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Letter from the Chair

[Maryanne Blake](#)

John Donne (1623) wrote "No man is an island, entire of itself..." In modern voice Lennon and McCartney sang "I get by with a little help from my friends." The universal truth is that we often need others, especially in our work. The new buzz word for all this "works and plays well with others" is "partnering." We need partners to help us accomplish our goals; in turn those partners depend on us. Today in health sciences libraries your goals may include patient education and consumer health education, whether you do it yourself or partner with others who are doing it. Who are your partners, your colleagues, in this task - other health sciences librarians, health educators, nurse educators, physicians, nurses, public librarians, others?

This year's PNC/MLA annual meeting, "Partnering for Healthy Communities" is just right for you - and for your partners, whoever they may be. The meeting will be held at the Grove Hotel in Boise, Idaho from Tuesday, October 27th to Thursday, October 29th. There will be a full pre-conference day of continuing education on the 27th that will focus on information for patient education and consumer health: finding it, organizing it, and disseminating it. The first day of the meeting will also have a consumer health/patient education focus. Our keynote speaker is Dr. Albert Bandura, Stanford University professor, former President of the American Psychological Association, renowned scholar and author on the subject of self-efficacy and health-related behavior changes. For those wanting to attend just this first day of the meeting there will be a special one-day fee. There, of course, will be sessions just for medical librarians: electronic journal subscriptions, a PubMed update and so much more. Be sure to check the [PNC/MLA](#) web site for more details about the meeting.

Plan to join us in the charming city of Boise for the chapter's 40th anniversary, a time for learning, meeting and, of course - partnering!

Around the Region

ALBERTA

Lea Starr has returned to the University of Alberta to be Reference Librarian at the Science and Technology library.

IDAHO

submitted by Joan Hust

The DeArmond Consumer Health Library opened in August of 1996. It is located in the Health Resource Center at Kootenai Medical Center. The Director of the two libraries at KMC is Marcy Horner. We are a partner of the Cooperative Information Network of Kootenai-Shoshone Area Libraries. Our mission is to ensure that every citizen of Kootenai County has access to the resources they need to make informed choices about their health care.

We feel quite fortunate that we have met many needs in the community. One may request information by phone, e-mail, web page, and walk in; bookmarks and pads are in the Admit pkgs for new patients, doctor offices, pharmacies, and health food stores.

The patients call us for information to be delivered to them in the hospital. Some manage to walk over to the Library with their IV stands.

One teenager was in a very serious car accident which involved a traumatic head injury. We were able to write a grant that enabled us to purchase books, videos, cassettes, et al., that was of great benefit to the parents of this young man.

We have interaction with innumerable support groups, and they include information about use of the library to their patrons. We are located across the hall from the Social Services, which we are able to support with our literature.

We tape from satellite daily so our video collection is quite an asset to us along with the cassettes, cd's, and the latest in hardcover as well as paperback books. Our alternative medicine references are well used daily. Because we are part of the Kootenai County Library system, with daily Pony Express pickup service, one may check out materials from us and return them to any Kootenai County Library.

Thank you for your interest in our Consumer Library.

OREGON

submitted by Carolyn Olson

We have been playing musical library chairs at Legacy in Portland. Dana Witten Graves, who is also an RN, left her reference position at Emanuel for a research nursing position at Legacy in

ophthalmology. Cindy Muller, Meridian Park, has taken the reference position at Emanuel. So a half time position for Meridian Park will be posted soon.

On the Linfield side of the Linfield/Good Samaritan library, Caroline Mann has moved to the University of Portland and Patrice O'Donovan of OHSU will be the new Linfield Librarian. Stacy Short, Linfield Library Technician, is leaving to pursue her MLS at the University of Texas at Austin. Mary Trapp is the new Linfield Library Technician.

WASHINGTON

submitted by Marie R. Bronoel

Dear Colleagues

I am happy to introduce Ken Willer, who will be heading the Horton Health Sciences Library at Providence Seattle. Before moving to the Northwest, Ken was the Director of the Medical Resource Facility of Los Gatos, California. Prior to that his extensive library service has been in New York State. Ken's new E-mail address is kwiller@providence.org. Please join me in welcoming him.

submitted by Bob Pringle

Retirement After 30 Years Service!

