

President's Column

Several weeks after returning from MHSLA's Executive Board Retreat, I received in the mail the November 1987 issue of Specialist, The Newsletter of Special Libraries Association. The cover story was titled "Organizing a Planning Retreat." by Stephanie Tolson and Catherine Suyak Alloway. Reading the article, I expected to learn all the things we didn't do but should have done. Actually, we didn't do too badly. Tolson and Alloway describe a planning retreat as "a gathering, usually one-half to three days in length, that brings people together to share information, brainstorm ideas, and plan activities for a defined period of time. To obtain satisfactory results, the group must be free of distractions, and this is most easily achieved by choosing a retreat location away from a library or parent organization. Going offsite limits interruptions, inspires creativity, and enhances communication. The end product of a successful retreat is a cohesive plan, with specific objectives, that maximizes the effectiveness of the decision makers, who represent many diverse interests within the group."

MHSLA's Executive Board Retreat was held November 12-13, 1987 at the Sheraton Fashion Square Hotel in Saginaw (site of the 1988 MHSLA Annual Educational Conference). Attendees included the officers, area group representatives and committee chairpersons. While never intended to be a formal "strategic planning" process in the manner of MLA, it did provide an opportunity for the MHSLA Executive Board to discuss a great many issues for which there was never time at regular Board meetings. The 17 individuals who met for a day and a half in Saginaw should be commended for their enthusiasm, stamina and willingness to take on additional work for themselves. They laid out an ambitious agenda for the next several years. At a time when many voluntary library organizations are struggling for lack of participation, no project that was identified went lacking for volunteers.

The retreat culminated a year of planning activities and drew heavily on the input received from the Membership Open Forum at the Kalamazoo Conference. Highlights from the Retreat include:

Acceptance of the offer of a 12% group discount for MHSLA members from Login Brothers - Ohio.
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MHSLA Survey: How to Keep Statistics for the 1990 Survey

As the dust clears from the 1987 MHSLA Survey of Hospital Libraries, a number of things come to mind. Foremost is the question, "How can we do a better job next time?" The evaluation of the survey has been received and will be compiled by the committee, and the survey results are being prepared for publication; but we also need to examine how to record statistics for the 1990 survey. MHSLA members will need to debate many of the points included in this article, and resolve our opinions into a policy by the next MHSLA Annual Meeting. I have included some thoughts and observations of my own and of others here, but this is just a starting point for the discussions which will follow.

In the survey, library managers were asked to provide their most recent annual statistics. A survey is a snap-shot of reality at a given period of time. When answering the survey, some respondents called to ask questions like, "We are adding one person to our staff in 2 months. Should I include that person in the Full Time Equivalent (FTE) figure for my library?" Although this librarian is pleased that staff is increasing and wants to report it, the fact is that this person is not on board and has not done any work yet. If we were to include that person, and then compare the workload to a library with similar staffing, the productivity of the first library would appear quite low. Although we don't compare individual libraries with a survey, we do compare productivity statistics as a group. We need to remember that we compare data in a survey, and that the snapshot method is the most accurate and fair way to do so.

A few hints on keeping various statistics:

1. Interlibrary Loans. The ILL Committee asks that we keep statistics on both the number borrowed from other libraries and the number lent to other libraries. The survey requested the data in that format in 1987 and will do so in 1990.
2. Literature Searches. There are a number of
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Produce paper and microfiche editions of MISHULS only once a year in recognition of heavy reliance on DOCLINE (Document Delivery Committee).

Contact DOCLINE-eligible institutions who are not yet participating (Document Delivery Committee).

In the future, bill DOCLINE participants directly for producing the OCLC tape for use on DOCLINE (Document Delivery Committee).

Design workshop for paraprofessionals on document delivery including DOCLINE and telefacsimile use (Document Delivery and Education Committees).

Recommend to MDMLG Executive Board that MHSLA interlibrary loan guidelines supersede MDMLG Agreement. (Sandra Martin).

