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Remarks from the Chair...

The 1989 annual meeting is over and from most responses, things went well. There are more detailed reports about the meeting elsewhere in this issue, but I did want to again thank everyone who helped plan and carry out the meeting—it was a joint effort—and thanks to those who attended and participated.

Seven years ago, I attended my first GHSLA meeting. When I went to register and pick up my name badge, a tall, very Southern lady behind the registration table exclaimed “I just couldn’t wait to meet someone with such an interesting name” and proceeded to welcome me to Georgia, to my job, and to GHSLA. I had no idea at the time how well I would get to know this lady and how pleasant it would be to work with her. I am referring to Fay Evatt, who celebrated her 25th year at Georgia Baptist in May. At a time when longevity in a job can mean anything more than a couple of years—and when you stop to consider the extensive changes in the library world since 1964—this is something to be celebrated. Congratulations!

Jett McCann

PEOPLE & PLACES

The Atlanta University School of Library and Information Studies presented its 4th Annual Alumni-in-Residence Program on Thursday, April 20, 1989. The speaker this year was Dr. Gwendolyn Cruzat, a former Janet Doe Lecturer and a medical librarian from the University of Michigan. Dr. Cruzat's topic was "Current Issues in Special Librarianship."

Anne Bao has resigned her part-time position with the State Health Planning Agency, Atlanta, to accept a part-time position with West Paces Ferry Hospital, Atlanta.

Mamie Bell, Henrietta Egleston Hospital for Children, Atlanta, is on maternity leave. The birth of her second child took place on June 1. She now has two boys.

Jeanette Blalock, Henry General Hospital, Stockbridge, is back at work after an absence for surgery.

Oliver Booth has accepted the librarian position at South Fulton Hospital, East Point. Mr. Booth comes to the Atlanta area from Bountiful, Utah.

Annette Causey has resigned her position with Life Chiropractic College Library, Marietta.

Shelley E. Davis has assumed the position of Head, Audiovisual Services at the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta. She was previously Audiovisual Librarian. Ms. Davis is a 1981 graduate of the School of Library and Information Science at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

DeKalb General Hospital, Decatur, has changed its name to DeKalb Medical Center.

Fay Boyer, Georgia Baptist Medical Center, Atlanta, has changed her name to Fay Evatt.

Nancy Flockhart, Northside Hospital, Atlanta, is busy planning her wedding which will take place in September of this year.

Georgia Retardation Center's Professional Library, Atlanta, now has access to a fax machine. The fax number is 404/551-7040. Before you fax, call Gail Davidson in the Superintendent's Office [404/551-7000] to make sure the machine is turned on.

Lola Halpin joins Mamie Bell at Henrietta Egleston Hospital for Children, Atlanta.

Nancy Hill, Life Chiropractic College, Marietta, is back at work after bypass surgery.

Susan Jarvis, an Atlanta University library school student, is presently doing an internship in the Kennestone Hospital Health Sciences Library.

Stephen Koplun, Georgia Mental Health Institute, Atlanta, presented his dissertation at the American Education Research Association meeting in San Francisco on March 27.

Rosalind Lett, Kenneston Hospital, Marietta, has taken over as Chair of the Atlanta Health Sciences Library Consortium due to Suzaan Wright's departure (*see below*). Ms. Lett begins her term as Chair six months early.

Mercer University School of Medicine Library now has telefacsimile capability. The fax number is 912/738-2051.

Doctors Hospital, Tucker, has moved into a brand new

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Electronic Classroom Opening

A grand opening of a new electronic classroom in the Medical College of Georgia's Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library will be August 22 from 1-5 pm.

The facility is designed for computer-based instruction and features 12 Zenith 80286 personal computers and nine Apple Macintosh SE microcomputer systems.

Representatives from Zenith Data Systems Corp. and Apple Computer Inc. will be at the opening to answer questions. Also, representatives of the library's Academic Computing Section will be available to discuss upcoming workshops and seminars planned for the new facility.

PEOPLE & PLACES *Continued*

building and changed its name to **Northlake Regional Medical Center**. Anne Bao, the part-time librarian at Doctors, will continue in a part-time position with Northlake Regional.

Beth Poisson, Morehouse Multi-Media Center, Atlanta, has signed on as the consultant to Northside Hospital's Library, Atlanta.

Girija Vijay, Crawford Long Hospital of Emory University, Atlanta, recently celebrated the marriage of her daughter.

Martha Watkins, Mercer University School of Medicine Library, has been selected to the MLA Continuing Education Subcommittee on Chapter/Section Support. Watkins also presented a paper entitled "Continuing Education for the Future: Results of a Continuing Education Needs Assessment in the Southeastern/Atlantic Region" at the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting in Boston on May 22, 1989.

Quinn Wilson joins the staff of the Mercer University School of Medicine Library as Circulation Assistant. She is a recent graduate of Mercer University.

Suzaan Wright has resigned her position with Georgia Baptist School of Nursing, Atlanta, to accept a position with the Sno-Isle Regional Library System in Marysville, Washington. Suzaan will be in charge of the bookmobile department for this two-county public library system. *Her new address is:*

*Suzaan Wright
6003 27th Avenue, NE
Seattle, Washington 98115*

Your Regional Medical Library

The Regional Medical Library Network was established in 1967 as the cornerstone of NLM's outreach effort to bring high quality information services to the nation's health professionals. The goals of the RML network are:

- to improve access to and delivery of information to health professionals;
- to maintain an effective and efficient network of health sciences libraries;
- to develop and maintain linkages between the network and other library/information networks or health professional organizations to share resources.

The Southeastern/Atlantic Regional Medical Library Services (SE/A RMLS) is headquartered at the University of Maryland and serves Maryland, Washington DC, West Virginia, Virginia, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi and Florida. They supervise the collection of the Region 2 Union List for the SERHOLD database and produce a bimonthly newsletter, *SE/A Currents*.

For the past two years, Alice DeVerno, Piedmont Medical Center, Atlanta, and Martha Watkins, Mercer University School of Medicine Library, Macon, have served as representatives to the RML. As representatives, they carry your concerns about document delivery, regional union lists, basic skills training and consultation services to the Regional Advisory Council (RAC) which in turn advises the National Library of Medicine on these issues.

