

***** November 1st deadline *** CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTERS****1999...A BRIDGE TO THE MILLENNIUM****1999 Joint NCNMLG/MLGSCA Meeting****February 5-7, 1999 Fairmont Hotel, San Jose, CA**

The 1999 Joint Meeting Program Committee encourages you to participate in the next Joint Meeting by submitting a proposal for either a contributed paper or poster. Papers and posters on any topic are welcome. Those showing ways libraries are responding to or preparing for future changes and innovation are particularly encouraged.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share information with your colleagues. You might consider making a joint presentation with a co-worker. Also, if you know of librarians who are working on projects or involved in research that you think might make an interesting paper or poster, please submit their names and they will be contacted by one of the chairs. Those of you who are planning to present a paper or poster at MLA next year might consider this as a chance to hone your presentation skills before a smaller audience. A few suggested topics:

- Digital Libraries
- Intranets
- Collection Development and Electronic Resources
- Alternative Career Paths
- Distance Learning
- Promoting the Internet
- Telemedicine
- Outreach Projects

For Papers: Two copies of an abstract (250 words maximum) describing the contributed paper may be submitted by mail, email, or fax to the appropriate chairperson. The first copy should list all authors and institutional affiliations. The second copy will be used in a blind review process and should not include any information identifying authors or institutions. **A WRITTEN PAPER IS NOT REQUIRED.** Those whose abstracts are accepted should be prepared to speak for approximately 15 minutes.

For Posters: A copy of an abstract (250 words maximum) describing the poster and its purpose may be submitted by mail, email, or fax to the appropriate chairperson. **EMAIL IS PREFERRED.** List all presenters and institutional affiliations.

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 January/February, March/April, May/June).

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 NCNMLG Website at:

<<http://www.ncnmlg.stanford.edu:5000>>.

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OCTOBER	1-31	Medical Librarians month—celebrate!
	2-4	Association of Mental Health Librarians Annual Meeting in Santa Monica
NOVEMBER	1	MLA Honors nominations due
	1	Deadline for acceptance of papers/posters to Joint meeting
	14-17	California Library Association Annual Meeting in Oakland
	15	Copy deadline for November/December Newsletter
	TBA	Fall CE Class
DECEMBER	4	Winter meeting 9:00am-1:00pm at UCSF Millberry Conference Center
JANUARY	15	Copy deadline for January/February Newsletter
	15	Nominating Committee completes NCNMLG slate of officers
	TBA	Joint Meeting pre-registration deadline
	TBA	Winter Board meeting and program
FEBRUARY	5-7	NCNMLG/MLGSCA Joint Meeting in San Jose
	7	Nomination of chapter officers at Joint Meeting
MARCH	15	Copy deadline for March/April Newsletter
	TBA	Spring Board meeting
APRIL	11-17	National Library Week
	TBA	Spring CE Class
MAY	14-20	MLA annual meeting in Chicago, IL
	15	Copy deadline for May/June newsletter

Member News

Peggy Tahir has recently changed jobs. Her new contact information is:

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ISI/FRANK BRADWAY ROGERS INFORMATION ADVANCEMENT AWARD

The Medical Library Association's Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the ISI/Frank Bradway Rogers Information Advancement Award. The award was established in 1982 and was awarded for the first time in 1983 to Frank Bradway Rogers, M.D. The award is presented annually to an individual (or a small group of individuals) who has or have made an outstanding contribution to the application of technology to the delivery of health sciences information, to the science of information, or to facilitate the delivery of health sciences information. It is preferred that the nominees be members of the Medical Library Association. Past winners comprise a very distinguished list of individuals and project efforts; the list is available on the MLA site at <http://www.mlanet.org/awards/winners.html>

The \$500 award is sponsored by the Institute for Scientific Information, and presented based on selection by the Rogers Award Jury of the MLA Awards Committee. The cash award and a certificate will be presented to the award recipient at the 1999 Medical Library Association annual meeting.

The deadline for nominations is November 1, 1998. The nomination forms are available from the Professional Development Department at MLA (contact information below).

Six copies of the completed form should be sent to:

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CANCERLIT« and PDQ« To Be Removed from the NLM Databases --- Available from NCI's Web Site

The National Cancer Institute (NCI), together with the National Library of Medicine (NLM), has decided to cease including direct MEDLARS access to CANCERLIT and PDQ. These databases will no longer be available on the NLM computer effective December 14, 1998, the date that NLM will bring up its 1999 system. When CANCERLIT is withdrawn, it will contain data through its 9811 Entry Month. Accordingly, NLM will also discontinue leasing CANCERLIT.