Appoint Ad Hoc Collection Development Committee to use DOCLINE data in identifying most frequently requested journal titles for interlibrary loan and to propose a plan to maximize journal resources. The committee is also charged with investigating the feasibility of a statewide online union catalog of monographs (Beth Heinlein, Chair).

Investigate feasibility of merging three MHSLA directories: MISHULS, Technology and Membership into a single database (Judy Barnes, Bonnie Swegles, Carol Aebli).

Investigate methods of dial access into online catalogs in Michigan and publish findings (Technology Committee).

Sponsor a Continuing Education course at a different time and place than the Fall Conference (Education Committee).

Received an invitation from Flint Area Health Science Librarians to host an abbreviated one day Annual Meeting in 1990 in view of MLA being in Detroit that year (Doris Blauet).

Designate increased time with vendors during the annual conference, perhaps with an evening hands-on session (Education Committee and Local Arrangements Committee).

Develop a membership brochure for recruiting purposes and to use as a membership profile when corresponding with guest speakers (Mildred Kingsbury and Norma Powers).

Maintain a mailing list separate from the official membership list for recruitment and communications purposes (Bonnie Swegles).

Revise the MHSLA membership form (Carol Aebli and Bonnie Swegles).

Review bylaws with the intention of simplification and elimination of unnecessary detail. Investigate Institutional Membership issue (Bylaws Committee).

Obtain information on advisability of Incorporation and liability insurance for the Association and Board Members. (Nancy Winslow).

Develop format for written position descriptions for all Board members and procedure manual format for all Committees (Lynn Sorensen Sutton).

Investigate Certificate of Deposit for investment of Association funds; review tax exempt status and implications of the new tax law (Carol Aebli).

Publish a "Retreat" issue of the newsletter (Publications Committee).

And these are just the highlights! The Proceedings of the Retreat will be published in more detail and distributed to all members. If you have questions about any of these action statements or if you want to volunteer to help with any of them, contact either myself or the person designated as responsible for implementation.

One final note: I have accepted a new position as head of the Science Library, Wayne State University. After January 18, 1988 you may reach me at the following address:

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Science Library
Wayne State University
Detroit, Michigan 48202
(313) 577-4373

AHA Bibliographies

The American Hospital Association has recently published three bibliographies under their Selected Resources from the AHA Resource Center which are of particular interest to Librarians. They are:

1. "Health Sciences Libraries in Hospitals: Meeting Information Needs," May, 1987.
2. "Health Statistics Sources," 1986.
3. "Health Care Dictionaries," August, 1987.

For more information, write:

American Hospital Association Resource Center
840 North Lake Shore Drive
Chicago, IL 60611

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methods currently used for counting literature searches. When the National Library of Medicine was collecting search statistics through the Regional Medical Libraries they asked us to count and "intellectual search." Although the concept has become a bit foggy over the years, the intent was to record the searcher's intellectual effort at search analysis and formulation. For example, a search which is run in MEDLINE and Psychological Abstracts would count as two literature searches because two formulations are required. The backfiles of MEDLINE however, don't count as additional searches most of the time because one formulation will take you back to 1966. If we decide to accept "intellectual search" criteria as a standard, the following search statistics policy would apply:

SEARCH TYPE	STATISTICAL STATUS
Automatic SDIs	Not counted as a search. The formulation is done once and the remaining work is done by the computer.
Author Searches	Yes. An easy formulation is still a formulation.
Verifications	Not counted. Part of the interloan process; not a topical search of the published literature.
Searches by Library Users	Not counted. Library Statistics record work by library staff.
OCLC	Usually part of the interloan or cataloging process.
DOCLINE	Also part of the interloan process.

3. Budget. Not every one has a line item budget yet, and many are working toward that goal. If you have a budget which specifies each line item (books, journals, a-v, supplies, etc.) the survey questions will be easy to answer. If you don't, report what is available and work toward more complete budget information.
4. Salaries. This item was very poorly reported and is the information most sought after by library managers. The survey procedures are absolutely confidential and there is no reason for with-

holding this important information, particularly since it is requested in salary ranges. As we all gain experience with the survey, we expect a better response rate on this question in 1990.