At the most recent meeting, members discussed the SERHOLD database, the networks being set up in Mississippi and West Virginia, and the outreach report which would be coming out in the summer. Additionally, a committee was appointed to make recommendations for maximum charges and minimum service for telefacsimile.

Dr. William Headley, a surgeon from Milledgeville, is a member of the RAC representing health care practitioners. New Georgia representatives will be selected prior to the fall Regional Advisory Council meeting. With a new focus by NLM on outreach to end users, there will be an increased participation within the region by all persons providing end user services.

Martha Watkins

Deadline for *GHSLA UPDATE* Fall 1989 Issue:
September 29

MLA 1990: The Call for Presentations

**Medical Library Association
90th Annual Meeting
May 18-24, 1990
Detroit, Michigan**

The 1990 National Program Committee invites you to submit presentation proposals for the 1990 Annual Meeting in Detroit. Presentations at the Detroit meeting will be organized into four tracks. The National Program Committee, with the assistance of several MLA sections, is planning the activities within each track.

Track topics and track managers are listed below. (Sections that have indicated interest in working with them are shown in parentheses.)

Acquisition and Organization: Retooling for the Future (Collection Development, History of the Health Sciences, Hospital Libraries, Library Research, Public Services, and Technical Services)

Track Manager: Robert A. Pisciotta, Archie R. Dykes
Library of the Health Sciences, University of Kansas
Medical Center, 2100 W. 39th St., Kansas City, KS
66103; 913/588-7311

Information Services (Hospital Libraries, Pharmacy and Drug Information, Public Services, Dental, Library Research, Medical School Libraries)

Track Manager: Christine A. Chapman, UCSD
Medical Center Library, 225 Dickinson St. H-828, San
Diego, CA 92103; 619/543-6520

Library Administration: Role of the Library Administrator in the Health Care Organization (Federal Libraries, Hospital Libraries, Medical Library Education, Medical School Libraries, Medical Society Libraries, Research Libraries)

Track Manager: Neil Rambo, Houston Academy of
Medicine, Texas Medical Center Library, 1133 M.D.
Anderson Blvd., Houston, TX 77030; 713/797-1230

Libraries and Society: Ethical and Economic Issues (Cancer Librarians, Chiropractic Libraries, Consumer & Patient Health Information, Dental, Hospital Libraries, Medical Library Education, Medical School

Libraries, Mental Health Librarians, Nursing & Allied Health Resources, Public Health/Health Administration Libraries, Relevant Issues)

Track Manager: T. Scott Plutchak, Medical Center
Library, St. Louis University, 1402 S. Grand Blvd., St.
Louis, MO 63104; 314/577-8605

You may select from a variety of presentation formats, including reports of current work, invited papers, panels, and sharing sessions. Using the following guidelines, submit your proposal for a paper, poster, or sharing session to the appropriate track manager.

CURRENT WORK

Papers reporting on innovative work in the practice, research, or theory of health sciences librarianship as it relates to the individual tracks may be submitted. (Reminder: the *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* reserves the right of first choice for all papers presented at an annual meeting.)

SHARING SESSIONS

Track Managers working with the Acquisition and Organization and Libraries and Society tracks are interested in soliciting ideas for sharing sessions from potential moderators. Individuals interested in moderating sharing sessions should be prepared to make an informal presentation to start things out and then lead the discussion for the remainder of the session. Proposals should include information on the moderator's background in the subject and a brief outline of the proposed approach to the topic.

POSTERS

Posters need not be related to any of the tracks and can include various media, such as microcomputers, audiovisual aids, and handouts. Each booth will be equipped with a free-standing display mounting board and electricity at no cost. Presenters are responsible for all other equipment and furnishing expenses; materials may be obtained by MLA authorized vendors. (Your proposal should include a diagram of your exhibit, including expected equipment requirements.) Posters will be presented on May 21, 1990. Presenters must staff their booths at all times. Commercial exhibits are not eligible.

Poster Session Manager: Marie Reidelbach,
McGoogan Library of Medicine, University of
Nebraska Medical Center, 42d & Dewey, Omaha, NE
68105; 402/559-7077.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS/PROPOSALS

Submit five copies of your abstract or proposal to the appropriate manager listed above. Abstracts and proposals should indicate the name, address, and daytime telephone number of the primary author.

DEADLINES

All abstracts and proposals must be received by September 15, 1989. Notice of preliminary acceptance will be made by October 27, 1989. Additional guidelines and instructions will be given at that time. Final copies of contributed papers must be received by December 22, 1989.

CALENDAR

October 17-21, 1989
Southern Chapter/Medical Library
Association
1989 Annual Conference
Johnson City, Tennessee
"A Mountain Harvest: Reaping the Bounty"

Thurs
Tri ✓
March 22-23, 1990 (Tentative)
Georgia Health Sciences Library Association
with Tennessee Health Sciences Library
Association
Chattanooga, Tennessee

May 18-24, 1990
Medical Library Association
90th Annual Meeting
Detroit, Michigan

Summer 1990
Special Library Association
81st Annual Conference
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Greenblatt Library Awarded Apple Computer Grant

The Medical College of Georgia's Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library has been awarded a grant from Apple Computer, Incorporated to develop an integrated, Macintosh-based interface to the Library's MERLIN system, as well as to databases contained on CD-ROM disk. The grant consists of a single Macintosh SE/30 system with a 40 megabyte hard disk, three Macintosh SE systems each with 20 megabyte hard disks, an Apple Scanner, and an Apple CD-ROM device. Each Macintosh will be equipped with Apple's Hypercard software, which is to be used to construct the integrated interface to the Library database systems.

The primary goal of the project will be to construct a small prototype network of Macintosh computers, each equipped with easy-to-use Macintosh software that ties together the various Library information services in a consistent and friendly fashion, as well as providing links to document preparation software and laser printers. Since the ultimate aim is to increase faculty and student productivity, the software developed in the project will be made available to Library patrons for use on their own Macintosh systems.

