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Message from the Chair Pam Neumann



By the time you read this column, the Joint Annual Meeting of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic Chapters will be over, as will my term as Chair of Southern Chapter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the privilege of serving as your Chair and Chair-elect over the past two years. It has been an honor and an incredible experience to lead this dynamic group.

One of the first Southern Chapter meetings of my career was the joint meeting with the Mid-Atlantic Chapter twenty oneyears ago in 1981. From that point on, I was hooked! I guess that it is fitting that as I head into retirement, this Southern Chapter meeting should be the last meeting of my professional career. Not that it will be my last Southern Chapter meeting, however! Since the Chapter is now in the very capable hands of Priscilla Stephenson as Chair and Judy Burnham as Chair-Elect, I can turn my attention to the role of bookkeeper for Southern Chapter. This will ensure that, hopefully, I will be at many future Southern Chapter meetings.

Service to the profession was a large part of my career and one that I found to be very rewarding. I encourage each of you to look for ways to become involved in Southern Chapter and let your voice be heard concerning the future directions of the Chapter.

Again, thanks for the opportunity to serve as your Chair. I will see you in Charleston!

Don't be too timid and squeamish about your actions. All life is an experiment. The more experiments you make the better.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Around the South: News from Our Regional Libraries

ALABAMA



Baugh Biomedical Library, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL

Justin Robertson has recently been selected to be a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries. In addition, Justin has recently been awarded the Technology Awareness Grant from the Southeastern Atlantic/National Network of Libraries of Medicine and has been appointed to the Technology Committee of the Southeastern Atlantic/National Network of Libraries of Medicine.

Ellen Sayed has been accepted as a member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals at the Distinguished level. In addition, Ellen has been appointed to the Outreach to Health Professionals Committee of the Southeastern Atlantic/National Network of Libraries of Medicine.

Clista Clanton has been selected as a member of the EBSCO MLA Annual Meeting Grant Jury of the Medical Library Association for 2006. She has also been approved for AHIP Senior status.

Judy Burnham, Associate Director at the University of South Alabama Biomedical Library, has been accepted in the Academy of Health Information Professionals at the Distinguished level. In addition, she has been selected as chair of the Estelle Broadman Academic Medical Librarian of the Year Award Jury. Judy also participated in the Center for Health Communities Discover Kids program in July. She visited the Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club and talked to them about medical librarianship.

Trey Lemley is the new Information Services Librarian/Evening Supervisor for the Baugh Biomedical Library of the University of South Alabama. In addition, he is the Library Liaison to the departments of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Microbiology, Comparative Medicine, and Pharmacology in the USA College of Medicine.

Trey is an honors graduate of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science of the University of Texas at Austin, where he was inducted into Beta Phi Mu and Phi Kappa Phi. He graduated from the Indiana University School of Law and attended medical school at Des Moines University. He was a Reference Librarian at Austin Community College and an intern at the Texas State Law Library, both in Austin.

Finally, Trey is a classically-trained musician. He is an organist at several churches in the Mobile area and also serves as Adjunct Professor of Fine Arts at Spring Hill College where he teaches piano.

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Lister Hill Library of the Health Sciences, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL

Lister Hill Library is happy to announce some new members of the LHL faculty team. First, **Gabe Rios** joined LHL as Deputy Director in October. Gabe comes to us from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Also, **CJ Bryant** joined the library's reference faculty, **Sylvia McAphee** was recently appointed Serials Librarian, and **Lisa Ennis** has been promoted to Systems Librarian.

As these new members come aboard we also bid a fond farewell to **BJ Schorre** who retired in July.

In other news, we are proud to announce that **Valerie Gordon**'s poster was invited to be included in the Business and Professional Women's Foundation at the 2006 National Employer Summit in Washington, DC.

Finally, check out UAB Archive's new image of the month at: http://www.uab.edu/historical/Image-Month.htm. Each month you'll find a new and different flash from the past from the university's inner sanctum.

FLORIDA



Baptist Health South Florida, Miami, FL

Devica Samsundar, Electronic Resources Librarian, has been appointed to the National Network of Libraries of Medicine's first Regional Advisory Technology Committee, for 2006-2011. We know that she will have a lot of enthusiasm and ideas for this new regional committee.

Diane Rourke has been included in the E-Health Planning Committee at Baptist Health South Florida and urges all librarians in our region to keep on plugging away to get "plugged" into the key committees that make decisions for your organization on technology and health.

