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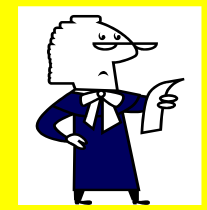
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From the Editor



I'd like to express thanks to our readers for their patience and support during publication of this current FHSLA Alert issue while we were all "weathering the storms." I hope you enjoy the informative mix of articles. Thank you for reporting your exciting programs and accomplishments. I am especially grateful to **John Orriola, Allison Howard,** and **Donna Doelling** for their editorial assistance. Please continue to send us your newsworthy items for upcoming Alert issues. The whole state of Florida has been through difficult times. As veterans of coping with the aftermath that has impacted our libraries and homes, my staff and I send sincere best wishes to all Florida Health Science Library Association members during this time of disaster recovery.

--*Beverly Shattuck*, bshattuc@hsc.usf.edu
Editor, Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida

Presidential Bios



Get to know the FHSLA President and President Elect:

President: **Rana Dole** is currently the medical librarian and CME coordinator for Broward General Medical Center in Ft. Lauderdale. Before moving to Florida in 1998, she was director of the medical library at Oak Ridge Associated Universities in Tennessee for almost 20 years. She's had tons of experience in academic libraries in New York, mostly in the areas of art and government documents. Rana has a bachelor's degree in art history, a master's degree in archaeology and an MLS. She was president and program chair for the Knoxville Area Health Sciences Libraries. And she was chair for 2 years of the Miami Health Science Library Consortium. Rana can be reached at 954-355-5653 or rdole@nbhd.org

President Elect: **Sandra Canham** is currently the Education Services Librarian at the University of Florida/Borland Library in Jacksonville, FL. She currently teaches electronic resources, PubMed, and EBM resources to all nineteen resident/fellowship programs as a required element in their training. She received her M.S. at the University of North Texas in 1999 and came to Florida in 2000 as Borland's Information Services Librarian. Prior to that, she taught 3rd and 4th grade for seven years in the Dallas Public School system. Sandra enjoys gardening, traveling and is an avid CSI fan. She shares her home with her dog Nikki who loves to walk and go to the beach. Contact Sandra at 904-244-3240 or scanham@ufl.edu

--*Beverly Shattuck*, bshattuc@hsc.usf.edu

New Officers for FHSLA

Meet the new officers (and chair persons) for **YOUR** organization.

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Sandra Canham	Vice President/President Elect
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Valentine's Day Membership Drive

Sixty-one members responded to the St. Valentine's Day promotion. During the same time last year, only 38 people had sent in their membership dues. That's a 61% increase! **Beck Hutchinson** from the Florida Hospital College in Orlando won the \$50 gift certificate to Barnes & Noble. As of August 31, 2004 the membership enrollment is 96.

Personal note from Beck Hutchinson:

A word of thanks is coming your way! Many thanks for the Barnes & Noble gift certificate - for signing up early! What a lovely organization I belong to. I didn't try to win but I'm so happy I did! With books on my mind! --- Beck Hutchinson

Annual Conference 2004 -- Reflections

This year, for the Annual Meeting, we tried something new. And it worked! On Wednesday, April 28, 2004, the first-ever, interactive videoconference of a FHSLA Annual Business Meeting and CE Course was presented. The project, from an idea by Karen Roth, was started in August 2003 with the goal of holding the Annual Business Meeting via teleconference or videoconference to allow members who may not have the travel time and money, to participate. The concept quickly expanded to include a CE Course and, since we wanted to be good hosts, to provide a free lunch to everyone attending the business meeting. Ah, we are so easily carried away by grand schemes.

The program began with the FHSLA 2004 Business Meeting, 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm. Lunch was provided at all five sites in Florida through the generous sponsorship of OVID, StatRef, and MD Consult. The business meeting originated from the USF College of Medicine. Their USF Health Sciences Information Services group hosted the connection links to the other four locations that enabled each of the five sites to see and hear all other participating sites in real time. Everyone quickly adjusted to the audio and visual presentation, and the meeting agenda moved forward. The meeting was completely interactive.

The business meeting adjourned and, after a short break, contact with the College of William and Mary, in Williamsburg, VA, was established. The CE Course was presented from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. "Laugh for the Health of It: The Value of Humor in Healthcare," taught by John Morreall, Ph.D., was completely interactive for all 6 sites, Williamsburg and the five Florida locations. At the conclusion of the course, Dr. Morreall answered questions from the participants at the various sites for an additional 35 minutes. Everyone said their goodbyes and signed off.

