Greetings from the President

Greetings GHSLA members,

I’m sad to announce that Liz Marvel, our current President, has resigned from her post. Liz is making a career change and will begin working at the Atlanta Botanical Garden starting in September. We wish her much success in her new position and thank her for her valuable contributions to GHSLA and to the library world. She will be missed! I will be taking over the reins as president this year and will continue to be the Program Chair for our next GHSLA conference.

In the past few years, there has been a steady decline in attendance at our annual meetings. Some of our members have stated that they are unable to attend the meetings due to travel budget cuts. After discussing with the GHSLA executive board, we’ve decided to reduce conference registration fees for our next GHSLA conference. We will also have a combined CE with the Mercer Medical Library’s Georgia Interactive Network (GaIN) meeting.

The meeting will be on March 25th in Macon, Georgia at Mercer University during Macon’s international Cherry Blossom Festival. The cost of the GHSLA meeting registration will be $50.00 (excluding dinner and the CE), and the meeting will only be one day, unless attending the morning CE on the following day. We hope that the lower registration fee and a more centralized location for the conference will make it easier for our members to attend.

Stay tuned for more information on the conference! I hope that all of you are having a wonderful end to your summer and wishing all of you a nice, cool fall!

Kim Meeks, MLIS, AHIP
GHSLA President, 2014-2016
## Treasurer’s Report

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Prepared by: Kim Powell, GHSLA Treasurer

## 2014—2015 GHSLA Officers

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2014 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order: The annual business meeting of the GHSLA was called to order at 9:07 AM. President Tara Douglas-Williams welcomed everyone and thanked vendors for coming to the meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the 2013 GHSLA Annual Meeting will be sent to the listserv for approval.

III. Officer reports

A. Secretary: Skye Bickett had no formal report.

B. Treasurer: Kimberly Powell reported that half of the checks for the meeting have been deposited and GHSLA has over $14,000 in the account. The meeting had 14 registered members and 6 vendors. Elsevier also made a donation to GHSLA.

C. UPDATE Editor: Carolann Curry reported that people have been submitting to the newsletter without being members. She hasn’t been sure whether or not to publish their news, but has included. Suggested to add something to the bylaws. It was suggested that Ms. Curry send a membership form to those who submit and aren’t members and let them know that only members can submit.

D. Webmaster: Sharon Leslie said that she has redone the website over the past year and moved it to a blog format. Members can get email alerts for updates. She performed an assessment to see what information was missing and wants to check archives for missing information. She said the bylaws do not have a website committee. Amy Allison said that the original website committee was ad hoc and asked if a full committee was needed. Ms. Leslie said that help was needed for content, so a committee isn’t necessary. Ms. Douglas-Williams suggested each chair can help with content and be on a committee if created. Mia White stated that the ad hoc committee was created as backup for updating/editing the website. Ms. Leslie has created notes about how to update the website and other webmaster duties and placed them on the executive committee portion of the website.

Guest Julia Esparza said that it would be useful to post at least the past 5 years of officers and chairs so that it could be verified for AHIP or to get information from previous years. Carolyn

(Minutes continued on page 4)
Brown asked about adding more than just Georgia job openings to the website. Ms. Leslie said that she could add more jobs to the website if she gets the information.

**E. Parliamentarian:** Kevin Bradford asked if bylaws needed to be reviewed. Ms. Douglas-Williams said that they do need a review and update. Mr. Bradford volunteered to review.

**F. President-Elect/Program Chair:** Elizabeth Marvel reviewed the events of the day and encouraged members to tour the grounds.

**IV. Committee Reports**

**A. Program:** Elizabeth Marvel stated report during Officer Report.


- **President:** Elizabeth Marvel
- **President-Elect:** Kim Meeks
- **Secretary:** Skye Bickett
- **Treasurer:** Kimberly Powell
- **Parliamentarian:** Kevin Bradford
- **UPDATE Editor:** Carolann Curry
- **Webmaster:** Sharon Leslie

Ms. Leslie brought up that Ms. Curry has served the term length for UPDATE Editor stipulated in the bylaws. Ms. Curry agrees to serve another term, but wanted to be in accordance with bylaws. Ms. Allison motioned to suspend the bylaws for this issue and approve the slate of officers. Ms. White seconded the motion. All approved the slate of officers.

