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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

This week, I completed the paperwork for staff internet accounts on the hospital's new network connection. I've been asked to describe what communication would occur that is vital to our mission. While a valid question, it would have been much more difficult to answer if I had not already had an opportunity to explore the Internet.

More than 50% of MHSLA's membership has Internet access. One of the first things I did when I opened my account was to send out a "mass mailing" to the members whose addresses were listed in the directory asking what discussion lists they found most useful.

First is MEDLIB-L (listserv@ubvm.cc.buffalo.edu). Health Sciences librarians often work in solitary situations without access to colleagues to share interests and concerns. Over 1200 of us on this medical librarians' list help each other find those elusive news reports, discuss Joint Commission requirements and surveys, and share information about health-related internet sites. The Medical Library Association recently announced it will assume the administration of the list--a step forward, we think, in the recognition of the list as an important form of communication for medical librarians worldwide.

Other favorites are PACS-L (listserv@UHUPVM11>UH.EDU), a discussion group relating to public access computer systems: ILL-L(listproc@usc.edu), for interlibrary loans; and SERIALST (listserv@uvmvm.uvm.edu). I've recently subscribed to LITA_L (listserv@uicvm.cc.uic.edu), a discussion group sponsored by the ALA affiliate related to library information technology. Support staff may find LIBSUP-L (list.proc@u.washington.edu) of

interest. The reference librarians' discussion list (LIBREF-L, listserv@kentvm.kent.edu) is fascinating, but has about as many messages as MEDLIB-L; I had to cut back on this one when I found my life consumed with discussion lists!

Some library product vendors offer discussion lists for their customers: SilverPlatter (SPIN-L, listserv@silverplatter.com) and Data Trek professional (DTIPRO, listserv@ohionet.org) are with problems; and ARIE-L has provides a list of medical libraries with ARIEL services as well as discussions of equipment compatibility and common transmission problems.

Various members mentioned subject-specific discussion groups, such as GRIEFNET, NETTRAIN, and HMATRIX-L. To subscribe to the NIH Grant guide, subscribe to NIHGDE-L at listserv@list.nih.gov. Recently instructions were posted on MEDLIB-L for finding listservs on various topics by sending a message to listserv@american.edu; leave the subject line blank and on the first line of the message type the command: list global / textword, filling in the textword (or partial textword) to be searched. The example given was for locating a listserv on aging by searching:

list global /aging
list global /gerontol
list global /geriatric

Finally, a number of regional discussion lists help us keep up on local interest. University of Michigan sponsors a multipe list for Michigan libraries: Michlib-1 (majordomo@mink.hh.lib.umich.edu). GMR/NN/LM sponsors GMRLIST (listserv@uicvm..cc.uic.edu); the Midwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association has just started MCMLA-L(listproc@apollo.it.luc.edu). This month, the MHLA Board authorized the Ad-Hoc

Committee on Technology for Document Delivery and Interlibrary Loan to proceed with the creation of a listserv for the MHSLA membership; watch for an announcement when this service actually becomes available.

Access to the internet is becoming much easier, with commercial vendors such as America Online, library vendors such as Michigan Library consortium, and healthcare associations such as the Michigan Health and Hospital Association offering access services. I would like to encourage each of you to explore these and other resources, and to share them with fellow MHSLA members.

Internet Video Available

NN/LM, New England Region and the University of Connecticut Health Center released a video titled "Internet Healthcare Resources and Information Management." The nine minute video features interviews with C. Everett Koop, former Surgeon General, Paul Schyve of JCAHO, and Gerard Robilotti, CEO of Danbury Hospital, Danbury, CT. Targeted at the executive staff of hospitals, each speaker explains the necessity for health providers to access the Internet.

Copies may be purchased from the University of Connecticut Health Center Library. Orders must be a check or money order for \$13.00 which includes shipping and handling to:

Internet Video
UCHC Library
PO Box 4003
Farmington, CT 06034-4003

**MHSLA POSTER DISPLAYS 1995
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The following posters are a preview of the 1995 conference.

Title:

Presenter: Margaret Connors

Institution: Chelsea Community Hospital

Summary: This phone in/mail out service formed through a community coalition is one

rural hospital's unique answer to providing consumer education.

Internet: Practical Use in a Physician's Office
Connie Bongiorno
Oakwood Hospital

Providence Hospital Medical Library Journal Survey
Alexia Esterbrook, Carole Gilbert
Providence Hospital

MHSLA Archives
Bill Nelton
Michigan Department of Public Health
Photos Showing The Way We Were
Approximately 1977 to 1994.

Library Business Plans
Doris Blauet
Genesys-Flint Osteopathic Campus
Ria Lukes
Genesys-St. Joseph's Campus
Martha Studaker
Hurley Medical Center
In order to present library reports in a more corporate pattern, three MHSLA hospitals will illustrate the methodology of preparing various types of business plans for hospital administration.

MGH Health Information Center
Linda Winslow
Marquette General Hospital
A pictorial display of MGH's health education center with handouts.

Information Management & Bibliographic Software
Maureen Watson
Ferris State University College of Optometry
The focus of this exhibit is teaching users how to construct and manage information by creating their own database of bibliographies with affordable software.

Consumer Health/Patient Education Survey Report
Barbara Platts
William Beaumont Hospital, Troy
Beth Salzwedel
Bonsecours Hospital
Presentation of the Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group's consumer patient education

1994 survey results that analyze patient education materials used in libraries, the patron interview process and illustrate future trends using descriptive statistics, tables, charts and graphs.