5. Circulation. This statistic is an important indicator of library usage and we would like to collect and report it very specifically. As this area was also poorly reported, the following guidelines may be helpful for 1990. Report the total number of items circulated, and also the number of items circulated by type. In other words, number of books, a-v, journals, etc. The in-library use of items is an important statistic and is often larger than the number of items checked out of the library. Since in-library use represents information requests which were answered, each should be counted in the library's statistics.

Although I'm sure I've managed to disagree with everyone on at least one point, this is only the beginning of the development of a policy for collecting statistics. After an Executive Board review and a discussion at the next MHSLA Annual Meeting, a consensus will emerge and respondents will be able to answer the survey more easily in 1990.

— Dina Nameth

Notes from MDMLG

The Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group's fourth meeting of the 1987-88 year is scheduled for Thursday, March 10 at Wayne State University. The topic: library automation at Wayne and LUIS. Contact the MDMLG Program Committee for more information (Chair: Debbie Adams, Botsford Hospital, 313/471-8515).

MDMLG is sponsoring a CE course on automation this spring. The course, organized with the assistance of U of M's Jim Crooks, will feature instruction in the advanced use of DOS and templates for library applications and in accessing NOTIS online catalogs via a microcomputer. Contact the CE Committee for more information (Chair: Nancy Bulgarelli, Beaumont Hospital/Troy, 313/828-5044).

Farewell and best wishes to long-time MDMLG/WSU-ite Jim Williams who has accepted the position as Director of Libraries at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Prospective MDMLG members: please contact the Community Liaison Committee for more information on joining (Chair: Donna Marshall, Detroit Riverview Hospital, 313/499-4123)

Announcements or other items of interest to the MDMLG membership can be submitted for publication to the editor of the **MDMLG News** (Sheryl Stevens) at Henry Ford Hospital, 313/876-2550.

— Sheryl Stevens

MHSLA Anniversary Noted

The following is the text of a speech made at the Fall conference by Marge Kars. The speech was made to note the tenth anniversary of MHSLA and was about MHSLA history.

This occasion marks the tenth anniversary of the Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association. It is customary on these occasions for a member of the group to speak, usually after a banquet, about the founding and history of the association. At the end of the speech, those members still awake dutifully applaud and the group's history and purpose are forgotten until the next anniversary.

This afternoon we've broken from tradition. There will be no banquet and I hope to keep you awake rather than put you to sleep.

Health Sciences Librarians in Michigan have a strong history of cooperation. Health sciences librarians in Detroit trace their informal association back to World War II and their current association, the Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group, to 1962. Their publication, Selected List of Biomedical Serials, was the first union list of health sciences serials in the state.

By 1973, when the first Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Conference was held, three more local groups had been formed: Western Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association, Flint Area Health Sciences Library Network and Valley Regional Health Science Librarians. By 1980, five more groups had formed: Mid-Michigan, Northern Michigan, Upper Peninsula, South Central and the Thumb Area.

The groups were formed to provide education for their members and to support consultation services and shared service among members. One outcome of this cooperation was M.A.S.H., the Michigan Area Serials Holdings List, the forerunner of the MISHULS.

The first Michigan Health Sciences Conference was sponsored by MDMLG in June 1973. The theme for that conference was "User Services: New Directions — Users Services: New Innovations."

From a personal perspective — from someone who attended the two day conference; the workshops were interesting, the speakers were thought provoking. The real meat of the conference happened after hours — after the meetings were finished and we had a chance to gather in small groups.

This association owes a debt of gratitude to Mary McNamara, the Program Director of the Detroit Medical Library Resources Program. Mary was a catalyst. She kept us moving and talking and interested. She never stopped

asking questions. Consequently we never stopped looking for the answers. I'm sure even then, in 1973, Mary had an idea of what this association should be all about.

