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## **Letter from the Chair**

[Kim Granath](#)

Happy Spring! It's hard to believe that May is here and summer is just around the corner. We survived the Y2K hoopla, but now we're coping with some nasty viruses. I hope none of you were bitten by the "Love Bug" or one of its equally nasty cousins!

First, some good news--the annual meeting in Seattle last October gave us a big financial shot in the arm that we really needed. Thanks to all of you who attended, and more thanks to Chris Beahler and Sarah Safranek for putting together a terrific conference. Our finances may look great now, but in reality this chapter spends more money than it takes in each year. That's a trend that was a major concern for the board at this year's spring meeting. We're not alone either--other MLA chapters are struggling with this issue too. To get us moving in the right direction, the board designated a task force to make recommendations for keeping our chapter financially viable for the future. We believe that making some sound decisions now will keep us active for many years to come.

More good news--I've been checking other chapters' Web sites, and I must say that PNC's site is one of the best! Our site is easy to navigate, we provide lots of information, plus we make our newsletter available. To those of you who post information on the Web site, keep up the great work! Committee chairs remember that we want your committee information on our Web site too. If you're interested in getting committee information on our site please contact Emily Hull (PNC Webmaster) or any board member. We'd love to see even more information added to our site. If you have suggestions about other items you want to see on our Web site please let us know.

Our Web site is a great way for communicating with our geographically diverse membership, but to be most effective this chapter still needs People Power. Please consider serving as a PNC officer or committee chair. It's lots of fun (really!), and it's a great way to meet and work with people in our region. If you're interested please contact any board member. For you newcomers out there, we'd love to see new faces involved too!

I'm looking into my crystal ball and see travel plans to Alaska are in the future for many of us! Your calendars should be marked for September 16-20. Kathy Murray and her crew are working on a great conference. The 2000 conference will be PNC's 40th! Let's celebrate!

Have a great spring and summer everyone!

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## From the Editor

Please accept my most my most sincere apologies for the lateness of this issue. Loretta Andress and I have been just about ready to put this issue out for some time. Kim sent in her column in late March and then it sat while I spend a glorious month in Australia. In addition, Northwest Notes is taking a back seat to planning for the September chapter meeting. The next issue will be distributed in August. Please send your news or articles by August 21st.

kathy murray

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## Around the Region

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

*originally posted 5-29-00 to CANMEDLIB by Jim Henderson <[jimh@MLS.CPS.BC.CA](mailto:jimh@MLS.CPS.BC.CA)>*

Friday's "Facts & Arguments" column in the Globe & Mail (National Edition, p.A18, Friday, May 26, 2000 mentions a search undertaken by a librarian working at the Canadian Cancer Society in Vancouver which caused changes in the treatment of a cancerous growth on the tailbone of a 2 year old. The librarian was, with little doubt, David Noble, of the BC Cancer Agency library, not the Canadian Cancer Society, as they don't have a librarian. The doctors had consulted with the Mayo Clinic, as it was a rare cancer. However, it wasn't until the girl's grandfather mailed the depressing literature search was the treatment changed from just radiation to radiation and chemotherapy. Survival rates were reported to have improved from 25% to 75% with the dual therapy.

Congratulations, David.

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## Chapter Business

*submitted by [Nancy Press](#) 2/2000*

### 2000 PNC/MLA CE Survey Results

PNC/MLA continuing education survey forms were posted on HLIB-NW and also put up at the PNC/MLA Web site in January 2000 for the PNC/MLA membership; 82 completed forms were returned. Your Regional Medical Library has been mailing and tallying this survey for PNC/MLA since 1983. This version of the results contains all comments; a more concise version is also available.

#### 1. Type of library

- 25 academic health sciences library
- 7 academic library
- 24 large hospital (200+ beds) library
- 11 medium hospital (75 to 199 beds) library
- 4 small hospital (1 to 74 beds) library
- 11 other:
  - public
  - biotech

2. Course Topics. Respondents were asked to put checks next to the five course topics they would find most useful. Respondents were also asked to suggest other topics.

