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President's Speech

Dear MHSLA members:

As I'm writing this column, Marquette is experiencing a rather pleasant spring and I'm wishing I was enjoying some of the 300+ hours of vacation I have built up. But duty calls and this column does give me a chance to bring to light my thoughts on a couple of issues that I'd like to bring to your attention.

Do you drive with a manual or an automatic transmission? I want to use this analogy when I compare EL-HILL with Pub-Med. People who drive a manual can argue that it's better than an automatic. And people who drive an automatic can say it's easier and just as effective as the manual. The point I'd like to make is that the early automatics were.. well..lets just say they needed improvement. Just like Pub-Med, it needs improvement. Perhaps you've seen the March 18th report that Dr. Donald Lindberg presented before the US Congress. He reported that the Pub-Med program has the ability to get full articles directly from the over 100 journals linked to Medline and the number of journals continues to increase. There is a commitment to continue to improve the system until it has all the features of the EL-HILL program that people want. At that time, EL-HILL will be replaced.

On Friday the 13th of March, I sent an E-mail note to those on our list server with a request for your professional input on specific needs you feel are not fulfilled by the new "Pub-Med" system. At the time of this writing, there has been no reply. Zip, Zero, Nada, Nothing... not even Mary Hanson. (Mary ??

you do have an opinion, don't you?)

Well, I can only conclude that (a) No one read my request, (b) No one had the time, (c) Everyone went on vacation, (d) Everyone thought someone else would write a response, or (e) what I write won't matter, or (f) I don't have enough knowledge to properly respond. I was hoping that those of you who would have answered with (f) would have had the opportunity to attend the Pub-Med classes either in Detroit or at U. of M. and would contact me after getting more information. In response to a phone call I made, I did get one response from a person (not on our list server) who attended the class.

If you feel that a letter written to our U.S. Congressperson & Senators from the MHSLA President and Regional Group Chairperson will have an effect on the end product of the Pub-Med program, then please take the time to compare the program to the EL-HILL program and write me. If we don't voice our concerns, we have no right to criticize the product that we will end up working with. I've read the "hii wire" section regarding the "Federal Reinvention Program" and believe the statement that "reinvention at NLM empowers employees to re-engineer system processes with effective input from our user community." Effective input from our user community means us, you and me. Don't miss this opportunity to voice your needs.

("Hii wire" can be found at www.nlm.nih.gov/gmr/hiiwire/nlm_sr.html)

Last but not least, as you are most likely aware, Jane Claytor of St. Lawrence Hospital

(Lansing) had to leave her position as the Document Delivery Chair. I don't know if Jane was born for that position but it sure fit her well. I admired her dedication to her job and am proud to consider her a friend. I am sure everyone agrees that she will be missed. I wish her the best in her new challenge.

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Conference Note

Pat Moreland is interested in knowing what vendors/exhibitors, the membership would like to see at the conference in the fall. If you have a particular one, please e-mail her the contact name, company name, address, phone numbers, and email. Her email address is:
pmoreland@century.inter.net

The Digital Library

Tuesday, May 12, 1998, 3-5 p.m. EST, Medical Library Association (MLA) and National Library of Medicine (NLM) sponsored "The Digital Library: An Oxymoron? A Colloquium to Honor Medical Librarians."

Barbara Kormelink is hosting this satellite conference at **Bay Medical Center**. See the enclosed flyer and map. Please pre-register using the form on the flyer.

Sandy Swanson, **Butterworth Hospital**, Grand Rapids is also hosting the conference. Please call 616-391-1265 or fax 616-391-3527, or drop Sandy an e-mail message-- sswanson@bw.brhn.org

News From NLM

NLM is beginning to index 10 consumer health titles as of January 98. They are now in PreMedline and will be in MEDLINE. Here is Sheldon Kotzin's message:

I am pleased to tell you that the first 75 consumer health citations are now in PreMedline. They are derived from 11 issues. It is possible that indexing will be added today and they will appear in MEDLINE with this weekend's update. Check citations with the following UIs to see a PreMedline record in Elhill.

UI=98171428
UI=98171420

Much credit goes to James Marcetich for getting this first batch into PreMedline.

Give your mouse a rest

Just some Netscape keystroke shortcuts we may tend forget:

Ctrl + A - select all (text)
Ctrl + B - open bookmarks folder
Ctrl + C - copy
Ctrl + D - bookmark a page
Ctrl + F - find a word on a browser page
Ctrl + H - open history list
Ctrl + L - open new Web page
Ctrl + P - print
Ctrl + R - reload current page
Ctrl + V - paste
Ctrl + W - close current window
Ctrl + X - cut
Ctrl + Z - undo
alt + left arrow - go back
alt + right arrow - go forward

Web Sites of Interest

Book Donations

The University of Buffalo Libraries Health Sciences Library has a very nice URL for book donations:
<http://ublib.buffalo.edu/libraries/units/h>

[sl/cms/donation.html](#) It was last updated Feb. 9, 1998. Supplies addresses, phone, fax, contact person, and information on what each organization will accept.

