meeting another to be remembered.

An overview of the past year would include mention of the Executive Committee meeting during the Southern Chapter/MLA meeting in Tampa in October. After a delicious luncheon arranged by Judy Johnston, the committee spent better than an hour discussing various items of interest, including Honorary Member certificates, the upcoming Annual Meeting and the Archives. The Strategic Planning Committee met in February for the purpose of evaluating the Plan and looking to the future for new developments to be added. This meeting was hosted by Gwen Walters and Jo Ann Tibbs of University Community Hospital in Tampa. As always, they planned a most delightful luncheon for the attendees. The final Executive Committee/Strategic Planning Committee Meeting was held during the Annual Meeting in Jacksonville and was hosted by Carolyn Hall and Bettye Stilley. (And yes, dinner was wonderful! Don't you all wish you were on one of these committees?) Minutes for this meeting will be included in this issue of the Alert. Many thanks to the people who worked extra hours to arrange meeting spaces and provide needed refreshments.

I enjoyed my year as President of the FHSLA, and am grateful that it was a quiet year. Thank you to Bettye Stilley who served as Vice-President, Pat Jennings as Secretary, and Judy Johnston as Treasurer. Appreciation to members of the Strategic Planning Committee - Ted Srygley, Chair; Naomi Elia; Sarah Harmon; Linda Henke; Susie Burrows; Pat Moneyhan; Gwen Walters; and Jo Ann Tibbs. Many thanks to Susan Woods, Membership Committee Chair; Inez Tamanaha, Alert Editor; Carolyn Hall, State Union List Coordinator; and all the reporters as listed on the front page of the Alert.

And now, best of luck to the new officers and committee members; and to the entire membership, a profitable and successful year!

Lee A. Whiteside-Murphy
Past-President

FHSLA/GHSLA SECOND ANNUAL JOINT MEETING - A SUCCESS STORY

The second annual meeting of the Florida/Georgia Health Sciences Library Associations took place at the Omni Hotel in Jacksonville, March 16-18, 1988. Over 100 registrants participated in CE courses, business meetings, presentations, and St. Patrick's Day festivities. The local arrangements by Bettye Stilley, Carolyn Hall, Patricia Moneyhan, and Pam Neumann were outstanding! The Omni Hotel was elegant, the weather was spectacular (until Friday), the food was superb, and the program was excellent.

Dean William Summers was the keynote speaker whose topic was "Drawing on Your Resources." Following the business meeting, the group took a two-hour boat trip on the St. Johns River. Bill Condon, Librarian at Blue-Cross & Blue-Shield, provided insights into the second oldest profession in the world in his entertaining presentation, "Casanova was a Librarian."

Back at the Omni, no one had trouble staying awake for the excellent presentation by Charles R. McClure from Syracuse University School of Information Studies. Professor McClure spoke on "Planning and Evaluation Approaches for Health Sciences Libraries." He maintains that libraries must determine what are the most important services they offer, concentrate on doing them well, and quit trying to be all things to all people. He illustrated how a library must plan, set reasonable goals and objectives, perform activities to accomplish those objectives, and most importantly, have evaluation procedures to determine how well the library fulfilled its goals. Dr. McClure's two books, Planning & Role Setting for Public Libraries: A Manual of Options and Procedures and Output Measures for Public Libraries: A Manual of Standardized Procedures, both published in 1987, are available from the American Library Association.

Friday morning, a panel representing BRS, PAPERCHASE, GRATEFUL MED, and NurseSearch made presentations on "End-User Searching." FHSLA members Peggy Hsu and Clarissa Pickett of the University of Florida Health Science Center were among the panelists and demonstrators. Friday afternoon, a CME workshop was co-sponsored with the Florida Medical Association. FHSLA member, Cheryl Dee, participated in a panel discussion and made remarks on "Better Utilization of the Medical Library in CME."

Meeting sponsors included Ballen, EBSCO, Faxon, Majors, NCME, and Rittenhouse. Their generosity made possible the outstanding hospitality experienced by all meeting attendees.

Susan Woods

PERSONALS

DAVID GINN's paper, "The AIDS information crisis: confluence of the roles of information creator, seeker, and provider," appeared in Bulletin of the Medical Library Association, 75(4):333-341, October, 1987.

JANIE JONES has recently assumed the position of Associate Librarian at the Borland Library in Jacksonville, Florida. She was most recently associated with the Jacksonville University Swisher Library as director of public services. Mrs. Jones will be consultant to the local network libraries in addition to her other studies.

PAT MONEYHAN resigned her position as Associate Librarian at Borland Library in Jacksonville, Florida, on March 25th. She will accompany her husband who has accepted a transfer to Subic Bay in the Phillipines.

PAMELA NEUMANN has joined the staff of the Borland Health Sciences Library in Jacksonville, Florida as Information and Reference Librarian. Pam has been a reference librarian at the College of Physicians Library in Philadelphia for the past year. She has an MLS from Florida State University.