**C. Consumer Health:** Shannon Glover had no formal report. She did say if anyone would like to help with the committee to let her know. Also, she wanted to start having monthly information sent to Ms. Leslie to add to the website.

**D. Continuing Education:** Carolyn Brown had no formal report.

**E. Legacy Scholarship:** Tara Douglas-Williams reported that no students applied for the scholarship. Stated that changes will be made to make the scholarship available to students and paraprofessionals.

**F. Membership:** Skye Bickett reported that there are 35 renewed members, 1 returning member, and 11 honorary members. Call for nominations for honorary members. Ms. Marvel said she would like to nominate Jane Bridges and Steve Koplan. Ms. White said she would like to nominate Kathy Torrente. Ms. Bickett reminded them that a letter of nomination is needed. The letter will be sent to the executive committee for voting to approve honorary membership. Ms. Bickett reminded people that they can volunteer to serve on committees and that the list of volunteers is sent to committee chairs.

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Ms. White asked how current membership compared to previous years. Ms. Bickett stated that she only has information from the past 3 years, but last year GHSLA had around 80 members and this year, so far we have 36. Ms. Powell stated that she has member information for previous years and can work with Ms. Bickett to compare information. Ms. Powell suggested creating and sending out a survey to those who have not renewed. Ms. Brown suggested calling people, too, to make it more personal. Ms. White stated that more outreach needs to be done to various librarians who handle health sciences information. George Duncan suggested collaborating or offering membership to public librarians who handle consumer health questions. Ms. Douglas-Williams commented that Morehouse does outreach to public libraries and she thinks reaching out to them would be beneficial. Ms. Esparza mentioned that MLA has a list of consumer health specializations and we could check that website to find potential members.

G. Miriam Libbey: Jane Bridges sent in her report stating that Joe Swanson is this year’s speaker. She also listed previous Miriam Libbey Lecturers; Ms. Leslie stated that this list is also on the GHSLA website.

H. Outreach: Mike Shadix had no report to send in.

I. Strategic Planning: Tara Douglas-Williams stated that Emily Lawson will be taking over this committee. However, she said that the committee needs to review the goals and mission of GHSLA and perhaps rewrite them. Will send an email/survey to membership about changes sometime this summer. Ms. Powell reiterated that sending a survey to members could also include those who have not renewed. Ms. Douglas-Williams stated that membership renewals have become a problem at even the national level of MLA. We need to keep our members connected and coming to meetings.

V. Old Business

A. General discussion about how meetings could be held – joint, virtual, one day, alternate between 2 places, hold during SC/MLA.

VI. New Business

A. Legacy Scholarship changes: Discussed during officer reports.

B. New GHSLA Travel Stipend: Ms. Allison and committee members Ms. Powell, Anita Ondrusek, and Ms. Brown created a stipend and application for professional librarians. The stipend will cover registration and up to 1 CE course and applicant must be a GHSLA member in good standing. Some things may change based on changes to Legacy Scholarship. Ms. Glover asked if members can only receive the stipend once or multiple times. Suggestion made and supported by multiple people that preference should be given to those who
have never received it. Ms. Allison said that the application could be reworded and then sent to membership for voting.

C. Member participation: Ms. Bickett brought up that members don’t seem to participate much in this and other associations, such as SC/MLA, AHSIC, etc. and some of the same people serve multiple times. She said that people also volunteer, but don’t follow through with work on committees or whatever office they hold. Ms. Douglas-Williams agreed saying that things are made easier by everyone doing a little work and that knowing it isn’t too much work would make people more active in GHSLA. Ms. Allison said that encouragement to others letting them know that they can do it and have the capacity to lead/volunteer would be helpful. Ms. Glover mentioned that it would be helpful to get a list sent to the listserv of who’s on which committee. Ms. Douglas-Williams suggested having co-chairs so that 1 person does the main part of the job while the other is being trained. The one being trained becomes the main chair the next year. The list of who’s on committees could be added to the website. Ms. Powell suggested putting this discussion to the listserv to spread communication and chatter for officer and committee requests.

D. Policies and Procedures Manual: Ms. Leslie stated that when officers or chairs take over a position they may not know what they are supposed to do in that position. Most information is in boxes and passed down. Perhaps we should create policies and procedures with a calendar arrangement. She has found several that could serve as an example for current officers and chairs. She is willing to initiate the draft of guidelines. Ms. Bickett suggested having the officers and chairs handle drafts for their position and committees. All in attendance agreed that this would be beneficial to the organization and future officers and chairs.