- 38 Web DOCLINE, SERHOLD, and DOCUSER
- 37 Internet document delivery
- 36 New features of PubMed
- 34 Critically evaluating medical literature
- 27 Standards of self-measurement and developing goals for health sciences librarians
- 27 Information needs of health care administrators
- 25 Searching for clinical, evidence based medical information
- 21 Complementary medicine resources
- 19 Communicating/partnering with systems administrators
- 18 Public health surveys and epidemiology resources
- 17 Setting up a home page, including HTML and home page design
- 16 Providing health information to consumers and patients
- 13 Assessing consumer health information needs and planning targeted programs
- 13 Emerging infections diseases
- 12 Nutrition resources
- 11 Role of the librarian in providing in-patient information
- 10 American Indian/Alaska Native health issues
- 6 Preparing information for special consumer populations (i.e., non-English speakers or low literacy)

Other suggested subjects:

- Setting up an intranet incl. costs, considerations, expectations; intranet to deliver services and resources; designing and creating intranet (4)
- Benchmarking (2)

- I would like to see a class in how to continue to make libraries relevant in an ever-expanding universal access to health care on the internet.
- Another class that would be useful would be how libraries are adopting new technologies into the library environment--CD's (configurations, types of information); internet access to products. What formats are libraries adopting to access journals collections--are paper collections being cut back? Are budgets being cut back?
- Use of metadata to improve access to your web site.
- Managing electronic/fulltext information resources.
- E-journal access for hospital libraries--strategies for organizing, financing, licensing.
- Site licenses, state licenses-how to get them and what to watch out for.
- Knowledge management.
- Electronic resources.
- Web librarianship.
- Use of web editing software (FrontPage?)
- Web-fronted databases (creating databases, example: database of all the library database so only one place needs to be updated).
- Videoconferencing, teleconferencing.
- Providing CE via distance technologies (teleconf or electronic).
- Library/CME collaboration for hospitals.
- Knowledge management issues for librarians.
- Digital literacy/digital divide.
- Health issues of special populations, e.g., American Indians, East Africans, etc. or for chronic diseases, e.g., spinal cord injured diabetics.
- Electronic copyright issues.
- Copyright law for the video librarian.
- Indexing and abstracting health information for the web.
- Partnering with faculty on integrating library services into course curriculum.
- Managing bookmarks.
- Metatags.
- Dublin core.
- Patient record systems.
- Human-computer interface issues.

3. How long have you been in the profession of health librarianship? Respondents were asked to check one.

2	less than 2 years
9	3-5 years
12	6-10 years
23	10-15 years
33	over 15 years

4. Fees. Respondents were asked to check the maximum fee they would pay for a course of high interest.

3	\$25
16	\$50
43	\$100
17	\$200

5. Credit. Respondents were asked to check whether MLA credit for a CE course is an important factor for them.

25 yes

52 no

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## Continuing Education

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### 8th ICML Continuing Education Courses

Dear Colleagues,

As you will be aware, the 8th International Conference on Medical Librarianship is taking place in London in July 2000.

Even if you have taken the decision not to come to ICML itself.. there is a wide range of excellent study days and CE courses available before the conference itself all at reasonable prices. Take this chance to hear some leading speakers and enhance your continuing professional development.

Details and registration forms for the varied Continuing Education Programme, which will take place immediately before the Conference, are available at the following address:

<http://www.icml.org/cereg.htm>

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## **Slice of Life Workshop and CHES - June 27-July 1, 2000**

Program and Registration materials are posted the Web at <http://www.slice.gsm.com>. This meeting is designed to fill a specific niche. The focus is on multimedia, technology and healthcare education. The group will look at new trends and tools as well as new applications, standards, directions and uses. The first two days consist of full or half day pre-workshops, most of which are hands on. The final 2.5 days are presentations, demonstrations, breakout sessions and interest groups. The group size is limited in order to avoid concurrent sessions and to encourage interactions and networking. Materials can be viewed on the Web or the acrobat pdf file can be downloaded and printed.

After June 1 the registration fee goes up and the workshop limit of 250 paid registrants may have been reached. Don't be disappointed. Be sure you reserve a place in the pre-workshops (optional and additional) and workshop as well as one of the hotel rooms. The program submissions this year look exciting. There are 27 brief auditorium presentations, 73 computer demonstrations, 15 posters and 16 breakout session.

The early bird registration fee is \$295 for the meeting and includes lunches, breaks, nightly hospitality suite at the Marriott University Park Hotel and a buffet evening dinner at the Red Butte Gardens Arboretum. The meeting concludes with a grand extravaganza Saturday afternoon and evening in the Wasatch Mountains. The adventuresome may want to partake of a 5 day rafting trip on the Yampa and Green Rivers in Dinosaur National Park. Contact me for more information or questions.