The CE Course was MLA accredited for 2 hours, and was given without charge. We registered 56 attendees for the course and 48 for the business meeting. We enrolled 2 new members. Feedback was very positive and attendees commented widely on the cost and time efficiency of the format. The few negatives that were reported concerned the need for a larger visual image of the CE presentation and a better sound system for communication. The technology will only get better and we feel this is a viable alternative for meetings and continuing education. Of course, it is hard to improve on face-to-face interaction and human contact, and it's

impossible to duplicate the beach and Gulf of Mexico that we had at last year's meeting in St. Pete Beach. We will work on that for next time!

Putting together all of the pieces of this puzzle required coordination, cooperation, and communication. So many people were involved in bringing this about and believe me; it took all of us to make it happen. Special thanks goes to Bev Shattuck, Director of the HSC Library for providing staff and funding for the presentation, and to Barry Silverstone, Director of Telemedicine, and his staff for being the technical wizards that made the magic happen.

A HUGE thank you goes to the local site hosts, coordinators, and technical staff for each of the 5 site locations in addition to our presenter at William and Mary, John Morreall, Ph.D., and technical liaison Dave Shantz.

At USF Health Sciences Library in Tampa: **Danny O'Neal, Karen Roth**, and technical contact, Barry Silverstone, Dir. of Telemedicine.

At South Miami Hospital in Miami: **Rana Dole**, Devica Samsundar, **Daniele Perez-Venero**, and technical contact, Ronald Pena.

At UF Borland Library in Jacksonville: **Sandra Canham, Adriana Yoshii**, and technical contact, Bill Sommer.

At UF Health Sciences Library in Gainesville: **Pam Sherwill-Navarro, Nancy Schaefer**, and technical contact, John Hughes.

At FSU College of Medicine in Tallahassee: **Barbara Shearer, Suzanne Nagy**, and technical contact, Ken Johnson.



Annual Conference 2005 – Gearing Up

Annual Meeting

The 2005 Florida Health Sciences Library Association's Annual Meeting will be held on April 20-23, 2005 in Jacksonville, FL. We will be overlooking the St. John's River at the Adams Mark Hotel. <http://www.adamsmark.com/jacksonville/index.asp> The program committee is presently scheduling speakers and booking outstanding CE courses to fit your needs as health sciences librarians. The new Jacksonville Public Library will be open and within walking distance. Watch for upcoming announcements through the discussion list in the coming months. Please join us in Jacksonville, home of the 2005 Super Bowl.

--Sandra Canham, scanham@ufl.edu
Vice President/Program Chair

Cruise Update

We are still considering a cruise after the meeting. It is on the Carnival Cruise Lines Celebration. We will depart Jacksonville, Saturday, April 23rd at 4 pm. Sunday will be at sea. We will arrive in Key West Monday at 7 am and depart at 3 pm. We will arrive in Nassau on Tuesday at 1 pm and depart 12 am. We will be at sea on Wednesday and return to Jacksonville at 8 am on Thursday. Family and friends are invited to go along. Please notify Bettye Stilley (bwstilley@sar.med.navy.mil), if you are interested.

--Bettye Stilley,
Local Arrangements, Chair

Addajane (Midge) Wallace is Retiring!!!

Can you believe it? Midge (originally known as Addajane) Wallace is leaving the health science library at Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach to go onto "greener" pastures in Port Charlotte. We who belong to such organizations as TaBaMLN, FHSLA, Southern Chapter, and MLA will keenly feel the loss of our friend and mentor.

Midge has run the Medical Library at Halifax since 1989. She brought not only her knowledge but also her great enthusiasm for all aspects of medical librarianship. And, for her creativity and mentorship and research, Midge is the 2004 Southern Chapter Librarian of the Year!

We will all miss her infectious laughter and her unstinting help with our problems. Midge has always made herself available to all of us as a friend and mentor. But ... she's given us a phone number and email address to keep in touch. Phone: 386-788-4346. Email: millrunpa@att.net

Midge, thank you for all your help. We'll miss you!!!

--Karen Roth, karen.roth@baycare.org

Newsworthy

FLA Establishes Hurricane Relief Fund

The Florida Library Association has established a Hurricane Relief Fund to aid libraries and library staff adversely affected by hurricanes in 2004. Contributions may be sent to:

The Florida Library Association
1133 W. Morse Blvd., Suite 201
Winter Park, FL 32789

Checks should be made out to the Florida Library Association with a notation that they are for the "FLA Hurricane Relief Fund."

