Greetings from the President

It is hard to believe that my tenure as President is over half way through! The GHSLA executive board has been very busy since our annual meeting in Columbus, March 2001. First, we have decided to change our Web host, and along with that, our listserve host. Doing so will make transitioning from outgoing to incoming webmasters transparent, as well as the administration of the listserve. We have been most fortunate to have had the use of the Emory fileserver for our web host over the years. But with the departure of Ingrid and her significant contributions to the GHSLA web site, we saw an even greater need to be able to move smoothly from one web administrator to another.

Additionally, we will move our listserve to the same host. Medical College of Georgia has been working with Donna Trainor to provide us with this service. We are especially thankful for Donna, who initiated the listserve months before her retirement and has been maintaining the listserve for us ever since. We have not let Donna off the hook, however, as we have been fortunate to have her remain as the Chair of Strategic Planning, a committee dear to her heart.

Look to the current website for future postings on the new addresses and be an active participant in the listserve. The Executive Committee welcomes comments and suggestions throughout the year. Your input will make GHSLA a dynamic and serviceable organization for its members.

Paula Christian has been very busy as the Vice President and Chair of the Program Committee for our upcoming 2002 Annual Meeting. Our host site and accommodations are superb! From a fully equipped spa to a world class restaurant under its roof, to shopping right across the street at Perimeter Mall, the Crowne Plaza Ravinia has it all. But best of all, the speakers, classes and entertainment the committee has lined up

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Atlanta Hosts 2002 Annual Meeting

The 2002 GHSLA Annual Meeting will be held in Atlanta Wednesday, March 13 -Friday, March 15 at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia.

The theme of this year's meeting is *Who's Helping the Librarian? Increasing Our Knowledge and Skills In A Rapidly Changing World and Medical Environment.* A program and registration form is included in this mailing. We expect a large attendence, so make your plans as soon as possible.

Make hotel reservations directly with the Crowne Plaza Ravinia:

Ashford Dunwoody Road, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30346 770/395-7700 FAX 770/392-9864

http://www.crowneplazaravinia.com/

Our special rate is \$135.00 for a single and \$156 for a double room. These rates will be honored through the weekend.

Memorial Health University Medical Center Becomes Mercer Clinical Campus

Beginning July 1, 2001, the Health Sciences Library at Memorial Health University Medical Center in Savannah became the Clinical Campus Branch of the Mercer Medical Library & Peyton T. Anderson Learning Resources Center in Macon, GA.

On October 1st, Jane Bridges, ML (formerly Manager of Educational Resources at the Leslie M. Stratton Nursing Library, Methodist Healthcare, Memphis, TN) joined the Mercer faculty as Clinical Campus Librarian. The Health Sciences Library is also staffed by Vanessa Wallace-Lonon, Library Technical Assistant III.



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will make the entire stay most rewarding. Plenty of spare time has been built into the program so that you can enjoy the amenities the conference site has to offer.

As President this year, I have to give all the credit to an outstanding Executive Board - after last year as VP and Program Chair, this year has been a breeze for me. From the guidance of our past President(s), Carolyn Brown, to the input of your representatives on the board, I have had the gift of a team who truly has put the needs and concerns of the GHSLA membership to the forefront in discussions of educational, networking, and future needs.

Remember, GHSLA is your voice - volunteer to serve as an officer, committee chair, or committee member. Send ideas or needs to the Executive Board for consideration, or recruit members. One audience we particularly want to tap is the large group of our technical assistants, library assistants and other library staff whose interests we also represent.

See you in Atlanta!

Cathy Woolbright

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GHSLA Executive Board at November meeting in Columbus (left-right: Mary Fielder, Miriam Hudgins, Paula Christain, Carolyn Brown, Mia Sohn White, Roxanne Nelson, Jan LaBeause, Mike Shadix; seated: Cathy Woolbright)



Georgia Health Science Library Association Annual Meeting Minutes, Hilton Hotel, Columbus, Georgia March 15, 2001

Call to Order: Carolyn Brown called the meeting to order at 8:50 a m

Approval of Minutes: The members approved the 2000 annual meeting minutes with one minor change on a motion by Donna Trainor and Paula Christian.