New "Smoke-free" Campus Policy

The Medical College of Georgia, as the Health Sciences University for the State of Georgia, is committed to the promotion of a healthy environment for all Georgia citizens including students, employees, and patients of the Medical College of Georgia. Effective January 1, 1990, the Medical College of Georgia will become a "smoke-free" institution. The use of tobacco products by any person while in an MCG building or vehicle is prohibited. Provided that certain requirements are met, exceptions to this policy may be granted for private rooms in residence halls, long-term patients of the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home, and for patients whose physician prescribes "smoking privileges" which are properly documented in the patient's chart.

ERRATA

Patti Deaux's name was misspelled in the "People & Places" column of the Fall 1988 issue of *GHSLA UPDATE*.

MEDLARS Update Summary

Summary of the MEDLARS Update

The following is a five-column summary of the 82p. Supplement, *The NLM Technical Bulletin MEDLARS Update Special Issue* (February 1989).

MEDLINE and Backfiles

- The number of journals indexed for MEDLINE will increase by several hundred titles over the next few years.
- More abstracts will be added in 1989, i.e. Special List Nursing and Dental journals, and certain non-English journals. The percentage of MEDLINE citations with abstracts will increase from approximately 60% to over 75%.
- MEDLINE is updated *two* times a month now.
- MEDLINE backfiles are now oriented by publication year (not year of indexing).

ELHILL 3.3 Capabilities

- New commands: TFILE, SPRINT, MFSEARCH, RETURN and NEXT

1989 MeSH Vocabulary File®

- New AIDS-related terms
- New biotechnology and molecular biology terms
- New subheading "statistics & numerical data."
- Subheading "epidemiology" replaces "occurrence."
- Deleted subheading "familial & genetic" and replaced with "genetics."
- New epidemiology terms
- New term "Retracted Publication" is companion to "Retraction of Publication"
- Non-MeSH tree group "Mouth and Tooth Diseases" made indexable with new name "Stomatognathic Diseases."
- DX and DY data elements now rangeable and directly searchable.

More Abstracts Online

- English abstracts are now taken from all indexed journals which publish them.
- More abstracts online from nursing and dentistry special list journals.

New "Comments" MEDLINE Field

- NLM will connect indexed articles with substantive, subsequent comments published in letters to the editor, editorials, and articles updating previous articles in CM field.

"Retracted Publication" and "Retraction of Publication"

- "Retracted Publication" added retrospectively in MEDLINE, backfiles, HEALTH, and CANCERLIT®.
- Unlikely to appear in the *Index Medicus*.
- Neither heading is used for discussion of retraction of fraudulent data; MeSH term "Publishing" is used.

One Pre-Explosion Name Change

- Stomatognathic Diseases, formerly Mouth and Tooth Diseases

New Dental Journal Subset Tag

- D(SB) is the new field for all dental journals regardless of whether the journal is indexed in *Index Medicus*.
- This field appears in MEDLINE, backfiles, AIDSLINE, and HEALTH.
- Still in existence is D(LI) which are dental journals minus the *Index Medicus* dental titles.

Combined Antibiotics

- "Antibiotics, Combined" is "NIM" when the individual antibiotics are indexed as "IM."
- "Antibiotics, Combined" is "IM" when the article discusses the formulation or other issues, such as properties or modes of action of combination antibiotics.

Changes in the Subheading Surgery

- Any surgical intervention in treating a disease will be indexed under the subheading "surgery" with the disease (whether or not the organ being operated on is involved in the disease...).

EX

*ADRENALECTOMY + BREAST NEOPLASMS/su

- Previously the subheading "therapy" was used, so searchers should use both ways of searching when doing retrospective searches.

EX

*ADRENALECTOMY + BREAST NEOPLASMS/th

MEDLARS Update Summary

Extended Subheadings

- All Category B2 (Organisms-Vertebrates) headings are allowed to have subheadings "abnormalities" and "injuries."

- Other allowed subheadings with categories added this year include:

MeSH (Category) "subheading"

Behavioral and Mental Disorders (F3+) "radiography"

Behavioral and Mental Disorders (F3+) "radionuclide imaging"

Health Occupations (G2+) "legislation & jurisprudence"

Health Occupations (G2+) "organization & administration"

Environmental and Public Health (G3+) "legislation & jurisprudence"

Organisms-Vertebrates (B2+) "abnormalities"

Organisms-Vertebrates (B2+) "injuries"

- These extensions are still only used when appropriate with the individual MeSH term.

New and Changed Subheadings

- "epidemiology" ("occurrence" has been deleted in the database).

- "statistics & numerical data" for categories E, F1-2, F4, G1-3, H-N.

New Review Indexing Policy-Results One Year Later

- In 1988, the scope of "review" articles were broadened.

- Almost twice as many articles were indexed with review in 1988 as in 1987.

Enhanced Vocabulary

- Ophthalmology and Optometry

- Leukemia trees

The Basics of Searching MEDLINE

- *Revised Basics of Searching MEDLINE* can be ordered from the National Technical Information Service. (PB89-146179/GBB-\$20.50).

- INTROMED®, the training database of 20,000 records has been discontinued.

- Special non-billed training codes will be assigned by MEDLARS Management upon request from trainers or searchers using the manual.

NLM Student Code Program

- Individual students may apply.

- Educational institutions include teaching hospitals, medical schools, and medical libraries.

- Approximately 50% off regular charges.

- Eligible are undergraduates, graduate students, residents, and fellows.

AIDS Bibliography Becomes Monthly

- From 1983 to 1987 it was part of the quarterly Literature Search Series.

- 1988 *AIDS Bibliography* quarterly

- 1989 *AIDS Bibliography* monthly (over 500 citations per month).

BIOETHICSLINE® Update

- New keywords: anencephaly, cesarean section, HIV seropositivity, quarantine.

- National Reference Center for Bioethics

- Literature toll-free number (800)MED-ETHX—for information or document delivery.

National Cancer Institute Update

- PDQ adding "exclusion criteria" for precision of retrieval.

- PDQ adding "disease specific criteria" to permit very narrow and specific retrieval.

- PDQ ACCESS adding author searching in CANCERLIT.

- PDQ adding new commands to permit bypassing more menus.

- CANCERLIT search default changed from (TW) to (MH).

CHEMLINE® Update

- Tags on chemical records show "official" names from various national and international compendia of drugs or pesticides:

- USAN=United States Adopted Name

- BAN=British Approved Name

- DCF=French Approved Name

- ANSI=American National Standards Institute

- BSI=British Standards Institution

- ISO=International Organization for Standardization

- The label "(Parent)" is now appended to the Registry Number in the RR field pointing to the record which is not a salt or hydrate.