VII. Announcements

A. Ms. Ondrusek stated that Valdosta state has been reaccredited by ALA. No students have been on the health sciences track in 2-3 years, so ALA questioned the value of this track. There was general discussion on the topic. Ms. Powell suggested having a panel from GHSLA speak to students.

B. Ms. Marvel thanked Ms. Douglas-Williams for her service as president of GHSLA

C. The 2018 Medical Library Association (MLA) meeting will be held in Atlanta. Suggestions were made to somehow be involved or work with MLA on this meeting.

VIII. Adjourned at 10:16 AM.

Respectfully submitted by:
Skye Bickett, GHSLA Secretary 2014
First-Time Attendee Experience

I’ve been a member of GHSLA since 2007. Because of limited travel funding and increased budget cuts at my institution, I have been unable to attend a GHSLA Annual Meeting. Since 2010 I have been an active member of the organization, serving as Parliamentarian for two terms from 2010-2011 and have served as the Update newsletter Editor from 2011 to present. I have tried to contribute to the association despite my library’s travel funding constraints.

In 2013, the GHSLA Executive Committee began discussions of a travel scholarship for situations similar to mine. While the stipend had not fully materialized, I was still able to attend the annual meeting. It was a great experience and I enjoyed meeting many of the members, some who I had only corresponded with via telephone or email.

Barnsley Gardens was an exceptional location, rich with beauty and history. The venue was ideal for networking and re-connecting with other health science information professionals. The conference included many valuable programs, including two great CE classes; “Communicating Clinically” with Julia Esparza drew a great crowd and the “AND PICO Was His Name-O” class by NN/LM’s Sheila Snow-Croft was informative too. I especially enjoyed Christine Willis and Skye Bickett’s interactive panel discussion on publishing and presentation barriers.

This year the GHSLA Executive Committee is happy to announce the Annual Meeting Member Stipend to allow members who have limited or no travel funding to attend the GHSLA Annual Meeting. I encourage those in similar situations as mine, especially early-career health sciences librarians, to apply for the award. My Spring 2014 Annual Meeting experience was unforgettable!

Editorial by: Carolann Curry

Travel Funding Opportunities for 2015 Annual Meeting

It may seem too early to think about the annual meeting in March, but it’s not too early to consider funding opportunities to defray the cost of travel to the meeting. The Executive Committee has approved a recommendation by the Scholarship Committee to offer two new stipends for members.

The Annual Meeting Member Stipend provides assistance to members of the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association (GHSLA) in funding participation in the annual meeting. It is designed to encourage involvement in the organization. The stipend will cover registration for the Annual GHSLA meeting and up to one continuing education course. Up to two stipends can be awarded each year.

Any member in good standing may apply for a stipend. Preference will be given to:

- First time attendees
- Applicants who demonstrate active involvement in the organization, such as service on a committee or as an officer
- Applicants whose travel is not funded by their employer

Applications are due December 12, 2014. Recipients will be notified by the first part of January.

For the application, see pages 8-9 of the newsletter or visit http://ghsla.org/about/scholarships/

Submitted by: Amy Allison, GHSLA Scholarship Committee Chair 2014

From left to right: Christine Willis, Skye Bickett, Carolann Curry, Anne Kramer, Mia White
Georgia Health Sciences Library Association
Annual Meeting Member Stipend

Purpose
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Eligibility Guidelines
An applicant must be a member in good standing of GHSLA.

Procedures
The application packet will consist of:
- Application form
- A brief statement (no more than 300 words) explaining how participation in the annual meeting will benefit the applicant’s professional development.

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Criteria for Evaluation
The Scholarship Committee will evaluate applicants based on the application and the statement. Preference will be given to
- First time attendees
- Applicants who demonstrate active involvement in the organization, such as service on a committee or as an officer
- Applicants whose travel is not funded by their employer

Requirement
Awardees are expected to attend the business meeting and two program sessions and must submit a brief article about their meeting experience to the committee for potential inclusion in the GHSLA newsletter.
Application Form: Member Travel Stipend

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Email:
Employer:
Your position:

Have you ever attended a GHSLA annual meeting? (Answer yes or no.)
Does your employer reimburse any of your travel expenses? (Answer yes or no.)
Additional explanation about travel reimbursement:

List committees, offices or other positions or work that you have contributed to GHSLA.