Shimberg Health Sciences Library, University of South Florida, Tampa, FL

As a result of the excellent SOLINET training received at the 2006 Florida Health Sciences Library Association conference, the staff of the Shimberg Health Sciences Library has completed Phase I of its Hurricane Preparedness plan. Each staff member has received training in emergency planning, collection preservation, duties and responsibilities in case of an emergency, and established an online communication network. Please visit: http://hsc.usf.edu/library/ and check out the "Informative Hurricane Websites" selected by the Shimberg librarians.

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Shimberg Health Sciences Library welcomes its newest faculty member **Randy Polo**. Randy brings 15 years of library experience to his position as Access Services Librarian. After receiving a B.A. in Accounting from the University of South Florida, Randy went on to earn his J.D. from the University of Florida, and is currently attending the School of Library and Information Science at USF. In case you were wondering...Randy is a loyal Gator Fan!

Congratulations to **Rose Bland**, Assistant Director of Systems, who received the prestigious Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) designation in April 2006. We salute Rose for her exemplary professional performance and contributions to the association and to the profession.

Check out **John Orriola**'s, Education/Reference Librarian, new publication: "Technology in Clerkship Education" in the Guidebook for Clerkship Directors. (p. 41-90) published by the Alliance for Medical Education in Omaha, Nebraska.

University of Florida Health Science Center Libraries

Dwight Bennett and **Ned Davis** collaborated with the UF Office of Academic Technology (OAT) on a 22-minute video about university library services entitled "Librarians To The Rescue." The video was written and directed by Dwight, and featured performances from our own **Ellie Bushhousen** and **'Nita Ferree**. "Librarians To The Rescue" - the first in a series of library-related videos produced by the OAT - will play repeatedly on a closed-circuit dormitory TV channel and soon on the local 'UF Academic Technology' cable channel.

Ann Case, paraprofessional librarian and poet, was featured in an article in the *Gainesville Sun* in August "speculating about the connection between authorship and librarianship."

Michele R. Tennant has started a yearlong sabbatical August 23 - yet she also started work as a member of the provost's 'Future of the Library' committee, a campus-wide group of tenured faculty who will help to chart a course for the university library system.

Michele is co-author on several recently published articles: "Introducing Protein Data Bank, Molecular Modeling Database, and Cn3D" in the *Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries* 3(3):1-20; "Carving A Niche: Establishing Bioinformatics Collaborations" in the *Journal of the Medical Library Association* 94(3):330-5 (an invited paper which was part of the JMLA focus issue on Bioinformatics Services in Medical Libraries); and "Webbased Genetics Resources for Clinicians, Researchers, Students, and Patients: Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man (OMIM) and GeneTests" in the *Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries* 3(2):1-21.

Michele attended the Special Libraries Association's Annual Conference in Baltimore, MD,

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June 10-14, and taught two 4-hour CE courses while there: "Information Hubs for Molecular Biology Databases" and "Software and The Molecular and Genetic Bases of Cancer."

She was also invited to develop and teach a continuing education course for the National Center for Biotechnology Information in Bethesda, MD, August 8-9 - a 2.5-hour module that is part of the 40-hour course NCBI's Advanced Workshop for Bioinformatics Information Specialists.

Nancy Schaefer has been elected to the UF Faculty Senate to fill in for Michele during her sabbatical year.

Amy Buhler is HSC Libraries' representative on the UF Library Faculty Assembly 2006-07 Nominating Committee.

Amy Buhler and **Beth Layton** co-authored a paper with former HSC Librarians Michelle M. Foss and Lenny Rhine: "HSCL LibQUAL 2004: From Numbers and Graphs to Practical Application" published in the *Medical Reference Services Quarterly* 25(1): 1-15, Spring 2006.

Pamela Sherwill-Navarro and Beth Layton co-authored "Instruction 24/7: Developing a Web-based Tutorial for CINAHL (EBSCO)" published in the *Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries* 3(2): 37-46, 2006.

Pamela A. Neumann, AHIP, retired from the University of Florida Health Science Center Libraries--Borland Division on August 24, 2006 after twenty six years of service to the University. Neumann has been the director of the Borland Library, a branch library of the University of Florida Health Science Center Libraries, since 1996. She joined the staff of the Borland Library in 1979 and has held various positions at that library. She was awarded tenure at the University of Florida in 1993. She also worked at the College of Physicians of Philadelphia.