Listed below are the titles of the 16 Pre-workshops:

- Creating Web-based Multimedia with SMIL Hands-on, Limit 20
- The Wonders of QuickTime Pro Player as a Video Editing Tool. Lecture/Demo format.
- Technologies for Building Interactive, Database-Driven Web Applications: Features, Frustrations and Foibles Lecture/Demo.
- Encoding, Editing and Authoring DVD and Streaming Video (Lecture / Demonstration). Limit 10.
- Getting Started with Macromedia Director 7. A Hands-on Introduction to a Popular Authoring Environment. Hands-On. Limit 15
- Beginning JavaScript. Hands-on. Limit 10.
- Using LiveStage Pro to Create Interactive QuickTime Movies. Lecture/Demo.
- Creating Web-based Multimedia with SMIL Hands-on, Limit 20
- QuickTime for Java (QTJ) for Project Coordinators and Developers. Hands-On.
- Finding and Using Rich Content for Medical Education. Hands-on. Limit 15.
- WWW Online Courseware Development & Delivery Tools: Comparisons & Contrasts. Panel/Demo.
- Automating the Evaluation Process: From Form Design to Results Reporting. Hands-On. Lmit 32
- Producing and Using Quicktime Virtual Reality in Medical Education. Lecture/Demo/Hands-on. Limit 30.
- XML - An Overview of eXtensible Markup Language. Hands-on. Limited to 10.

- Introduction to ASP: Building Interactive, Database-Driven Web Applications. Limit 14. Hands-on.
- Human Cognition and Graphic Design for Multimedia Authors. Lecture/Demo.
- Computer Testing: Use of LXR Software to Create Questions Banks and Examinations. Hands On.

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1999 Computers in Healthcare Education Symposium and Slice of Life Workshop

Salt Lake City, Utah SAVE the dates: June 27-July 1, 2000

Submit or register at <http://www.slice.gsm.com>

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## **Online Course: EBM and the Medical Librarian**

Interested in learning the basics of evidence-based medicine (EBM) but been unable to attend a course? Evidence-based Medicine and the Medical Librarian may be the right course for you. Designed as an introduction for medical librarians to the practice of EBM, this web-based course brings the education to your desktop.

When: July 10 - August 28, 2000

CEUs: 8 MLA CEUs

Cost: \$150

Where: Anywhere

Registration Deadline: July 9, 2000

It is not necessary to be available for all 7 weeks of the course. The course takes approximately 30 hours to complete, depending on previous knowledge of EBM and other factors. The course is a combination of course material, independent readings, reviews, and exercises. Students are required to participate in email or chat discussions, and a final project integrating all the concepts learned during the previous weeks is also required.

For more information about the course, go to <<http://www.blackboard.com/courses/EBM600/>>. Choose the hyperlink "Visit as a Guest." With the Guest account, you will be able to look at anything in the Course Information and Staff Information sections. We especially recommend you look at the document "Is distance education for me?"

For more information about the course or for registration information, contact Julia Kochi at [kochi@library.ucsf.edu](mailto:kochi@library.ucsf.edu)

Julie Garrison, Julia Kochi, Connie Schardt--Course Instructors

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## PubMed Training

The National Online Training Center for the National Library of Medicine will offer a new 1-day class, Keeping Up with PubMed, covering System enhancements to PubMed. This class will be designed for the NLM searcher who has been searching the PubMed system but would like a refresher or an update on the changes. There is no charge for this class.

Where: Montana State University-Bozeman Libraries  
Renne Library, Heathcote Classroom (Room 17)

When: August 21, 2000

Register online at: <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mar/online/request.html>

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Bozeman, MT 59717-3320

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## Humor

### ~~Error Messages Haiku~~

<i>A file that big? It might be very useful. But now it is gone.</i>	<i>The Web site you seek cannot be located but countless more exist</i>	<i>Chaos reigns within. Reflect, repent, and reboot. Order shall return.</i>
<i>ABORTED effort: Close all that you have worked</i>	<i>Yesterday it worked Today it is not working</i>	<i>First snow, then silence. This thousand dollar screen dies</i>