At the end of May, the staff of the Betty M. Anderson Library at the I.C.N.E. retired their card catalog. In use since the school was founded in 1968, the (expanded and refinished) catalog was an attractive centerpiece of the library's activities. Its departure made room for two more public computer workstations. The computers, purchased as part of the overall automation project funded by a generous grant from Erik and Sherrilyn Anderson, complete the set of six now available for use in the library.

After intensive work by Tech Services/Reference Librarian Mary Wood, the College of Nursing's book catalog is accessible in the library (and to anyone with internet access) through Griffin, the EWU/WSU joint automated catalog. The Griffin address is <http://griffin.wsu.edu>. The collection includes current and historical books in Spokane, as well as the collection in the Reference Room at the College's Yakima satellite.

Library staff members Babs Hachey, Leslie Liddle, Jeanne Wagner, and Nancy Wagner have completed applying barcodes to the book collection (in addition to their other responsibilities), in preparation for use of the automated circulation system. The entire library staff will undertake learning the circ system this summer; we expect to be using it this fall.

The catalog furniture will be disposed of under WSU and state policy for excess furniture; we've saved all the cards from the catalog for use as note cards for folks searching the automated catalog.

submitted by Margery Keppel

Today is my last day as the librarian at Harrison Memorial Hospital. As of Monday, I will be working full-time at HealthCOMM, a private for-profit health care company in Gig Harbor.

Therefore, there will be an opening for a librarian at Harrison. To find out a full description of the position, call Vicki Enslow at (360) 792-8750 or call Linda Milgrom at the RML.

I'm not going away, just transitioning.

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2520 Cherry Avenue, Bremerton, WA 98310
Margery Keppel, Librarian, (360) 792-6500
Dan Nolan, Library Tech., (360) 792-6501
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Continuing Education

submitted by Mariya Sweetwyne

Hi all--just a reminder that you can check out all of NLM's materials for lending at the URL: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/pnr/ect/lendlist.html> (try saying THAT 3x fast!)

P.S. We're still looking for DocKits #3 and #9. -thanks!-

submitted by Susan Lee Klawansky

[editor's note: SPACE IS EXTREMELY LIMITED]

As a followup to the Ovid sales presentation offered in Seattle on June 12, I've invited Anne Gervais, Ovid Training Specialist, to return to Seattle to offer an all-day training session. It will be held on Thursday, September 10, 1998 (specific times to follow) at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, in the same room used for the June 12 presentation.

Although we've not yet worked out the details, this session is meant to be a Train the Trainer day. There will be no hands-on for the participants. Anne will spend half the day demonstrating the Web version of Ovid, and half the day on Java. She will focus on searching Medline, full text, and Evidence Based Medicine Reviews, and highlight those features which may be new or not so obvious, even to experienced searchers.

The cost for attending will be per institution, rather than per person, and is not yet fixed, as it will be somewhat dependent on Anne's costs and how many institutions will participate. However, it will not cost more than \$100/per, and may cost less. A boxed lunch will be included.

The room we've booked seats 25 people and registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact me at the numbers/addresses shown below to sign up. Billing won't be until after the session.

If there are people you think may be interested in this class and who aren't on the HLIB listserv, please pass this message along or let me know who they are and I'll contact them.

This is meant to be a somewhat informal day, with lots of opportunities to get questions answered. If you already have questions or specific things you'd like to see covered, please let me know so I can forward them along to Anne.

More details will follow as the time gets closer.

Anne Gervais is a highly experienced trainer and extremely knowledgeable about Ovid and its products. This is a great opportunity to pick her brain. Hope to see you there.

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Humor

MARY HAD A LITTE LAMB

Mary had a little lamb, its fleece was slightly gray,
It didn't have a father, just some borrowed DNA.

It sort of had a mother, though the ovum was on loan,
It was not so much a lambkin, as a little lamby clone.

And soon it had a fellow clone, and soon it had some more,
They followed her to school one day, all cramming through the door.

It made the children laugh and sing, the teachers found it droll,
There were too many lamby clones, for Mary to control.

No other could control the sheep, since their programs didn't vary,
So the scientists resolved it all, by simply cloning Mary.

But now they feel quite sheepish, those scientists unwary,
One problem solved, but what to do, with Mary, Mary, Mary...

