Greetings from the President

Members of the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association,

Time flies! Here we are at the beginning of August and I hope this finds you having a productive and fulfilling year. Our meeting this past March seems so far away, but I’m happy to report that it was a successful and informative event. Our theme was Meaningful connections: Cultivating partnerships for better health and the presenters did not disappoint in showcasing ways to collaborate and communicate with key stakeholders and patrons.

Tara Douglas-Williams (Morehouse) and Sandra Franklin (Emory) provided a wonderful overview on “Essential Connections: Integrating Informatics to Enhance Collaboration”. Steve Wagner, from the Children’s Foundation, gave a lively talk entitled "Will you go out with me?" (Lessons in communication and relationship building that we can learn from middle school dating). After lunch and spending time with our vendors (we’re very grateful for their financial support!), T. Scott Plutchak (UA – Birmingham), our Miriam Libbey Lecturer, posed a number of thought-provoking questions as to the attitudes of and relationships between librarians and publishers. Todd Prusin (GSU) facilitated a panel discussion on “Clinical Librarianship and Department Liaisons” with clinicians from Atlanta Medical Center, Children’s, and Mercer University that highlighted various services provided by librarians “outside of the library”. The next day, Anne Gilliland (formerly of OSU, now UNC) taught a useful class, “Copyright for Health Sciences Librarians”. With her dual background in law and health sciences libraries, she was able to answer many of our “burning” questions about copyright and fair use in terms of teaching and sharing electronic resources.

A very special thanks to Todd Prusin, Liz Marvel, Skye Bickett, Kate Daniels, and Anne Kramer for their support and assistance putting this meeting together and helping it run smoothly!

So, that brings us to next year’s meeting! Tara Douglas-Williams, the Program Chair, is hard at work putting together an agenda that is sure to inform, educate, and inspire. Using input received after March’s meeting survey, it has been decided that the location will be 1-2 hours outside of the Atlanta area. We will be staying with the 1-day meeting format with a CE class offered the following day. The exact date and location will be...
announced shortly. As requested, we will make every effort to get the final agenda and registration form to you by the end of the year.

We are still in need of Chairs for the Outreach and Continuing Education committees; please contact me if you’re interested. If you haven’t served as a Chair before, don’t let this keep you from stepping up. Enthusiasm, curiosity, and a desire to learn and share is all you need!

Thank you,
Emily Lawson, President
August 7, 2012

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GHSLA 2012-2013 Treasurer's Report

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**Funds available as of August 10, 2012** $20,109.48

Submitted by: Elizabeth Marvel, Treasurer
GHSLA Annual Business Meeting Minutes  
Atlanta Perimeter Center Marriott  
Friday, March 9, 2012

I. Call to Order:
The annual business meeting of the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association was call to order by President Todd Prusin at 9:07 am.

II. Officer Reports
President-elect Emily Lawson welcomed attendees to the annual meeting. There was no report.
Emily announced that the CE course was to be held in this room at 9 am.
Treasurer Liz Marvel announced that there is $23,659.49 in the account.
Webmaster Mike Shadix announced that all components of the website were operating well. Todd Prusin is currently looking for a recipient for Webmaster.

III. Committee Reports
Promotions Committee: No report

Strategic Planning: Changed Legacy Scholarship requirements to include students that are NOT a resident of Georgia. Tara Douglas-Williams suggested revamping the mission statement. She also suggested that we think more about how we accomplish our goals. Alabama would like to combine their meeting with the GHSLA annual meeting. There are 68 members, 10 honorary members and 59 paid members in GHSLA. How can we meet our member’s needs?

Nominating Committee: Nominating Committee Chair called for nominations from the floor and the following slate was offered for 2012-2013 officers:

President: Emily Lawson (Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston)
President-elect: Tara Douglas-Williams (Morehouse School of Medicine)
Secretary: Tanji Gibson (Atlanta Medical Center)
Treasurer: Liz Marvel (Marcus Autism Center)
Parliamentarian: Kevin Bradford (Emory University)
Editor: Carolann Curry (Mercer Medical Library)
Webmaster: Tom Cutshall (Georgia Health Sciences University)
Miriam Libbey Committee: Pleased to have Scott Plutchak as our speaker.

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IV. Approval of Minutes:
The minutes were approved for the 2011 meeting.

V. Old Business:
Members asked for more notice for the meeting. Some members made the following suggestions: the meeting to be announced in October; partnering with bigger organizations (GAIN meeting) and having the meeting somewhere centrally/locally (Macon)

VI. New Business:
The Legacy Scholarship has been in place for 4 years. The last time the scholarship was awarded was 1999. Dr. Anita Ondrusek contributed to the scholarship. This year’s recipient is Shannon Glover. She is a recent graduate of Valdosta State. Shannon interned at Morehouse School of Medicine and is a former employee of the Medical College of Georgia. It was suggested that we honor past members who exhibited outstanding professionalism and have been strong advocate for libraries. Todd Prusin received a promotion and published an article. Emily Lawson and Sharon Leslie were awarded the Bioinformatics Fellowship at Woods Hole.

