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TENTH ANNUAL MHSLA EDUCATION CONFERENCE

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Park Place Hotel, Traverse City, Michigan Hosted by: Northern Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association

By now members should have received the Preliminary Information for the Fall Meeting in Traverse City and responded to Norma Powers, Local Arrangements Chairperson, regarding their interest in taking part in one of the Saturday tours following the Conference.

Mark your calendars now and plan to spend some time in Traverse City during the peak of the color season. Specifics of the meeting will be included in the final Conference mailing, but Continuing Education Courses and Workshops will include the following:

MLA CE 129 Hospital Library Management

MLA CE 350 Literature of Allied Health

MLA CE 451 Online Search Optimization

Workshops

Quality Assurance in Libraries

Applied Library Automation

Online Vendor Comparison

Patient Education

Michigan Library Scene, 1983

Searching the Nursing Literature Online

Automation in Libraries-Basic and Advanced

Plan on spending the weekend following the Conference to tour the area. Locally attend a concert at the famed National Music Camp in Interlochen or treat yourself to a play at the Old Town Playhouse. Shoppers will love the abundance of lovely stores, antique shops and arts and crafts in the Traverse City, Charlevoix, and Petoskey area.

Combine a visit to Fishtown in Leland with a stop at the beautiful Leelanau homestead for lunch, then on to Sleeping Bear Dunes and Boskydel Vineyard. Don't miss a drive on Old Mission Peninsula in Traverse City with stops to walk the beach at Old Mission Lighthouse and winetasting at Chateau Grand Traverse. Or tour the Crystal Lake area with a stop at Gwen Frostic's Presscraft Papers in its scenic natural setting, lunch at the Cherry Hut or historica Court House in Beulah, or canoe down the Platte or Betsy Rivers.

There is no end to the places to visit, sights to see, dining to to sample in the Traverse City area. It is important that you return the information requested on the Preliminary Mailing so the Local Arrangements Committee knows whether to pursue group Saturday tours or if you would rather go off on your own.

Norma Powers Local Arrangements

AD HOC UNION LIST OF SERIALS COMMITTEE

The Committee recommends the establishment of two new standing committees for MHSLA: a Union List of Serials Committee and an Interlibrary Loan Committee. The present Ad Hoc Committee has worked very hard for three years to arrange for the production of a statewide health science union list of serials. With the entry of more and more hosptial libraries into the OCLC data base, this goal is close to becoming a reality. Once the union list is in place, the pattern of interlibrary loan activity among health science libraries in Michigan will change considerably. A Committee should be in place to address the issues that will inevitably arise.

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Suggested areas of responsibility for the committees are:

1) Union List of Serials Committee

The Committee will be responsible for coordinating the MHSLA-sponsored statewide health science union list of serials. The Committee will act as a liaison between contributors and the producer of the list and will interact with other regional and national union listing groups. The Committee will establish guidelines for becoming a contributor, for updating holdings and for withdrawal from the list. Working with the producer, the Committee will recommend a price structure for the union list products. The Committee will work closely with the Interlibrary Loan Committee on joint projects or problems.

2) Interlibrary Loan Committee

The Committee will be responsible for creating a statewide interlibrary loan agreement among health science libraries, for establishing procedures to support the agreement and for evaluating and monitoring the agreement. The Committee will collect and analyze statistical data on statewide interlibrary loan activity. The Committee will determine the mechanism for handling any complaints about use of the network and will establish procedures for this as needed. The Committee will represent health science libraries' interests in the statewide multi-type library network and in other regional and national interlibrary loan networks. The Committee will work closely with the Union List of Serials Committee on joint projects and problems.

The Ad Hoc Committee recommends that the Executive Board instruct the Bylaws Committee to prepare revisions to the existing Bylaws to incoporate these two Committees, subject to the approval of the membership at the October 1983 Annual Meeting.

Lynn Sorensen-Sutton Chairman, Ad Hoc Union List of Serials Committee

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

The MHSLA Executive Board met in December, 1982. February and May, 1983. The following highlights from these meetings were prepared by Rosemary Carter, Secretary.

The treasurer, Doris Blauet, reported that 1983 membership stands at 129 members and that the tax exempt status request has been filed.

Several detailed reports were submitted to the board from the 1982 Conference Planning Committee. These reports will be very useful for future planning committees.

Kay Kelly, 1983 Conference Planning Chair, announced that Audrey Grosch has accepted our invitation to speak at the conference in Traverse City.

The 1984 MHSLA Conference will be in Flint. The accommodations and banquet will be held at the Hyatt Regency. The educational and association meetings and the luncheon will be held at the University of Michigan Center.

The Legislation Committee reviewed the Medicare/Medicaid participation and hospital libraries (Federal Register, Dec. 8, 1982) and committee members were alerted to campaign against the proposed ruling.

Judy Coppola, Chair of the Legislative Committee, attended the Michigan Legislative Day on May 11, 1983, in Lansing.