Neumann has been an active member of MLA since 1986. She served on several committees, including chairing the Awards Committee and the Fellows & Honorary Members jury. She was also a member of the 2001 National Program Committee. She has been a Distinguished Member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals since 1997 and has served as academy mentor.

Neumann has also been active in both the Southern Chapter of MLA and the Florida Health Sciences Library Association since 1979. She is currently completing her term as chair of Southern Chapter and was awarded Honorary Membership in FHSLA last April.

Until a new Borland Library Director is hired, **Sandra Canham** has assumed day-to-day management responsibilities.

From August 30 to October 6, the HSC Library in Gainesville hosted "Changing the Face of

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Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians," a traveling exhibit from the National Library of Medicine focusing on American women's centuries-long struggle to gain access to medical education and to work in the medical specialty of their choice. The exhibition arrived during the HSC Libraries' 50th Anniversary celebrations, and although it focused on women physicians, we invited viewers to discover the many ways that women have influenced and enhanced all areas of health science and healthcare by scheduling a number of special events and lectures involving participants from the six colleges of the UF Health Science Center.

The events included several lectures on topics ranging from "Whatever Happened to the Women's Health Movement?" to "Gynecological Surgery and Public Controversy to African-American Women in Medicine" as well as a panel discussion with the UF provost and the deans of all the HSC colleges on "The Changing Face of Health Science—Diversity In Our Professions." In addition, the Library hosted a one-day Healthcare Career Fair for Gaines-ville high school students, including a demonstration of 'Stan' the Human Patient Simulator; interaction with volunteer HSC students discussing their paths 'From High School to Here;' and several 'hands-on' demonstrations from staff in various fields - 'This is what I do and why I love it.'

The opening celebration in the Library was well-attended (guests included the president of the university and his wife), and the keynote speech that day was given by Rebecca Pauly, MD, one of only two women from Florida honored as a 'Local Legend' within the exhibition's website. Also unveiled that day was this year's batch of our award-winning RxEAD—Prescription for Knowledge posters, honoring extraordinary women from all the Health Science Center colleges.

Videos and pictures of events, and links to the new RxEAD posters, are online at: http://www.library.health.ufl.edu/pub/exhibit/.

GEORGIA



Robert Greenblatt Library, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, GA

Gail Anderson, Serials Librarian, has been approved for membership in the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP) at the Senior Member level. The AHIP credential denotes the highest standards of professional competency and achievement in the field of health care information.

Peter Shipman, Outreach Librarian, was named a Governor's Teaching Fellow for the 2006 Summer Symposium. Co-sponsored by the Institute of Higher Education and the Center for Teaching and Learning at the University of Georgia, the program enables Georgia's higher education faculty to develop and improve teaching skills, particularly in the areas of emerging technologies and newer instructional tools.

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Memorial Health University Medical Center, Savannah, GA

Jane Bridges, Mercer's Clinical Campus Librarian at Memorial Health University Medical Center, finished her year as an AAHLS/NLM Leadership Fellow with a Capstone event in Washington, DC the first week of October. The agenda included sessions with NN/LM personnel, a special tour of NLM, a long range planning session with Donald Lindberg, and sessions on information policy, funding, AAMC, and scholarly communications, just to name a few. The goal of the NLM/AAHSL Leadership Fellowship is to prepare emerging leaders for director positions in academic health center libraries. The year included an orientation, three online courses, two full week site visits at an academic medical library (University of Texas Southwestern), a seminar during MLA in Phoenix, and online communications and telephone conferences during the year in addition to the Capstone event.

Knowledge Cartel, Lithonia, GA

Rosalind Lett, CEO of the Knowledge Cartel, has been named chair of the newly formed MLA Vital Pathways Documents Task Force (3) working to produce this document that will be shared with hospital administrators and others to illustrate the value of hospital libraries and describe the role of the future hospital librarian. As the work of the task force progresses, there will be opportunities for hospital librarians to comment and share ideas.

MLA and the Hospital Libraries Section of MLA are collaborating on a project to study and report on the current state and future roles of hospital libraries and librarians. The project consists of three initiatives and task forces: (1) hospital library survey regarding numbers of professional hospital librarian and types of library services available, (2) advocacy initiative to review accreditation standards and promote hospital library inclusion in standards, and (3) a report on current and future roles and challenges of hospital librarians in light of the changing health care environment.

