

**Greetings from the President**

Mark your calendars and make plans to attend the annual GHSLA meeting March 12-14 2003. Set in the historic town of Savannah our theme will be "Cultivating Excellence - Growing as Health Information Professionals." Roxanne Nelson, this year's program chair, and her committees have put together a fantastic meeting that is going to be extremely informative and productive as we keep you on top of the latest information for health sciences libraries. We will also have fun and interesting activities in Savannah as we enjoy this beautiful city at the height of its glory in the Spring.

We will kick off the meeting Wednesday night with a reception at the newly furbished Marriott Riverfront Hotel, where we will be able to meet with our vendors and see what new and exciting products they will be offering. This will be a lot of fun, complete with drawings and prizes. Following the reception we will have the opportunity to take a Savannah Trolley Tour.

Thursday will be filled with good food, fellowship and lots of educational opportunities! Planned activities include a DOCLINE panel discussion, a lecture on political and legal issues related to copyright, a presentation on setting up a health sciences library in Nigeria, and our annual Miriam Libbey lecture. This year's Libbey speaker is Mercer University's Jan LaBeause, who will be looking at the image of the librarian as portrayed in movies. As always, all meals are included that day, so whatever you do don't miss Thursday nights' banquet - The Low Country Boil - a Savannah Tradition!

Friday is our continuing education day. Tentatively, we will be offering an advanced PDA class taught by Lee McCarley of Mercer. Lee taught a beginning PDA class at the 2002 Atlanta meeting, and it was a huge hit. Bryan Vogh from NLM will be offering a class on Web Usability. We also have scheduled Alan Harkness from Gwinnett Public Library System to teach a four hour class on customer service. He did a one hour class for the Atlanta Consortium, and it was unanimous to invite him to Savannah to do his complete course. The class is fun, full of humor and full of very good ideas to use in the

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# Annual Meeting 2002

Annual Meeting  
Georgia Health Sciences Library  
Association  
Thursday, March 14, 2002  
Crowne Plaza Ravinia Hotel  
Atlanta, Georgia

## MINUTES

President Cathy Woolbright opened the business meeting at 9:10 a.m. and introduced the executive board members to the rest of the assembled membership. She called for approval of the minutes of the 2001 Annual Meeting, and the membership approved the document by acclamation.

Mia Sohn White presented the treasurer's report, and Miriam Hudgins followed with the *Update* report. Secretary Mike Shadix announced that the Executive Board had met four times since the last meeting and that copies of the minutes of these meetings were available upon request. Parliamentarian Beth Poisson confirmed once again that all meetings of the organization had been conducted according to "Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised."

Webmaster Lee McCarley made the membership aware of the organization's new web page at [www.ghsla.org](http://www.ghsla.org). The organization, he said, also has a new email discussion list at GHSLA-L. Instructions for joining the discussion list appear on the new web page. McCarley concluded his report with a request for feedback about the new web page and for URL suggestions for the Links page.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Miriam Libbey:** Mary Fielder announced that the Miriam Libbey speaker for this meeting will be Linda Garr Markwell. The Miriam Libbey committee will be making an effort to collect the text of all of the past Miriam

Libbey presentations. That way the organization will be able to keep the presentations in its archives and post the speeches on the GHSLA web page.

**Continuing Education:** Susan Lee announced that four continuing education courses have been scheduled for this annual meeting. She told the membership that there was still room for people to sign up for classes.

**Consumer Health:** Jan Labeause told the membership that the consumer health committee's book chapter had been published in March, and that the organization received \$550.00 for the effort. The committee has participated in poster sessions about the project at MLA in Orlando and at the Triple-Chapter meeting in New Orleans. The committee is currently preparing a "brief communication" for submission to the Journal of the Medical Library Association.

**Membership:** Roxanne Nelson announced that the number of members in GHSLA has reached 76, one higher than the total number of members during all of 2001. She thanked Paula Christian for her help in recruiting new members and introduced the 11 new people who have joined recently for the first time. Nelson also announced that the executive board has named Fay Evatt as GHSLA's newest honorary member. In her introduction, Nelson read a long list of accomplishments from Evatt's 36-year career at Georgia Baptist Hospital. She will be retiring in May.