<i>on. You ask way too much.</i>	<i>Windows is like that.</i>	<i>so beautifully.</i>
<i>With searching comes loss and the presence of absence: "My Novel" not found.</i>	<i>The Tao that is seen Is not the true Tao, until You bring fresh toner.</i>	<i>Windows NT crashed. I am the Blue Screen of Death. No one hears your screams.</i>
<i>Stay the patient course Of little worth is your ire The network is down</i>	<i>A crash reduces your expensive computer to a simple stone.</i>	<i>Three things are certain: Death, taxes, and lost data. Guess which has occurred.</i>
<i>You step in the stream, but the water has moved on. This page is not here.</i>	<i>Out of memory. We wish to hold the whole sky, But we never will.</i>	<i>Having been erased, The document you're seeking Must now be retyped.</i>
<i>Serious error. All shortcuts have disappeared. Screen. Mind. Both are blank.</i>		

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## In the News

submitted 2-24-00 by S. Barnes [sjbarnes@u.washington.edu](mailto:sjbarnes@u.washington.edu)

### News from the RML:

Susan Barnes, the new DOCLINE/SERHOLD coordinator for Region 6, arrived from snowy upstate New York on January 3. Susan grew up in Washington and went to library school at UW, after which she ventured forth to be a Library Associate at NLM -- the interview at NLM was only the second time she'd been east of the Rockies. Although it was always Susan's intention to return to the Northwest, she was sidetracked into positions at UCLA, Columbia, and Cornell, spending 20 years away from home. Susan is very pleased to be back in the Northwest and is looking forward to helping the region migrate to the New DOCLINE.

Meanwhile, Nancy Press was pleased to return the RML Associate Director's reins to the control of Neil Rambo, who had been on a special public health-related project for two years. Nancy is now working in the consumer health arena at the RML.

Linda Milgrom is still sunning herself in Tuscany. Her September return is eagerly awaited by her colleagues.

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## Meetings/Conferences

### PNC/MLA 2000 Annual Conference

Come one, come all, Alaska beckons!

Start making plans to attend the PNC/MLA Annual Conference, September 16-20, 2000 at the Alyeska Prince Hotel in Girdwood, Alaska.

Come early! Stay late! Take advantage of this opportunity to explore the magnificence of The Last Frontier.

Need more information about Anchorage or Alyeska? Log on to <http://www.anchorage.net> . Click on Get a free Visitors Guide, fill in the form at the bottom of the page, and a 120 page guide to Southcentral Alaska (Anchorage, Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Kenai Peninsula) will be mailed to you free of charge.

Want to know more about the hotel? Log on to <http://www.westin.com/cgi/t3.cgi/property.taf?prop=1000&lc=en>. View the slide show. Check out their links to the Girdwood area. Room rate for PNC/MLA attendees is \$135/night single or double occupancy until 30 days prior to arrival. (Hotel Reservation forms will be mailed out with the preliminary program.)

We'll leave the Northern Lights on for you.

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PNC/MLA 2000  
Registration Coordinator

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**Alaska in 2000**

September 16-20

submitted by [Kathy Murray](#)

### **A Quick Glimpse at the Meeting Program Speakers**

- **Linda Stone**, Director, [Virtual Worlds Group](#), at Microsoft will be our keynote speaker. She began her career as a librarian working at Apple Computers. Since joining Microsoft Corporation in December of 1993, she has focused on improving human social interactions in cyberspace. She created and now directs Microsoft's virtual worlds team, a joint effort by engineers, designers, and

sociologists to develop technologies and interfaces for the construction of social environments that really work on a human level. Her group's approach to virtual worlds blends sociology, design and technology with the goal of enhancing net-based relationships. One of their prototype models is being tested at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