Officers' Reports:

Secretary: Mike Shadix reported that the executive committee had met four times since the last annual meeting, and that minutes were kept of each meeting. He encouraged

Treasurer: Paula Christian told the membership that GHSLA was in good shape financially because the organization made a good profit from last year's meeting. She also told the group that final report on the 2001 annual meeting would be prepared after the conclusion of all financial business of the event.

UPDATE Editor: Mia Sohn White reported that the UPDATE newsletter was published as normal at a cost of \$40 to \$50 per issue.

Parliamentarian: Beth Poisson reported that all meetings of the organization were conducted according to *Robert's Rules of Order*, *Newly Revised*.

Webmaster: Lee McCarley reported that he has updated the membership information on the GHSLA web page and added several new features during the past year. He thanked everyone who helped with this process.

Committee Reports

Program: Cathy Woolbright thanked everyone who helped with the preparation of the 2001 annual meeting. She asked that everyone file out and return the meeting evaluation form because the information gathered from the 2000 meeting had been helpful in the preparation of the 2001 meeting.

Consumer Health: Jan LaBeause reported that the book *Preventive Medicine and Patient Education* was due out the next day, March 16, 2001. Members of GHSLA prepared 55 pages of the 850-page book, and the organization will receive \$550 for their work. LaBeause thanked everyone who helped with the book and announced that all co-authors will receive a free copy of the book. LaBeause also announced that GHSLA's process of writing for the book has been accepted as a poster presentation at MLA 2001 in Orlando. The title of the poster will be "2001-The Final Chapter: A Collaborative Project of the Consumer Health Committee of the Georgia Health Science Library Association." Two announcements about consumer health librarianship were posted on the GHSLA e-mail distribution list. The first announced an electronic journal club about consumer health information and the second announced a new web-based tutorial on consumer health question by the NN/LM Pacific Northwest Region.

Membership: Roxanne Nelson read the names of five new members of GHSLA: Jeanette Blalock, Henry Medical Center; Sunitha Nair, Mercer Medical Library; John Roy, Blue Ridge AHEC; Peter Shipman, Medical College of Georgia and Ronald Wirtz, Medical College of Georgia. She also announced the names of two new honorary members: Donna Trainor and Carol Burns. Nelson then read the nomination letter for each new honorary member. GHSLA now has 9 honorary members and 61 regular members. Nelson concluded her report by thanking the members of the Membership Committee for their work during the past year.

Continuing Education: Lynette Ralph announced that two CE courses are being offered in conjunction with this annual meeting: Bringing your Library's Resources to the Web and SuperSearcher.

Miriam Libbey: Pamela Queen announced that Jocelyn Rankin would serve as the Miriam Libby speaker during the 2001 meeting. She thanked the members of her committee for their help in making the arrangements.

Strategic Planning: Donna Trainor thanked the members of the Strategic Planning Committee and stated that improved communication was one of the most important components of the current plan. Toward that goal the Strategic Planning Committee established a GHSLA e-mail list. This list is available to all members of GHSLA, and Trainor encouraged the membership to use the new service.

Nominating: Carolyn Brown presented the following slate of officer candidate for 2001-2002:

- President Cathy Woolbright
- Vice President Paula Christian
- Treasurer Mia Sohn White
- Secretary Michael Shadix
- Parliamentarian Beth Poisson
- Web Master Lee McCarley
- UPDATE Editor Shirley Williams

The membership approved the new officers on a motion by Jan LaBeause and second by Roxanne Nelson. Brown distributed copies of revised bylaws that state that from now on, the immediate past president of GHSLA will serve as chair of the nominating committee during the coming year.

Other Business

Paula Christian, Carolyn Brown and Beth Poisson performed a brief skit inviting the membership to next year's annual meeting at the Crown Plaza Rivinia in Atlanta. In addition to the skit, the drama team presented a short video about Atlanta attraction and distributed literature about the hotel and city. They also thanked Cathy Woolbright for her work organizing the 2001 annual meeting.

Cathy Woolbright presented a certificate of appreciation to outgoing president Carolyn Brown.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

- Respectfully submitted, Michael D. Shadix, Secretary. 3/20/01

Reaching Across Boundaries—Sharing Information & Ideas

2001 Miriam Libbey Speaker

GHSLA 2001 Annual Meeting Miriam Libbey Speaker **Jocelyn Rankin**, **PhD**, Chief, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Information Center, Atlanta. Dr. Rankin's lecture, "Libraries Reaching Out—Lifeline to Our States and the World", provided GHSLA and ALHeLA members with a fascinating historical perspective on the vital work of outreach work in the region.