Meetings/Conferences

PNLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

submitted by Sue Sherif

The registration for PNLA ANNUAL CONFERENCE in SUN VALLEY, IDAHO went out on the slow boat again this year; however, this year you still have time to register. The conference will be in August 12-15.

If you did not receive a registration packet, please contact [Kevin Booe](#) at the Boise Public Library (208-384-4029). You will also find conference information at the PNLA [Web Site](#). It is also linked under Related Organizations on the AkLA Site. Registration forms are available on the web site if you have Adobe Acrobat installed on your machine.

There will be many interesting programs and the setting, as with most PNLA conferences, will be splendid. I think that many of you will be interested in the outstanding preconference on Wednesday, August 12. The topic is LIBRARIES, THE INTERNET, and THE FIRST AMENDMENT: STRATEGIES FOR THE FUTURE. The workshop will feature Karen Schneider, prominent evaluator of software filters and co-moderator of PUBLIB; ALA President Ann Symons, former ALA Intellectual Freedom Chair Candace Morgan, and June Pinnell-Stephens, president of the Freedom to Read Foundation. Many of us have had the opportunity to see Ann and June present and know what an excellent job they do, but to have Ann, June, Candace, and Karen all on the same program will make for a powerful program.

This wonderful opportunity will be available much closer to home and in a much more informal atmosphere than any of our national library conferences, so I urge you to attend. In addition, you will have the opportunity to hear from the PNLA Young Reader's Choice winners.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

[Sue Sherif](#) Alaska PNLA Representative

MLA Satellite Teleconference -- Evidence-Based Health Care
submitted by Kathleen Gaydos

Evidence-Based Health Care in Action is MLA's first multi-level distance education program. This education opportunity includes a satellite teleconference on September 16, 1998, Journal Clubs, CE courses at the 1999 MLA Annual Meeting, and more.

Learn from experts in the field, including Rosanne Leipzig, MD; Ann McKibbin; Jean Sullivant; David Slawson, MD; Carol Scherrer; Robert Mrtek, Ph.D.; and Gabriel Rios.

To find out more information about EBHC in Action and to register for the teleconference, please check [MLANET](#).

If you have questions, please contact [Kathleen Gaydos](#), MLA continuing education coordinator via email or 312/419-9094 x29.

In the News

PubMed News
submitted by Linda Milgrom

The New/Noteworthy information (available from the PubMed sidebar) has been updated with a nice list of planned enhancements. MANY of the suggestions you have made in our classes are on this "sneak preview" of the future of PubMed. Take a [look](#).

HSTAT Update
submitted by Maryanne Blake

See the following address for the NLM's web [announcement](#), with hyperlinks to fact sheets and the databases.

HSTAT is a free, electronic resource that provides access to the full-text of documents useful in health care decision making (see HSTAT Fact Sheet). HSTAT includes: clinical practice guidelines, quick-reference guides for clinicians, consumer brochures, and evidence reports sponsored by the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR); AHCPR technology assessment reports; National Institutes of Health (NIH) consensus development conference and technology assessment reports; NIH Warren G. Magnuson Clinical Center research protocols; HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS) resource documents; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (SAMHSA/CSAT) treatment improvement protocols; and the Public Health Service (PHS) Preventive Services Task Force Guide to Clinical Preventive Services. It also provides a link to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Prevention Guidelines Database.

PubMed provides access, free of charge, to MEDLINE, a database of nearly 9 million bibliographic citations and abstracts in the fields of medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, health care systems, and preclinical sciences (see PubMed Fact Sheet). PubMed also contains links to the full-text versions of articles at participating publishers' Web sites.

NLM is pleased to announce that it now provides links between selected documents/references found in HSTAT and their MEDLINE records found via PubMed. Users searching HSTAT documents will find links to their MEDLINE records via PubMed. Reciprocally, users searching PubMed will find links in MEDLINE records to the full text documents residing in HSTAT. In addition, users searching HSTAT may choose to simultaneously run their search against MEDLINE via PubMed.

For additional information, contact:
National Information Center on Health Services
Research and Health Care Technology (NICHSR)
National Library of Medicine
8600 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20894

Voice: (301) 496-0176; Fax: (301) 402-3193
Email: nichsr@nlm.nih.gov
Internet: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/nichsr/nichsr.html>

Positions Available

ALASKA

submitted by Susan Means

Job Opening at Alyeska Pipeline Service Company

NOTE: This position is with Chugach North Technical Services (CNTS) in Fairbanks, Alaska. If interested, contact CNTS in Fairbanks at (907) 451-6393 or FAX (907) 451-6581.