MISSISSIPPI



Rowland Medical Library at the University of Mississippi Medical Center

Sarah Adcock has resigned her post as Head of Lending Services. She has taken the position of Librarian/Media Specialist at St. Joseph Catholic School in Madison, MS.

Rowland Medical Library is pleased to announce that **Gabriela Cipollone** joined the Reference Department on October 2.

TENNESSEE



Erlanger Health Systems, Chattanooga, TN

Langhorne C. Waterhouse is the new Medical Library Manager at Erlanger Health Systems in Chattanooga. She follows Virginia Cairns, who moved to the Lupton Library at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga as Head of Reference.

Preston Medical Library, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

Martha Earl has been appointed to serve on the Outreach to Health Professionals Committee of the National Network of Libraries of Medicine SE/A Region.

St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, TN

Jan Haley is chair of the Lois Ann Colaianni Award for Excellence and Achievement in Hospital Librarianship Jury for 2006-07. She is also on the MLA Hospital Library Section's Professional Development Committee.

University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center Library, Memphis, TN

Priscilla Stephenson, who served for the last 8 years as the Reference Coordinator, University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center Library in Memphis, has accepted a new position as Chief, Library Service of the G.V.(Sonny) Montgomery VA Medical Center in Jackson, MS. Priscilla was very active in the Tennessee Health Sciences Libraries Association as well as in library organizations in west Tennessee. She participated in the Tennessee Outreach State Planning Team. Congratulations to Priscilla. She will be much missed in Tennessee.

Conversation is an art in which a man has all mankind for his competitors, for it is that which all are practising every day while they live.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Library Director Henry L. Lemkau, Jr. to Retire

Henry L. Lemkau, Jr., the second director of the Louis Calder Memorial Library at the University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine and the first chairman of the department of medical library and biomedical communications, has announced his retirement effective December 31, 2006. Lemkau was appointed director in 1979 and chairman of the department in 1980 when Biomedical Communications was merged with the Library.

During his 28 years with the University of Miami, Lemkau oversaw the early decades of the Information Age and its dramatic effects on information production, storage and retrieval, particularly in the scientific-technical-medical arena. Among his numerous contributions and accomplishments are:

- The successful and now complete merger of the Library and Biomedical Communications departments, one of the first such mergers at academic health centers.
- The development of excellent rare book and historical collections and the creation of the beautiful Emanuel M. Papper, MD Reading Room in which they are now housed.
- The widely accepted transformation by medical center faculty staff and students
 of the Library's collections, from print to electronic, and of the department's
 services from analog to digital based.
- The exponential growth of current journal subscriptions, from 2,000 unique print titles in 1980 to 6,000 unique electronic and print titles in 2006.
- The Library's significant contributions to the medical school curricula and other teaching activities, including the introduction of: evidence-based medicine and Medline instruction into the undergraduate and graduate medical education programs, genomics into the graduate program, informatics training for faculty and staff, and evidence-based nursing for practicing nurses throughout the Jackson Health System.
- The Library's outreach services to community-based institutions and corporations.
- Grant-funded initiatives that reflect and contribute to strengths of the School of Medicine, such as AIDS, spinal cord, and traumatic brain injuries.
- The digitization of important archival materials, such as Dr. Papper's presentations and diaries of landmark events, and Nobel prize winner Earl W. Sutherland's research notebooks currently underway.
- A major expansion of the Library's permanent art collections through gifts from faculty and community-based individuals.

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- Building a competent, dedicated, and creative faculty and staff that functions as a team to provide the highest possible level of resources and services in a highly collegial environment.
- Development of a sound fiscal foundation, including competitive budget support, generated revenue, anight new endowments, including the Ralph H. and Ruth F. Gross, the Nancy Greene, the Emanuel M. Papper, and the D. Ralph Millard endowments.

A brief summary of Mr. Lemkau's career follows:

Henry L. Lemkau, Jr. was born in Queens Village, New York on October 19, 1942. He attended Rice High School in Manhattan, St. John's University in Queens where he majored in history, and Pratt Institute in Brooklyn where he earned a Master in Library Science degree in 1967. Mr. Lemkau completed his formal education at the University of Miami School of Law with a J.D. degree in 1994.