At the September Board meeting, FLA President Derrie Perez challenged Board members to match an amount set aside from the FLA Treasury. With their generosity, the Board has nearly matched the funds. Now, President Perez encourages all FLA members to assist Florida's libraries by contributing to the fund. In addition, FLA will publicize the hurricane relief fund nationally to gain additional support.

State Library and Archives Establishes Disaster Recovery Website

To assist with the challenge of recovering records and library materials resulting from recent hurricanes, the State Library and Archives of Florida has set up a website to provide information about disaster recovery methods. The site, which also will provide information obtained about the status of the library communities in hurricane affected areas, can be accessed at <http://dlis.dos.state.fl.us/disasterrecovery/>.

USF de la Parte Institute Library Establishes HIV/AIDS Collection

Dr. Michael Knox, founder and Director of the University of South Florida Center for HIV Education and Research, and Ardis Hanson, Director of the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute Research Library, have agreed to develop and maintain an HIV/AIDS collection in the de la Parte Library. The permanent collection will consist of existing and new HIV and AIDS-related monographs, journals, and media both from the library and the center. The collection also will include academic journals and will be supplemented by consumer publications. Both the center and library staff will make recommendations on selecting new materials for the collection, review user-focused research tools and develop ways to train users to research topics in HIV/AIDS.

News: UF Health Science Center Libraries

HSC Libraries' Events

Hosted database-training sessions from National Network of Libraries of Medicine (NN/LM) in March 2004.

March 8 ~ PubMed (full day)

March 24-26 ~ Introduction to Molecular Biology Information Resources, Michele Tennant, instructor.

Hosted MLA Teleconference on March 10th on *Expert Searching*. Tara Cataldo, videotaped presenter.

Honors / Awards and Offices

Faith Meakin, in addition to being elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors for the Medical Library Association, has also been elected an MLA Fellow, for 'sustained and outstanding contributions to health sciences librarianship'. Ms. Meakin has also been chosen for the 2004 edition of *Who's Who in America*.

Beth Layton won an Association of Academic Health Science Libraries' Leadership Scholarship to attend the Association of College & Research Libraries / Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians, August 8-13, 2004, in Cambridge, MA.

The HSC Libraries received First Place in MLA's 2004 Creative Promotions contest for the 'RxEAD: Prescription for Knowledge' campaign, begun during National Medical Librarians Month in October. The campaign's goal was to raise the visibility of the libraries, creating and reinforcing connections with patrons, by displaying large posters and bookmarks of HSC deans and program heads posing with their favorite books. We also won First Place at MLA 2004 in the Swap & Shop's *Ongoing Campaigns* category. http://www.library.health.ufl.edu/images_temp/READposters_thumbs1.html

Lenny Rhine was honored at MLA 2004 by the International Cooperation Section, and received the annual ICS award in recognition of his 'dedication and outstanding service and leadership in international cooperation and outreach.'

Personnel

The HSC Libraries made two new professional hires recently. We welcome Michelle Foss as our new Access Librarian. She comes to us from the University of Central Florida where she was Library Information Network & Exchange Coordinator, providing business and personal research information to the Florida community. Ms. Foss oversees Document Delivery / Interlibrary Loan, Circulation, Reserve, and handles stack maintenance issues for the HSC Library in Gainesville.

We also welcome George Hack as our new Education Coordinator. He has just completed his Ph.D. in Educational Technology and Instructional Design at the University of Florida. Mr. Hack oversees bibliographic instruction, coordinates development of tutorials and online instruction, and works with our Liaison Librarians on their various library courses.

Tara Cataldo, Team Leader for the Reference, Education and Information Management Division, has taken the position of Science Bibliographer at UF's Marston Science Library. She will continue to work with the HSC Libraries on common collection and service issues. **Amy Buhler** is the new Team Leader for Reference.

State / National / International Activities

Lenny Rhine has been granted an honorary faculty position at the School of Health Science at the University San Francisco de Quito in Ecuador due to his contributions to the University of Florida's *Project Heal*, for his support on behalf of Ecuadorian medical education, specifically optimizing resources in medical and health information systems.

Lenny has also been named to the steering committee of the 'Global Review on Access to Health Information in Developing Countries.' This is a 15 month project that will review the 'Progress, Lessons Learned and Ways Forward' for the numerous components of health information delivery in this

environment. He attended the launch meeting at the British Medical Association in London on July 12, 2004.