The following year, the conference was held in Lansing and was sponsored by two local groups. Medical Education User Needs: Library Response was the conference theme. Once again, the informal gathering and talks after the sessions were important networking opportunities.

At the Town Hall meeting held at the Grand Rapids meeting in 1976, Jim Williams from KOM, charged the leaders of each of the local groups with studying the feasibility of forming a state association and presenting those recommendations at next year's meeting.

The State Group Planning Committee, as this group was called, made its recommendations at the 1977 meeting held at Mackinac Island. Appropriately, the theme for that meeting was "A Grand Beginning." The planning committee's recommendations included eleven objectives, and functional group design and organizational structure. In selecting objectives the committee identified the first six as the highest priority. They were:

1. The management of an annual conference.
2. To provide educational programs on the local level, outside of the annual conference.
3. To act as a resource of consultants to developing libraries.
4. Set up task forces to identify problems and formulate solutions.
5. To act as a liaison with MLA, KOM, accrediting agencies and the State Legislature.
6. To provide shared services or exchange of services on a statewide level.

The final five recommendations were:

7. To publish a newsletter.
8. To provide public relations outside the group and to educate the public about our profession.
9. To provide a Lobby for the State Legislature.
10. To provide a mechanism for recruitment within the State.
11. To develop a code of professional standards and ethics.

In the ten years since that Grand Beginning, we have accomplished four of those original objectives. We publish a quarterly newsletter for our membership. The Executive Board appoints task forces to recommend solutions to problems identified as being important to

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the association. The Statewide union List of Serials Committee was one of the first task forces charged by the new association. Early in 1987 we sponsored Docline workshops. These workshops were provided at the local level in addition to the educational opportunities afforded at the annual conference. The annual education conference combines the annual business meeting with a week of educational opportunities at both the professional and technical level. The conference draws 100 participants annually, and has included nationally known speakers, Eugene Prime, Herbert White and Charles McClure. Because the membership expressed an interest, the conferences included the NLM update until this year, when NLM dropped the updates from its schedule.

In those ten years we have also; produced an annual membership directory, developed and continued MISHULS, and participated as a test group in NLM's DOCLINE interlibrary loan project.

A committee of members has written a grant proposal to the Kellogg Foundation to fund 44 telefax machines for libraries within the Association. At this meeting you will receive the products of two other Association Committees. The results of the Membership survey and the directory produced by the Technology Committee were being handed out to members at registration. All of these projects have required the participation of all our members. And, all of our members stand to benefit from each of these projects.

Although we have deviated from our initial objectives we have not failed. We have in a sense recognized the change and evolution in the healthcare environment. The membership has steered this organization in the direction of present change and future trends. We members have never been afraid to express their opinions, our ideas, our concerns. Anyone who participated during those first years will tell you that. We have questioned, spoken, argued, developed, planned and almost come to blows on some issues. Short to coming to blows, I'm hoping you will continue the activist position, to participate in planning for the future.

I think something needs to be said about the environment in which we all work. Hospitals are experiencing rapid change, but not necessarily growth. In the next five years each of us will be effected in some way by changes in the healthcare environment. All of us will experience a change in job responsibility, or title or size of our department. These are events over which, for the most part, we have no control. We need to be aware of this changing environment as we work this afternoon. You do have control over the professional environment in this association. Where we go with this Association will largely depend on what you have to say here this afternoon. You are

being asked to identify concerns and issues that the Executive Board needs to address in the association's long range plan.

Recently, in celebrating a promotion I received, a friend wrote me a letter of congratulations. There's a quote in that letter that I would like to pass along to you to consider in this afternoon's session and in our discussions in the days ahead.

*"Lord, we ain't what we oughta be,
We ain't what we wanna be,
We ain't what we gonna be,
But, thank God, we ain't what we was."*

On that note, I thank you.