Statistics Sources

<http://www.mecqa.com/consumer/frame.htm>
<http://www.lib.umich.edu/libhome/Documents.center/stats.html>

Conferences

Doctor's Guide to Medical Conferences
<http://www.pslgroup.com/MEDCONF.HTM>

Medical Conferences

<http://www.cyberplex.com/ses/findconf.htm>

Medi-View Reports

http://www.cyberplex.com/ses/findconf.htm/mediview/mediview_story.html

NEJM: Upcoming Medical Meetings

<http://www.nejm.org/GenRes/text/Notices.htm>

SearchCME

<http://www.searchcme.com/>

Canadian Medical Association: Conferences

<http://www.cma.ca/cmec/conf.htm>

New MLA course

Medical librarians are invited to participate in a Medical Library Association continuing education course, X-Change for a Day: Peer-Assisted Learning (PAL). Librarians interested in visiting another library and learning from a peer mentor/coach can "job shadow", upgrade computer or reference skills, or conduct a guided learning project for 3-6 MLA CEU credits. The mentor and learner each receive MLA CEU credits! The experience is intended to transform your perspective and give your self-confidence a BOOST.

Mary Howrey's 3-6 hour MLA CE Course "X-Change for a Day Program: Peer Learning at a Library of Your Choice" is available on the GMR web site at <http://www.nnlm.nlm.nih.gov/gmr/train/ing/xchange/>.

From the GMRLIST

MHSLA Research Committee

The Research Committee has almost completed its study "*The Impact of Changes in the Health Care System on Health Sciences Libraries in Michigan.*" It will be submitted to the Board and mailed to all MHSLA members this spring.

The Committee has begun discussing its next research project and, in response to a request from the Board, is considering a brief annual statistical compilation of key indicators that members could use in measuring or benchmarking their services against similar libraries. We'd like to ask your assistance at this early stage. Please let us know the *five* indicators that you consider most important (i.e. # of instructional sessions, # of ILLs, # of mediated searches, etc). Send these to Leslie Behm by May 15, 1998. E-mail: behm@pilot.msu.edu or fax: 517/432-3797.

LISTSERVS

Osteolibraries

To SUBSCRIBE to the list send an email to majordomo@com.msu.edu, in the body of the email (*not* in the Subject line) include just the following two lines:

subscribe Osteo-Libraries
end

GMRLIST

To SUBSCRIBE to the list send an email to LISTSERV@LISTSERV.UIC.EDU, in the body of the email (not the subject line) include:

subscribe GMRLIST

MHLSA

To SUBSCRIBE to MHLSA, send a message to: LISTSERV@MSU.EDU, in the body of the message include:

SUBSCRIBE MHSLA <first name> <last name>

Example: SUBSCRIBE MHSLA Melvyl Dewey

MEDLIB-L

To subscribe to MEDLIB-L, send a message to: LISTSERV@UBVM.CC.BUFFALO.EDU, in the body of the message include: subscribe MEDLIB-L

Personnel/Institutional News

Botsford Library

The Botsford Library has revamped and updated its library web site. Please visit us at www.bghlib.org and send us any feedback.

Also, the Library has recently upgraded its Internet service to a fractional T1 (768 Kbps).

In 1998, we have added 70+ electronic medical and nursing journals through OVID MEDLINE and the IAC Searchbank Health Reference Center-Academic. We access both databases over the Web.

Garden City Hospital

Garden City Hospital's new area code is 734. Please update any/all pertinent directories/rolodexes/etc. accordingly.
Garden City Hospital
Library Services
6245 N. Inkster Rd.
Garden City, MI 48135
(734) 458-4311 (voice)
(734) 421-3530 (fax)

Hurley Medical Center

Hurley Medical Center's Medical Library is changing it's billing cycle to reduce

paperwork. The new cycle will be the calendar year. Any institutions who borrow beyond equal exchange during the period of January 1998 thru December 1998, will receive bills in January, 1999. To simplify matters for us, any transactions from July thru Dec 1997 will be ignored.

The charge is still \$5.00. Universities and non-MHSLA members will be charged an additional \$5.00 per article for fax requests.

Michigan State University

Ann Rebman is the individual in Document Delivery handling the DOCLINE requests. Her phone number is 517/355-7641 and email: rebman@pilot.msu.edu.