Nancy Schaefer published *Databasics*; a 15-slide PowerPoint converted to HTML, at http://www.library.health.ufl.edu/nancy/databasics12-18-03/dbasics12-18-03_1.html. The presentation provides an introduction to seven common features in databases (help pages, truncation, controlled vocabulary, limits, combining searches, search history and links to full-text).

In addition, Nancy submitted (pre-)formulated PubMed search strategies and recommended websites for inclusion into the Partners for Information Access for the Public Health Workforce's Healthy People 2010 Information Access Project (<http://phpartners.org/hp/>) on Injury and Violence Prevention. She was invited to do this again this year after submitting strategies on Nutrition and Overweight in 2003.

Linda Butson and Sharon Schmidt (Central Florida AHEC / Nova Southeastern University) hosted the Internet Café at the Florida Public Health Association, Florida Association of Public Health Nurses and the Florida Environmental Health Association 2004 Joint Annual Educational Meeting and Trade Show held at the Renaissance Orlando Resort July 27-29, 2004. The Internet Café and exhibit were funded by an exhibit grant from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern / Atlantic Region.

Meetings / Conferences / Travel

Peggy Hsu attended the Radiological Society of North America Annual Meeting / Informatics in Radiology Conference at McCormick Place, Chicago, IL, November 29-December 5, 2003. She was invited by the NN/LM Greater Midwest Region to assist in teaching PubMed and consulting with international meeting attendees about National Library of Medicine products and services.

Tara Cataldo, **Rae Jesano** and **Nita Ferree** exhibited PubMed and other resources of the National Library of Medicine at the North American Veterinary Conference in Orlando, FL, January 18-21, 2004. The exhibit was funded by Southeast/Atlantic Regional Office of the NN/LM.

The HSC Libraries were well represented at the Medical Library Association's Annual Conference in Washington, DC May 21-26, 2004. Cecilia Botero, **Amy Buhler**, **Linda Butson**, Tara Cataldo, Ned Davis, **Peggy Hsu**, **Rae Jesano**, **Beth Layton**, **Faith Meakin**, Lenny Rhine, **Nancy Schaefer**, **Pam Sherwill-Navarro** and Michele Tennant from the Gainesville campus attended. **Sandra Canham**, **Pam Neumann** and **Adriana Yoshii**, from Borland Library at UF-HSC in Jacksonville, also attended the meeting.

Several of this year's HSC Libraries' attendees held program responsibilities and/or presented papers or posters at the MLA conference:

Beth Layton was program chair of the Medical Informatics Section, a primary sponsor of two session programs and co-sponsor of a third; she was also named to the National Planning Committee for MLA 2006. **Faith Meakin** was program chair/chair-elect of the Leadership and Management Section but gave up the office of Section Chair this year because of her election to the MLA Board. Ms. Meakin took on her duties as a Board member at the last business meeting. She will remain on the credentialing committee and will be Board Liaison to the Books Panel, the Governmental Relations Committee and to the Taskforce on the Information Specialist in Context.

Nancy Schaefer continued as chair of the Client Relations Committee and is beginning her term as chair-elect of the Public Health/Health Administration, participating in early planning of sessions for next year's MLA in San Antonio, TX. She is also convening one of seven sections of MLA's Health Literacy electronic journal club, which runs April-September. In addition, Ms. Schaefer also helped craft a successful proposal

granting stipends to lay or community health workers who have been accepted as presenters at the American Public Health Association annual meeting this fall.

Pam Neuman, from the Borland library, was elected Secretary/Treasurer of SC/MLA for 2003-2004.

Linda Butson was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the Public Services Section of MLA for 2004-2005.

Rae Jesano was elected Program Chair of the Library & Educational Resources Section of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy for 2004-2005.

The Special Libraries Association Annual Conference was held in Nashville, TN, June 5-9, 2004, and was attended by Ned Davis, **Nita Ferree** and Michele Tennant.

Peggy Hsu attended the conference for 'Partnership in Global Learning: e-Learning Objects and Systems' at the Grosvenor Hotel in Orlando, FL June 3-4, 2004.

Rae Jesano attended the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy conference in Salt Lake City, UT, July 9-14, 2004.

Michele Tennant attended part of the two-week course 'Molecular Evolution Workshop' held at the Woods Hole Molecular Biology Laboratory in Woods Hole, MA, from July 27-30, 2004.

Papers, Presentations, Publications and Teaching

Posters

Amy Buhler, Dwight Bennett and Ned Davis. *Seize the power of your patrons to promote your library.* Medical Library Association, Washington, DC, May 21-26, 2004.

