

NCNMLG Newsletter



A message from the President

The 2000-2001 year promises to be a good year for NCNMLG.

Our first general meeting of the year on August 4 is combined with a CE course that every one of us should take. Michelynn McKnight, Library Director at the Norman Regional Hospital in Oklahoma, will teach strategies and tactics for information professionals to prove their worth. In working with our CE chairs, Susan Ulrich and Candace Walker to bring this course to you, I have had the privilege of talking with Michelynn several times. This course will help you no matter what environment you're in—hospital, academic, corporate, or independent contractor. The Regional Medical Library is bringing this course to NCNMLG as a result of the work and follow-up on its E-Resources symposium, focus groups, and surveys. This is your course. Don't miss it! If that isn't enough, Tilly Roche will see that you get a delicious lunch!

At that August 4 meeting, we also will be voting on increasing the annual dues from \$15 to \$25. At \$15 our annual dues are lower than the average for other MLA chapters. Raising the dues from \$15 to \$25 will go a long way to addressing the

chapter's operating deficit. At a straw vote, on the listserv, there were 9 responses for the increase, and 2 qualified responses against. Please come to this meeting to vote!

Since the 2000 Joint Meeting in February, your officers have worked very hard to analyze the causes of the chapter's operating deficit and make changes in the chapter's policy and procedure manual to address them. At the August 4 board meeting, the board will be discussing and voting on policy changes having to do with cost containment: printed newsletters, travel allowances and CE and program expenses. Elsewhere in this issue and in your dues renewal form, there is a notice about the change from print to electronic distribution. Board meetings are open to all members. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sometime in August, you will receive your annual dues notice. Roger Brudno, Membership Chair, has spent the past two years upgrading the membership database software to handle Library ID's.

Now that the upgrade is completed, Roger will return to the usual schedule for mailing dues notices. That means that the deadline for the membership directory is October 1. Please get your renewals in right away so you won't be left out of the directory! The directory is an invaluable tool for networking.

As this newsletter goes to press, the Joint Meeting planning committee is assuring a not-to-miss meeting! The speakers have been selected and confirmed: Eugenie Prime, Sherrilynn Fuller, Susan McGlammery, Pat Muller, and our own Gail Persily. Who are they and why should you hear them? Watch our upcoming publicity to find out!

Also, at press time, Ed Bierman, Electronic Resources co-chair, has spent countless hours making the chapter website more member-focused and content driven. It has been difficult to get something compatible with our NCNWEB design, which won the MLA Chapter of the Year award in 1997, the chapter's 50th anniversary year. The sleek, dramatic 1997 design is an image map, the code for which

was lost. We hope you will like the change and find the website useful in accessing the chapter's services, planning your time at the Joint Meeting, and connecting to MLA, PSRML, and other sites. Website changes will be announced on the general listserv.

The 2000-2001 officers and committee chairs are listed

elsewhere in this newsletter. As you can see, there are some openings. Doing the work of the committees and attending the board meetings are great ways to network with your colleagues. It's a way to meet your peers and grow professionally. I post openings on the listserv, and if there's no response, I'll phone. I would love to hear from you.

The upcoming year is an exciting one. There are too many for me to thank individually here for your work with me this past spring, but a big thank you to the 1999-2000 board, the Joint Meeting planning committee, the 2000-2001 board, and other members who are doing so much. I'm looking forward to this year and hope you are too!

CONFERENCES

The California Millennium Conference is the end product of over 20 library organizations coming together to plan a day of speakers and exhibits aimed at the library community. This conference will take place on Saturday, November 11, 2000, at the Santa Clara Convention Center. The CMC is designed to expose librarians and library supporters to information about broad trends in society, public policy, the economy, culture and libraries. Most of the speakers are outside the library profession, and the library speakers are mostly from outside of California. The conference is partially funded by a grant from the California State Library. Keynote speakers will be:

*Dr. Kevin Starr, State Librarian, on "Honoring the Past".

*Bran Ferren, futurist (formerly with the Disney Co.), on "Imaging the Future"

*John Perry Barlow, founder of the Electronic Frontier Foundation on "The Net-Induced Social Revolution"

*Watts Wacker, futurist and author of "The Visionary's Handbook", on "How to Be Your Own Futurist!"

Many other activities and speakers are planned. Among them: a debate between Steve Coffman and Michael Gorman on the future of library services, a town hall meeting on the future of the profession, and an all-day author's fair.

More information can be found on the website at www.cmc-2000.org. Registration is \$125 for the CMC, and \$175 for both the CMC and the California Library Association Conference which starts the next day at the Santa Clara site.

Peggy Watson
CMC Committee

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Cynthia Henderson, former library director at Samuel Merritt College, is the new librarian at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia.

Howard Fuller has returned to The Health Library at Stanford.

Daniel Scott Angel, formerly at UCSF, is now at EO Exchange, San Francisco

--Mary Beth Train

AHIP CERTIFICATION

What Have You Done for Yourself Lately?

We live in interesting jobs. It's not exactly a Chinese curse, but it's a rare day when we don't rediscover our ignorance, deal with balky bureaucrats and clients, or, on a good day, have an urge to share an information or management coup with someone who can appreciate what it involved. These problems and urges aren't unique to medical librarians, but they can't be met by joining Toastmasters or the Chamber of Commerce.

Enter, of course, our local, regional, national and international library groups and events. We all know we need one or more of 'em, but most of us wish someone else would do it. Enter right stage, the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) accreditation process.

You can gain and renew full AHIP membership solely by maintaining and upgrading your professional *competence*, but qualifying points may also include *contributions* to the profession. These include professional association participation, authoring, and conference participation. One

becomes a **Senior** or **Distinguished** member by adding contribution points to continuing education achievements.