List any other professional organizations to which you belong:

Attach a brief (200-300 words) statement explaining how attending this meeting will benefit your professional development and how you intend to use the information gained from attending this meeting.

Email completed application by December 12, 2014 to:
Amy Allison, Chair Scholarship Committee
Amy.allison@emory.edu
Member News & Announcements

Skye Bickett (GA-PCOM), MLIS, AHIP co-authored a contributed paper and poster with PF Anderson, Joanne Doucette, Pamela Herring, Judy Kammerer, Andrea Kepsel, Tierney Lyons, Scott McLachlan, Ingrid Tonisson, and Lin Wu at the MLA 2014 Annual Meeting.

The paper was titled “Future Technological Practices: Medical Librarians’ Skills and Information Structures for Continued Effectiveness in a Changing Environment.” The poster was titled “Tools for Building Our Information Future: Emerging Technologies Vital to Medical Libraries” and won the Honorable Mention Poster Award from the MLA Research Section.

Skye also co-authored a poster with Robert D. Beckett, Sabrina W. Cole, Christina Seeger, Jennifer A. McDaniel, and Hannah Knott Rogers and presented during the Lightning Librarians session at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy 2014 Meeting. The poster was titled “Updating the Core List of Journals for Libraries that Serve Schools and Colleges of Pharmacy” and the presentation was titled “Emerging Trends for Academic Libraries: Tools to Enhance Your Work.”

Skye wrote a column titled “BrowZine: A Review” for Journal of Electronic Resources in Medical Libraries, became chair-elect and program chair for the Pharmacy and Drug Information Section of MLA, and was named the Alternative and Complementary Therapies Column Editor for the Journal of Consumer Health on the Internet.

Open Access Resolution passed in GRU Faculty Senate

The Libraries approached the University Senate to consider adopting an open access resolution. An ad hoc committee was formed to decide if an open access resolution would be beneficial for our campus community. Faculty members from each college were invited to join the committee.

The committee met to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of open access dissemination of scholarly activities, as well as the many methods of open access publishing.

With a unanimous vote, the committee members agreed to draft an open access resolution. The resolution aimed to address four areas:

1. copyright/authors’ rights
2. institutional repositories
3. increased dissemination of research
4. economic barriers

The resolution was drafted and presented at the April 2014 University Senate meeting. The Senate voted to accept a resolution on the “Support of Open Access Dissemination of Research.”

Of note, the resolution “calls on the University Libraries to provide educational opportunities that help faculty, staff, and students understand the system of scholarly communication, including authors’ rights, the process of submitting works to Scholarly Commons, dissemination of scholarly works through open access methods, and Creative Commons licensing.”

Submitted by: Lindsey Blake
Kim Meeks, MLIS, AHIP, Interim Director of the Mercer Medical Library, volunteered to be a member of the NNLM SE/A Resource Library Director PAC committee. On March 10th, Kim and five other directors from the region attended a meeting at the University of Baltimore, Maryland with Dale Prince, Executive Director, National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern/Atlantic Region and M.J. Tooey, Director, National Network of Libraries of Medicine, Southeastern/Atlantic Region. The group reviewed the current Resource Library Agreement and discussed changes that needed to be made. In April, the PAC group also served as evaluators for the grant proposals for the $50,000 “Outreach to Consumers” awards provided by NN/LM.

Kim also attended the Consortium of Southern Biomedical Libraries (CONBLS) meeting in Nashville, Tennessee from April 9th–April 11th.

Emory University Clinical Informationists Amy Allison, MLS, AHIP, Kevin Bradford, MLS, John Nemeth, MSLS and Mia White, MLIS, AHIP presented a poster at this year’s MLA meeting related to their work with Emory’s Emergency Medicine Residents.

Their goals included assessing residents’ skills locating information to address clinical questions and to use the results to customize instruction. The end objectives were to

- tailor sessions based on performance
- raise self-awareness of residents’ abilities in building skills for selecting appropriate tools and formulating strategies to locate published evidence


Submitted by: Mia White

Carolann Curry (Mercer Medical Library—Macon), MLIS was promoted from Library Instructor to Library Assistant Professor on July 1, 2014. Her previous position as Reference & Document Delivery Librarian has been expanded into a new position, Outreach Coordinator & Interlibrary Loan Librarian.