St. Lawrence Hospital

St. Lawrence Hospital has been merged into the Sparrow Health System and the library has been merged into the Library of the Sparrow Health System.

Until that process is finished, the collection at St. Lawrence is not available for photocopying or interlibrary loans. Steps have been taken to remove all St. Lawrence records from OCLC and from DOCLINE, but it will take some time. If you see a request being routed to ECR or LIBID 48915A, please be aware that the request will not be filled. This change is effective as of Monday, March 16, 1998.

As the determinations are made as to what books and journals will be retained, the records will be entered into both OCLC and DOCLINE under the Sparrow codes (ECS and LIBID 48909C). At that time, they will of course be accessible for interlibrary loans. It is anticipated that this work will be completed before the end of 1998.

Jane Claytor, formerly the Medical Librarian at St. Lawrence is now working as Department Assistant in the St. Lawrence Family Practice Residency Program. Her new number is 517/377-0323.

Saginaw Health Sciences Library:

The Saginaw Health Sciences Library has a new Compaq Proliant 2500 server running Microsoft Backoffice 4.0. We're in the process of loading our EOS/Data Trek journal and book information onto our server.

Our web page has been revised and its address has changed slightly:
www.chm.msu.edu/schilib/welcome.html

Wayne State University

The Shiffman Medical Library has been awarded the 1998 Innovation in Instruction Award from the Association for College and Research Libraries (ACRL). The library was cited for its program *Health Sciences Information Tools 2000*. This is a program where 11th and 12th graders learn to use the latest databases in biomedicine. The team consists of Lothar Spang, Nancy Adams, Nanieta Blackwell, Juliet Mullenmeister, and LaVentra Ellis.

A different research team conducted a study "The Provision of Consumer Health Information by Public Libraries in Michigan". It was funded by two grants from the Small Research Grants Program of WSU. The team consisted of Lynda Baker, Lothar Spang, Christine Gogolowski, Melissa Rymysza Vizzaccaro, and students from the Library and Information Science Program. Questions about the project may be directed to Lynda Baker (313-577-6198) or Lothar Spang (313-577-6666).

Veterinary Medical Center Library
G201 Veterinary Medical Center
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI 48824



No more
after this one
if dues are
not paid

Maureen Watson
Michigan College of Optometry Reading Room
Ferris State University
1310 Cramer Circle
Big Rapids, MI, 49307-2738

The Digital Library An Oxymoron?

From: MLA/NLM

Bay 
Medical Education

820 S. Lincoln
Bay City, Michigan 48708
Phone: (517) 894-3939
FAX: (517) 894-6124

This program will feature the National Library of Medicine and Medical Library Association Joseph Leiter Lecturer Jean-Claude Guedon, PhD, professor, Department of Comparative Literature, University of Montreal and a panel of medical librarians. The panel will include Judith Messerle, AHIP, director, Countway Library of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Michele S. Klein, AHIP, director of library services, Medical Library, Children's Hospital of Michigan; Robert M. Braude, PhD, assistant dean, information resources, Wood Medical Library, Cornell University Medical College; and Lucretia W. McClure, librarian emerita, Edward Gominer University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. Everyone who participates in this conference will receive two MLA CE contact hours.

DATE:	May 12, 1998	TIME:	3:00 - 5:00 PM
PLACE:	Bay Health Systems Lincoln Center - East Conference, 820 S. Lincoln, Bay City		
CALL:	Bay Medical Education - 894-3937		
FEE:	No Charge		
CE:	2 MLA CE contact hours		