PDQ information and the CANCERLIT database are available on the NCI's CancerNet (TM) Web site <http://cancernet.nci.nih.gov>. Searchers do not need to wait until December to acquaint themselves with the search features that CancerNet offers for these databases. You can visit this Web site now. You can access these databases through one of the NCI's licensing partners. For more information on how to get PDQ or CANCERLIT, call the NCI's PDQ/CANCERLIT Service Center (1-800-345-3300, fax to 1-800-380-1575 or e-mail to pdqsearch@icic.nci.nih.gov). Information on vendors that license PDQ and CANCERLIT from the NCI can be obtained by fax (301-480-8105) or by e-mail license@icic.nci.nih.gov.

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International Anyone?

by Donna Flake

For many years, I have been heavily involved with the International Cooperation Committee of MLA. The pleasures and rewards of this work have been tremendously important to me. I want to encourage you to pay the \$10 extra above the regular MLA dues to join this dynamic and fascinating section of MLA.

About the International Cooperation Section of MLA

The International Cooperation Section of MLA was established in 1989. (Prior to this there was an International Cooperation Committee of MLA.) This group of members from over 25 countries value the international sharing of ideas and resources and the coming together of librarians from different lands.

Some of the work of this section includes:

- A sister library program
- A Job Exchange Committee
- Providing an annual International Reception at MLA.

MLA consults with the chairman of the International Cooperation Section when selecting several of its appointments including:

- MLA Representative to EAHIL
- MLA Representative to Canada

This section's newsletter is excellent and highlights international medical librarians' work around the globe. The web site at (<http://ahsl.arizona.edu/ics>) is fascinating and provides a good overview of section activities.

Carole Gall is the current chairman of the International Cooperation Section of MLA. She can be contacted at cfgall@iupui.edu or phone: 317/274-1411.

Two of the 1998-1999 goals of the ICS include:

- * global connectivity
- * information technology transfer

I want to share with you how my work with the section has improved my life:

My first involvement with the International Cooperation Committee (forerunner of the International Cooperation Section), was being asked to join when I returned from a six month medical library job exchange in England in 1984. I was delighted to join this dynamic and passionate group of librarians who cared deeply about the cause of international cooperation. In 1989, the International Cooperation Committee was dissolved, and the new International Cooperation Section came into existence.

One result of my international efforts was that in 1986, in 1988, and in 1992, I visited England to present papers or poster sessions at the Medical Health, and Welfare Librarians Group (which was recently renamed the Health Librarians Group). In 1991, I was asked to present the keynote address at the Second Annual CD-ROM Conference in Tokyo.

Over the years, I have done a great deal of work with the International Cooperation Section. Twice I served as a member of the Cunningham Fellow Selection Jury and once as Itinerary Chair for the Cunningham Fellow. Twice, Cunningham Fellows stayed with me in Wilmington, North Carolina. From 1993 until 1998, I chaired the Job Exchange Committee of the International Cooperation Section.

In 1995, MLA appointed me as their representative to EAHIL. (The European Association of Health Information and Libraries.) I feel this happened as a result and my persistent interest and involvement in the International Cooperation Section of the Medical Library Association. So now new opportunities for international cooperation and travel have opened up for me. Since 1995, I attended EAHIL conferences in Prague (1995), Coimbra, Portugal (1996), Budapest (1997), and Utrecht, the Netherlands (1998). In 1999, I will attend the EAHIL meeting in Tartu, Estonia, and I am currently on the Program Planning Committee for this meeting.

In 2000, I will attend the 8th International Congress of Medical Librarianship in London (this is a joint meeting with EAHIL) and I am on the Scientific Program Committee for this meeting too.

Indeed, MLA's International Cooperation Committee broadened my horizons. But more importantly, my international experiences have made my life profoundly more meaningful, more exciting, and more joyful. I tell you all of this to say:

Reach Out To The World! It all starts with just \$10 by joining the International Cooperation Section of MLA!

Join the International Cooperation Section - Get Involved - Travel Abroad!

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Job Announcements

Service Area Librarian

Kaiser Permanente, one of the nation's largest and most progressive health care organizations, is seeking a service area librarian to direct and manage the library services at our Fontana and Riverside Medical Centers. Qualified candidates will have an ALA-accredited MLS degree, or an equivalent post graduate degree; 3 to 5 years' experience in a health sciences information environment; and knowledge of cataloging and classification schemes used by medical and special libraries, i.e., NLM, LC, or MARCIVE. Experience in bibliographic instruction in the training of end-user searchers and online literature searching; and strong management and group facilitation skills are necessary. Salary: \$35,000 minimum. Kaiser Permanente's Web site is at www.kaiperm.org. Interested candidates should fax their resumes to Cindi Prager, Sr. Area Recruiter at 909/353-4533, or send their resumes to Kaiser Permanente, 10800 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA 92505, Attn: Recruitment/Cindi Prager. Please reference Dept Code: FN981178MLA. AAE/EOE

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