Continuing Education Courses

Continuing education offerings at the 2001 joint ALHeLA/GHSLA meeting included hands-on experience in two exciting areas.

Chandra Alston taught "Bringing Your Library's Resources to the Web," which covered everything from selecting what should go on a

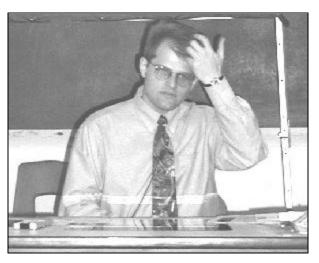


library's web page to how it should look. The course helped attendees in



Jocelyn Rankin, Ph.D.

designing and developing easy to navigate web sites, evaluating existing sites, and marketing their sites. The second offering was **Bryan Vogh**'s "Super Searcher" class. Bryan, who serves as the Internet Coordinator for NNLM/SEA, on the advanced features and the cutting edge of web searching. Attendees received first-hand experience in using various search engines, search strategies, and compared features of online search tools.







Good times at the joint GHSLA/ ALHeLA Meeting Banquet!







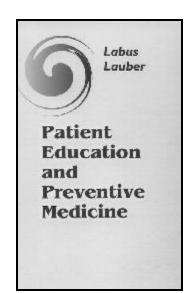




Consumer Health Committee Report *or*Publish or Perish: Consumer Health Committee Gets Published!!!!!

The long-awaited handbook *PATIENT EDUCATION AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE* co-edited by Alison Lauber, MD and James B. Labus, PA-C was published March 16, 2001 by W. B. Saunders. Members of GHSLA's Consumer Health Committee are acknowledged as contributing authors of the "Resources Appendix." GHSLA received \$10 per published page of the chapter (55 pages), and each co-author received a complimentary copy of the book.

To share this successful committee project with our library colleagues and get a little PR for GHSLA, a poster entitled "2001-The Final Chapter: A Collaborative Project of the Consumer Health Committee of the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association" was presented in May 2001 at MLA in Orlando. The poster and handouts were later updated to reflect a new title "Librarians as Contributing Authors to



Patient Education and Preventive Medicine: A Collaborative Project of the Consumer Health Committee of the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association" which was presented at the Tri-Chapter Meeting in New Orleans in October. Drawings were held at both poster sessions for complimentary copies of the book, donated by Saunders. The committee is currently working on a "Brief Communication" for the *Bulletin of the Medical Library Association* at the suggestion of several visitors to the poster sessions.



Jan LaBeause, Chair Carolyn M. Brown Mary Fielder Pat Herndon Lee McCarley Roxanne M. Nelson Beth C. Poisson Lisa P. Smith Rita B. Smith Kathy Torrente Linda Venis Mia Sohn White Cathy Woolbright



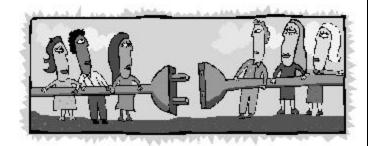
(above) Jan LaBeause proudly explains how GHSLA members contributed to a chapter of *Patient Education & Preventive Medicine* to attendees at MLA 2001 in Orlando in May.

(left) Roxanne Nelson, Beth Poisson, and Jan LaBeause assemble the poster at MLA Meeting.

Web Committee Report GHSLA Gets Technical!

New Web Committee

Lee McCarley (<u>webmaster@ghsla.org</u>) will continue to serve as GHSLA webmaster for 2002. Marilyn Barry, Director of the Dekalb



Medical Center Library (<u>mgbarry@dkmc.org</u>) and David Free, Reference/ ILL Librarian at Life University (<u>dfree@life.edu</u>) have agreed to serve on the GHSLA Web Site Committee for the 2002 term.