VII. Adjournment:
Todd Prusin adjourned the meeting at 9:48 am.

Submit by: Tanji Gibson, Secretary

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Member News & Announcements

Jan LaBeause Retires

Jan LaBeause, MLS, AHIP, director of the Medical Library & LRC of Mercer University School of Medicine, director of GaIN (Georgia Interactive Network for Medical Information) and Library Professor at Mercer in Macon, Georgia, retired July 31, 2012. She has worked in health sciences libraries since 1966, and has especially enjoyed the friends she’s made through MLA and the Southern Chapter. Prior to her appointment at Mercer in 1993, she worked in the libraries of Campbell Clinic, LeBonheur Children’s Medical Center and the University of Tennessee Center for the Health Sciences. When asked “why retire now?”, she replied: I am really looking forward to retiring while I am still in good health and have a lot of trips to take, quilts to make and projects to check off my bucket list.

Submitted by: Roxanne Nelson, Mercer Medical Library

Mercer and Columbus Partnership

The Mercer University School of Medicine (MUSM) has established a Columbus campus in partnership with The Medical Center and St. Francis Hospital. The campus began accepting students on their clinical rotations this summer. MUSM Library staff have developed and cataloged a new collection for the location; Alisha Miles, MLIS, AHIP, is the Manager of Library Services at the Columbus Campus.

Submitted by: David Greenebaum, Mercer Medical Library

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Jane Bridges, ML, AHIP, Associate Director of the MUSM Health Sciences Library-Savannah Campus has published an article, "Obtaining Medical Literature in an Information-rich World," in the *Journal of the Medical Association of Georgia*. 2012. 101(2): 15-16.

Submitted by: David Greenebaum, Mercer Medical Library

Todd Prusin, a librarian at Georgia State University, has been promoted to assistant professor. He also published “Laboratory Office Hours As Outreach In The Health Sciences: Better Research Skills For Better Careers,” in a recent issue of Public Services Quarterly.


Submitted by: Todd Prusin, Georgia State University

Greenblatt Library Grants and Staff Presentations

In May, Sandra Bandy and Renee Sharrock, Curator, Historical Collections & Archives, were awarded the NN/LM SE/A Express Digitalization and Conservation Award. The $5000 in project funds will be used to digitize the *Southern Medical and Surgical Journal* (SMSJ) which was first published in June 1836. Additional materials include faculty and board of trustees meetings from 1829-1892 as well as some student register books dating back to 1832-1870. Digitalized materials will be located in the Georgia Health Sciences University institutional repository, Scholarly Commons.

Several GHSU librarians presented papers and posters at the recent MLA conference in Seattle. Lindsay Blake and Darra Ballance presented their paper “A whole new ballgame: teaching evidence-based practice in the hospital.” Julie Gaines, Head of the Medical Partnership Library, GHSU/University of Georgia Medical Partnership Campus in Athens, presented the poster “Reinventing the Librarian as a Core Educator on a New Medical School Campus.”

Darra Ballance presented a concurrent session at the National Rural Health Association conference in Denver, April 2012: “Evaluating the satisfaction of rural volunteer faculty.” Four Greenblatt Library staff members presented at the recent Central Savannah River Area (CSRA) Library Association 3rd annual meeting on May 25. Renee Sharrock presented “Personal Digital Archiving”; Tom Cutshall and Lindsay Blake presented “Developing a Mobile Library Website”; and Hiu-shan(Christina) Yau, Tom Cutshall and Lindsay Blake presented “eJournal and eBook Navigator @ GHSU.”

Submitted by: Darra Ballance, Georgia Health Sciences University

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Brenda Seago Named Director of Libraries

Brenda Seago, former Administrative Director of the Center for Human Simulation and Patient Safety and Associate Professor at Virginia Commonwealth University, has been named Director of the Robert B. Greenblatt, M.D. Library at Georgia Health Sciences University.

Prior to serving as Director of the Center for Human Simulation and Patient Safety, Seago directed the university’s VCU School of Medicine Computer Based Instruction Lab/Learning Resource Center and served as a clinical medical librarian in the university’s Tompkins-McCaw Library for the Health Sciences.

During her VCU tenure, she served as the School of Medicine’s representative to the Association of American Medical Colleges Group on Information Resources and the university’s Libraries Advisory Committee. She received the School of Medicine’s Educational Innovation Award.

Seago has chaired the Medical Library Association’s Publications Committee and Educational Media and Technologies section and served on the association’s Continuing Education and Governmental Relations Committees and Editorial Board for the Bulletin of the Medical Library Association.

She is past New Journals Editor for the Journal of the American Medical Association and is former Chair and Treasurer of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Medical Library Association. She also authored a chapter in the textbook, “Introduction to Health Sciences Librarianship.”

Seago earned master’s degrees in English and library science from Virginia Tech and the University of Maryland, respectively, and a doctorate in public policy and administration from VCU.

“New U”: GHSU and Augusta State University Consolidation

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia voted on Jan. 10 to consolidate Augusta State University with Georgia Health Sciences University. The merger is one of four consolidations being implemented throughout the 35-member university system. While we will maintain both the Reese Library at ASU and the Greenblatt Library at GHSU, some collections and services will shift or be consolidated.

Visit the consolidation web site for more information: http://asughsu.org/

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