Health Planning & Administration

- New headings
 - Health Care Rationing
 - Hospital-Patient Relations
 - Hotlines
 - Insurance Pools
 - Insurance Selection Bias
 - Intensive Care Units, Pediatric
 - Medicare Assignment
 - Nursing Administration Research
 - Nursing Evaluation Research
 - Organizational Culture
 - Physician Payment Review Commission
 - Program Evaluation
- "Review" articles will contain (RF) number of references field in standard print formats.
- N(SB) has been added to tag all nursing journals in HEALTH.
- D(SB) has been added to tag all dental journals in HEALTH.

TOXLINE® Regeneration Status

- TOXLINE 1981 forward
- TOXLINE65 1980 back
- BIOSIS and IPA will revert to TOXLINE AND TOXLINE65 (from TOXLIT and TOXLIT65).
- BIOSIS subfile now contains Biosystematic Codes and Concept Codes in keyword (KW) field.
- EPA submission numbers become searchable in TSCATS subfile.

SERLINE Update

- Preservation microfilming records added
- Some title abbreviations (TA) were changed in order to conform with the American National Standard for Information Sciences - Abbreviation of Titles of Publication.

EX

NJ changed to N J (space added for New Jersey abbreviation)

EX

Acta Physiol Scand [Suppl] to Acta Physiol Scand Suppl (when word for supplement is part of the title proper)

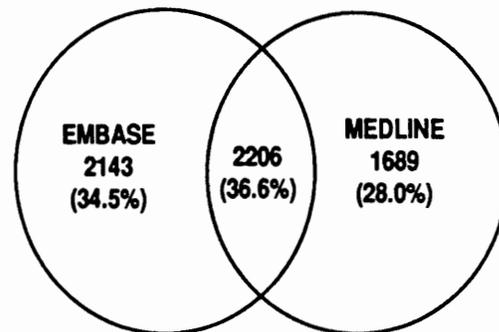
TOXNET Update

- New TOXNET gateway lets users switch to PDQ as well as ELHILL.
- RTECS has over 95,000 records.

EMBASE & MEDLINE Overlap Study

Excerpta Medica is currently cooperating in a study of the coverage of a number of medical bibliographic databases. A full report of the findings will be published when the study is complete. The comparison of EMBASE and MEDLINE is given below. These figures were the result of an initial computer match by ISSN followed by a manual check using the "List of Journals Abstracted 1988" (EMBASE) and the "List of Serials Indexed for Online users - 1987" (MEDLINE).

The total number of unique journal titles covered by the two databases is 6030 of which EMBASE covered 4349 titles (72.1%) and MEDLINE 3881 (64.4%). The overlap of journal titles is represented by the following diagram.



From this you can calculate that 49.3% of the journals covered by EMBASE are not covered by MEDLINE and 43.5% of the journals covered by MEDLINE are not included in EMBASE.

The study so far takes into account the journal titles covered and has not addressed the difference in article selection within the journals covered by both databases. Once this has been evaluated, one can expect the diversity of the two databases to be shown to be even greater.

reprinted from *Profile, the Excerpta Medica Newsletter*, 6[3]:3.

1989 GHSLA ANNUAL MEETING

Reflections on the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association Annual Meeting April 17-19, 1989 Augusta, Georgia

The 1989 Georgia Health Sciences Library Association Meeting was held in Augusta April 17-19th. Most of the meeting was held in the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library of the Medical College of Georgia. Late Monday afternoon, April 17th, a joint meeting of the Resource Sharing and Consortia Committees was well-attended. Following tours of the library, including demonstrations of the MERLIN online library information system, a welcome reception was held in the Rare Book Room. This reception was sponsored by Read-More with regional representative, Bob Holder, on hand.

Hotel arrangements for GHSLA were at the Telfair Inn in Olde Towne Augusta. The hotel consists of several 19th-century townhouses converted to rooms and suites furnished in antiques. In order to accommodate the GHSLA group, several people were given large suites at the ordinary room rate—*one person's room included a dining room large enough to seat 12 people and someone else had a marble jacuzzi tub the size of a small swimming pool!*

The business meeting breakfast was held at the Inn on Tuesday morning. Combining the meeting with a buffet breakfast insured a large turnout—over 60 people were present for the business meeting. A summary of the business meeting is available in this issue (p.10 -11). After the meeting, bus transportation took everyone to the Greenblatt Library, where MCG's Director of Libraries, Tom Basler and Jett McCann, 1989 Program Chair, welcomed everyone to Augusta and to the Greenblatt Library.

Donna Trainor, Head of Circulation Services at MCG, gave a talk about the uses of telefacsimile and provided a hands-on demonstration. Sharon Cann, Education Librarian at Georgia State University, lead a discussion about the new Interlibrary Loan forms and ILL in general.

The meeting adjourned for lunch. The group was taken by bus to the newly developed Riverwalk area of downtown Augusta, where the lunch, sponsored by Majors, was served in the Cotton Row Cafe's renovated cotton grading warehouse. Ken Robichaux, the Majors representative, was present at the meeting and the luncheon. Following lunch, everyone had a chance to

stroll along the Riverwalk and see the changes taking place and planned for Augusta's downtown area— then we returned by bus to the MCG campus.

Chris Olson, the main speaker, gave a talk entitled "Judging a Library Service By Its Cover." Chris is a former special librarian who runs her own consulting service, specializing in design and development of library promotional materials, including logos, brochures, newsletters, and posters. After a break, sponsored by NCME, who's representative Sharon Bone was present, the group attended demonstrations of desktop publishing systems available. Laura Addington and Brett Ratliff of Greenblatt Library's Academic Computing Department provided the demonstrations and answered questions. The meeting adjourned and bus transportation was provided back to the hotel.

On Wednesday morning, 25 individuals took the CE course, *Design and Development of Promotional Materials for Libraries*, taught by Chris Olson. Breaks during the CE course were sponsored by BRS Information Technologies.

Jett McCann

Message from Jett...