His interest in the service profession that is librarianship began as an undergraduate when he was hired as a page at Columbia University's Butler Library. His boss was Irwin Pizer, who became a giant in medical librarianship and automated information retrieval. While attending Pratt Institute, he served as a reference assistant at the New York Academy of Medicine from 1963-1966. The director was Gertrude Annan, another leader in the field and an authority in the history of medicine. In 1966 he was appointed head of the circulation and reference department and then head of the serials department of the Mount Sinai Hospital Library. In 1968 he was appointed branch librarian and assistant professor of the Basic Sciences Branch Library of the newly formed Mount Sinai School of Medicine, where he worked with Al Brandon, yet another luminary in medical librarianship and an authority in collection development.

In 1968, at the age of 29, Mr. Lemkau was appointed library director and assistant professor of medical bibliography at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. He served in this capacity until 1979 when he was appointed director and associate professor, department of medical library at the University of Miami School of Medicine. One year later, he was appointed chairman of the new department of medical library and biomedical communications, and in 1985 he was promoted to professor.

Mr. Lemkau's contributions to the profession are numerous and were nationally recognized beginning in 1989 when he was elected to the board of directors of the Medical Library Association. In 2004 he was awarded fellowship in the Association, and in 2006 he was awarded the Association's distinguished 2007 Janet Doe Lectureship award. He authored many peer-reviewed papers, delivered named lectures and many presentations at international, national and regional conferences, was principal investigator of two National Library of Medicine Information Systems grants, a founder of the Biomedical Communications Network (BCN) and the Consortium of Southern Biomedical Library Directors (CONBLS), and chair of numerous committees of multiple organizations.

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Yet, Mr. Lemkau is so much more than an outstanding medical librarian. He is ever diplomatic, wise, nurturing, and loving to all who are open to leadership, nurturing and love, and there have been many, in both his professional and personal lives, whose own lives have been deeply affected and significantly improved from his presence in them. He was raised with the idea that to those to whom much is given, much is expected. His primary motivation for going to Law School at the age of 50 was to improve his ability to help people from all walks of life. This goal, as well as the development of two fine academic medical center libraries, has been achieved with distinction. There is no doubt by anyone who knows him that this goal will continue well into his much deserved retirement. He will also indulge his love of travel and the culinary arts.

Announcements

Nominations for MLA Fellows Due November 1

Please consider nominating an outstanding colleague for fellowship in MLA. The basic criteria for MLA Fellowship are (a) current regular membership in MLA, (b) membership for at least ten continuous years prior to nomination, and (c) at least ten years of professional experience in health information sciences. Specific criteria include five or more years of notable leadership in MLA, outstanding achievement, significant scholarship, and professional reputation.

Nominations for MLA Honorary Membership Due November 1

Please also consider nominating persons who have never been MLA members but have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the goals of the association. Past recipients include public officials, leaders in health sciences institutions, and others.

The criteria and nomination form can be found at: http://www.mlanet.org/awards/honors/. For additional information, contact Lisa Fried at MLA headquarters: mlapd2@mlahq.org or Mary Riordan, Chair of the Fellows and Honorary Members Jury: mriordan@ahsl.arizona.edu.

Nominate a Colleague for the 2008 Janet Doe Lectureship

Is one of your colleagues a talented presenter with a unique perspective on the history or philosophy of medical librarianship? Now is your opportunity to nominate this colleague to present the Janet Doe Lecture at MLA's 2008 Annual Meeting in Chicago, IL. The Janet Doe Lecturer will be honored with a certificate, a \$250 honorarium, travel expenses for the meeting, and publication of the lecture in JMLA. Further information and a nomination form are available at: http://www.mlanet.org/awards. Nominations must arrive at MLA Headquarters by November 1, 2006 to be considered.

SC/MLA Martha C. Watkins Memorial Scholarship Contributors

Submitted by Jan LaBeause

The Martha C. Watkins Memorial Scholarship was established in 1996 to honor Martha as a founding member of the Southeastern Conference of Hospital Librarians (SCHL) and as a life-long leader, friend, and mentor of the Southern Chapter. She served on most of the SC/MLA committees, chaired many of them, is credited with formalizing our strategic plan, was elected chapter Chair in 1990, and was made an honorary member in 1993.

Martha was a strong advocate of the hospital librarian, and spent much of her library career educating hospital library managers, instructing student and staff users of library services, and providing information to rural and underserved healthcare personnel. The scholarship was begun with the SCHL treasury after the organization disbanded in 1995, and has grown each year through donations.

