
NCNMLG Newsletter



A message from the President Update on the past year in NCNMLG

It has been a busy and productive year so far for NCNMLG. The organizational bylaws have been modified to adhere to the MLA bylaws model due to the diligent efforts of the Bylaws Chair, Dorothy Schmidt. Peggy Tahir is chairing a web re-design team which will be working on implementation of the Board-approved template redesign as well as incorporating new content into the site. The business meeting convened as part of the MLGSCA/NCNMLG meeting in Scottsdale, Arizona was well attended and informative. A major topic of discussion at both this meeting and a subsequent Board teleconference meeting was formatting, content and delivery issues with the electronic version of the membership directory. Roger Brudno, Membership Chair, and his team are hard-at-work with preparation of a new directory for distribution via the NCNMLG Listserv. Other Board members and Committee Members have been working diligently with a variety of initiatives to ensure smooth operation of the organization. The

Nominating Committee has put together a slate of highly qualified members for the upcoming officer elections. Please be sure to participate in the voting! Over the next month I will be recruiting for the positions of Documentation Chair, Long-Range Planning and Programming Chair. Please consider volunteering for these positions – these are important and very interesting positions in which the participants will definitely see the results of their hard work.

Be sure to consider participating in the upcoming CE course (only a few slots left) and a general business meeting – details in subsequent pages of this newsletter as well as via the listserv. In addition, the Transition Meeting is scheduled for June 7th. Details on the Transition Meeting will follow shortly. I look forward to speaking with many of you soon!

Doug Vamer

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK:

This Is Not Your Father's National Library Week! National Library Week: April 14 – 20 2002

National Library week offers "a wonderful opportunity for libraries of all types across the country" to showcase your library, celebrate library use and encourage library support. This year's theme (which will be familiar to the NLW groupies in the crowd) is "@ Your Library" (also the slogan for ALA's Campaign for America's Libraries).

For ideas on NLW promotions using the "@ Your Library" brand, you can visit <https://cs.ala.org/@yourlibrary/nlw.cfm>.

If you need some medical library-specific inspiration, take a look at the winners of the 2001 National Medical Librarians' Month "Creative Promotions Awards" and steal, I mean *borrow* their prize-winning ideas. www.mlanet.org/press/2002/feb02.html#2.

PROMOTING OUR PROFESSION:

"Career Night was fun, and the snacks were good"

This winter I represented Life Chiropractic College West as well as my profession of health sciences librarianship at a high school career night. I figured that news about scholarship winners would draw attention. So, over the previous months I had clipped announcements for the display from various newsletters and association websites, such as OCLC, LITA, and ALA.

There are several sources of career and scholarship information on the Medical Library Association's MLANet website:

- <http://www.mlanet.org/career/>
- <http://www.mlanet.org/grants/scholar.html>
- <http://www.mlanet.org/grants/minstud.html>
- <http://www.mlanet.org/education/careers.html> - includes a downloadable PowerPoint slide show, "Medical librarianship: career beyond the cutting edge."

My poster, with the clippings and color print-outs of several organizations' home pages, drew considerable attention. MLA's brochure "Medical librarianship: a career beyond the cutting edge" did seem to interest parents more than the 1st and 12th graders, but high school is, after all, very early to make career decisions. Librarianship is a fulfilling second career, and some people are looking to combine technological expertise with service. Another approach to publicizing the importance of health science librarians occurred to me after this event: a display or handout on how young adults can become better health information consumers, and who they should to ask for more information

My handout "How to explore a career as a LIBRARIAN" focused on information young people could use, since most of them are not yet considering postgraduate education. This handout is appended to the newsletter, and anyone who would like to amend it for their own use is most welcome to request the Word file. A neighboring presenter at the career night was a counselor from a local community college. She was happy to take a stack of my handouts and the MLA brochures back to the office.

For working and prospective librarians, this useful Website is also on the handout:

- <http://istweb.syr.edu/21stcenlib/>

"Librarians in the 21st century", a class project of students at the School of Information Studies at Syracuse University, profiles library jobs and career resources. It also discusses trends in the profession including

ensorship, digital libraries, filtering, outsourcing and electronic publishing. This site also prominently lists the "top ten" library schools in the United States, which includes Syracuse SIS of course!

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How to explore a career as a LIBRARIAN

as a high school student...

- Use your school and public libraries.
- Visit specialized libraries in your area of interest.
- Gain skills in using the Internet.

as an undergraduate...

- Take the library orientation course offered at your college.
- (some community colleges also offer certification as Library Assistant).
- Apply for a work-study job at the college library.
- Get an internship in information management.
- Develop communication skills: writing, speaking, Internet.
- Develop subject knowledge, in areas that you love. Library research skills will serve you well academically, and they may even lead to a career.
- Join several professional associations at the "student rate."
 - ❑ Learn about the specialties: law librarian, business librarian, school librarian, medical librarian, public librarian...information systems manager, digital librarian, corporate documents manager...
 - ❑ Investigate scholarships sponsored by these organizations.