- **Rob Burgess** is past director of Alaska's Community Health Aide Program. This innovative program brings women from the villages to centers for three different intensive courses. They then act as the first level of triage for medical problems. The Community Health Aide Program's initial system was developed by the Russians. The [Alaska Health Aide Program: A Tradition of Helping Ourselves](#) documents the intensive efforts 25 years ago to develop a common curriculum that could be used statewide. This booklet includes a description of the evolution of the program from the time of the Sanitation Aides and Chemotherapy Aides through the present sophisticated Community Health Aide Program.
- **Jim Henderson** is the Library Director of the [Medical Library Service](#) of the at College of Physicians & Surgeons of British Columbia located in Vancouver, BC.
- **Martha Leredu** is the Director of Knowledge Management at [Moss Adams LLP](#), Seattle, WA. Martha was recently promoted to her new position as Director of Knowledge Management which oversees research services, web development, and document management.
- **Lea Starr** is the Manager of the The Western Operating Partner (Vancouver, BC) of the Canadian Health Network. This is a group of organizations led by Vancouver Public Library, and joined by The Medical Library Service of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia. The [Canadian Health Network](#) (CHN) is a national, bilingual Internet-based health information service. Health Canada, its founding Partner, provides funding for CHN. One of Lea's main responsibilities is to create and expand health information networks in her region. Her group also co-ordinates efforts to collect and share regional resources on how to promote health and prevent disease.
- [Leslie Wykoff](#) is Director of Vancouver Information Services and WSUV Campus Library in Vancouver, WA.

## Travel Update

### Flight Information

We have an Alaska Airlines meeting fare code. Using this code will give a 5% discount on excursion fares and a 10% discount on full fares or anyone choosing to fly first class. The code is **CMR4423**. The dates that are valid for flying with this code are September 12th through September 27th. *I have a favor to ask*; after booking your flight, please [email me](#) the ticket number. We will get one free ticket for every 25 tickets purchased. We will use these free tickets to fly speakers to Anchorage.

Last March, I looked for roundtrip tickets for mid-September 1999, and found that leaving Seattle at 2:30 pm on the 16th of Sept and returning from Anchorage on the 21st of September at 6:30 pm would cost \$336.20, \$437.20 from Portland, and only

\$465.20 from Boise. Prices have gone up since that time ... back in May, roundtrip tickets from Seattle for those dates was \$357, Portland was \$318, and Boise was \$518. Depending on your dates, when you travel, and when you buy your ticket, your prices will likely vary. Visit the [Alaska Airlines](#) web page to get specifics and remember to use **CMR4423** to get your discount.

#### Ground Transportation

Please note that Girdwood is 40 miles south of Anchorage. Ground transportation from the airport to the hotel can be arranged using the Borealis Shuttle service. They accept reservations only 24 hours prior to your flight (907.276.3600), or you can call from the baggage claim area at the airport and a van will be waiting by the time your luggage is delivered. Their rate is:

Number of Passengers	Fare (one way)
1	\$50
2	\$65
3	\$80
4-11	\$10 for each additional person

CHLA/ABSC

## 2001: odyssee

Canadian Health Libraries Association/Association des bibliotheques de la sante du Canada

### Quebec City, May 6-8, 2001

The Committee has selected some charming small hotels in the old city of Quebec and close to all conveniences for the delegates. All of these hotels are located within 5 minutes to the Conference Site (breakfast is included in the price of all these hotels):

- Hotel le Piori--105\$ single or double occupation  
<http://www.quebecweb.com/lepriori>  
(418) 692-3992  
1-800-351-3992  
Fax: (418) 692-0883
- Auberge St-Pierre--169\$ single or double occupation  
<http://st-pierre@auberge.qc.ca>  
(418) 694-7981  
1-888-268-1017  
Fax: (418) 694-0406

- Hotel Dominion--169\$ single occupation/179\$ double  
<http://reservations@hoteldominion.com>  
(418) 692-2224  
1-888-833-5253  
Fax: (418) 692-4403

For more information:

(514) 281-5012  
Fax: (514) 281-8219  
[info@asted.org](mailto:info@asted.org)

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## Future PNC/MLA Meetings

Salishan, Oregon in 2001

Seattle area in 2002 [tentative]

Vancouver, B.C. in 2003 [tentative]

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## MLA/NLM

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### **Benchmarking**

MLA is committed to its Benchmarking Network. We are now in Phase 1, which will end after 100 MLA institutional members complete the Beta version of the Benchmarking Database. One hundred participants will give MLA a statistically valid sample to test the questions and their format. Before we proceed to a national effort, our instrument must be clear and its definitions known and understood. The data must be available and useful. No vital data must be left out.

To satisfy those conditions, a thoughtful and critical review of the survey by MLA members is needed. The best way to evaluate a survey is to take it. Please go to the MLA website <<http://www.mlanet.org>> and enter the member section. Benchmark Network Phase 1 is easy to find. Go in and complete the survey.

REMEMBER THIS IS A BETA VERSION AND BENCHMARKING DATA WILL NOT BE GENERATED FROM THESE RESPONSES!!!