Once again, I would like to thank everyone connected with the 1989 meeting. There was no formal meeting arrangements or program committee - I just called on people when I needed their help, and was rewarded with a lot of fast responses and hard work. I'd particularly like to thank the following:

<i>Laura Addington</i>	<i>Vasanti Kasturi</i>
<i>Gail Anderson</i>	<i>Chris Olson</i>
<i>Marilyn Barry</i>	<i>Brett Ratliff</i>
<i>Tom Basler</i>	<i>Camilla Reid</i>
<i>Mamie Bell</i>	<i>Donna Trainor</i>
<i>Sharon Cann</i>	<i>Kay Waller</i>
<i>Mark Chapin</i>	<i>Martha Watkins</i>
<i>Shelley Davis</i>	<i>Suzaan Wright</i>
<i>Linda Flavin</i>	

and the staff of the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library at the Medical College of Georgia who provided meeting room arrangements, break areas, tours, and a whole lot of emotional support!

Summary of Reports

Georgia Health Sciences Library Association

Minutes of the Business Session

April 18, 1989

Augusta, Georgia

The business portion of the 1989 GHSLA Meeting was held on Tuesday morning, April 18, 1989, at the Telfair Inn in Augusta, Georgia. Suzaan Wright, GHSLA Chair, called the meeting to order and asked for and received approval of the 1988 meeting minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

GHSLA Treasurer's Report—Jett McCann presented a Treasurer's Report in lieu of Betty Clements, Treasurer, who was not able to attend the meeting.

GHSLA UPDATE Editors Report—Linda Flavin and Gail Anderson reported that three issues of the *GHSLA UPDATE* had been prepared during the year and that 171 copies were mailed out each time. The new GHSLA Bylaws, adopted in 1988, were mailed with the Spring/Summer 1988 issue. There was excellent reporter response for the Winter 1989 issue via telefacsimile transmission of the articles. Average costs for a ten-page newsletter were \$50.00 and \$90.00 for a twenty-page newsletter. The Medical College of Georgia Greenblatt Library has absorbed the costs of printing and mailing for the past two years.

Continuing Education Committee Report—Mamie Bell stated that the CE course to be presented at this meeting, *Design and Development of Promotional Materials for Libraries*, originally a Special Libraries Association course (SLA CE 291), had received 0.6 MLA CE credit. This course helps address some of the needs expressed in last year's CE course survey where GHSLA members stated the kinds of continuing education programs they wanted.

Consortia Committee Report—Martha C. Watkins reported for the committee. The GHSLA Consortia Committee has produced a Consortia Directory of all Georgia consortia and their members. The format includes the governance and membership requirements of each consortium along with the individual institutional

members and their contact persons. An index has also been provided to access these names and institutions. The Directory was distributed to the membership at the annual meeting and by mail to those who were unable to attend.

The Consortia Committee is also working with the Resource Sharing Committee to offer interlibrary loan workshops throughout the state. The Committee feels that this is the first step in introducing consortia concepts to non-members and to get persons together in areas where they can begin to see what benefits cooperative efforts might produce. The Consortia Directory will also be distributed at these workshops to those who have not received one.

The Committee is also working with Susan Seay at Hamilton Medical Center to encourage the development of a North Georgia Health Science Library Consortium. Potential members are being identified and will be contacted for an organizational meeting in the future.

Consultants Committee Report—No report.

Membership Committee Report—Shelley Davis reported that there were 69 personal and 29 institutional GHSLA members for a total of 98 members. The membership form, redesigned this year by Jett McCann includes a statement of purpose to highlight the Association to potential members. The membership list was maintained as a database by Gail Anderson so that mailing labels could be made for GHSLA mailings.

Program Committee—Jett McCann reported on program arrangements for the 1989 meeting: the one-day meeting was arranged to try to attract as many members as possible, and the turnout seem to support that idea. Expenses for the meeting were held low for members with GHSLA and sponsors bearing more of the costs rather than registration costs.

Resource Sharing Committee—Martha Watkins reported on the Networking/Resource Sharing Project, which is planning on five interlibrary loan workshops to

1989 GHSLA Annual Meeting Business Session

be held in Georgia during the next fall. (See announcement on p.20)

Nominating Committee—Jett McCann reported the committee mailed ballots with the meeting registration. The positions of chair-elect and secretary contained two nominees. All other positions were single slate.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Slate—Jett McCann presented the election results for 1989-90 GHSLA officers:

Chair-Elect: Donna Flake
Secretary: Barbara Ruelle
Treasurer: Betty Clements
Parliamentarian: Shelley Davis
UPDATE Editors: Gail Anderson and Linda Flavin.

1990 Meeting Invitation—Suzaan Wright announced that arrangements were being finalized for the 1990 meeting. Several years ago, GHSLA held a joint meeting with the Tennessee Health Sciences Library Association and the Tennessee group has wanted to reciprocate ever since. The 1990 meeting will be a joint meeting in Chattanooga, Tennessee in March 1990. Lyn Yeomans of Tennessee will be the program coordinator with Donna Flake, our new Chair-Elect.

How to Handle Surplus Monies—Jett McCann reported on a discussion at the Southern Chapter/MLA meeting at Jacksonville, Florida in October 1988, where other state health sciences library associations sponsored breaks and meeting events. He asked for advice from the membership: if GHSLA wanted to do this at the next Southern Chapter/Medical Library Association meeting since the treasury is large enough to accommodate such a request. Bob Holder, Read-More, stated that he felt that the vendors can sponsor such things and this association could use its funds to benefit GHSLA members. It was suggested that something be done to honor the memory of Mrs. Miriam Libbey, who had been so active in Georgia librarianship and GHSLA, in particular. Some of the suggestions were: (a) a scholarship, (b) paying for materials and/or instructors at the ILL workshops, (c) paying for future GHSLA meetings, (d) paying for future GHSLA CE courses. Jett agreed to hold discussions among the Executive Committee, and to set up an ad hoc committee to address the suggestions. The membership agreed that the ILL workshops were a good concern to subsidize and that other subsidies could be done in the future.

The meeting was adjourned.