A few of the many Websites to visit about information science:

Professional associations

American Library Association
<http://www.ala.org>

California Library Association
<http://www.cla-net.org>

Medical Library Association
<http://www.mlanet.org>

Special Libraries Association
<http://www.sla.org>

More organizations are listed at:
http://istweb.syr.edu/21stcenlib/becoming/prof_ass.html

College sites and lists

Librarians in the 21st Century
<http://www.istweb.syr.edu/21stcenlib/>

School of Library and Information Science
San Jose State University
<http://witloof.sjsu.edu/>

School of Information Management and Systems,
UC Berkeley
<http://www.sims.berkeley.edu>

World List of Departments and Schools of
Information Studies, Information Management,
Information Systems...
<http://informationr.net/wl/>

AWARDS AND HONORS

Rebecca A. Davis, NCNMLG Award for Professional Excellence Recipient

Awards committee member, Clair Kuykendall, announced that Rebecca A. Davis was this year's Award recipient during the chapter meeting held on February 1 during the Joint Meeting. The text of her announcement was:

We are pleased to present the NCNMLG Award for Professional Excellence to Rebecca Davis. Rebecca is currently the Outreach Librarian at UC Davis. She has been an active MLA member since 1985 and NCNMLG since 1986, during which time she has held various positions:

- For MLA, Vice Chair/Chair of the Veterinary Medicine Section, Co-Chair of the Chapter Sharing Roundtable
- For NCNMLG, CE Committee Chair (twice!), Chapter Council Representative, Secretary, Planning Committee member for 3 Joint meetings, and Chair of the Joint Meeting Planning committee for the upcoming 2004 meeting.

Now I would like to read to you from the nomination form and letter some of why Rebecca has been chosen as this year's recipient:

'Rebecca Davis is, and has been, an inspiration to NCNMLG and a tireless contributor. She has been a stalwart on Joint Meeting Planning Committees. She pioneered several improvements in each of those positions and did an outstanding job. For the 2001 meeting, Rebecca was CE Chair, a position I consider to be a key to both the financial and educational success of the meeting. Chairing CE's is a little like chairing a mini Joint Meeting. Rebecca was responsible for recruiting both a committee and teachers, developing the course lists, negotiating for classrooms as well as the teachers' fees and contracts, arranging for the teachers' media needs and handout duplication, tracking income and expenses, and maintaining current reports so that the Chair and Finance Chair could make last minute financial decisions. Rebecca recruited room monitors who supported the teachers by handling all classroom details during class time in return for a tuition waiver - a first. Rebecca's contributions to the Joint Meetings enhanced the attendees' opportunities for professional development.

As MLA Council Representative, she was instrumental in communicating the true status of the chapter to the Council, in developing solutions, and in keeping the membership informed of Council activities. She had to represent the chapter to MLA when it was in a financial crisis, which she helped to resolve through her finding out what other chapters were doing and through her work on the 2001 Joint Meeting. Because the chapter had no money for travel expenses, Rebecca paid her own way to MLA to carry out her responsibilities - a departure from prior years. Rebecca kept the chapter informed of Council decisions and MLA policies and graciously managed the protocols in dealing with MLA. On top of that, she was instrumental in initiating one of the most popular parts of the annual MLA conference - the chapter sharing roundtables. Rebecca did this for two years, selecting the topics, recruiting the facilitators and recorders, apportioning the tables, and taking care of myriad details to ensure the roundtables' success.

Rebecca is an innovator, who sees the big picture, yet attends to the details to make a project work. [One example is her] develop[ment of] the Housecall[s] program for UC Davis [Health Sciences] librar[ies] and her presentations [about the program which] inspired other librarians in the chapter to adapt it for their institutions.'

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Rebecca's contributions to the Chapter and to the profession over the years and are pleased to present her with this year's Award for Professional Excellence.

GRANTS

The National Library of Medicine has issued a new RFA for a grant which blends aspects of the Information Access grants and Internet Connection grant programs. A description of the grant appears below, and detailed information is on the web at: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-LM-02-001.html>

The National Library of Medicine has issued a Request for Applications for its INTERNET ACCESS TO DIGITAL LIBRARIES grant. The purpose of the grant is to help health-related organizations provide their health professionals, staff, researchers, librarians and clients with access to digital health information resources and services of the highest quality. The Internet Access to Digital Libraries grant supports a variety of activities and services for health-related organizations wishing to offer access to information provided by NLM and others, to transfer files and images, and to interact by e-mail and videoconferencing with colleagues or patients. A request for connectivity to the Internet, or evidence that Internet connectivity is already available, is fundamental to successful grant applications in this program.