If you have questions or problems, use the Comments area lavishly! We are trying to de-bug the product now and no suggestion is TOO TRIVIAL. Please share your comments with me as well, <<mailto:braunr@empirehealth.org>> , so I can forward them to the Benchmarking Content Team. Right now the survey has 5 parts: Institutional & Library Profile (single or system); administrative questionnaire; Public Services questionnaire; Special Services questionnaire; and Technical Services questionnaire. The website will save your survey as a work-in-progress" and only submit when you're ready.

Join with other MLA members and add your data to the MLA Benchmarking Network.

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### Officers/Chairs

#### 2000 PNC Board Officers

Chair	<a href="#">Kim Granath</a>
Chair-Elect	<a href="#">Janice Bacino</a>
Past-Chair	<a href="#">Carolyn Olson</a>
Recording Secretary	<a href="#">Kathy Nelson</a>
Treasurer	<a href="#">Nola Higley</a>
Membership Secretary	<a href="#">Barbara Crain</a>
Chapter Council Representative	<a href="#">Bob Pringle</a>
Chapter Council Alternate	<a href="#">Edean Berglund</a>

#### Committee Chairs

Archives	<a href="#">Janet Schnall</a>
Bylaws	<a href="#">Jan Schueller</a>
Electronic Resources	open
Governmental Relations	<a href="#">Marcia Batchelor</a>
Liaison to MLA/AHIP	<a href="#">Terry Jankowski</a>
Nominating Elections	<a href="#">Carolyn Olson</a>
Professional Development	<a href="#">Lisa Oberg</a>
Program - Alaska 2000	<a href="#">Kathy Murray</a>
Publications / Newsletter	<a href="#">Kathy Murray</a>

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## Positions Available

### OREGON

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#### Reference Librarian

The Oregon Health Sciences University (OHSU) Library is seeking a qualified individual to provide reference service for the Research & Reference Services Department. The OHSU Library serves the campuses of Oregon Health Sciences University, both in Portland and statewide, and serves the health professionals of Oregon.

This position reports to the Head of Research and Reference Services. The duties of this position include: providing reference services, performing Information Desk duty; assisting library users with OHSU networked workstations (word processing, electronic mail, file transfer, printing); assisting users with searching Ovid databases and using Internet resources; teaching and proctoring classes in online searching and using the Internet; developing new library instruction classes, providing consumer health information services, and attendance at departmental meetings.

#### Qualifications:

- \* MLS degree from an ALA accredited library/information science program
- \* health sciences coursework desirable
- \* online searching skills (particularly MEDLINE)
- \* Internet skills (including World Wide Web)
- \* HTML experience desirable
- \* word processing experience
- \* ability to work in team environment essential

The working hours of this position are Monday through Friday.

For the full position description, see: <http://www.ohsu.edu/library/jobs.shtml>

Send resume with cover letter and names, contact addresses, and phone numbers of three references to: Dolores Judkins, Head, Research & Reference Services, Oregon Health Sciences University Library, PO Box 573, Portland, OR 97207-0573.

If you would like to meet to discuss the position requirements at MLA, please contact me as soon as possible at: [judkinsd@ohsu.edu](mailto:judkinsd@ohsu.edu) or leave a message for me on the message board at MLA. You may telephone with questions at 503-494-3478. (I will be out of the Library from May 5 through May 10.)

Review of applications will begin May 22, 2000.

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### WASHINGTON

#### Job reopening: Washington State

Biomedical Electronic Resources/Reference Librarian

Colleagues,

This is a re-opening of our Veterinary Medical/Pharmacy Library position. If you , or anyone you know, is interested in it, please email me. Thanks, Vicki

Washington State University Libraries, Veterinary Medical/Pharmacy Library, Pullman, WA

POSITION AVAILABLE: Currently Vacant

**SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Coordinates access to electronic information resources in biomedicine and provides specialized reference services and user education to library users in a small, dynamic, specialized academic library. Acts as library liaison and collection coordinator for the College of Pharmacy and the Pharmacology/Toxicology Program. Supports the integration of new technologies and new approaches to the delivery of information into user services and library operations. May do database searching and perform other duties as assigned. Reports to the Head, Veterinary Medical/Pharmacy Library.

**GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Librarians are appointed as members of the Washington State University faculty and are expected to participate actively in the University's instructional, research, and service programs. All privileges, obligations, and research responsibilities of faculty are inherent in such membership. Librarians are ranked in grades 2, 3, and 4, equivalent to the academic ranks of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, and Professor. A progressive record of professional/scholarly achievement is expected of all librarians.

**ENVIRONMENT:**

Washington State University is a land grant university founded in 1890 with an enrollment of approximately 20,000 students. The main campus is located in Pullman, a town of 24,000, in the fertile Palouse region of southeastern Washington; there are also three branch campuses located in Spokane, Vancouver, and the Tri-Cities. The Washington State University Libraries, a member of the Association of Research Libraries, have current holdings of 1.7 million volumes, provide access to a wide range of electronic resources, and have a new online classroom in the \$36 million addition to Holland Library. The Libraries share their online system, (Innovative Interfaces, Inc.), with Eastern Washington University. The Libraries have a well established program for library user education.

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

**REQUIRED:** ALA accredited MLS. Current knowledge of and experience with a wide range of electronic information resources, such as the Internet, CD-ROM, World Wide Web (WWW). Experience in a biomedical or science/engineering library or subject background in the sciences or medicine. Effective interpersonal relations and communications skills. **PREFERRED:** Experience with web page creation and maintenance; technology-based user education and work in a networked environment.

**SALARY:** From \$30,000 commensurate with qualifications and experience.



RANK: Librarian 2; faculty status.

**OTHER BENEFITS:**

TIAA/CREF, broad insurance program, 22 days vacation and 12 days sick leave per year.

Send letter of application, resume, and names and complete mailing addresses and phone numbers of three references addressed to:

Bonny L. Boyan  
Library Administrative Office  
Washington State University Libraries  
PO Box 645610  
Pullman, WA 99164-5610  
or email: [boyan@wsu.edu](mailto:boyan@wsu.edu)

Search Extended. Application review will begin May 15, 2000. Open until filled.

Washington State University Libraries' Home Page is:  
<http://www.wsulibs.wsu.edu>

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**Notice of Vacancy**

May 23, 2000

TITLE: Head, Educational Programs

LOCATION: Health Sciences Library

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The University of Washington Health Sciences Libraries invites applications from leaders who can develop dynamic educational programs to integrate active learning methodologies into the curricula of six schools, interprofessional programs, practice training sites and continuing education collaborations. The position provides strategic leadership in use of educational technologies for distance and distributed learning; serves of curriculum workgroups; leads an active group of librarian liaisons in development of lifelong learning to health sciences departments; collaborates in the development of a leading-edge digital library; leads user awareness and evaluation efforts; participates in staff development; and insures excellence in liaison consultation services. The Head of Educational Programs is a member of the Executive Committee and leads a staff of 5.0 FTE librarian, graduate student and support staff. The position reports to the Deputy Director.

The health sciences user community: top-ranked schools of Medicine, Public Health and Community Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, and Social Work; top public university biomedical research program; and an academic medical center comprised of two medical centers and affiliated neighborhood clinics. The primary user population is almost 10,000. A nationally recognized regional education program distributes practice training sites throughout Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho. The HSL is composed of the Health Sciences Library and Information Center, the Social Work Library and the K.K. Sherwood Library at Harborview Medical Center.

It serves as the regional library for the Pacific Northwest, National Network of Libraries of Medicine. It is a part of the University Libraries with a national reputation for information literacy. See <http://healthlinks.washington.edu/hsl/>

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Graduate degree from a program accredited by the American Library Association or an equivalent graduate library science/information studies degree required.
2. At least five years of significant education services experience with at least two years in a leadership position required.
3. Experience in the provision of informational technology in the digital library for health and bioscience or an advanced degree or experience in adult education, instructional design or educational technology is preferred.
4. Leadership accomplishments in designing and implementing innovative programs, setting strategic directions, and fostering partnerships is required.

5. Ability to lead a diverse staff in a rapidly changing, technology-intense environment; to work effectively and collaboratively in a complex organization; and to engender a flexible and supportive work environment are required.

6. Ability to make decisions with data and experience in evaluation of information diffusion is preferred.

7. Must be knowledgeable about current trends in information technology, teaching and learning, and integration of information literacy or knowledge management at the point of use in health sciences education.

8. Must have a demonstrated record of successful professional service and the ability to represent the library on campus, regionally and nationally.