Position Title: Alyeska Intranet (A-Net) Coordinator

Position Description: This position will work under the direction of the Information Resource Center (IRC) Librarian to manage the Alyeska Intranet (A-Net) system to provide an effective mechanism for company-wide knowledge management and "just-in-time" information delivery. Responsibilities include: Maintaining an A-Net configuration that reflects the corporate organizational structure, cross-functional relationships between work groups, and internal/external information needs and resources. Developing policies, standards, and procedures for A-Net content management and system use. Coordinating system enhancement

and maintenance activities. Establishing and participating in an A-Net user group to obtain input and develop consensus around the A-Net mission, including short-term goals and long-range plans. Monitoring A-Net activities for trend analysis, change management, and quality assurance purposes. Serving as a technical resource for Business Unit and Functional Content Managers and as A-Net point-of-contact for the Server Operations Team. Coordinating and providing A-Net training and marketing. Conducting routine system-wide A-Net maintenance activities. Maintaining functional and technical knowledge of Intranet software and other applications, including upgrades and enhancements. Researching, evaluating, and recommending A-Net solutions to information management problems.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent in Information Management, Information Technology, or related field; equivalent work experience may be substituted on a year-for-year basis.
- Minimum of one year of related work experience.
- Experience with web language and authoring tools, specifically MS FrontPage.
- Proficiency with IBM-compatible computers and software such as MS Windows 95, Adobe Acrobat, and Adobe FrameMaker.
- Knowledge of Intranet development and management standards and procedures.

Desired Qualifications:

- Strong customer service orientation.
- Excellent listening and marketing skills.
- Exceptional written and oral communication skills.
- Ability to handle multiple tasks, perform critical thinking and analysis, and work independently to meet deadlines.
- Ability to maintain attention to detail while adapting to a rapidly changing business environment.
- Ability to work cooperatively with clients, other support groups, and IRC personnel to perform complex and diverse tasks.

Feel free to contact me as well with any questions.

Susan Means, Librarian
Information Resource Center
Alyeska Pipeline Service Company
(907) 762-1513



submitted by Ruth Jean Shaw

There are several elementary library openings in Anchorage School District. A valid Alaska teacher certificate with library endorsement is required. Strong background in multi-platform use with technology is desired. Submit Certified Application Form 1200 along with addendum for instructional level for which applying; valid Alaska teacher certificate; official transcripts direct

from all colleges/university attended; two written references/recommendations and the EEO/AA card.

Applications are available in the Personnel Department at 4600 DeBarr Road. Office hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Or write to Anchorage School District, Personnel Dept., Box 196614, Anchorage, Alaska 99519-6614.

If you have questions or concerns I can be reached at 907-263-7194 or by e-mail.

Ruth Jean Shaw shaw_ruth_jean@msmail.asd.k12.ak.us

Library Resources

Anchorage School District

2231 South Bragaw

Anchorage, Alaska 99508

submitted by Tracy Swaim

The following positions are listed on the AkLA Library Jobs web page:

Librarian I (Reference), Alaska State Library-Juneau

Automation Specialist, Anchorage Municipal Libraries

Alyeska Intranet (A-Net) Coordinator, Fairbanks

Youth Services Programming and Reference Librarian, Anchorage Municipal Libraries

Archivist I, Alaska State Archives and Records Management, Juneau

Check out the [web page](#) for more details.

OREGON

Klamath Falls -- MEDICAL LIBRARY COORDINATOR

submitted by Maryanne Blake

As an active member of the Human Resources Team, the Medical Library Coordinator works closely with Hospital Staff, Medical Staff, the Family Practice Residency, and the Community to develop and maintain the Medical Library. This includes Reference Service, Acquisition of materials, Cataloging of materials, etc. Masters Degree from an ALA-accredited program required. Education/Experience in Health Care preferred. Our 45,000 population community is located at the base of the beautiful Cascade Mountains and offers all season recreation, 280 days of sunshine a year, and affordable housing. If interested, please send resume and salary history to:

Personnel Department

Merle West Medical Center

2865 Daggett Street
Klamath Falls, OR 97601
1-800-542-1656
e-mail: mpoe@mwmc.org

National College of Naturopathic Medicine Library.
submitted by Karen Hiatt, Librarian

Portland -- Title: Librarian. Full Time. Twelve month appointment.