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The following people indicated an interest in serving on these committees at the GHSLA Annual Meeting in Augusta:

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In accordance with the GHSLA Bylaws, a nominating committee will be appointed by the Chair later this Summer. The nominating committee will be chaired by Donna Flake, GHSLA Chair-Elect, and will need three members. They will be tasked with finding candidates for chair-elect, secretary, treasurer, parliamentarian, and GHSLA UPDATE editor.

If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact Jett McCann at 404/721-3491 or FAX 404/721-6006 ASAP.

The Hughston Sports Medicine Foundation and Library

By Betty H. Clements, *Librarian*

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The Hughston Sports Medicine Foundation, located in Columbus, Georgia, was founded by Jack C. Hughston, M.D. in 1968. In Dr. Hughston's words, the Foundation's mission is "to help people in all walks of life attain the highest possible levels of musculoskeletal health, fitness, and athletic prowess by providing national and international leadership in orthopaedic and sports medicine research, education, and communication."

The Foundation building, completed in 1985, includes a library, an auditorium, a television studio, and a bone lab, and there are departments of continuing education, research, data processing, public relations, medical illustration and photography, and medical writing. The editorial offices of *The American Journal of Sports Medicine* are also located here. (Dr. Hughston is the Editor.)

As a not-for-profit research and education institution, the Foundation has a number of projects and programs underway. The production of orthopaedic education courses on interactive videodisc, especially the orthopaedic pathology course given for many years by Dr. William F. Enneking of the University of Florida, should be of particular interest to health sciences librarians. The Foundation has also recently begun publishing a quarterly newsletter for the health consumer, the *Hughston Health Alert*.

The Foundation library's focus is, naturally, on orthopaedics and sports medicine. The collection, which has grown out of Dr. Hughston's own collection and materials that belonged to the Hughston Orthopaedic Clinic, is still quite small, containing 145 journal and serial titles, 700 volumes, and 54 videotapes, but extensive growth is anticipated, in keeping with the Foundation's mission. Designed at the moment to serve only a limited population of health professionals (physicians, residents, fellows, physical therapists, and the Foundation staff), the library already provides information to students from junior high through graduate school and answers reference questions by mail and by phone from all over the country.

Reference, bibliographic, and research services are offered, including searching electronic databases and interlibrary loan. "Old-fashioned" subject vertical files are proving unusually useful. The library also keeps track of publications by physicians and other staff associated with the Foundation and the Clinic, and is responsible for filling requests for reprints. The small Special Collection contains books of interest in the history of orthopaedics and the development of sports medicine, many of which have been purchased through an ongoing fund established by employees of the Clinic and the Foundation, an uncommon manifestation of support.

The library is staffed by a full-time library assistant and a half-time professional librarian who also serves as managing editor of the *Hughston Health Alert* and, in addition, works on the copyediting staff of *The American Journal of Sports Medicine*. The library belongs to the Medical Library Association and the Health Science Libraries of Central Georgia Consortium.

Would you like your library profiled? Write a description of your library emphasizing its unique aspects and mail to:

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A Hospital Library with Three End-User MEDLINE Systems

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Memorial Medical Center in Savannah is a 465-bed regional medical center with 2,500 employees and 5 residency programs. At any one time approximately 30 medical students from the Medical College of Georgia, Augusta, and Mercer University School of Medicine, Macon, are based at the medical center while on third-year clerkships. The Health Sciences Library employs one medical librarian and two library assistants. We subscribe to 280 journals and have a book collection numbering 3,000.

As soon as I arrived in my new job in early 1987, I knew that Memorial Medical Center's Health Sciences Library needed a MEDLINE end-user searching system. There were several obstacles to realizing an end-user searching program. Initially, we lacked physician enthusiasm, administrative approval, and space. Next, we were faced with the decision of which end-user system to obtain. Later, we faced hardware and security difficulties.

To build enthusiasm, I targeted the residents as my first allies. Many of them attended medical school at universities with MEDLINE-based end-user searching programs available in their libraries. For example, several of our residents who graduated from the Medical College of Georgia knew how to search MERLIN's miniMEDLINE (Greenblatt Library's "Library Information System" MEDLINE subset), whereas several others who graduated from Mercer knew how to search GaIN (Georgia Interactive Network for Medical Information). In informal conversations, I told the residents that hours of their time could be saved if they did not have to pour over *Index Medicus* on nights or weekends while the library was not staffed. (Security admits residents, physicians, and medical students to the library after hours.) After several months, a resident circulated a petition requesting that a MEDLINE end-user program be made available in the library.

Concomitantly I was trying to obtain *administrative* approval for the end-user searching program. The librarians at the Mercer University School of Medicine

supported my concern that GaIN was not available in our library in an end-user format. The Mercer medical students had access to GaIN at all of their clinical clerkship sites—other than Memorial Medical Center. This concern was addressed in a letter from Mercer University School of Medicine's Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, which suggested to my Vice-President that the library make GaIN available to the Mercer students.

Shortly after receiving this letter, my Vice-President approved the implementation of an end-user program. Although the lack of space is a critical issue in our library, I proceeded to request the microcomputer, printer, microcomputer desk, and two chairs in my capital budget. In the meantime, I lobbied for additional space to house the hardware and to provide the search training. As this request was not granted immediately, it was necessary to remove two study carrels to allow room for the equipment and training. Hospital planning, however, does call for a small amount of additional space to be given to the library in the near future.

Once the program was approved and the space issue addressed, I was faced with the selection of a system or systems appropriate for my patrons. I selected three end-user versions of MEDLINE: MERLIN's miniMEDLINE, GaIN, and BRS/Colleague on CD-ROM. I selected MERLIN's miniMEDLINE and GaIN because our teaching institution hosts medical students from MCG as well as Mercer. Passwords for patron use were obtained from the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library at the Medical College of Georgia for MERLIN and from the Medical Library at Mercer University School of Medicine for GaIN. (For several years, our library has had a GaIN password for library staff use.) Originally I wanted the online version of BRS/Colleague—as I had taught this system at the Health Sciences Library at East Carolina University. Furthermore, my library assistants were searching BRS and I intended to have all the library staff participate in teaching and coaching the patrons. Because the searching techniques of BRS and BRS/Colleague are

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MEDLINE Systems *Continued*

so similar, I felt that the library assistants could quickly learn and teach BRS/Colleague. The decision to purchase the CD-ROM version of BRS/Colleague was one of economics. Since we do not charge our patrons for the searches performed by the library staff, we did not plan to charge them for end-user searching. My reasoning was that I could budget for an annual expenditure for the CD-ROM version; however, I could not anticipate the yearly and monthly charges for patron use of the online version.