— Marge Kars

Announcements

■ Harper Hospital Library has acquired a telefacsimile machine for document delivery purposes. Please include the information listed below in your directories.

Harper Hospital
Department of Libraries
3990 John R.
Detroit, Michigan 48201-2097
FAX phone: (313) 993-0239
Model: Pitney Bowes 8220

■ FAHSLN has elected new officers for 1988. They are:
Chair and MHSLA Representative - Marilyn Schleg
Secretary - Ria Lukes
ROC Representative - Martha Studaker
State Council Representative - Nancy Winslow

■ As of November 1, 1987, all of the pre-1974 journals at Henry Ford Hospital are in storage. They are unavailable for ILL unless no other institution carries the title.

■ CORRECTION: *Physician's Weekly* pays \$4.00 to institutions only if they have no representative in your area.

Login Brothers Discount

As of January 1, 1988, Login Brothers Ohio will extend a 12% discount to all members of the Michigan Health Sciences Library Association. This is an added 2% over the usual institutional discount. MHSLA is looking into other companies which might be interested in providing discounts.

The Comparison Shopping Librarian

Just in time for the new year (and for some of you the new budget year) here are some more references comparing software and hardware.

This time I'd like to call your attention to the concept of FAX boards and scanners. These nifty little gadgets allow your computer to act as a telefax machine and have the added advantage of providing scanning capabilities for your computer. If you are investigating current FAX technology, you may want to take a look at this technology.

SOFTWARE

(Special issue on spreadsheet software) *PC Magazine* 1987 September 15; 6 (15):

- Automating your books, analyzing your options. p. 90-
- Making every number count. 99-
- Economy-class auditors. 107-
 - Summary of features. 116-
- Tailor-made ledgers. 151-
 - Summary of features. 154-
- High-priced bookkeepers. 165-
 - Summary of features. 187-
- Accounting system profiles. 274-

(Special issue on "Software hits of 1987") *PC World* 1987 July; 5 (7):

- Communications. 205-
- Word Processing. 219-
- Publishing. 229-
- Data management. 237-
- Spreadsheets. 249-
- Graphics. 265-
- Finance. 279-
- Application Development. 289-
- Utilities. 293-

Basic face off. *PC Tech Journal* 1987 September; 5(9); 136-

Desktop publisher play-offs: Pagemaker vs. Ventura. *Desktop Publishing and Office Automation Buyer's Guide and Handbook* 1987; guide no. 8; 22-38.

Comparing backup software: Fastback, Back-it, and PC-Tools are compared. *OCLC Micro* 1987 August; 3 (4): 21-

Micros in Medicine: software selection. *Medical Reference Services Quarterly*. Summer 1987; 6 (2): 83-89.

HARDWARE

Laser performance. *PC Tech Journal* 1987 Sept.; 5 (9): 100-

Simple LAN alternatives. *PC Tech Journal* 1987 September; 5 (9): 186-

Laser printer times four. *BYTE* 1987 October; 214-220

Two high-performance PC AT compatibles. *BYTE* 1987 August; 207-211

Scanner how-tos: using a scanner. *Desktop Publishing and Office Automation Buyer's Guide and Handbook* 1987 guide no. 8; 78-81.

Fax devices: low-cost faxing. *Desktop Publishing and Office Automation Buyer's Guide and Handbook* 1987 guide no. 8; 96-103.

Fax boards: is your office complete without one? *Personal Computing* 1987 October; 121-125.

Add-in-boards: taking your AT's memory to the maximum. *PC Magazine* 1987 August; 6 (14); 255-

An introduction to local area networks. *OCLC Micro* October 1987; 3 (5); 18-20.

Clones: Caveats and Kudos. Brian Alley. *Small Computers in Libraries* 1987 June; 33-37.

UTILITIES

Rx for slipped disks: disk drive utilities can tell you how healthy your storage system is . . . *PC Magazine* 1987 September 29; 317-337.