CE NEWS

A new publication of the SE/A RMLS Education Committee called CE Currents is being mailed quarterly to persons with program planning and education responsibilities within local, state and regional health science library organizations.

The purpose of CE Currents is to share ideas about educational opportunities within the region and encourage development of quality programming. Please send your ideas and contributions to Martha Watkins, Editor, CE Currents, Mercer University School of Medicine, Macon, GA 31207. If you know of anyone not on the mailing list who should be included, please call the RML: (800) 638-6093. (From: CE Currents, v.1(1), March 1988)

CONSULTANT REGISTRY LISTS INSTRUCTORS

If you are qualified and would like to teach SE/A RMLS courses you can be listed as an instructor in the Region 2 Consultants Registry. Contact Nancy Nuell at the SE/A RMLS, (800) 638-6093 and request an application for the Consultants Registry and a list of RMLS courses. The RMLS will use the instructors subset of the Consultants Registry to recommend local instructors when groups request RMLS sponsored courses. (From: CE Currents, v.1(1), March 1988)

ORGANIZING AND ADMINISTERING THE SMALL HOSPITAL LIBRARY

The third edition of the recently published manual Organizing and Administering the Small Hospital Library, is available for \$25 from SE/A RMLS. This manual is also the basis of instruction in the SE/A RMLS Hospital Library Preceptor program. Call the RML at (800) 638-6093 for more information.

CLINICAL ONCOLOGY SELECTED LIST

The new edition of Clinical Oncology: A Selected List of New Books is available. This useful guide can be ordered from: Dottie Hawthorne, Mayo Medical Library, Mayo Medical Foundation, 200 First St., SW, Rochester, MN 55905. A \$5 per copy fee must accompany the order. Please make checks payable to Cancer Librarians Section/MLA.).

CLASS DIRECTORY OF ILL POLICIES

The CLASS Directory of ILL Policies 1986-87 is available for \$30.00 (\$35.00 for non members). It contains nearly 700 listings, including ILL staff, addresses, phone numbers, policies, etc. Call CLASS Customer Services, at (408) 389-1756 to order the directory.

MLA ANNUAL MEETING - NEW ORLEANS MAY 21-26, 1988

This is an especially good year to become a member of MLA since the annual conference will be so close to home. Continuing education courses, sharing sessions and business meetings covering applications of CD-ROM, software development, consulting, AIDS information resources, etc. promise to be well worth the trip to New Orleans. Of course, there are all the temptations of New Orleans cajun and creole cuisine, JAZZ and the colorful city itself which can't be ignored!

If you have questions about the programs, services or publications of MLA, contact Nancy Clemmons, Head of Reference Services, Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL 35294; ph. (205) 934-2230.

CONBLS RETREAT-PEER ASSESSMENT REVIEW PROCESS DRAFTED

On February 11-12, 1988 CONBLS (The Consortium of Southern Biomedical Libraries, Inc.) met at the Sheraton Royal Biscayne Hotel to draft a document for a peer assessment review process for academic health sciences libraries. CONBLS is a consortium comprised of the Library Directors of the 15 academic health sciences libraries in six southeastern states. The two day working sessions were facilitated by Dr. Nancy M. Lorenzi, Associate Senior Vice President of the University of Cincinnati and past president of The Medical Library Association.

Louis Calder Library Director, Henry L. Lemkau, Jr. hosted the retreat which concluded with tours of the Louis Calder Memorial Library and Biomedical Communications Center and a

dinner in the Emanuel M. Papper, M.D. History of Medicine Room. Mr. Lemkau and T. Mark Hodges, Director of the Medical Center Library of Vanderbilt University will coordinate the post-retreat development of the CONBLS Peer Assessment Review Process.

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CALDER LIBRARY TESTS OPTICAL VIDEODISC PROGRAM

Louis Calder Memorial Library is one of 19 academic medical center libraries participating in a field test for the optical videodisc-based program on adolescent suicide. The interactive program was produced by the Lister Hill Center for Biomedical Communications of the National Library of Medicine in conjunction with the National Institute of Mental Health in May, 1987.

The program enables a student to direct patient interviews, interview the same patient repeatedly, listen in as physicians conduct interviews, diagnose and prescribe without exposing a real patient to potential danger. All third year students are required to complete this program as part of their rotation in the Library's Learning Resources Center.

CALENDAR

May 5, 1988
Advanced Lotus 1-2-3. Cost \$235. Contact: Jan Hedges, Division of Continuing Education, University North Florida. Ph. (904) 646-2690. Location: Main campus Jacksonville

May 6, 1988
Dbase III Plus. Cost \$235. Contact Jan Hedges, Division of Continuing Education, University North Florida. Ph. (904) 646-2690. Location: Main campus Jacksonville

May 21-26, 1988
MLA Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA

November 3-5, 1988
Southern Chapter Meeting, Omni Hotel, Jacksonville, Florida. Hosted by the University of Florida Gainesville and Jacksonville.