As for hardware, I made a potentially expensive mistake. My goal in purchasing the hardware was to make sure that it would be compatible not only with the three end-user searching programs, but with TECHNICON as well. (TECHNICON is a system which contains our medical center's medical records, the result of patient's lab results, physicians' orders and has other functions.) Because MERLIN and GaIN were accessible from any microcomputer, my main concern was selecting hardware which would be compatible with TECHNICON, as well as the CD-ROM player. After consulting with BRS and the medical center's internal computer department, everyone agreed that the IBM Personal System II Model 30 was the best choice. BRS sold us the Phillips CD-ROM player along with the compact disks. Once the equipment was received and hooked up, the BRS/Colleague CD-ROM would only search for a few minutes before malfunctioning. Suspecting that the new microcomputer was the culprit and after several nonproductive visits from the local Computerland repairman, I finally called BRS. BRS made further investigations and concluded that, unfortunately, the microcomputer they had suggested I purchase was not compatible with BRS/Colleague CD-ROM. My always-accommodating computer department allowed me to exchange the new microcomputer for one that they had. They exchanged their IBM-AT with 640K with a hard drive and color monitor for my new, but unusable, hardware. After this major adjustment, my new BRS/Colleague CD-ROM system worked beautifully and almost effortlessly. Even though BRS gave me the incorrect information about which hardware to purchase, they tried to be helpful in correcting the problem. They sent some software which should have allowed my original microcomputer to work with BRS/Colleague. Unfortunately, I received the software after exchanging the equipment.

My next consideration was the security of the hardware and the compact disks. I worried about theft because some library patrons have after-hours access. I

arranged for the microcomputer, CD-ROM player, and printer to be secured to the microcomputer desk and printer stand with a special bolting and locking device. We are able to unlock the mechanism and remove the equipment easily for maintenance and repair. I was still particularly concerned with the CD-ROM disks. The total cost of the disks was \$2,250 and if one is lost or stolen we must pay the full price for replacement. During staffed library hours the disks are locked in the reference desk and the patron must sign them out. Only persons who have attended our BRS/Colleague class are allowed to search the system. After the training session, patrons are told the location of the special "hiding place" for our CD-ROM disks during unstaffed library hours.

The library staff wrote the three manuals needed for training our patrons. We planned a schedule of classes for our patrons, offering at least one class on each system every week. We publicized our classes by writing articles for our medical center newsletter as well as physician newsletter. We posted signs in the library describing each system and the class schedule. We placed flyers in all the residents' boxes and are slowly placing flyers in the boxes of our attending physicians. I spoke about the new programs at the meeting of our 350 medical staff and as time allows, we plan more extensive publicity.

The response from our patrons has been good, but not overwhelming. Actually for our three-person library, the response is compatible with our availability to teach classes and answer questions. We initiated training sessions in December 1988 and have trained 37 individuals, mostly residents, in end-user searching skills for MEDLINE. We are conducting an intensive training program this July with the arrival of our new residents.

Having the three end-user searching programs has brought notoriety to our library and has helped with the accreditation of the residency programs. Furthermore, some physicians are asking for library assistance with end-user searching programs for their offices and homes. But most importantly, the availability of end-user searching has provided our medical community with more sophisticated access to medical information 24 hours a day!

[Editor's Note: BRS/Colleague CD-ROM is no longer available. Donna has since chosen Cambridge Scientific to replace it.]

CONSORTIA REPORTS

Atlanta Health Science Libraries Consortium

March 1989 Meeting

The March meeting was hosted by Georgia Baptist Medical Center. Fay Evatt did an excellent job in providing pleasant accommodations and wonderful refreshments. The program was presented by John Marshall, Assistant Vice President for Legal Affairs at Georgia State University. Mr. Marshall discussed the history of copyright law, how to obtain a copyright, legal recourse for violation of copyright, how libraries are affected by the copyright law, specific copyright lawsuits, and other related topics. Consortium members had submitted questions to Mr. Marshall before the meeting. He addressed as many of these questions as possible during his presentation.

Mr. Marshall's talk was followed by a panel of consortium members: Sharon Cann, Georgia State University, who spoke on the new ILL form; Eugenia Abbey, Veteran's Administration Medical Center, speaking on the way the VA handles copyright records; and Mark Barbaree, Piedmont Hospital, who discussed how Piedmont has computerized its ILL record keeping.

May 1989 Meeting

Fran Golding at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital hosted the May meeting. Fran had asked the Hospital's chef to provide something special for the group, and he did! The food was fantastic!!

The meeting program was preceded by a session of the Journal Club with the topic of "humor." Professor James B. Dodd, a Georgia Tech library staff member, spoke to the group about the "hidden" meaning of words.

The program consisted of a panel discussion on "How We Do It-Consumer Health Information." The panel moderator was Alice DeVerno from Piedmont Hospital where they maintain the HELPS (Health Education Library for Patients) program.

Panel members were Sharon Kirkes visiting from Atlanta-Fulton Public Library's Ivan Allen Department, Kathy Thodeson from the American Cancer Society, and Fran Golding from Scottish Rite Children's Hospital. Ms. Kirkes shared the public library's purchasing procedures for health science materials, their areas of concentration, common problems encountered, etc.

Kathy Thodeson spoke about the American Cancer Society's 1-800 number for consumer information (1-800-ACS-2345), giving the types of information available, how it is collected and maintained, etc. Ms. Thodeson stated that information on unproven methods is included in their 800 number database. The volunteers who staff the 800 phone lines read information from a computer database to callers, but they do not provide any

counseling. Numerous pamphlets are also available from ACS.

Ms. Golding spoke about the creation and development of a Parents Library at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital. A listing of materials in the collection was handed out, as well as, the citation for the article on which the library was based. (Sahler OJZ, et al. The pediatric family-patient health education library: The issue of access to information. *Pediatrics* 1981 September; 68(3):374-378.)