Position Description: The Library is a team-based organization committed to implementing the model of a convener in place of a library director. Every full time librarian on staff will be expected to fill the role of convener for one year on a rotating basis. The Librarian in the role serves as the primary liaison with the college administration and faculty, oversees the budget and scheduling, and is responsible for bringing the library staff together as a team. As a member of a team, the person filling this position will be expected to work closely and cooperatively with all other members of the library staff, to discern how best to do the job to meet the requirements and expectations of the library's patrons, be skilled at giving and accepting feedback to solve problems, and be committed to doing more than "just doing the job" in contributing to the success of the Library and NCNM.

Responsibilities of the position: Serve as convener (in 1999-2000 academic year).

The other responsibilities of this position will depend on the applicants strengths and interests. The current librarians perform the following duties: database searches; training and scheduling student assistants; managing circulation, interlibrary loans, and materials processing; providing reference services (including one-on-one help with computers); collection development; cataloging, audiovisual support; managing special collections; writing and/or updating handouts and publications; giving tours; troubleshoot library computers, writing grants, and budgeting. With the addition of new staff, the library will teach classes in bibliographic instruction (including Internet and MEDLINE searching) and implement a new library system. All librarians are expected to engage in professional development. Some evening and weekend work.

Required Qualifications: Masters in Library Science from an ALA accredited institution. At least two years professional experience in an academic or health sciences library. Experience with reference, collection development, acquisitions, cataloging, and audiovisuals. Knowledge of and experience with user education programs. Excellent interpersonal communication skills, both oral and written. Good organizational, planning and analytical skills. Comfortable with shared decision-making. Good sense of humor. Ability to work both independently and collaboratively in a complex, changing, and diverse environment. Committed to providing a high level of service to students, staff, and faculty colleagues. Supervisory experience. Knowledge of automated library systems, CD-ROM and other computer-based reference tools, and general microcomputer use and applications. Experience with Internet, WWW, and database searching. Knowledge of bibliographic networks (WLN, OCLC). Knowledge of online services.

Desired Qualifications: Experience managing serials. Professional experience with interlibrary loan. Demonstrated ability to plan and teach user education programs. Knowledge of Web

development and design, including knowledge of HTML and web toolkits. Knowledge of current copyright law. Proven ability to deal with vendors. Experience with budgeting. Knowledge of grant writing. Familiarity with WLN. Additional subject master's. Creative approach to development of new services. Understanding of alternative medicine.

Library Environment: The Library occupies a space of over 4,500 square feet on the first floor. The general collection numbers over 8000 titles and includes both classic and modern works of natural medicine as well as current books from the conventional medical sciences. The periodical collection consists of over 125 current subscriptions. Included in the collection is the library of Dr. Benedict Lust, who founded the first U.S. school of naturopathic medicine.

The NCNM library has reciprocal loan agreements with the Oregon College of Oriental Medicine, Western States Chiropractic College, and Oregon Health Sciences University. It also has informal agreements with the other naturopathic libraries. NCNM is a growing institution and the Library is an integral part of this expansion. Currently, the library serves as an ad hoc computer lab, is in the midst of an ambitious automation project, and has plans to implement a formal library instruction program.

Campus and Community Environment: NCNM is fully accredited by the Council of Naturopathic Medical Education and is in the process of pursuing regional accreditation with the Northwest Association of Colleges and Universities. In close proximity to the Ross Island campus are the Oregon Health Sciences University and Portland State University. NCNM also has branch and community clinics located throughout the metro area. Additional information at the college can be found at <http://www.ncnm.edu>.

Portland is only sixty to eighty minutes away from both the Pacific Ocean and the Cascades and includes the largest forested city park in the nation. Cultural activities include an active music scene (blues, classical, opera), a local world class ballet company, and the Northwest film festival. Outdoor recreation opportunities include rafting, hiking, fishing, skiing, and wind surfing. It boasts a mild climate with summer temperatures rarely over 80 degrees and winter temperatures rarely below 40 degrees. Rain keeps the area green. Portland is also the micro-brewery capital of North America.