Lynn Sorensen-Sutton, chair of the Ad Hoc Serials Committee, has submitted recommendations for the establishment of two new standing committees. (See article elsewhere in this issue.) Members will vote on this at the October meeting.

Regions of Cooperation (ROCs) are in various stages of inputting serial holdings to OCLC. The 4th character code recognition has been approved by OCLC, but no cost has been established.

The new Region 3 (Greater Midwest Regional Medical Library Network) will involve the establishment of a regional advisory committee. The RAC will be comprised of State Council representatives and resource library directors. Metta Lansdale will represent MHSLA at the first RAC meeting. Barbara Kormelink will be the chair pro-tem of the by-laws committee to draft by-laws for the Michigan State Council.

LEGISLATION NEWS

Library of Michigan. House Bill 4552 and Senate Bill 239 address the important issue of the composition of the Board of Trustees of the Library of Michigan, the terms of office of the Board members and the relationship of the Board to the Legislative Service Bureau. These bills would increase the membership of the Board to include representatives from the legislature, from the Supreme Court, from Special Libraries, and from State Agency Libraries, and would also set the terms of office for Board members. The MHSLA board endorses these proposals. The Board of the Library of Michigan will appoint a new State Librarian, but is it not known how long it will take to get the Board constituted. Sue Haskin is interim

State Librarian. Hearings on 4552 and 239 have already been held and they reported favorably. According to Elliott Smith, Director of the Legislative Service Bureau, an opinion from the Attorney General regarding the legalities of the new Library is still pending, but obviously is not a serious problem. Working with Sue Haskin is a transition team made up of Senator Faust and Charles Wolfe, State Law Librarian. The transfer is working smoothly and the timetable first addresses the personnel issue. Morale at the State Library is reported to be good. By September 30 all accounting functions will be transferred. A budget was put together from scratch and presented to the House Appropriations Subcommittee. There may be an increase in funding—a change form the 1/3 decline during the past 10 years. Bipartisan response from legislators is very favorable.

The only other bill dealing with libraries is substitute Senate Bill 15 providing for the extension of shoplifting legislation to libraries. (Senate Bill 14 did not survive.) Senator Sederburg told us that SB 15 solves the present problem of there being no statutory basis for stopping a suspect at checkout. However, it is still necessary to demonstrate just cause to detain someone. (The problem of books that are never returned is, of course, not solved by this bill.) Senate Bill 15 is expected to pass.

Other information in brief... The penal fines case, where funds normally going to support public libraries were being diverted from libraries to the Courts, was settled favorably on appeal in Saginaw with the judge ruling that 1/3 of penal fines collected should go to public library support. However, it seems likely that there will be no mechanism to implement this ruling, and that the issue may have to be decided on an area by area basis. Funding for State aid to libraries is at 7.7 million, and this may increase by October (14 million are required for appropriate funding levels.) The Big Three universities have a 3% increase; the rest, 71/2%. Any increase in funding for the Blind and Physically Handicapped might detract from funding for the Library of Michigan . . . Rep. Engler pointed out that many legislators have low library awareness, and that the new Library of Michigan will be a new experience for them. He also warned that proposed re-apportionment within the State may polarize legislators along party lines to the detriment of needed legislation.

On the federal scene . . . the emergency jobs bill appropriated \$50 million for public library construction, the first time Title II of the Library Services and Construction Act has been funded in 10 years. The bill (PL 98-8) is aimed at high-unemployment states. Library Cooperatives in Michigan are to identify needs and report them as possible projects to Sue Haskin. Rep. Dale Kildee (D-MI) has introduced HR 1720, the Emergency Educational Facilities Repair and Renovation for Jobs Act which would authorize \$500 million for the public library repair and funds for school and college libraries.

The information in this article resulted from Legislative Day in Lansing in May.

Judy Coppola Legislative Committee Chair

MONOGRAPH AND AUDIOVISUAL ON-LINE CATALOG

Region 3 has an online database Regional Union Catalog which lists more than 82,000 health science monographs and audiovisuals which are owned by the resource libraries and one hospital library in the GMRMLIN. At this point, only the old Region 7 institutions have their holdings in the private database which is available through BRS. The four new states in Region 3 are being invited to submit their monographic and audiovisual holdings for inclusion.

The catalog is searched using basic BRS commands and is free-text searchable. The catalog has available an on-line interlibrary loan system. Once the item has been located in the database, if an interlibrary loan request is not filled within seven days, it is automatically routed to the next nearest, smallest library and then on to NLM.

Training for using the database was provided at the GMRMLN meeting entitled "New Directions in Consortia." Only a few librarians from Michigan attended the workshop and were trained to use the system. At this time, only those who received this training are eligible to use the database. The catalog is currently funded by a NLM grant and BRS costs for searching the system will be met for six months. Costs charged by the resource libraries for interlibrary loan are the responsibility of the borrowing library. After the initial sixmonth period, other libraries in Region 3 will be eligible to be trained to use the database on a fee basis.