To learn more about applying for the scholarship or making a donation, please go to http://www.scmla.org/mom.htm.

The following list reflects those who have contributed to the Martha C. Watkins Memorial Scholarship between December 1, 2005 and August 31, 2006.

Marilyn Barry • Jane Bridges • Lee Clemans-Taylor • Paula Christian • Sandra Franklin • Sarah Gable • Jan Haley • T Mark Hodges • Janice Kelly (in memory of Jane Lambremont) • Henry Lemkau • Pat McGee • Nancy McKeehan • Faith Meakin • Pam Neumann • Sondra Pfeiffer • Beth Poisson • Suresh Ponnappa • Ellen Reynolds • Becky Satterthwaite (in memory of Jane Lambremont) • Ada Seltzer • Beverly Shattuck • Dixie Williamson • Lin Wu • Martha Zachert • Steve Zary

Public Relations

Please help us to publicize the Southern Chapter and the profession of medical librarianship by notifying the public relations committee when you have been recognized in some way. You can send submissions to your state's committee member or send them directly to **Michael Lindsay** at jmlindsay@bbl.usouthal.edu.

Archives

This is just a short reminder from chapter archivist **Lisa Ennis** to submit materials for the SC Archives! Mary Lynch maintained a great collection and we need to keep it going! The following is a list of items we need to collect:

- Correspondence relating to association policies and program development
- Minutes of all meetings
- Programs and records of all annual meetings (including photos, media releases, videotapes, etc.)
- Procedure manuals
- Reports
- Newsletters and other publications

Lisa also wants to know what other sorts of materials you would like to see preserved and what sorts of tools would make the archives more useful. Lisa can be contacted at:

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Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming State Meetings!

Georgia Health Sciences Library Association

The 2007 Georgia Health Sciences Library Association Annual Meeting will be held at Brasstown Valley Resort in Young Harris, GA March 8-10, 2007.

Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association

The Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association will meet in Nashville in November. On November 9, guests at the dinner meeting will include Jeanne Sugg, State

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Librarian and Archivist, and Jason Buchwald, Lexi-Comp. On November 10, members will assemble at Nashville Public Library for a live, real-time MLA CE class taught by Carol Scherrer, AHIP, Head, Information Services and Lisa Wallis, AHIP, Information Services Librarian, Library of the Health Sciences, University of Illinois-Chicago. They will be presenting one of the new MLA courses developed for distance education presentations. The topic will be "The Changing Nature of Providing Reference/Information Services."

Hospital Librarian of the Year Award Winner Announced

The Hospital Library Committee of the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association is proud to announce Thomas Hill, from Self Regional Healthcare in Greenwood, South Carolina, as the 2006 award recipient of the Southern Chapter of the Medical Library Association's Hospital Librarian of the Year Award.

Thomas is an outstanding example of a library professional. He is described by his colleagues as a librarian who exemplifies excellence, promotes leadership, and pursues high levels of achievement in the field of library science.

While exemplifying the above qualities, the Hospital Librarian of the Year award recipient must be someone who has worked in a hospital library for at least five (5) years and is a member of MLA and SC/MLA.

The Southern Chapter has given this award since 1995. A plaque and a \$250.00 check were presented during the 2006 Southern Chapter Annual Business Meeting.

Announcing the T. Mark Hodges Outstanding Service Award

During the meeting in Atlanta, the Southern Chapter Executive Board approved a recommendation from the Ad Hoc T. Mark Hodges Tribute Committee to establish the T. Mark Hodges Outstanding Service Award as a lasting tribute to Mark in recognition of his outstanding service to the chapter and the profession. This award will recognize chapter members, active or retired, whose contributions to the Chapter have been exemplary.

The committee, chaired by Carol Burns, with members Suzy Burrows, Lynn Fortney, Jan LaBeause, Anne Robichaux and Nancy Schaefer, has now been charged with developing selection criteria and procedures for this award. Stay tuned for future information about this award.

Judith Hodges thanks Southern Chapter

The following note from Judith Hodges was read, at her request, during our business meeting in Atlanta. For those of you that could not attend, I wanted to share it with you here. ---Pam Neumann

Dear Friends in Southern Chapter,

Since Mark's sudden and unexpected death six months ago, I have had some lovely letters and cards from many of you, along with some very beautiful flowers, delightful plants, and delicious food. Although I hope I acknowledged the latter three categories, I have to confess I was unable to do so for every piece of mail, both snail-mail and e-mail. But I want you to know I appreciated and treasure every missive.