Salary Range and Benefits: \$28,000-\$33,000. There is a 90 day new employee orientation period. Health/Dental/Life start the first day of the month following this orientation period. Vacation and sick days accrue at the rate of one day per month and are available for use after the 90 days. As part of the naturopathic philosophy, the college provides one paid Wellness Day a month. Nine paid holidays. TIAA-CREF.

Closing Date: 1 August 1998

Interested candidates should submit a letter of application which states why they want to work in an academic library that specializes in alternative medicine (no longer than two pages), a resume, and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three professional references. E-mail applications will not be accepted.

National College of Naturopathic Medicine is an Equal Employment Opportunity institution and has a strong commitment to increasing the diversity of its faculty and staff.

Send applications to:
Librarian Search
Human Resources Department
National College of Naturopathic Medicine
049 SW Porter
Portland OR 97201
(503) 499-4343 x200
FAX: (503) 499-0026
e-mail: librarian@ncnm.edu

Western States Chiropractic College
submitted by Pam Bjork

Portland--Library Media Ass't

Western States Chiropractic College is seeking a full-time (37.5 hrs/week) Library Media Assistant. Duties: Handle circulation desk and assist patrons; train and supervise student library aids; maintain reserve book section; schedule, distribute, maintain, troubleshoot, and assist in the use of AV equipment; prepare computer-generated presentation slides; videotape classroom presentations. Qualifications: Two years library experience with the ability to operate and maintain AV equipment; competency in Windows and Microsoft Office; keyboarding skills. Preferred candidates will be detail-oriented, reliable, and possess a public service background with strong communication skills. Schedule: 7:00AM-3:30PM, M-F with occasional evening and weekend hours. Salary range: \$20,000-\$22,000 (approx. \$10.47-\$11.28/hr. although it is a salaried position) Starts in September.

Submit letter, resume, and three professional references to: Human Resources/Library Media Assistant Western States Chiropractic College 2900 NE 132nd Ave. Portland, OR 97230 Fax: (503) 251-5723 Pam Bjork, MLS Director of Learning Resources Western States Chiropractic College.

Legacy Meridian Park Hospital
submitted by Carolyn Olson

Tualatin -- Medical Librarian

Legacy Meridian Park Hospital is recruiting a half time librarian for the medical library. LMP Hospital is a growing community hospital located in Tualatin, Oregon in the suburban Portland area. The hospital is part of Legacy Health System, winner of the 1996 & 1997 Oregon Quality Award. This position is a one-person library situation but participates in the Legacy Libraries

group (a congenial and talented bunch) to plan services, share resources and expertise and improve and develop services.

Responsibilities: The librarian provides information services including reference service and document delivery to physicians, nurses and allied health professionals, hospital employees. The librarian develops and maintains the collection and is responsible for the day to day operation of the library.

Requirements: MLS, 2 years reference & online experience. Advanced computing skills. Excellent interpersonal and customer relations skills, team approach and flexibility are important. Health care experience and/or small systems automation experience preferred.

To apply, send a resume to:

Sarah Ederle, Employment Consultant
Legacy Health System Employment Services
1120 NW 20th Suite 111
Portland, OR 97209
(503) 415-5738 (503) 415-5200 (fax)
sederle@lhs.org

WASHINGTON

Harrison Hospital

submitted by Linda Milgrom (Posted on behalf of Vicki Enslow, Education Services Manager)

Bremerton -- Medical Librarian

Harrison Hospital in Bremerton, Washington is looking for a librarian to continue the development of its medical library. This library is the primary source of medical information in Kitsap County, one of the fastest growing areas in the United States. In collaboration with a library technician and other library resources in the County, the medical librarian evaluates and gathers information that can improve the medical care of this community.

Position Summary

The librarian provides overall guidance of the library, which acts as a health sciences information and resource center for all hospital personnel, physicians and the community. The librarian is responsible for the library budget, planning, collection development, quality improvement, promotion, systems maintenance, and policy recommendations. The librarian also performs electronic reference searches.

Qualifications

Minimum Education--Masters in Library Science for an ALA-accredited school.

Minimum Experience--one year in a medical or hospital environment preferred; computer experience, including the eability to search and use various online systems (NLM, DIALOG, Internet).