Lee will be rotating out of the webmaster slot at the end of 2002, so if you have an interest in serving GHSLA in this capacity, contact Lee at webmaster@ghsla.org or Membership Chairperson Roxanne Nelson at membership@ghsla.org

New Home on the Web

The GHSLA web site has moved! The GHSLA web site, hosted since its inception by the Robert W. Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library of Emory University, has moved to a new home on the web. The old URL for our web site was http://www.ghsla.org The new address is http://www.ghsla.org

Ingrid Hendrix, who has assisted the GHSLA Webmaster by uploading web pages to the Emory web server, recently took a new position in Arizona. With this change, and the growing use of the web to disseminate information to its membership, the GHSLA Executive Committee decided to move the site to a commercial web host.

After consideration by the GHSLA Executive Committee, Cedant web hosting services (http://www.cedant.com/) was selected for the web site. The new web host offers features that will enhance the usefulness of the web site, such as interactive forms. In addition to web hosting, the new service also offer the ability to create email lists.

New Email List

GHSLA also has a new email discussion list. The old list was hosted by the Medical College of Georgia and maintained by Donna Trainor. Because the new web hosting service includes email list services, the Executive Committee made the decision to take advantage of the service to create a new list using our domain name ("ghsla.org").

The name of the new list is GHSLA-L and the new list address is GHSLA-L@ghsla.org You may make an entry for the list in your email address book in the same way you would enter an individual address. This list is for the use of GHSLA members to share ideas, ask questions, solve problems, and state opinions with your peers around the state. Enjoy this new resource from GHSLA!

Following are instructions for joining and using GHSLA-L:

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▶To subscribe to the mailing list, simply send a message with the word 'subscribe' in the Subject: field to the -request address of the list, as shown below:

To: GHSLA-L-request@ghsla.org Subject: subscribe

► To send email to the mailing list, write to the following address:

To: GHSLA-L@ghsla.org

▶To unsubscribe from the mailing list, simply send a message with the word 'unsubscribe' in the Subject: field to the -request address of that list

To: GHSLA-L-request@ghsla.org Subject: unsubscribe

Have questions, comments, or need technical support pertaining to the email list? Contact the GHSLA webmaster at webmaster@ghsla.org

Program Committee

Here are some of the people who have helped plan the 2002 meeting. The entire board has had much imput, and I thank all of them.

Paula Christian, Chair Mary Felder Cathy Woolbright Pam Queen

Mia White Carolyn Brown Susan Lee Beth Poisson

Miriam Libbey Committee

The 2002 Miriam Libbey Speaker will be Linda Garr Markwell. Her topic will be "Medical Librarianship – "Where it Started and Where It Is Going"

Mary Fielder, Chair

Treasurer's Report

The meeting in Columbus Georgia this year was a huge success. Our balance is \$9,731.88.

Paula Christian

Nominating Committee

The GHSLA Nominating Committee consisting of Carolyn Brown, Chair and members, Marilyn Barry, Mary Fielder, and Susan Poorbaugh presents this slate of officers for 2002-2003:

President: Paula Christian (St. Joseph's Hospital-Atlanta), Vice President: Roxanne Nelson (Mercer-Macon), Treasurer: Mia White (Emory-Atlanta), Secretary: Peter Shipman (Medical College-Augusta), Parlimentarian: Pamela Queen (Athens), Web Master: Lee McCarley (Mercer-Macon)

Carolyn M. Brown, Chair

Membership Committee

Current GHSLA membership stands at 75, with 9 honorary members and 66 regular members. Renewal letters were sent out in December 2001. Please, if you have not already done so, return your renewal form and check as soon as possible.

Tara Douglas-Williams of Emory Health Care, David Free of Life University, and Kristin Howard of Medical College of Georgia will be joining me on the 2001-2002 Membership Committee. We plan to concentrate recruitment efforts this year on paraprofessionals and Georgia Library Association members. Please let your colleagues and friends know about GHSLA, and encourage them to join us!

If you're aware of any GHSLA member who is retiring this year, please think about submitting his or her name to the Membership Committee for consideration as an honorary member. From our Bylaws: "Retired health sciences library personnel or others with a commitment, dedication or service to health sciences librarianship or the field of medicine" may be considered. Honorary members are nominated by GHSLA members and approved by majority vote of the Executive Committee. The names of those approved will be presented at the business session and announced in the GHSLA UPDATE. Honorary memberships are for life, and dues will be waived.