TARGET AUDIENCE

Medical librarians

REGISTRATION

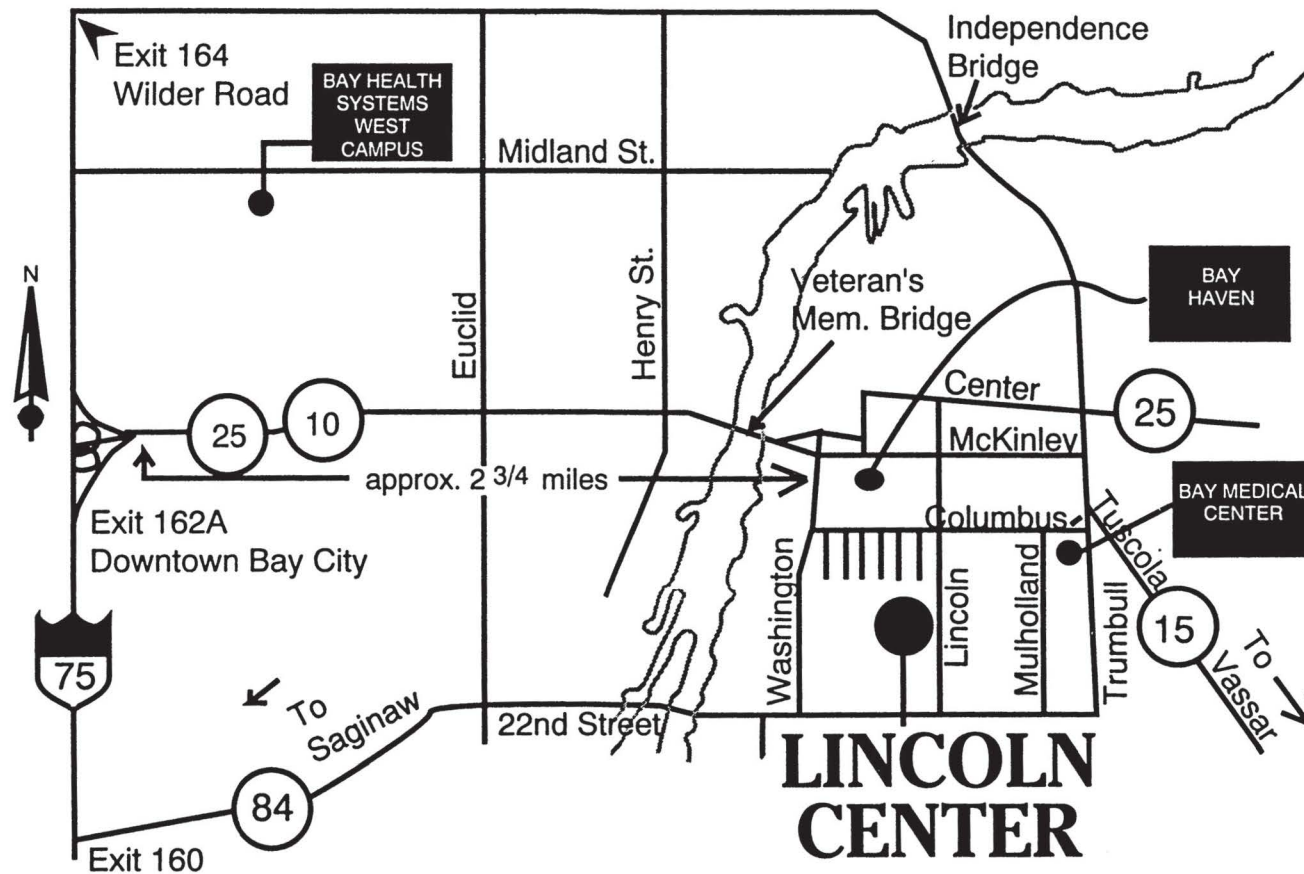
Please pre-register for this program by completing this form or contacting **Bay Medical Education, 820 S. Lincoln, Bay City MI 48708 - Fax: 517-894-6124**
The Digital Library: An Oxymoron? AST98410

Name:	Phone:
Organization/Dept:	Address:
City:	Zip:

See map on reverse side

LIVE
FROM **SATELLITE**





LINCOLN CENTER

From I-75
 East from I-75 on M-25, Exit 162 to Bay City
 Cross river to Washington Avenue
 South (right) on Washington to Columbus
 East (left) on Columbus
 10 blocks to Lincoln St.
 South (right) on Lincoln Street
 8 blocks to Lincoln Center

From Thumb Area (M-25)
 M-25 (Center Ave. in Bay City) to Lincoln St.
 South on Lincoln Street
 15 blocks to Lincoln Center

From South - Frankenmuth
 M-15 to Columbus
 West (left) on Columbus
 9 blocks to Lincoln Street
 South (left) on Lincoln St.
 8 blocks to Lincoln Center

Mark your calendar

September 1998

15 <i>Pack:</i> <i>Jeans</i> <i>Sweats</i> <i>Shorts</i> <i>Bathing Suit</i> <i>No B.S.*</i>	16 <i>CE Classes</i> <i>Board Meeting</i> <i>MHSLA Birthday</i> <i>Party</i>	17 <i>Keynote</i> <i>Business</i> <i>Meeting</i> <i>Workshops</i> <i>Cookout</i> <i>Line Dancing</i>	18 <i>Workshops</i> <i>Meetings</i>
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*Business Suits

MHSLA's 25th Annual Conference:



Inventing The Future: Cutting A Path To The 21st Century

Thomas Edison Inn

Port Huron, MI

MHSLA members will receive complete registration packets in early July. Non-members who wish a packet please call June Cronenberger at 517-771-6869. Or contact her at cronenbe@pilot.msu.edu to request by e-mail.