Benefits

Half-time positon with opportunity for flexible hours. Salary range \$16-24 per hour.

To apply contact Harrison Hospital Personnel Department, (360) 792-6720.

For more nformation contact Vicki Enslow, Education Services Manager, or Leslie Patheal, Director of Organizational Development, (360) 792-6765.

MARYLAND

National Library of Medicine -- Digital Manuscripts Project Manager

submitted by Stephen Greenberg

The National Library of Medicine has a new position posted for a Digital Manuscripts Project Manager. The position is with the Modern Manuscripts Collection in the History of Medicine Division. The Division is engaged in a joint program with NLM's Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications to collect, organize, digitize and make available over the World Wide Web several manuscript collections of pre-eminent scientists in medicine and to conduct research on digitizing library resources.

Specific duties of the Digital Manuscripts Project Manager include: 1) coordinating the activities of NLM and contractor staff who process, arrange and describe the collections, create encoded finding aids, assign metadata, and scan and perform quality control of the digitized images; 2) preparing budget requests and monitoring expenditures; 3) evaluating staffing requirements and recommending changes as needed, training, supervising and evaluating staff, overseeing the review of completed work; 4) serving as project officer for contracts involving archival and digitizing activities; 5) participating in project planning and evaluation; 6) developing, documenting, evaluating, and modifying project procedures as needed to improve quality and productivity; 7) working with systems staff in defining evolving hardware and software needs and ensuring appropriate levels of access to project images.

Applicants who meet basic qualifications for the Librarian (GS 1410 -11/12) or Technical Information Specialist (GS 1412 - 11/12) levels and possess an understanding of digital library or archives technology will be evaluated according to the following knowledge, skills and abilities: 1) knowledge of archival practices necessary to manage archival projects, including arrangement and description of collections and creation of finding aids; 2) knowledge of library and archives automated systems and microcomputer hardware and software; 3) skill in oral and written communication.

The salary range for the Librarian/Technical Information Specialist GS 11/12 levels is \$39,270-\$61,190. The closing date for applications is July 21,1998. Further information about the

position (Announcement # LM-98-0032) and instructions for submitting applications are available via the [web](#) or by contacting M. Page, National Library of Medicine Office of Personnel , Building 38, Room 2N05, 8600 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20894. phone 301 496-4943.

MLA

MLANet

submitted by Scott Garrison, MLANET Editor

Greetings to all members of the profession,

Expectations for MLANET continue to grow rapidly. One of our goals is to continually enhance and refine MLANET in order to help you use it as efficiently and effectively as possible.

We have launched the first of two surveys that will provide us with information regarding your web access and computer capabilities, and MLANET views and opinions. This Spring 1998 Survey is completed.

Watch for the second survey, which will appear in August and concentrate on future developments and projects. This will assist in prioritizing the needs of the MLA membership.

Please participate in the next [MLANET SURVEY](#) and make your voice heard. And do not forget to promote this survey to your colleagues -- the more feedback we gather, the more accurate the future can be charted.

Thank you!

MLA Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship

submitted by Michelynn McKnight

Know a great hospital librarian?

That's who **you** should nominate for the MLA Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship, our highest award in hospital librarianship. We award it each year to someone who has made significant contributions to the profession. They may have produced a definitive publication in hospital librarianship, shown exceptional leadership, or contributed through teaching, research advocacy or use of innovative technology. Often the winner is in mid-career.

Nominees must have worked in a hospital library for at least five years and we prefer that they be MLA members.

Nomination petitions are due November 1, 1998. Get a nomination form from [Beth Ruddy](#), MLA Research and Professional Recognition Coordinator, MLA, Suite 300, Six North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60602; Phone: 312/419-9094; Fax: 312/419-8950; Email:

Karen Curtis, Awards Committee Chair
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MLA Publications Ranked as Outstanding

submitted by Carla J. Funk

In the June 15, 1998 issue of *Library Journal*, two of MLA's publication during 1997 were ranked as the library profession's most outstanding literature. They include:

Alternative Medicine Resource Guide by Francine Feuerman and Marsha J. Handel.
Collection Development and Assessment in Health Sciences Libraries by Daniel T. Richards and Dottie Eakin.

MLA Headquarters sent all MLA titles published between January 1997 and March 1998 to ALA for potential inclusion in the year's best list.

