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## Calendar

### SEPTEMBER

- 11 Mid-Michigan Health Sciences Libraries. Meeting. McPherson Community Health Center, Howell
- 16 Valley Regional Health Science Librarians. Meeting. Saginaw Health Science Library, Saginaw
- 18 Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group. Meeting. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. Speaker: Ms. Alice Schnoor, Associate Professor, School of Business Administration, Wayne State University. *Personnel Training*
- 26 UP Health Sciences Libraries Consortium. Workshop on Bindery & Health Sciences Reference. Marquette General Hospital, Marquette
- 30 Windsor Area Health Librarians Association. Meeting. Hotel Dieu, Windsor

### OCTOBER

- 1-4 Midcontinental & Midwest Regional Groups/MLA. Fall Meeting. Chase-Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, MO
- 8 On-Line Searching of Data Bases. Western Michigan University, School of Library Science. Course No. 637b. Kalamazoo Campus (Continues through Nov. 5)
- 8-11 Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association. Annual Conference. Bay Valley Inn, Bay City
- 15 Flint Area Health Science Library Network. Meeting. Flint Osteopathic Hospital
- 31 South Central Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association. Meeting. Center for Forensic Psychiatry, Ypsilanti  
Western Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association. Meeting. Holly's Bistro, Grand Rapids

### NOVEMBER

- 4 Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group. Annual Business Meeting. Southwest Detroit Hospital
- 7 MEDLINE Update. Host International Hotel, Detroit Metropolitan Airport
- 10 Effective Management Techniques for Health Sciences Librarians. Workshop No. 2: *Improving Time Management - Action Planning*. University of Michigan Extension Service, C&I, 412 Maynard Street, Ann Arbor, 48109
- 13 Mid-Michigan Health Sciences Libraries. Meeting. (Place to be announced)
- 18 Valley Regional Health Science Librarians. Meeting. (Place to be announced)

## MHSLA 7th Annual Educational Conference

The Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association will hold its annual educational conference at Bay Valley Inn, just outside Bay City, Michigan on October 8-10, 1980. Members of the Mid-Michigan Health Sciences Libraries and the Valley Regional Health Science Librarians will be hosts. This year's meeting offers nine workshops (MICCLE credits have been applied for) and three Medical Library Association Continuing Education Courses, each offering 0.8 ceu. The variety of workshops offered this year makes this MHSLA conference useful for health administration and medical records personnel, academic and public librarians as well as for health science librarians and other library managers. The conference program is as follows:

### Wednesday, October 8

- Medical Library Association Continuing Education Courses
- CE 32 - *Statistical Sources for Health Science Librarians* (Instructor to be announced)
- CE 45 - *Library Management/Marketing*. JoAnn Bell, East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina, Instructor
- CE 53 - *Writing for Publication*. Jana Bradley, Wishard Memorial Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind., Instructor

### Thursday Morning, October 9

- Introduction to AACR2* - Anaclore Evans, Wayne State University, Detroit
- Stress Management* - Stephen Konowalow, Delta Community College, Saginaw
- Records & Reports Essential for Library Development* - Anthos Hungerford, Hurley Medical Center, Flint
- Serials Selection* - Mollie Lynch, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac

### Thursday Afternoon, October 9

- Introduction to AACR2* (continued)
- Understanding the NLM Resource Improvement Grants* - Moderator: Mary McNamara, KOM RML. Panel: Barbara Coe Johnson, Harper Hospital, Detroit; Bonnie Swegles, Mercy Hospital, Port Huron; Diane Hawkins, Penneck Hospital, Hastings; Janet Stith, University of Kentucky, Lexington
- Cataloging Audiovisuals* - Roger G. Verny, University of Cincinnati
- Retrieval of & Access to Michigan Documents* - Leslie Behm, Michigan State University and Pearl Ann Miller, Office of Health & Medical Affairs, Management & Budget, State of Michigan

### Friday Morning, October 10

- Annual Business Meeting

### Friday Afternoon, October 10

- Legal Materials*, Richard Beer, Adams Pratt Oakland County Law Library, Pontiac
- Equal Rights & the Health Science Librarian* - Panel: Susan Anthony, University of Cincinnati; Dina Namath, Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit; Elin Shallcross, Upjohn Company, Kalamazoo

Dr. Richard Chapin, Director of the Michigan State University Libraries will be one of those who address the conference on Thursday morning and will speak on current topics of interest to health science librarians. The featured speaker at the Friday luncheon will be Jan Longone (see elsewhere this issue). During free time there will be an opportunity to browse through exhibits or to enjoy the Michigan fall colors while playing tennis, golf, or swimming at the Bay Valley Inn.