Lenny Rhine. *Development of the 'INASP Health Links' website: a gateway to more than 600 selected websites for health professionals, medical library communities, publishers and NGOs in developing and transitional countries.* Medical Library Association, Washington, DC, May 21-26, 2004.

Papers/Presentations

Lenny Rhine. *Health related library partnership programs: an overview.* Medical Library Association, Washington, DC, May 21-26, 2004. Part of the International Cooperation Section's program, 'International Cooperation: The Power of Sister Libraries.'

Pamela Sherwill-Navarro and Gloria McWhirter. *A bridge across the state: creating an electrifying connection between a historically Black college and an academic health science center.* Medical Library Association, Washington, DC, May 21-26, 2004. In the section program 'Sharing the power (part 1): delivery of effective instruction,' sponsored by the Nursing & Allied Health Resources Section and African-American Medical Librarians' Alliance SIG.

Michele Tennant. *A library-based bioinformatics educational program for students, researchers, and clinicians.* Medical Library Association, Washington, DC, May 21-26, 2004. In the section program 'Sharing the power (part 2): bioinformatics education and the library,' sponsored by the Medical Informatics Section and the Molecular Biology and Genomics SIG.

Michele Tennant and **Nita Ferree**. *Partnerships in instruction: teaching dogs old and new, near and far.* Special Libraries Association, Nashville, TN, June 5-9, 2004. In the division program entitled 'Beyond

information literacy: teaching old dogs new tricks,' the contributed papers session of the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division.

Publications

Pamela Sherwill-Navarro and **Addajane L. Wallace**. *Research on the value of medical library services: does it make an impact in the health care literature?* In *The Journal of the Medical Library Association*, 2004 Jan; 92(1):34-45.

Pamela Sherwill-Navarro also published the article *Nursing librarian: an educator of future nurses* in the *Reference Services Review*, 2004 Jan-Feb; 32(1):40-44.

Amy Buhler and two surgeons on the faculty of UF's College of Medicine (TS Huber and JM Seeger) published the article *Evidence-based data from the hemodialysis access surgeon*. In *Seminars in Dialysis*, 2004 May-Jun; 17(3):217-23.

http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/entrez/query.fcgi?cmd=Retrieve&db=pubmed&dopt=Abstract&list_uids=15144548]

Michele Tennant, **Amy Buhler**, **Nita Ferree**, **Barbara Francis**, **Peggy Hsu**, **Rae Jesano**, **Beth Layton**, **Nancy Schaefer**, **Pam Sherwill-Navarro**, Tara Cataldo and George Hack. *Partnerships in instruction: teaching dogs old and new, near and far*. On the Special Libraries Association's Biomedical and Life Sciences Division website at <http://www.sla.org/division/dbio/>.

Teaching

Michele Tennant taught two 4-hr CE classes at MLA 2004: *Molecular biology and genetics for librarians* and *Genomics, proteomics, and bioinformatics for librarians*. Dr. Tennant also co-taught a 4-hr CE class at SLA 2004: *Phylogenetics and systematics for information specialists: science and resources*. Dr. Tennant also taught the module on *Phylogenetics* at the NAWBIS (NCBI's Advanced Workshop for Bioinformatics Information Specialists) workshop August 2-6, 2004. The classes were held at the National Center for Biotechnology Information at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, MD.

News: USF Shimberg Health Sciences Library

Library Activities

The Roadshow. Taking it to the Streets

Danny O'Neal, **Rose Bland**, **Beverly Shattuck**, and Randy Polo developed an outreach program called the Roadshow, with **Allison Howard** and **John Orriola** lending support and assistance to the event.. It is designed to increase the faculty and students' awareness of the library's resources that are specific to the curriculum and research needs of the Colleges of Nursing, Public Health, and the School of Physical Therapy. The College of Medicine has already integrated the library and its resources into their orientation program, the Profession of Medicine, so the goal of the Roadshow is to connect with the rest of the Health Sciences programs.

The Roadshow consists of informational and instructional posters, brochures, guides, bibliographies, and freebies such as bookmarks, pens, pencils, and of course, chocolate! Oh, and librarians, too. For each Roadshow outing, the posters and educational materials are individually developed to address the needs of

the specific target audience. We also provide information on remote access and computer accounts.

We like to set up in high traffic locations with a table, poster boards, and handouts and spend the day talking with the students and faculty, demonstrating databases and answering questions. By going on the road and visiting the colleges we have been able to meet with students that we have never seen in the library. For the students, the Roadshow allows them to meet us, ask questions, and find out what they have been missing.