We congratulate these authors and appreciate the heightened visibility that their excellent books and MLA have received in the broader library community through mention in *LJ*.

Press Releases

NN/LM PNR Announcement: Outreach Funding for Public Health

submitted by Maryanne Blake

Information Access for Public Health Professionals: A new initiative is being introduced by the National Library of Medicine and the National Network of Libraries of Medicine in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with a vision of connecting public health professionals with information resources. In support of this initiative, a request for quotation (RFQ) is being issued to provide public health professionals with timely, convenient access to information resources that can help them do their jobs more effectively.

In response to the RFQ, network members may submit proposals to promote awareness of relevant public health resources through presentations and demonstrations; to link health agencies with an NN/LM member library for document delivery service; to teach health agencies' staff to search the Internet for reliable and authoritative health information; to demonstrate and teach the use of PubMed and/or Internet Grateful Med to access MEDLINE and other NLM databases; and to promote public health uses of the Internet and connectivity options

such as NLM's connections grants program.

Any Network member library, state health sciences library association or consortia can submit a proposal. Each proposal must include a statement of work and a detailed budget not to exceed \$50,000. Proposals must be received by the NN/LM PNR by August 1, 1998. The period of performance is up to 24 months. A copy of the request for quotation is available at the NN/LM PNR [Web site](#). If you have any questions concerning this opportunity contact either [Nancy Ottman Press](#), Acting Associate Director or [Maryanne Blake](#), Outreach Coordinator or call 1-800-338-7657.

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VICE PRESIDENT GORE ADDRESSES MEDICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

submitted by Tomi Gunn

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On Sunday May 24, 1998, Vice President Albert J. Gore addressed attendees at the Medical Library Association's (MLA) 98th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA.

In a video presentation made especially for the meeting, which served as the official kickoff of MLA's year-long Centennial Celebration, Vice President Gore commended medical librarians for the vital role they play in the dissemination of biomedical information to physicians, researchers, educators, and the public.

In thanking MLA members for their support, Vice President Gore stated, "Your knowledge and expertise in information technology has been extremely helpful to our Administration as we explore ways to improve the delivery of health care through the use of new technologies." In particular, the Vice President recognized MLA's recommendation that the Next Generation Internet (NGI) include a health care component as well the association's role in supporting public access to high quality health care information over the Internet.

"With the seemingly endless advances of the information age, it is clear that health sciences librarians will play an even greater role in the delivery of health care in the 21st century. Based on the success of the Medical Library Association's first 100 years, I am confident that all of you will continue to serve America with the highest standards of excellence and dedication as we enter the new millennium," stated Gore.

JACQUELINE DONALDSON DOYLE IS MLA CENTENNIAL YEAR PRESIDENT

submitted by Tomi Gunn

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Jacqueline Donaldson Doyle, AHIP, Director of Learning Resources, Samaritan Health System, Phoenix, AZ, has assumed the role of president of the Medical Library Association (MLA) for the 1998/99 centennial year. President Doyle began her term in May at the end of MLA '98, MLA's 98th annual meeting and Centennial Celebration kickoff.

As centennial year president, Doyle will spearhead MLA's efforts to highlight the health sciences information profession as a past and future leader in the use of information technology. By building on MLA's past successes and partnerships, Doyle believes that the association must lead the information-oriented changes and developments affecting quality health care today. "Our knowledge and perspective as health information professionals are unique. MLA is now poised to strengthen our profession and the individuals in it, enabling us to take on leadership roles." she said.

One of MLA's most involved members, Doyle has served on the MLA Board of Directors as secretary, and has chaired several committees including the Continuing Education Committee, the 1996 National Program Committee, and the Task Force on the Role of the Librarian in Information Management. Doyle is also the recipient of one of MLA's highest honors, the MLA Award for Excellence in Achievement in Hospital Librarianship.

As president, Doyle hopes to strengthen MLA by encouraging members to build collaborative partnerships within the organization. She believes that such partnerships will lead to positive legislation affecting health care and education and increased professional development opportunities for medical librarians. "Working together, we can make a difference: within the association, by anticipating and responding to member needs; and within the profession, by anticipating and meeting the needs of our employers, organizations, and communities," Doyle said.

MLA looks forward working under President Doyle's direction and guidance as it celebrates 100 years of service to the health sciences information community.

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