For a single institution, support is available up to \$45,000 for a one or two-year project. Multi-site organizations or consortia may request the base amount plus \$8,000 for each additional site. The grant provides support for direct costs only, including personnel, hardware and software, training, travel and other costs related to implementation of the proposed project.

U.S. public and private, non-profit health related organizations are eligible to apply. For this RFA, letters of intent are due April 26, 2002 and applications are due May 24, 2002. The RFA is available online at <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-LM-02-001.html>

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BOARD MEETING - MINUTES

NCNMLG Business Meeting
Friday, February 1, 2002
2:00pm-3:00pm Papago Room
Holiday Inn Sunspree Resort, Scottsdale AZ

Present:

Doug Varner, Rebecca Davis, Locke Morrisey, Ronald Schultz, David W. Brown, Candace Walker, Nancy Mangum, Janet Bruman, Gail Yokote, Valerie Su, Janie Grosman, Gail Persily, Karen Butter, JoAnne Boorkman, Mary Carlson, Judy Gehman, Clair Kuykendall, Carolyn Kopper, Karen Halverson, Eris Weaver, Lynn Marsh, Tilly Roche, Hella Bluhm-Stieber, Dorrie Slutsker, Maryann Zaremska, Julie Haugen, Joan Fieberg, Terry Henner, Rikke Greenwald, Joan Zeman, Lynn VanHouten, Elaine Graham, Peggy Tahir, Vickie Sanders

Call to Order:

Doug Varner called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Minutes:

Doug Varner tabled the approval of the November 16, 2001 minutes till the Board conference call at the end of February 2002.

Treasurer's Report:

Doug Varner announced the 2001-2002 Budget was approved by the Board via email on January 22, 2001.

The revenue dues will be slightly lower this year. This is offset by membership dues increase. There will be a slight deficit in 2002 because there is no joint meeting.

A member commented on the difference in the Income less Expenses and wanted an explanation. The FY01-02 Income less Expenses is \$(2,865). The Income less Expenses for 6/1/01 through 12/31/01 is \$2,193.70. An explanation of the difference is to be explained by Annette Osenga, Treasurer, via email.

Benchmarking Announcement:

Lynn Van Houten encouraged members to complete the Benchmarking Survey, which is currently open on the MLA listserv. Not every question needs to be answered. For new members who complete the survey, there will be a \$90.00 reduction in membership. The data is valuable in comparing hospital libraries. This benchmarking survey will impress hospital administrators. The deadline to complete the benchmarking survey is February 28, 2002. A free registration to MLA 2003 in San Diego will be given to a member who completes the survey.

If you have any questions about the survey contact Lynn at 707 651-2546.

Proposed Bylaws Change:

Doug Varner reported on the proposed bylaw change compiled by Dorothy Schmidt. Under Article VII. Committees. Section 1. Standing Committees. Part E, "The President shall have the discretion to terminate appointments." The chapter is proposing this addition to bring our bylaws into compliance with the MLA model bylaws revised 9/2000. The language in this revision follows exactly that of MLA's new bylaws. This provision in the bylaws will serve as a safeguard to the chapter and may protect it in case of legal action brought by a member. Dorie Slutsker made the motion to accept the bylaws change giving the president discretion to terminate appointments. Rebecca Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried. The proposed bylaw change giving the president discretion to terminate appointments has been accepted.

NCNMLG Award for Professional Excellence Presentation:

Clair Kuyendall presented the NCNMLG Award for Professional Excellence to Rebecca Davis. Rebecca has been an MLA member since 1985, and an NCNMLG member since 1986. She has served as Joint Meeting Chair, and is Chair of the 2004 Joint Meeting in Sacramento CA. Her tireless work, attention to detail, and inspiration is an example for all of us. She has served as chair of MLA's Chapter Sharing Round Table. She coordinated the "Housecalls" program at UC Davis Health Sciences Library providing faculty and departments one on one training, as well as group training.

Nominating Committee Announcements:

Nancy Magnum, Nominating Committee Chair, announced the Nominating Committee composed of Rikke Greenwald, Dick Miller and herself. The committee presented the following candidates for the 2002-2003 slate of officers:

Vice President/President Elect: Lisa Lott Jerant
Secretary: Doris Hayashikawa
Treasurer: Annette Osenga

Nominating Committee: Barbara Ryken, Jerry Thompson, Karen Halverson
MLA Chapter Council: Candace Walker, Carolyn Fishel
MLA Nominating Committee: Terry Henner

Nancy Magnum made the motion to accept the slate of officers for the 2002-2003 upcoming NCNMLG election. Ron Schultz seconded the motion. The motion carried. The slate of officers for the 2002-2003 upcoming NCNMLG election have been accepted.