**SALARY:** \$ 47,000 minimum. Appointment salary to be commensurate with qualifications and background.

**BENEFITS:** Librarians are academic personnel and participate in the University of Washington Retirement Plan (TIAA-CREF, The Vanguard Group, SAFECO Mutual Funds and/or Fidelity Investments) on a matching basis. Vacation is accrued at the rate of 24 working days per year; sick leave at the rate of 12 working days per year. Excellent medical, dental and life insurance plans. No state or local income tax.

**APPLY TO:** Charles E. Chamberlin  
Deputy Director of Libraries  
University of Washington Libraries  
482 Allen Library  
Box 352900  
Seattle, Washington 98195-2900

Applicants should submit a letter of application, full resume including a work telephone number and email address, salary requirements, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of at least four references who are knowledgeable of the applicant's qualifications for this position.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** To ensure consideration, applications should be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, July 14, 2000.

University of Washington Libraries' Home Page is: <http://www.lib.washington.edu>

The University of Washington, an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer, is building a culturally diverse staff and strongly encourages applications from female and minority candidates.

In compliance with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the University is required to verify and document the citizenship or employment authorization of each new employee.

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## **Washington State Library SDL Job Announcement**

### **Statewide Database Licensing Librarian**

The Washington State Library, located in Olympia, Washington, is currently recruiting for one full-time project Database Licensing Librarian classified as a Library Information Specialist. This position will work in partnership with the Project Director for the Statewide Database Licensing (SDL) Project, and will be a member of the Consultant's Team at the Washington State Library. The Consultants Team provides information and services related to libraries, information services, and technology.

This position will have day-to-day involvement with all aspects of running a statewide cooperative database licensing effort, working with libraries and vendors. The libraries include public libraries; research, four-year and community college academic libraries; K-12 libraries; medical libraries; tribal libraries; and other special libraries including state government libraries. Vendors include any vendor of online database products who wishes to deal with Washington libraries in cooperative, multi-type library environment. Job duties include: work with a statewide committee of librarians to select a vendor(s) for statewide contracts for newspapers and general periodicals; promote library participation in statewide contracts; establish periodic trials of online databases; facilitate group purchases of specialized databases of interest to a portion of the state's libraries; collect data and statistics about usage of online databases; maintain a website for information about the SDL Project and various online database products; foster collaborative database licensing efforts with other libraries in the Pacific Northwest.

#### **QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED**

A Master's degree in library science from an American Library Association accredited program and certification by the Washington State Library Commission; or certification by the Washington State Library Commission by examination -AND- Two years of experience as a professional librarian. Ability to create and maintain a basic Web page is highly desirable.

#### **COMPENSATION/BENEFITS**

Salary: \$2,725 - \$3,489 per month, depending on qualifications and agency approval. As of July 1st, the monthly rate will go up to \$2,807 - \$3,594 due to a three percent cost of living increase approved by the Legislature.

Benefits: Washington State offers a comprehensive benefit package that includes membership in the state retirement system, a tax-deferred compensation program including a tax-deferred child care program, leave package, and health, disability, and life insurance coverage.

#### **TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

This position is funded by federal Library Services and Technology (LSTA) funds administered by the Washington State Library. The position is expected to last at least 12 months.

#### ABOUT THE WASHINGTON STATE LIBRARY:

The entire State Library is team-based and organized into self-managed teams. This means that employees of the State Library must enjoy active participation in team decisions, be self-starters and motivators, and strive towards excellent customer services. If you want to learn about WSL, you can visit our Website at <http://www.statelib.wa.gov/>

#### HOW TO APPLY:

Send a cover letter addressing statement of above skills, knowledge, and abilities, along with a detailed resume (be sure to include your Internet address if you have one) to: Washington State Library, Human Resources Team, PO Box 42460, Olympia, WA 98504-2460.

FAX# (360) 586-7575; E-mail Address: [pward@statelib.wa.gov](mailto:pward@statelib.wa.gov)

The deadline date to submit your cover letter and resume is June 28, 2000.

Qualified candidates responding to this pre-recruitment ad will receive an application packet from the Washington State Library's Human Resources Team.

THE WASHINGTON STATE LIBRARY IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER (EOE).

PERSONS WITH DISABILITY NEEDING THIS INFORMATION IN AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT MAY  
CALL (360) 704-5258 or TTY (360) 753-3216.

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