Registration fees, including Thursday and/or Friday lunches are: MHSLA members: Full conference, \$75 (one-day, \$40); non-MHSLA members: Full conference, \$90 (one-day \$55); MLA CE Courses: MLA members, \$50; non-MLA members, \$75.

Registration materials will be mailed August 15. If you do not receive your forms by August 22, please call or write Jane Allshouse, TIS Library (22), Dow Corning Corporation, P.O. Box 1592, Midland, MI 48640 (Tel. 517/496-4957).

- Janet Parsch  
Promotions Committee

## Jan Longone Returns to MHSLA Conference

By popular demand, Jan Longone will again address the MHSLA Conference attendees this year at the luncheon on Friday, October 10, 1980. Her talk is entitled "Wine and Food Library, Part II."

According to a recent article in the *Ann Arbor Observer*, Jan's 10,000 volume Wine and Food Library is one of three in the world devoted solely to food, wine, and gastronomy. The collection includes rare, out-of-print, and one-of-a-kind materials on wine, food, cookery, restaurants, and travel related to food and wine. All aspects of gastronomy and gastronomic history are represented, except diet cookbooks.

Jan's expertise in wine and food has extended beyond collecting books. In addition to lecturing, she and her husband Dan, who is a respected wine expert and founder of the Ann Arbor Wine and Food Society, teach a popular University of Michigan Extension course, Regional Wines and Foods of France. They are planning a new Extension course, Wine and Food of the Ancient Mediterranean. Jan also co-hosts a five-minute weekly broadcast for WUOM Radio called Adventures in Gastronomy. She has recently agreed to serve on an Antioch College advisory board setting up the first B.F.A. program in culinary arts in the United States. As Jan says with a smile, "Our time has come!"

Chapters or Sections, 3) a petition to form a new Chapter must be signed by one-half of MLA voting members who reside or work within the area covered by the proposed new Chapter, 4) provisional status can be granted to a Chapter for a period of two years. During that time, the Chapter must present to MLA a Constitution and Bylaws that is consistent with that of MLA, and 5) if the above conditions are met, MLA can grant permanent status to the Chapter.

I want to especially alert our state association members to Section 5 of Article XI: "Officers and Committee Chairmen". Section 5 states: "Officers and chairmen of Chapter and Section committees must be Regular Members or Institutional Members or Fellows of the Association." This is the section that generated so much debate at the MLA Open Forum and Business Meeting. There were many comments from the floor, and the arguments presented by several librarians, both pro and con, were very persuasive! How will Section 5 impact on our state association? If we become a Chapter of MLA, Section 5 will automatically exclude any members of our state association from becoming an officer or chairman of chapter committees, if they are not MLA members. Requiring MLA membership will disenfranchise some of our members from actively participating and holding office in our state association. Can we afford to do this to some of our members at a time when we are striving to develop a strong association and meaningfully involve more of our members? Why not let individuals participate first in the state association, and then get them involved so that they will see the benefits of joining MLA in the future?

MLA has asked members to approve an increase in dues from \$45 to \$60. Is this realistic for some librarians who are in institutions that already restrict their travel and educational expenses to conferences. Our goal for the state association next year is to increase membership but keep our dues at \$10.

A persuasive argument in favor of Section 5 was the issue of professionalism. Professional librarians should support their national organization and join MLA. We can strengthen our cause, politically and economically, by uniting with MLA. I cannot disagree with these reasons for supporting Section 5, but are these reasons appropriate for MHSLA at this time? I urge our members to support our annual conference this fall by attending the workshops and coming to the business meeting to voice your concerns regarding this important issue. I encourage you to call me or talk with your board officers regarding this issue. I am looking forward to meeting and talking with members this fall at Bay Valley Inn!

- Carole Colter

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## President's Column

This fall at the business meeting of the Annual MHSLA Conference at Bay Valley Inn, our members will be asked to discuss and debate the following important issue: Should our state association apply to the Medical Library Association to become an official Chapter of the Association? Since I am your President and I represent your interests, I attended and closely observed the discussion on the proposed amendments and revisions in the MLA Bylaws at the 1980 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. on June 18-19.

In this column I would like to briefly summarize some of the highlights of the discussion that occurred during the Open Forum Debates and the Business Meeting in Washington on the proposed group structure. I would like to emphasize that the proposed amendments to the MLA Bylaws were approved by MLA members in Washington, and that sometime in August, a mail ballot will be sent to all MLA members for approval. The relevant articles to study in the Bylaws are Articles X and XI: "The Formation and Recognition of Chapters and Sections" and "Chapter and Sections of the Association". To summarize, Articles X and XI state first that a chapter is a group based on a geographical area, and secondly that new chapters must meet the following conditions in order to be recognized: 1) the stated purpose of the Chapter must be consistent with MLA's Constitution, 2) new chapters must demonstrate that their needs cannot be met by existing

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## Ottagon Hospital Library Consortium

The Ottagon Hospital Library Consortium was formed in February 1976 as a shared library service agreement among three community acute care institutions: Holland Community, Douglas Community, and Zeeland Community Hospitals. The idea originated at Holland Hospital as an attempt to share our collection with the two other institutions, both of which had limited and outdated library collections.