Roxanne Nelson, Membership Chair, GHSLA

Members 2001

Abbey, Eugenia H. Honorary Member

Adams, Marianne University Hospital

Allen, Beverly E.

Morehouse School of Medicine

Allensworth, Brian

Rittenhouse Book Distributors, Inc.

Barry, Marilyn

DeKalb Medical Center

Bartlett, Opal D. Honorary Member

Bell, Mamie J.

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Benevich, Lauren

Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc

Blalock, Jeanette Henry Medical Center

Henry Medical Center

Brown, Carolyn M.

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Burns, Carol A. Honorary Member

Cann, Sharon Lee Honorary Member

Christian, Paula

St. Joseph's Health of Atlanta, Inc.

Cooper, Ellen R.

Solvay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Dennison, Lyn

Medical College of Georgia

Douglas-Williams, Tara

Crawford Long Hospital Medical Library

Duke, Lucy L. Honorary Member

Evatt, Fay E.

Atlanta Medical Center

Fielder, MaryThree Rivers AHEC

Franklin, Sandra G.

Woodruff Health Sciences Center Library

Free, David

Life University

Glover, Shannon

Medical College of Georgia

Grant, Rhondia

Southeast Georgia Regional Medical Center

Gray, Arlen

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Griffin, Sheila

Foothills AHEC

Hardwick, Denise

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida

Hendrix, Ingrid C.

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Herin, Dorothy Honorary Member

Herndon, Pat

Shepherd Center

Hobbs, Jan

Medical Center of Central Georgia

Howard, Kristin

Medical College of Georgia

Hudgins, Miriam

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Johnston, Elizabeth M.

Nicholas E. Davies Community Health Information Center

Kavanaugh, Karalyn F.

EBSCO Subscription Services

Keefer, Elaine Honorary Member

LaBeause, Jan

Mercer University School of Medicine

Lacy, Edie

Piedmont Hospital

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Lee, Tamara P.

Medical College of Georgia

Leik, Susan T.

Colquitt Regional Medical Center

Lett, Rosalind K.

Meharry Medical College

Lynch, Mary

Emory University School of Medicine

Markwell, Linda G.

Emory University Health Sciences Center Library

Mazzocchi, Brenda W.

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

McCarley, Lee

Mercer University School of Medicine

McCullough, David

Georgia School of Professional Psychology

Mims, Dorothy H. Honorary Member

Nair, Sunitha

Mercer University School of Medicine

Nelson, Roxanne

Mercer University School of Medicine

Parham, Scott

Crawford Long Hospital Medical Library

Parthasarathy, Kalyani

Emory University School of Medicine

Perry, Nena

Honorary Member

Poisson, Beth C.

Morehouse School of Medicine

Poorbaugh, Susan

Medical College of Georgia

Queen, Pamela D.

Athens Regional Medical Center

Ralph, Lynette

Georgia Baptist College of Nursing

Rankin, Jocelyn A., PhD

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

Reagin, Stephanie

Merial Limited

Robichaux, Ken

Majors Scientific Books, Inc.

Rosner, Anna-Liisa

Mercer University School of Medicine

Roy, John

Jeff Maxwell Public Library

Shadix, Michael D.

Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation

Shipman, Peter C.

Medical College of Georgia

Smith, Lisa P.

Magnolia Coastlands AHEC

Smith, Rita

Mercer University School of Medicine

Stephens, Kristy L.

Medical College of Georgia

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Naval Hospital

Torrente, Kathy

Emory University School of Medicine

Trainor, Donna J. Honorary Member

Truitt, Margaret H.

Medical College of Georgia

Venis, Linda

Kennestone Hospital

White, Mia S.

Emory University School of Medicine

Wirtz, Ronald L.

Medical College of Georgia

Woolbright, Catherine C.

Simon Schwob Medical Library



Clinical Information Librarian Greenblatt Library Medical College of Georgia Augusta, GA http://www.mcg.edu/library

DESCRIPTION

The Medical College of Georgia Greenblatt Library invites applications for the position of Clinical Information Librarian. If you love teaching and learning, enjoy working with dedicated professionals in a supportive setting, and want to make a positive impact on the quality and success of clinical care, then this is the job for you! The successful candidate will be a member of a team responsible for development and delivery of instruction and services, reporting to the Head of Education and Information Services. The successful candidate will be primary liaison to MCG Health, Inc. and other clinical groups, and will share teaching assignments in a number of open enrollment and for-credit courses. This is a faculty appointment in the Library and involves customary university service and professional responsibilities.