Continuing Education Announcement:

Candace Walker announced the planned spring CE "Database Driven Website" will be presented in late April, May or June 2002. Kristin Antelman has taken a new position on the east coast and will not be able to teach the course in March. Brian Westra from the University of Washington is developing a similar course, and has committed to teaching the course. PSRML is committed to helping us present the class. Emails and flyers will be forthcoming.

The MLA PDA Satellite Conference on February 6, 2002 will be held at Kaiser Oakland and Stanford University. Sara Pimental states there is plenty of room to attend the class, but just don't show up. The conference will include the wrap around session. Please contact Sara Pimental at Kaiser if you are planning to attend the class. She will instruct you on room arrangements and parking.

The class at Stanford University will be held in Room M110 from 12-1:30pm. Parking is \$10. Rikke Greenwald will post an email to the NCNMLG listserv about the satellite conference at Stanford. The class at Stanford will not include the wrap around session. Elaine Graham stated there will be videotapes available two to three weeks after the presentation. This will be posted on the PSRML web site.

On-line Directory:

Doug Varner announced the current online membership directory in electronic format was very well received. It is a large file in pdf format. It has been discussed at the board level what should be included in future editions. If you have ideas on how to improve delivery of the directory, please email Roger Brudno or Doug.

Discussion comments on the online membership directory is as follows:

1. Is it necessary to include the ILL coupon form in the directory? David Brown, ILL Coupon Chair, feels this is one more access point for members to conveniently get copies of the form.
2. PDF is the easiest and most convenient form for the electronic version of the membership directory. A suggestion of distributing the directory in ACCESS format versus pdf was discussed. With Access one could manipulate the data in many formats, and one would be able to update the file. Although pdf files cannot be updated, it is the easiest format for all members to acquire and open. ACCESS may not be available to all members.
3. It was suggested MLA may be able to support chapters with our software dilemma. Doug and Roger will contact MLA for their assistance in this matter.

Other Items from Members:

Gail Yokote announced and invited everyone to the MLA 2003 Annual Meeting in San Diego CA. NCNMLG will host a Business Meeting. Marilyn Schwarz is looking for volunteers for the meeting, please contact her if you would like to help out with the meeting.

Rebecca Davis announced the NCNMLG/MLGSCA Joint Meeting 2004 will be held February 4-7 2004 in Sacramento CA. It will be held at the Sheraton Grand Hotel. There are many museums surrounding the hotel. A dinner is being planned at the Railroad Museum. Weather permitting dinner on a boat may be planned. The Pacific Northwest Chapter

will be joining us and are on the planning committee. Please contact Rebecca if you would like to work on the joint meeting planning committee.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 3 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

**NCNMLG Accounts
Prepared 02/28/02
Balance Sheet Summary Report
6/1/01 through 2/28/02**

INCOME	
CE Registration	\$ 60.00
Interest Income	\$ 202.12
Membership Dues	\$ 3,850.00
Program Registration	\$ 390.00

TOTAL INCOME	\$ 4,502.12

EXPENSES	
Accounting	\$ 320.00
Awards & Honors	\$ 250.00
Donation	\$ 200.00
Insurance	\$ 275.00
Other Expenses	\$ 239.89
Postage	\$ 121.77
Program Costs	\$ 693.90

Supplies	\$ 278.34
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 2,378.90
TRANSFERS	\$ -
INCOME less EXPENSES	\$ 2,123.22

ACTIVITY 1/1/02 through 2/28/02	
Starting balance checking	\$ 7,596.41
Starting balance money market	\$ 16,412.59
Balance forward checking	\$ 7,758.08
Balance forward money market	\$ 16,840.44

OVERALL TOTAL \$24,598.52

submitted by Annette Osenga

CALENDAR

MAY 17-23, 2002

MLA 2002, Dallas, TX

To learn more go to www.mlanet.org Alternatively, use the IP address <http://65.167.243.5/>

DIRECTIONS FOR JOINING THE NCNMLG LISTSERVS

LISTSERV ADDRESS: ncnmlg@lanelib.stanford.edu

Everyone is encouraged to subscribe to the general listserv. These are very low-volume lists designed for communication of important information from NCNMLG to its members. The only time you will need to unsubscribe is when your e-mail address changes. In this case two actions are necessary. You will need to unsubscribe your old e-mail address and then subscribe the new address. This keeps our listserv current!

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Send a message to: majordomo@lanelib.stanford.edu

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Items for the NCNMLG Newsletter may be sent in electronic/digital format (text or WORD format preferred) to:

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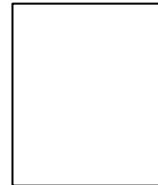
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