MHSLA Conference 1996
Leslie M. Behm, Deb Jankowski
Michigan State University.

RETIREMENTS

Rosemary Compton - Bronson Methodist Hospital
Glenda Evans Bronson Methodist Hospital
Eileen Dechow - Butterworth Hospital

Congratulations and Best Wishes for your new endeavors.

NEW PHONE NUMBER

McLaren Regional Medical Center
Medical Library
VOICE 810-342-2269
FAX 810-342-2141

The Northern Sphere

Pat Wolfgram from the MidMichigan Regional Medical Center was fortunate enough to attend the Canadian Health Libraries Association, (CHLA), Annual Conference this year and passed on some of the thoughts of the keynote speaker, Mary Dykstra, Ph.D., professor at the School of Library and Information Science, Dalhousie University in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dykstra identifies a knowledge-based economy that regards information as a product, or "non-rival" commodity. "Non-rival" describing information that once purchased or provided free is owned by both the buyer and seller. She also foresees a market where information producers deal directly with consumers and librarians will become more innovative to survive.

Patient Oncology Literature

Pat Wolfgram compiled a revised list of the "best, short list" of oncology resources for patient use with help from colleagues at major cancer treatment centers.

Altman R. and Sarg M. *Cancer Dictionary: An A to Z Guide to Over 2500 Terms. Facts on File*, 1994. ISBN 0816126084.

Berger K. and Bostwick J. *A Women's Decision: Breast Care, Treatment and Reconstruction*. 2nd ed. Quality Medical Publishing Inc., 1994. ISBN 094221904X.

Cukier D. and McCullough V. *Coping with Radiation Therapy*. Contemporary Books, 1993. ISBN 1565651472.

DeGregorio M. and Wiebe V. *Tamoxifen and Breast Cancer*. Yale Univ. Press, 1994. ISBN 030059922.

Dollinger M. and Rosenbaum e. *Everyone's Guide to Cancer Therapy: How Cancer Is Diagnosed, Treated and Managed Day-To-Day*. Somerville House Books Ltd, 1994. ISBN 0836224272.

Dorr R. and Von Hoff D. *Cancer Chemotherapy Handbook*. 2nd ed. American Cancer Society. ISBN 0944235107.

Gomella L. and Fried J. *Recovering From Prostate Cancer*. Harper Paperbacks, 1993. ISBN 006102439.

Greenwald P. *Cancer Prevention and Control*. Marcel Dekker, 1994. ISBN 082479250.

Groenwald S. *Cancer Nursing*. Jones & Bartlett, 1993. ISBN 0867206403.

Harpham. W. *After Cancer: A Guide to Your New Life*. W.W. Norton and Co., 1994. ISBN 0393036642.

Kenet B. and Lawler P. *Saving Your Skin; Prevention, Early Detection, and Treatment Of Melanoma And Other Skin Cancers*. Four Walls Eight Windows, 1994. ISBN 1568580096.

Lane, D. Music As Medicine. Zondervan, 1994. ISBN 0310432103.

Lerner M. Choices in Healing. MIT Press, 1994. ISBN 0262121808.

Love, SN. Dr. Susan Love's Breast Book. 2nd ed. Addison Wesley, 1995. ISBN 02014035X.

McGinn K. and Haylock P. Women's Cancers: How to Prevent Them, How to Treat Them, How to Beat Them. Hunters House, 1993. ISBN 0897931025.

McKay J. and Hirano N. Chemotherapy Survival Guide. New harbinger Publ., 1993. ISBN 1879237571.

Morra M. and Potts E. Choices. rev. ed. Avon Press, 1994. ISBN 0380776200.

Munro S. Music Therapy In Palliative/Hospice Care. MMB Music Inc., 1984. ISBN 0918812372.

Murphy G. Textbook of Clinical Oncology. 2nd ed. American Cancer Society. ISBN 0944235107.

Nixon. Cancer Recovery Eating Plan: The Right Foods to Help Fuel your Recovery. Random House, 1994. ISBN 0812919831.

Otto SE. Oncology Nursing. 2nd ed. Mosby, 1994. ISBN 0801678161.

Patt R. and Lang S. You Don't Have to Suffer. Oxford, 1995.

Phillips R. Coping with Prostate Cancer. Avery Publ. Group, 1994. ISBN 0895295644.

Rosenblum, D. A Time To Hear: A Time To Help: Listening To People With Cancer. MacMillan, 1993. ISBN 0029271053.

Shaffer M. Bone Marrow Transplants: A Guide for Cancer Patients and their Families. Taylor Publ Co., 1994. ISBN 0878228543.

Sherry M. Confronting Cancer: How to Care for Today and Tomorrow. Plenum Press, 1994. ISBN 0306446448.

Zimberg M. Psychosocial Standards Of Oncology Nursing Practice. Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, 1995.

Internet

Breast Cancer Information Clearinghouse:
goher to nysernet.org
WWW access at <http://nysernet.org/>

Cancernet
goher to gopher.nih.gov.port 70

NIH
goher to gopher.nig.gov.port70

Oncolink
goher to cancer.med.upenn.edu or
WWW access at <Http://cancer.med.mpenn.edu/>

DOCLINE/FAX NOTICE

Butterworth Hospital 's Amberg Health Science Library has placed in offsite storage all titles and volumes prior to 1987. Therefore they will be able to interlibrary loan from these titles, but not provide same day FAX service.

New Phone Extention

St. Mary's Hospital Medical Library in Grand Rapids has a new phone exchange. They can now be reached at 616-752-5243.