Marilyn Barry and Suzaan Wright

Health Science Libraries of Central Georgia Consortium

The Health Science Libraries of Central Georgia Consortium met February 16, 1989, at Hughston Sports Medicine Foundation in Columbus. Nine libraries were represented and the Bradley Center Hospital in Columbus was welcomed as a new member. Chairperson Jocelyn Rankin from Mercer University School of Medicine presided.

Proposals for several long-standing issues were finalized at this meeting and the members hope to make a stronger, more cooperative and informative consortium with the following actions:

1. It was confirmed that Mercer University School of Medicine will produce a serials Union List for the consortium. Those libraries which want their holdings to continue in the SERHOLD system will still have theirs submitted by Mercer.

2. A Program Committee will plan places for meetings and arrange programs in advance. This will begin with the next consortium meeting in July.

3. A plan for two levels of membership for the consortium was adopted and will begin in July.

Brenda Sorrow, Chair-elect, from Houston Medical Center was appointed as the consortium representative to GHSLA.

A short program entitled "Journal Selection Crisis" was presented by Martha Watkins, assistant director of the Mercer University School of Medicine. She discussed journal selection/deselection factors and how to extend journal collections without purchase.

Kathy Warner

Consortia Directory Distributed

The GHSLA Consortia Directory for 1989 has now been distributed to all GHSLA meeting attendees and all GHSLA members. If you are in either of these groups and did not receive a directory, please call Martha Watkins, 912/744-2516.

Q's & A's

Q. How do small hospital libraries handle their storage problems and how do you convince administration that storage is important? (Americus)

Decisions about what to store should be made carefully so that staff time will not be wasted in making frequent retrievals. Obvious candidates for storage include older volumes of all journals, complete runs of little-used journals, and material being held for future needs. Material may be stored in any appropriate space in the hospital or may be kept off the premises. Cooperative storage with other hospital departments or libraries may prove successful. Access to stored material should always be maintained. If material cannot remain accessible, it may be wise to consider disposing of it altogether. [1]

Hospital libraries handle their storage problems in various ways depending on the circumstances of each. It is something that must be decided on the basis of the library's collection development policy, philosophy of service, mission and goals, and the financial and staffing resources (or constraints). Determining if storage is truly more cost efficient in terms of number of uses (space cost + utilities costs + shelving cost + staff costs in time, etc.) than borrowing on interlibrary loan is one of the first steps. A strong collection development policy will go a long way toward helping with storage and weeding decisions.

Once the decision to use storage has been made, the items to be stored must be chosen. Some type of survey may be necessary to provide statistics on the frequency of use for various items or types of materials. A hash-mark count everytime a specific item is reshelfed or placing colorful stickers on the spine of each item as it is reshelfed are effective methods for measuring in-house usage. For those items that are checked out there is a ready-made system for this information in the date-due slip. These methods can also be used to tag materials already in storage to determine if your storage area needs to be weeded.

Convincing administrators that storage is needed should be a campaign of various methods. **First, you might want to use another term besides "storage."** These materials are still a working part of your collection and you do not want to give people the wrong concept. People have a tendency to interpret "storage" as "junk-but-I-just-can't-bear-to-throw-it-away." The word "storage" can, therefore, work against you. Try using a more positive term as "respository" or "historical-materials shelving area"—anything that gives a positive image.

You must convince administrators that the expense is necessary. You should talk about the use of the materials in terms of patient care and quality of care. You could show how the expense of housing the materials is less than ordering it consistently through interlibrary loans. (Don't forget that ILL expenses include your time to locate and order the materials, as well as the charges applied by the lending library.) You might show through statistics how it allows you to balance what you borrow through interlibrary loans with what you can provide to others. You may need to quote the standards for hospital libraries [2,3,4,5] to show what the collection needs to contain, the recommended size of the collection, and the retention period for journals.

If the administrators cannot be convinced to provide storage, there are a few alternatives. Consider purchasing the journals in microform or possibly convert to compact/movable shelving. Another alternative could be to participate in cooperative acquisitions and/or retention programs with other libraries; health sciences, academic, special and/or public. Acquisitions agreements are where one library agrees to purchase specified titles and in return a second library purchases other specified titles. In the retention agreements the first library agrees to maintain the back files of specified titles with the second library maintaining other back files. Articles on these alternatives are easily found in the literature, but a brief review of each is given by Judith Topper in the book, *Hospital Library Management*. [1]

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Don't miss the opportunities this fall to train new staff or increase your knowledge of networking and interlibrary loan. (See the flyer accompanying this newsletter to register.) The Georgia Health Sciences Library Association in cooperation with local networking groups and the resource libraries of Georgia will offer a workshop designed to:

- * review the basic principles of interlibrary loan
- * discuss the Copyright Law as it applies to ILL
- * learn about local area resources
- * share forms, policies, and borrowing tips
- * provide opportunities to network with lenders
- * develop strategies for locating and borrowing materials

The workshop is intended for library personnel and persons responsible for library activities in their institutions, especially:

- * new interlibrary loan staff
- * one-person libraries
- * all members of local resource sharing groups
- * academic/public libraries needing health science materials
- * health professionals responsible for obtaining library materials for their institutions

The workshop will carry 0.4 Continuing Education credits from the Southeastern/Atlantic Regional Medical Library Services. The SE/A RMLS manual, *Principles of Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery*, will be used as text. Handouts will be geared to local resources and participants will receive a booklet of forms and stamps used in Georgia libraries.

Each 4-hour workshop will be followed by an *optional* afternoon DOCLINE "routing party." Depending on local interest, the "party" will be scheduled to last 1-3 hours in length. At the "party," participants can become familiar with DOCLINE capabilities and develop effective local strategies for DOCLINE routing maps.

The workshop project is coordinated by the GHSLA Resource Sharing and Consortia committees with the goal of enrolling 100 participants in the five workshops. Financial and other support by GHSLA and its members has made it possible to set registration fees low, thus appealing to more people. Members have volunteered to instruct, provide facilities and equipment, and serve as site coordinators. Please encourage your consortium members and other contacts to attend. Experienced library staff too should find it of value for sharing ideas and interacting with those they know only "electronically."

To assist the need for ongoing training, handouts and audiovisuals will be stocked for future workshops. Materials will be available to groups wishing to offer low-cost training anywhere in Georgia.

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