**Program Committee:** Paula Christian thanked everyone who helped with the planning and execution of the 2002 annual meeting. She also complimented the hotel staff and the vendors for their help in making the meeting a success.

**Nominating Committee:** Carolyn Brown presented the slate of nominees for elected positions in the organization, and the

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membership approved the nominations by a voice vote. The new officers of GHSLA are:

President:	Paula Christian
Vice President:	Roxanne Nelson
Treasurer:	Mia Sohn White
Secretary:	Peter Shipman
Parliamentarian:	Pamela Queen
Webmaster:	Lee McCarley

Because her term as president of the organization was drawing to a close, Cathy Woolbright spoke a few final words about her service to GHSLA. She said it was an honor to be president of GHSLA, and then she thanked everyone for the willingness to help out when needed. She finished her remarks by encouraging everyone to volunteer for officer positions. On behalf of GHSLA, Paula Christian presented a crystal pitcher to Woolbright as a token of appreciation for her service.

Incoming Vice President Roxanne Nelson announced that the 2003 annual meeting would be held in Savannah. The members of the executive board gathered at the front of the room to sing "Savannah, Georgia Here

We Come." Lee McCarley entertained the membership with a few jokes, and Beth Poisson returned to the front of the room to perform a one-woman skit about the "King of Librarian Leprechauns." Poisson also performed a song she wrote in honor of the victims of the September 11 tragedy in New York City.

Acting as Southern Chapter Credentialing Liaison and as a member of the MLA Credentialing Committee, Sandra Franklin offered her assistance to anyone who is interested in becoming a member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals. Members of the academy can now be certified in the specialty field of consumer health. According to Franklin, other special certifications will be discussed at the next MLA meeting in Dallas.

There being no further business, Cathy Woolbright adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Submitted by:

Michael D. Shadix  
Secretary

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library as well as in life. All of these terrific classes will offer MLA credit, so plan to stay on Friday and join us for one or more classes.

Our GHSLA members are growing each year both personally and as a group. Please plan to join us as we continue to grow in knowledge, lift each other up, and build strong bonds with one another. I am looking forward to seeing each of you in Savannah!

Paula Christian  
President GHSLA

**See you in 2003!**

**Savannah Marriott  
Riverfront Hotel**

**March 12-14, 2003**



## Who's Taking Care of the Librarian ?

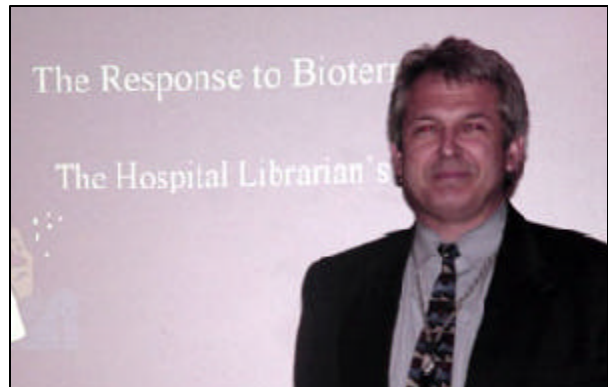
Increasing Our Knowledge and Skills In A Rapidly Changing World and Medical Environment



(left-right) Miriam Libbey speaker, Linda Garr Markwell, and GHSLA's newest honorary member, Fay Evatt



GHSLA members enjoyed great food and entertainment at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia in Atlanta.



Educational sessions ranged from humor to bioterrorism to PDA's.



Love those door prizes!



Savannah, Georgia, here we come!

## Members 2002

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Honorary Member

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**Allen, Beverly**  
Morehouse School of Medicine

**Arango, Xiomara**  
Morehouse School of Medicine

**Arrington, Richard**  
Rittenhouse Book Distributors, Inc.

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DeKalb Medical Center

**Bartlett, Opal**  
Honorary Member

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Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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Memorial Health University Medical Center

**Brooks, Gary**  
Majors Scientific Books, Inc.

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Emory University School of Medicine

**Burns, Carol**  
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Honorary Member

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**Christian, Paula**  
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Winn Army Community Hospital

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Shepherd Center

**Hobbs, Janet**  
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Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston

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