Carolann was selected as a recipient of the 2014 MLA/EBSCO Annual Meeting Grant. She was honored at the Awards Ceremony and Luncheon of the Medical Library Association (MLA)’s annual meeting in Chicago, IL on May 19, 2014.

Carolann was also recently appointed to the editorial board of the Journal of the Medical Library Association (JMLA). Her three-year appointment will begin June 1, 2014.

Carolann also authored two consumer health book reviews in Library Journal. Chia Vitality: 30 Days to Better Health, Greater Vibrancy, and a More Meaningful and Purposeful Life by Janie Hoffman was published on Apr. 1, 139(6): 107 and Prepare To Defend Yourself: How To Navigate the Healthcare System & Escape with Your Life by Matthew Minson was published on May 1, 139(8):93.
**Member News Cont.**

**Alisha Miles,** MLIS, Assistant Director for Public Services at Mercer Medical Library—Macon, co-authored a poster with Carolyn Klatt, MLIS, Mercer University School of Medicine—Savannah and Memorial University Medical Center—Savannah, and Mercer University faculty members (Ignatoff J, Thomas M, Miles A, and Klatt E) titled “Journal Club Jeopardy©”. The poster was presented at the 2014 International Association of Medical Science Educators (IAMSE) Annual Meeting on June 7, 2014 in Nashville, TN.

**Alisha** also presented “Social Media and the Physician: Managing your online presence in a tech savvy world.” at the Hall County Medical Society on June 25, 2014 in Gainesville, Ga.

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**Greenblatt Library Faculty Publications**


**Lindsay Blake & Darra Ballance** (2013): Teaching Evidence-Based Practice in the Hospital and Library: Two Different Groups, One Course. *Medical Reference Services Quarterly, 32*:1, 100-110.


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**GRU’s MLA Presentations and Posters**

“Building a DREAM: Medical Librarians Collaborate To Create A Health Sciences Assessment Tools Database.” Kathy Davies, MLS and **Lindsay Blake**, MLIS, AHIP

“Research Information Architect: Building Research Information Infrastructure through ORCID Integration in University Systems.” Kim Mears, MLIS, AHIP; Sandra Bandy, MLIS, AHIP; Brenda Seago, MLS, MA, PhD.

“Flip-flop: reflections on reversing flipped information literacy instruction for pre-college health profession students.” Kim Mears, MLIS, AHIP and **Peter Shipman**, MLIS

S’elling the Libraries: Constructing a Marketing Plan.” Kim Mears, MLIS, AHIP; Autumn Johnson, MLIS; Renee Sharrock; Ginny Loveless, MPA; Matthew Whittington

“For the Mouths of Babes: Nutrition Literacy Outreach to a Child Care Center.” **Darra Ballance**, MLIS, AHIP

“Disaster Health Information: Building A Bridge To National Library of Medicine Information Resources.” Kathy Davies, MLS, Brenda Seago; MLS, MA, PhD and Andy Bruner, BA

**GRU news submitted by: Lindsey Blake**
NLM Awards Biomedical Informatics course to GRU

The National Library of Medicine has awarded Robert B. Greenblatt M.D. Library, Georgia Regents University a multi-year, $1.7 million contract to host the NLM Georgia Biomedical Informatics Course.

The course, previously held at the Marine Biological Laboratory in Woods Hole, Massachusetts, offers participants a week-long immersive experience in biomedical informatics and provides continuing education to health care professionals interested in the application of computer technologies to medicine. The Georgia course will be held at Brasstown Valley.

The fall class is scheduled for September 14-20, 2014. Please see more information here: NLM Georgia Biomedical Informatics Course.

Smithsonianmag.com

The photograph collection in the Historical Collections and Archives of the Greenblatt Library includes class photographs of the Medical College of Georgia. Some of the earliest class photos included an essential character to the history of MCG, Grandison Harris, the school’s resurrection man. Just as he played a part in the background in the school’s history, Mr. Harris stood in the back row in the class photos.

The Smithsonian online magazine features an article about Harris and includes three class photographs. The photographs are believed to be the only ones of Harris to exist. While the original photographs are kept in the Historical Collections and Archives, digitized versions are available online via the Greenblatt Library website.

GRU news submitted by: Lindsey Blake

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