Barbara Kormelink, Bay Medical Center, and Carole Colter, Midland Hospital Center, were among those who attended the workshop. So far, it has been a very easy system to use and the results have been very worthwhile.

Barbara Kormelink Carole Colter

LOCATOR TOOLS/UNION LIST OF SERIALS

The Greater Midwest Regional Medical Library Network has announced that the following locator tools/union lists of Serials are available for purchase.

GMRMLN Union List of Serials (formerly KOMULS) includes eleven Region 3 libraries. These are U. of Kentucky, U. of Louisville, U. of Cincinnati, Ohio State U., Wright State U., Medical College of Toledo, Case Western Reserve U., Cleveland Health Sciences Library, Ohio State Library, Northeastern Ohio U., U. of Michigan, Michigan State U., Wayne State U., and the Medical College of Wisconsin. Indiana U. School of Medicine holdings will be added in 1983.

The cost is \$55 for 1983 with two fiche issues per year. Checks payable to the U. of Illinois should be sent with the order to the Management Office GMRMLN, P.O. Box 7509, Chicago, IL 60680.

In addition to this list, many of the resource libraries have their own separate holdings lists. Please contact the GMRMLN at the above address for information on these lists.

UNSERVED/UNDERSERVED AREAS ANALYSIS PROJECT

In April. 1983. GMRMLN (Region 3) sent out surveys to identified consortia/local groups in states in the Region. The surveys requested information concerning underserved areas which were defined as hospitals which have libraries with the person in charge having the library as a secondary responsibility, hospitals with libraries staffed by volunteers, hospitals with untrained person in charge or hospitals with libraries available only to physicians. Unserved areas were defined as areas with health professionals who have no formal tie-in to the Regional Medical Library Network via a health sciences library such as hospitals with no library or nonurban location with no hospital.

The information was requested to define areas which are underserved/unserved because the National Library of Medicine has asked each Region to submit a plan outlining who is presently underserved/unserved and how each Region proposes to implement service to these areas.

TOXICOLOGY FOR ONLINE SEARCH ANALYSTS

Medical Library Association Continuing Education Course 466. An intensive two-day study of the backgound and literature of toxicology; intended for the librarian with some online searching experience or training. The course covers understanding the toxicology terminology, interpreting the end user's needs, developing effective searching techniques, and comparing the databases and databanks.

Dates: August 2 & 3, 1983

Instructors: Jamet M. Everitt-The Upjohn Compnay,

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Costs: \$100.00 (Medical Library Association members)

\$150.00 (all others)

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LOCAL GROUP NEWS

Mildred Kingsbury, Marquette General Hospital, recently attended the advanced MEDLINE training session. She said that is was as stimulating and wearing as initial training, but that it also is proving very beneficial in her searching activities. Mildred notes that there was a physician from the People's Republic of China in her class.

The Upper Peninsula Health Sciences Libraries Consortium will meet at Marquette General Hospital this summer to survey the new services offered at the hospital. The afternoon session will consist of a problem-solving workshop.

Sheila Hofstetter has taken a job at Community Hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana, and Jackie Mardikian has moved up to Sheila's job. Sara Hook will move to Borgess to take Jackie's job from Blodgett in Grand Rapids.

Hackley Hospital is the newest MEDLINE center in the Western Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association. Betty Rogers just recently received her training at NLM in Washington.

Nancy Dingman from Saginaw Veteran's Administration Medical Center reports that they have begun MEDLINE services as of July 5, 1983. June Cronenberger spent a week at NLM for her training in late June.

At its February meeting the Mid-Michigan Health Sciences

Libraries elected officers for 1983: Chairperson, Leslie Behm, librarian in the Science Library of MSU and head of MSU's Clinical Center Library; Secretary, Diana Hawkins, Librarian of the Pennock Hospital Medical Library; and Treasurer, Judy Coppola, librarian in the Science Library of MSU.

Members of M-MHSL have been very active in their local ROC (Region of Cooperation), called CALNET, standing for Capitol Area Library Network. Recently, several M-MHSL members were the happy recipients of computer equipment from LSCA funds distributed through CALNET. The grants include a complete microcomputer package featuring a Radio Shack TRS-80 model 3 microcomputer with printer, modem, and terminal software: Bill Nelton at the Michigan Department of Public Health Library and Doris Asher at Sparrow Hospital have received this package. Beth Heinlen from Lansing General Hospital and Jane Claytor at St. Lawrence Hospital were awarded \$2,800 to buy microcomputer equipment of their choice. CALNET will provide Dave Keddle of Ingham Medical Center start-up costs and first-year expenses for full access to OCLC. All of this equipment is to move the Region of Cooperation toward their eventual goal of complete automation among all of its members.

Doris Asher

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