Each institution made a commitment to exchange information and share existing resources to mutual advantage, and to expand existing resources and library services through cooperative programs and activities. Holland Community Hospital is the largest of the three institutions with 210 beds and the only member with a full time medical librarian. It was agreed that Holland would act as an information resource center until Douglas and Zeeland could purchase basic collections and that its medical librarian would be project director for the consortium. One major objective was to develop a book catalog and a list of serials and audio-visuals available for loan within the consortium.

A book catalog was duplicated from the title section of the card catalog at Holland Hospital for Douglas and Zeeland to make access to the collection easy for patrons. Holland agreed to keep the catalog current until the consortium could begin a joint cataloging project. The book catalog was delivered to

each hospital in March 1977.

In the Spring of 1978 the consortium contracted with an outside agency to develop a computer generated book catalog of the consortium holdings. The catalog would be similar in format to the more familiar card catalog. The catalog was completed in the Summer of 1978 and each institution received one copy of each listing - author/title, subject heading, and shelf list. The catalog is updated quarterly, and a mechanism has been worked out to alert each library to changes in individual library holdings between updates.

The consortium was awarded a resource improvement grant of \$3,500 by the National Library of Medicine in July 1979. Grant monies have been used to purchase new texts and journal subscriptions.

Allegan General Hospital, an acute care community hospital, joined the consortium in the Summer of 1979. Allegan's holdings have been added to the consortium serials list and book catalog.

The Ottagon Hospital Library Consortium has been successful in providing medical library service to three community hospitals that had in the past very limited library services and has expanded available resources by purchasing new text titles and journal subscriptions.

- Marge Kars  
Holland Community Hospital

## 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

## Mental Health Librarians

The mental health librarians in Michigan are making every effort to organize a strong interest group. Last November a one-day conference was held at the Detroit Psychiatric Institute. Nineteen librarians and mental health personnel attended. The Kentucky-Ohio-Michigan RML and the Health Instructional Resources Associated (HIRA) sent representatives. The program was an informal discussion of cooperative sharing of resources. Dr. Bernard Chodorkoff, Director of Education, Detroit Psychiatric Institute, gave a short talk on the development of psychoanalysis and the current thinking in the field. Tom Van Dam, Librarian, Pine Rest Christian Hospital, discussed current reference texts and other publications in mental health. As a result of this first conference information was gathered by means of a questionnaire on the institutions, the services offered and the available collections.

The librarians of the state mental health facilities met on July 18 at the Ypsilanti Regional Psychiatric Hospital. Out of this meeting came a plan to create a union catalog of current

monographs held by the state facilities. The catalog will be housed at Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital. If there is sufficient interest, the mental health librarians will meet for lunch on Thursday, October 9, at the MHSLA Conference. Those interested should call Bonnie Gasperini (313/434-3400 x 200) or Carol Attar (313/876-4170).

- Rita Bigman  
Detroit Psychiatric Institute

## MHSLA and MHA Affiliation

The possible affiliation between the Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association (MHSLA) and the Michigan Hospital Association (MHA) will be an agenda item for the business meeting on October 10, 1980 at the Bay Valley Inn Conference.

In 1976, David Keddle, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee to Form a State Group, approached Mr. L. Michael Smith, Director, Public Affairs, MHA about a possible affiliation. Later Mr. Smith met with the MHSLA Executive Board who invited him to attend the October conference. In order to provide the members with some background, we quote from a recent letter from Mr. Smith to David Keddle:

"The primary purpose for affiliation is three-fold: education, communication, and advocacy. In the past five years the MHA has built an Educational Services Department which exists to serve the needs of its member hospitals, and all the entities within. It has become a national leader in presenting information to groups of hospital people. A great deal of this information comes through the cooperation of affiliate societies and the department by sponsoring educational programs, annual meetings, etc. In addition, the MHA makes its entire print shop facilities available to affiliate societies for newsletters, membership solicitations, announcements of meetings, etc. In this way, the activity is centralized, and made available to membership societies in a convenient fashion. Finally, we have found that those persons in an affiliate organization, through releases and information provided by MHA to them, are much better informed on issues that impact the hospital, and therefore can serve as advocates on behalf of their hospital, as well as their professions. As the old saying goes "there is strength in numbers", and that strength is possible only through the activities of all members of the hospital family."