COMPUTERS — PSYCHOLOGY

Library automation: human factors and considerations. Johnette Jones Williams. *T.H.E. Journal* Oct. 1987; 97-100

JUST FOR FUN

Try the following quiz:

How good an online searcher are you? Twenty questions about MEDLINE, by Susan J. Feinglos. *ONLINE* 1987 July; p. 63-64.

— Judy Barnes, Reference Librarian
John W. Chi Memorial Medical Library

A Short Bibliography On CD-ROM

Some folks in our group are interested in CD-ROM technology for their libraries, particularly with respect to the MEDLINE files. Recently Sparrow Hospital Medical Library in Lansing was approached regarding the acquisition of the MEDLINE files on CD-ROM.

In order to follow up on the request, I contacted Sharon Martins at the University of Kansas Medical Center Library.
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She reported that their library is currently using the media to teach medical students about MEDLINE. Unfortunately, her overview of the current technology was somewhat negative with respect to its practical use by smaller libraries (i.e. hospital libraries). Sharon also reported that CD-ROM does have its drawbacks for the experienced searcher. These included the inability to "save" searches; the problem of having only one year per disk (a format used by 75 percent of today's vendors) requiring either multiple drives or switching disks frequently; and problems in text word searching.

At this point in time, one should investigate thoroughly before investing. The technology is still in a state of flux, similar to early home video technology. (Surely you remember the war between Beta and VHS.) Additionally, there are at least four vendors out there providing MEDLINE on CD-ROM. Each company should be evaluated thoroughly. Several options exist for purchase and/or rental.

The list of references below, taken from library and computer magazines, may help you decide whether or not to take the plunge. Do your homework on this one!

Databases on CD-ROM: comparative factors for purchase. Charles Peters. *Electronic Library* 1987 June; 5 (3): 154-160.

ERIC on CD-ROM: a comparison of DIALOG ONDISC, OCLC'S Search CD450 and Silverplatter. Jean Reese and Ramona Steffey. *ONLINE* 1987 September; 11 (5): 42-54.

Books in Print and Ulrich's on CD-ROM: a preliminary review. Carson Holloway. *ONLINE* 1987 September; 11 (5) : 57-61.

CD-ROM catalogs - evaluating LEPAC and looking ahead. Paula D. Watson. *ONLINE* 1987 Sept.; 11 (5): 74-80

MEDLINE on micro. Royal Purcell. *Small Computers in Libraries* 1987 July/August; 7 (7): 16-18.

Publications on CD-ROM: librarians can make a difference. Carol Tenopir. *Library Journal* 1987 September 15; 112; 62-63.

Costs and benefits of CD-ROM. Carol Tenopir. *Library Journal* 1987 September 1; 112; 156-157.

Evaluating CD-ROMs: to buy or what to buy? David C. Miller. *Database* 1987 June; 36-42.

What is CD-ROM? Debra Ketchell. *HLS: Hospital Library Section — Medical Library Association* 1987; 11 (4): 9-12.

Reflections on CD-ROM: bridging the gap between technology and purpose. Shannon Smith Saviers. *Special Libraries* Fall 1987; 288-94.

Medical University Library Evaluates Medline CD-ROM. 3 *Sources* September 1987; 5 (4): 2-3.

Picking CD-ROMs for public use: a library shares its careful considerations for acquiring databases on compact

disc. Linda Stewart. *American Libraries* October 1987; 738-40.

The Silver disk: CD-ROM at ALA: a Conference report. Nancy K. Herther. *Online* November 1987; 96-100.

CD-ROM technology opens the doors on a new software market. Tony Rizzo. *Microsoft Systems Journal* September 1987; 2 (4): 47-53.

CD-ROM database update. Carol Tenopir. *Library Journal* 1986 December; 111; 70-71.

CD-ROM: a new advance in medical information retrieval. Richard K. Wertz. *JAMA* 1986 December 16; 256 (24): 3376-3378.

Compact Cambridge/MEDLINE (review). *JAMA* 1987 May 22-29; 257 (20); 2835-2836.