Conference Participation

Meeting attendees earn **1** point per meeting day (maximum of 3 per year, or 15 for the five-year evaluation span).

Documentation isn't needed for MLA or chapter meetings.

Others require a copy of the registration form. (CE before or after a meeting is credited as CE, not as meeting involvement). Of course, presenters, moderators, and demonstrators all earn credit, from **one** to **5** points per meeting.

Professional Associations

These include MLA, consortia, SLA, ALA, CLA, ASIS, and other information-related organizations and chapters. An MLA chapter Committee member earns **5** points per year of service; the Chair earns **10** points. Service at MLA's national level ranges from **10** points for committee service to **25** points for an officer, director, board member.

Authorship

Letters to the Editor don't earn AHIP credit, but contributions to local, national and international publications win from **one** point (for a bylined newsletter article or service as an MLA external book reviewer for a single chapter) to **50** points (for the solo writing or editing of a book or for editing a journal). Articles, columns, and reviews in peer-reviewed journals earn from **2** to **15** points, Union List compilers and Serials Holdings coordinators earn **15** and **3** points respectively. Mailing list moderators or web site managers earn **40** points for each year's work. Other contributions that earn AHIP credit include similar work in other associations, contributions to MLA's Oral History Program, work on funded grants and formal consultations.

Look up AHIP's points schedule for yourself at <http://www.mlahq.org/academy/points2>.

As ever, please send questions or comments to Justine Roberts at jr4939@itsa.ucsf.edu.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONSUMER HEALTH LIBRARIAN

Children's Hospital Oakland is seeking applicants for the position of Coordinator of the Family Education Center. The Coordinator is responsible for the development and management of the Family Education Center (FEC), and serves the informational needs of parents and/or other family members and patients through the utilization of state of the art technologies and the availability of current consumer/popular level monographic, serial, media, file, and database resources. This position reports to the Child Life Manager.

Duties:

1. Administers the program by identifying, anticipating and preparing for future needs, directing operations in a planned and systematic manner, managing financial resources, and maintaining effective working relationships.
2. Develops goals and objectives for the FEC and establishes, and periodically revises, policies and procedures.
3. Provides reference service to FEC users, performs information retrieval database searching on on-line and internet based systems, and orients users to the services and most efficient utilization of the FEC and its collection.
4. Selects and acquires books, journals, audiovisuals, and technological resources in a timely manner and from a variety of sources.
5. Develops and administers hospital-wide closed circuit television programming.
6. Keeps hospital personnel informed of FEC developments through the distribution and transmission of publicity materials.
7. Networks with others in similar settings and pursues self-development opportunities through professional continuing education programs and memberships in position related professional organizations.
8. Serves on the hospital's Patient and Family Education Committee and Library Advisory Committee
9. Understands, supports, promotes and adheres to the customer service philosophy and standards of Children's Hospital Oakland.
10. Trains and supervises volunteers, students, and other FEC staff.
11. Performs, or delegates, miscellaneous duties such as supplies ordering, shelving, filing, preparation of statistical reports, and other departmental functions.
12. Maintains a relationship with the Health Sciences Library and its staff and consults with them when appropriate.

REQUIREMENTS:

Minimum Education: Master's Degree in Library Science, Health Education or a directly related field.

Minimum Experience: 3-5 years previous experience in a consumer health setting, preferably in a hospital or other health care setting with a pediatric population.

SALARY:

\$37,648 - \$54,600

This position will become available July, 2000. Interested applicants should either fax (510-601-3950) or mail a cover letter and resume to Susan Marchant, Manager, Child Life Department, Children's Hospital Oakland, 747 - 52nd Street, Oakland, CA 94609-1809.

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LIFE CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE WEST - LIBRARY

Job Title: Public/Technical Services Librarian
Salary Range: \$32,900 - \$39,100 per year, Exempt
Hours: flextime 8:00 am – 6:30 pm, M-F, and occasional Saturdays

Summary: Under general supervision, perform reference services in busy health sciences library, utilizing print, CD-ROM, and online sources. Assist students in research for term papers, and teach research skills as needed. Develop and monitor journal collection and interlibrary loan procedures. Contribute original cataloging and review copy cataloging for books. Maintain current awareness services for journal content and useful Web sites.

Life Chiropractic College West is seeking applications from experienced librarians, and from candidates for the M.L.S. or M.L.I.S. degree who would like to start their career in a health sciences library.

The **Public Services position** involves multiple activities, making it interesting and challenging. The systems librarian and the director provide training in local procedures for reference service, cataloging, and document delivery. Once comfortable with basic duties, the Public Services Librarian has the opportunity to train paraprofessional assistants to handle routine requests, and to develop personal skills in bibliographic instruction and content development for the library's Web page.

To receive the full job description, please contact the library director, Annette Osenga at voicemail: 510-276-1436 ext. 290, or at email: aosenga@lifewest.edu.

Interested applicants can apply directly to the Human Resources department: preferably by FAX 510-887-6423, or by phone 510-276-9013 ext. 677. The library of Life Chiropractic College West is located in San Lorenzo, and will be relocated to the new campus in Hayward, California in late September 2000. At that time, the main phone number for the new campus will be 510-780-4500.

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CALENDAR

AUGUST 4, 2000

CE Course with Michelynn McKnight
Proving Your Worth: Professional, Business and Political Tools

NOVEMBER 11, 2000

California Millennium Conference, Santa Clara Convention Center (See description on page 2)

FEBRUARY 7-10, 2001

NCNMLG / MLGSCA Joint Meeting, San Francisco

MAY 25-30, 2001

MLA 2001: An Information Odyssey, Orlando FL

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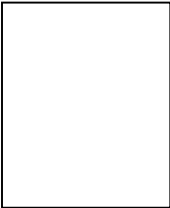
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