The flowering dish garden that Southern Chapter sent in April thrived during its summer on the patio, and I have just brought it in to save it from a frost which might come any night now. It grows well, blooms nicely, and still looks very pretty; and I will enjoy having it inside until next spring.

Thank you for being such wonderful friends to Mark, and to me. I hope you already know how much we loved attending meetings with "you-all."

I know you are having a great meeting, because you always do. I am with you in spirit.

Appreciatively, Judith Hodges

The Final Word...

As we wrap up our second issue, I just want to take the time to thank everyone who submitted news items and photos. Please keep them coming. Also, be thinking about new columns and features you'd like to see in future issues of Southern Expressions. If anyone is interested in writing a column, please let us know. Any and all contributions are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to everyone for all your continuing support and encouragement. It was great to meet so many of you in Atlanta. I'm already looking forward to next year in Charleston!

Nicole

I want to echo Nicole's appreciation for the photos and contributions and also say that it was excellent meeting many of you and seeing some of you again. I look forward to seeing you in Charleston next year and maybe some of you will be in Philadelphia, I might...

We will work with Martha Earl to implement the reccomendation we received from the survey, keep reading.

Jason

Photos from Atlanta Meeting...





Clockwise from top left:
Sculpture from the Atlanta Botanical
Gardens; Sylvia McAphee with Dr.
David Satcher; The Bearded Pigs; The
Southern Resolutionaries; and Mary
Fielder, Marilyn Barry and Sandra Franklin.



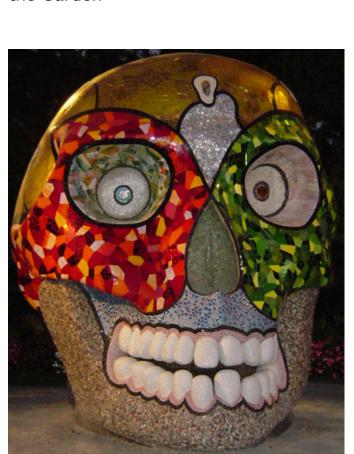




More photos from Atlanta Meeting...



From Left clockwise: Pam Nueman with Sandra Canham and Jane Bridges. Charleston giveaway table. Chihuly Chandelier. Skull in the Garden







photos courtesy of Michael Fitts, Sandra Canham, Lisa Ennis, Sylvia McAphee, Anne Robichaux, and Tom Basler

SC/MLA Annual Meeting Scholarship Award (First Time Attendee Scholarship) Meeting Report

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Receiving the SC/MLA Annual Meeting Scholarship Award and attending the SC/MAC Joint Conference October 12-16, 2006 in Atlanta was a rewarding experience. I met my Medical Librarian colleagues and exchanged ideas with other hospital and Area Health Education Center (AHEC) librarians. In addition, I had the opportunity to work with my talented Georgia colleagues and gain insight into how much "behind the scenes" work goes on to make a successful conference.

The scholarship enabled me to attend two continuing education classes, Lynne Wayman's "How to Make a Point without Making an Enemy" and Greg Notess' "Creating Online Tutorials in Less than 30 Minutes." These classes introduced active negotiating skills and new technology, which I will use at the Northeast Georgia Health System Health Sciences Library and Foothills AHEC. The paper sessions and the Hospital Librarians' Symposium, in addition, were excellent places to learn new skills and share ideas about each other's experiences with outreach. I attended two panels and presented my first paper at a library conference. Moreover, the speakers, Joseph S. Bresee, Neil B. Shulman, Mark V. Williams, and David Satcher, were thought provoking and insightful; they provided information that will help librarians understand the needs of their own communities. Through the NLM, RML, and MLA update, I learned how our professional organizations listen to librarians' and the public's need for advocacy, collaboration, and reliable and up-to-date health information.

The SC/MAC Joint Annual Meeting was exciting and educational, and I was able to spend time with my colleagues and friends, attend classes and paper/poster sessions, visit with vendors, and learn so much more about the activities of the Southern Chapter, Mid-Atlantic Chapter, and the Medical Library Association. Thank you for giving me the SC/MLA Annual Meeting Scholarship Award and providing me with such a wonderful opportunity.