## New LRC At The University of Michigan

The University of Michigan's Multi-Media Area, formerly located at the Furstenberg Student Study Center, moved to the A. Alfred Taubman Medical Library in July. Facilities in the new quarters include: 1) an audiovisual area with 98 carrels equipped for viewing slide/tape, microfiche and video materials; 2) small group viewing rooms for seminars; 3) a microscope study area; 4) a clinical skills demonstration area with adjacent examination rooms equipped with medical instruments, audiovisual display and video recording equipment; 5) an instructional computing area and 6) a special technology area.

The LRC houses over 3000 instructional programs related to health science education. Acquisitions are closely coordinated with instruction in the Schools of Medicine, Nursing and allied health sciences. Cataloging and indexing data are stored in the University's computer. Data can be retrieved interactively by such categories as subject, class, author, producer, media format, and audience. A subject catalog with title and author indexes is produced by the computer.

The Center's information services include audiovisual resource identification, compilation of reference tools, and computerized search services. In addition, the LRC offers instructional design and computer-based instruction services.

Administrative support is provided by the School of Medicine, Office of Education Resources and Research.

- Karen Metz  
Learning Resource Center

## Individual Items

**Judy Weedman** replaces Pearl Grosse as the librarian at the Unit for Laboratory Animal Medicine at the University of Michigan. Judy received her M.L.S. degree from the University of Oregon and is currently working on her Ph.D. in school/children's librarianship at the University of Michigan.

**Robert Sekerak**, Director of Hospital Library Development Services, Charles A. Dana Medical Library, University of Vermont was chosen by the Council on Library Resources and the National Library of Medicine as one of three librarians to participate in the third Health Sciences Library Management Intern program. Mr. Sekerak will serve a one-year internship under the direction of Yvonne L. Wulff, Head, Medical Center Library, University of Michigan beginning September 1.

The **Michigan Cancer Foundation** in Detroit houses a Health Education Unit subsidized by a federal government contract. The staff invites public inquiries related to cancer and will also provide referral information for community resources to cancer patients and their families. The Center's hours are 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday. The toll free number is 800-462-9191. Correspondence should be directed to the Public Response Program, Michigan Cancer Foundation, 110 East Warren, Detroit, MI 48201.

The **MHSLA Executive Board**, at their May meeting, approved an allotment of \$100 to solicit for an Association logo. Mildred Kingsbury, Robin Rand and Margo Dix contacted professional artists to submit ideas to the Board for review at the September meeting. The best designs will be presented to the membership for a vote at the October conference.

**Helen Howley**, MHSLA Archivist, needs conference programs, brochures, photographs, etc. of former conferences for her files. Helen is particularly in need of these items from the Grand Rapids, Mackinac, Flint and Ann Arbor conferences.

**Robin Rand**, Head Medical Librarian, Saginaw Health Sciences Library has resigned to accept the position of Director of the Maine Medical Center Library, a 500 bed teaching hospital in Portland, Maine. Robin served as Treasurer of MHSLA this year.

**Ann Marie Obarski**, KOM Extramural Coordinator for Michigan State University, has moved to New Mexico where her husband has accepted a fellowship. No appointment has been made to date to fill her position at MSU.

Members of the University of Michigan PLAC are in the process of choosing Michigan's Basic Unit Representative to the Kentucky-Ohio-Michigan RML Executive Committee. Pat Wolfgram, Librarian, Saginaw Osteopathic Hospital and member of the Michigan State University PLAC, has served as the Basic Unit Representative for the past two years.

**James F. Williams, II**, as a member of the National Library of Medicine Board of Regents, was one of a five-member U.S. Delegation on Exchange of Biomedical Information who recently visited the People's Republic of China, July 9-29, 1980. Jim is Medical Librarian of Wayne State University and Director of the Kentucky-Ohio-Michigan RML Network.

**Rosemary Carter** is the new Medical Librarian at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Flint. She received her M.L.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1978 and had previously served as librarian of the Genesee Memorial Hospital in Flint.

**Kay Kelly** has the newest MEDLINE center in Michigan. It serves the D.C. Burns Clinic and the Northern Michigan Hospital, Inc. in Petoskey. The Northern Michigan Medical Society purchased the terminal for the library. Kay will run searches without charge for all physicians in Charlevoix, Emmett and Cheboygan counties. She also plans to give the allied health students who are training at Burns Clinic hands-on experience in MEDLINE searching. On August 19 she will demonstrate MEDLINE to members of the Northern Michigan Medical Record Administrators in Gaylord. Kay hopes that other health institutions in northern Michigan will become interested in forming a MEDLINE consortium.

In addition to the one at Petoskey, MEDLINE centers have been approved for six health related institutions in Michigan since the NLM moratorium was lifted. These include Rehabilitation Institute and Lafayette Clinic in Detroit, Mercy Hospital in both Port Huron and Muskegon, Chelsea Community Hospital in Chelsea and Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids.

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