The Roadshow has already visited the Sarasota and Tampa campuses of the College of Nursing and is preparing materials for their next destination, the College of Public Health. The School of Physical Therapy will follow, with return visits to all throughout the year.

Senior Day in the Park

Senior Day in the Park was held in Tampa on May 7, 2004. This is an annual special event sponsored by the City of Tampa Parks & Recreation Department and the State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs in celebration of Older Americans Month. **Karen Keene** staffed a booth to provide information on print and electronic consumer health resources, and USF health clinics and treatment centers. Multiple agencies from Hillsborough County were present to showcase their services to local senior groups. More than 500 seniors attended this day long outdoor event.

Migrations

Shimberg Health Sciences Library is engrossed in the migration process as we move to the Ex Libris Library Management System in 2005. All the Florida State Universities are involved in a three year phased transition, with USF being in the 2nd phase. As key departmental people, **Rose Bland, Lee Ann Howlett, Allison Howard, Judy Johnston**, and Shirley Outen have been busy taking the lead on migration issues. Clint Cherry, Linda Florence, Duane Reigel and John Scott have also been involved in preparing test data, database maintenance, setting up conversion tables and getting our computers ready for the new system.

Rose Bland, Rick Haley, and John Scott have also been involved in planning an internal network migration also happening late 2004 or early 2005. I guess you can say we're on the move!

Have MLS, Will Travel!

The USF Shimberg Health Sciences Library Education Librarian, **John Orriola**, provided training in a former Soviet, now Central Asian, Republic, Uzbekistan. The week long instructional program was sponsored by the American International Health Alliance. USF Health Sciences Center and College of Medicine are partners along with several other U.S. health sciences centers and international agencies in a far-ranging initiative to improve health care education in the Central Asian Republics, members of which are Khazakstan, Kyrgystan, Turmenistan, Tajikistan, as well as Uzbekistan. Representatives from these countries as well as several from Georgia and Azerbaijan also attended. John, with the assistance of a translator, provided instruction in development of a search strategy, the use of PubMed, EndNote, and the development of a Union Catalog.

News: James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital Library:

Personnel:

The James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital Library welcomed Robert C. Hall as its new Technical Services Librarian in June. He came to us from the Brooklyn, New York, VA Medical Center, where he worked for the past twelve years as Medical Librarian.

We would also like to congratulate Laurie Barnett on her promotion to Clinical Medical Librarian last January. She had previously been our Medical Librarian (responsible for technical services for our Medical Library and outreach to our outpatient clinics) since 1998.

Honors:

Janet Schneider, Patient Education Librarian at the James A. Haley Veterans Hospital in Tampa, is the first recipient of the Florida Health Sciences Librarian of the Year award! Congratulations to Janet for being such an outstanding librarian.

Janet's nomination and letters of recommendation describe her as an active, enthusiastic and innovative librarian who always goes the extra mile for patients and their families at the VA in Tampa. Janet provides support and instruction for veterans and family members. One of her recommendations describes Janet as having a "genuinely caring attitude and a focus on excellence in customer service."

Janet sets a good example for all librarians. We are pleased that FHSLA has given Janet this award. She heartily deserves it.



FLORIDA HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
2005 Membership Form

1. New member: _____ Renewal: _____
 2. Name _____
Position/Title: _____
Library: _____
Institution: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
E-mail: _____
 3. Please indicate the type of library where you are employed:
 Academic Corporate Hospital Public Other _____
 4. Please indicate if you are a member of other library associations:
 SC/MLA MLA SLA FLA Other _____
 5. Are you an AHIP Member: Yes No
 Emeritus Distinguished Senior Member Provisional
 6. Are you interested in serving as a FHSLA officer? Yes No
Officer Preference:
 Vice President/President Elect Secretary Treasurer
 7. Are you interested in serving on a FHSLA Committee: Yes No
Committee Preference(s):
 Continuing Education Membership Newsletter
 Program Strategic Planning
- Dues are \$15.00 for the calendar year January 1 – December 31

Make checks payable to: FHSLA

Fill out and print this form, and send with a check to: Allison Howard
Shimberg Health Sciences Library, USF
12901 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., MDC 31
Please make sure Allison Howard Tampa, FL 33612-4799
appears somewhere in the address!

If you have questions, please contact Allison Howard at ahoward@hsc.usf.edu or (813) 974-4752