Print and CD-ROM: we need them both. Ralph Alberico. *Small Computers in Libraries* 1987 June; 8-12.

CD-ROM and the library: problems and prospects. Francisca Co. *Small Computers in Libraries* 1987 November; 42-49.

— Judy Barnes, Reference Librarian
John W. Chi Memorial Medical Library
Ingham Medical Center

MLS/Hospital Libraries Section Task Force coalition with AHA for National Hospital Library Survey

At the Annual Meeting of the MLA/Hospital Libraries Section in Portland OR, the Executive Committee acted to pursue a coalition with the American Hospital Association in developing a national hospital library survey.

In 1986, a Task Force on Hospital Library Statistics was appointed by MLA/Hospital Libraries Section to develop a national survey of hospital libraries. Task Force members are: Irene Lovas, Chairperson, UCLA; Jim Bothmer, University of Colorado; Sandra Clevesy, Framingham Union Hospital, Framingham, MA; Claire Gadzikowski, University of Nebraska-Omaha; Beth Layton, Winchester Medical Center, Winchester, VA; Mary Peck, Rowan Memorial Hospital, Salisbury, NC; and Patricia Wolfgram, Midland Hospital Center, Midland, MI.

Efforts of Task Force members to date include surveying the literature to locate information about surveys of health sciences libraries, especially hospital libraries. Through requests of Task Force members, all known surveys involving hospital libraries were obtained to help serve as guidelines in the formulation of a new survey instrument.

Task Force members also queried hospital librarians in their regions to determine what statistics they actually were keeping and what statistics they would like to see
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included in a comprehensive, national survey of hospital libraries.

A draft of the survey written by Task Force members was submitted to the MLA/Hospital Libraries Section Executive Committee in May. At that time, Patricia Wakely, manager of the information services department, American Hospital Association, proposed a coalition between the MLA/HLS Task Force and AHA to develop and distribute a comprehensive survey, and to tabulate and maintain the national hospital library survey data.

Task Force members are delighted at the prospects of this joint effort and hope for excellent results in gathering much needed survey data on a national level, as well as impacting hospital library standards.

— Patricia Wolfgram

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Upcoming Meetings

**Special Libraries Association, Michigan Chapter
call April Vossberg, 433-6117 for details**

February 2, 1988, Tuesday Strohaus, Detroit (limited attendance). Dinner: cold cuts, beer, soft drinks. Speaker: Raymond Gross, Director of Corporate Planning, Stroh Corporation. Informal talk about market research.

March 24, 1988, Thursday Industrial Technology Institute. Tour. Nonprofit corporation involved in factory automation. They also provide on-line conferencing services and information services in the manufacturing fields.

April 22, 1988, Friday Breakfast meeting, Macomb Community College, South Campus, Warren. Videotape: "Library and Archival Disaster: Preparedness and Recovery". This 25 minute video provides guidelines to prevent fire or flood from destroying your library.

May 12, 1988, Thursday Annual business meeting, Ann Arbor area. Guest speaker: SLA President, Emily Mobley.

**Special Libraries Association Western Michigan Chapter
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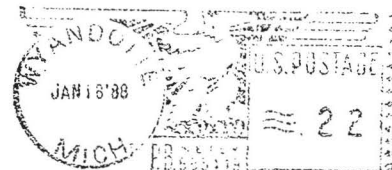
March 16, 1988, Wednesday Holiday Inn West, Kalamazoo. Lunch followed by program: "Multi-type Library Cooperation". Robert Gibson, Chair of the Library of Michigan's Task Force on Library Interdependency and Funding will speak on the work of the task force. Alida Geppert of the Southwest Michigan Library Network will speak on the ROCs (Regions of Cooperation).

April 22, 1988, Friday Sheraton Inn, Lansing. Joint meeting with MIDBUG. Technology update.

May 19, 1988, Thursday Whirlpool Corporation, Benton Harbor. Chapter business meeting and tour of library.

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