SETTING

The Medical College of Georgia offers degrees in medicine, dentistry, nursing, and allied health programs, as well as research based graduate programs in health related sciences. Please visit http://www.mcg.edu/library for more information about MCG and the Library.

MCG is located in Augusta, the second oldest and second largest city in the state. Augusta, located

along the banks of the beautiful Savannah River, offers a variety of historical, cultural and sports attractions. The springtime display of azaleas and dogwoods has earned the city the title of "The Garden City." Ocean beaches, mountains and Atlanta are just a few hours away.

QUALIFICATIONS

MLS and three years library experience, with at least one year in a health science library. Other experience may be in a bioscience library, special library or related environment. Knowledge of current resources, tools and vocabulary in the biomedical, health, or life sciences, and ability to work in a team based environment.

COMPENSATION

Faculty status (non-tenure track) and rank. Competitive benefits package, including TIAA/CREF and other retirement options. Minimum salary is \$38,000, depending on experience.

Review of applicants will begin immediately and continue until position is filled.

Send letter of application and resume to:
Marianne Brown, Head
Library Business Services
Greenblatt Library
Medical College of Georgia
Augusta, Georgia 30912-4400
Telephone: 706-721-4677
Fax: 706-721-2018

email: marbrown@mail.mcg.edu

EOE/AA/Equal Access

Reference Librarian
Medical Library & Peyton T. Anderson
Learning Resources Center
Mercer University School of Medicine
Macon, GA 31207
http://gain.mercer.edu/library and http://gain.mercer.edu

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DESCRIPTION

The Medical Library & Peyton T. Anderson Learning Resources Center at Mercer University School of Medicine invites applications for its reference librarian position. Responsibilities include providing reference, information, and instructional services for the Medical Library & LRC, and for the Georgia Interactive Network for Medical Information (GaIN). This position also plays an active role in public services planning and team projects by assisting in identifying or developing information resources for electronic services offered, and helping maintain GaIN electronic current literature alert services. Position participates in liaison and outreach programs, and reports to the Head of Public Services. Some evening and weekend hours and some travel required.

SETTING

Macon, Georgia, an historic Southern city, is located in the heart of Georgia, within easy traveling distance to the beach, mountains, and a major metropolitan area - Atlanta. Mercer University School of Medicine, which ranks in the top in the nation in percentage of graduates entering family medicine residencies, accepted its first class of medical students in 1982 into a fully integrated problem-based curriculum. The mission of the School is to train physicians who will practice primary care in rural and underserved areas of the state, and improve the health care delivery system in Georgia. The School has strong affiliations with a number of hospitals throughout the state, including the Medical Center of Central Georgia in Macon, and Memorial Health University Medical Center in Savannah where medical students do their clerkships. The Medical School also offers masters degrees in Public Health, Marriage & Family Therapy, and Marriage & Family Services. The Medical Library & LRC supports faculty, staff, students and residents in locations on campus and throughout the state. The Library serves as the hub of GaIN, an electronic resource for the University, the community, and the state. The Health Sciences Library at Memorial Health University Medical

Center in Savannah serves as the clinical campus branch of the Medical Library & LRC.

QUALIFICATIONS

The successful applicant will hold an ALA-accredited masters degree in library science, with a science or clinical background highly preferred. Additional required job skills include: hands-on experience in computer, Internet and database searching (especially using MEDLINE/PubMed, CINAHL, and Dialog); a strong public services orientation; and excellent oral and written communication skills. Other preferred qualifications include: AHIP membership, Web page development skills, and experience in teaching and/or training adult learners.

COMPENSATION

Faculty appointment with full benefits and responsibilities; AA/EOE/ADA; salary based on qualifications and experience. Minimum: \$32,000.

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, and names of three references to:

Jan H. LaBeause, MLS, AHIP, Director Medical Library & Peyton T. Anderson Learning Resources Center

Mercer University School of Medicine 1550 College Street, Macon, GA 31207

Fax 478-301-2051

email: labeause_j@mercer.edu

Outreach Librarian
The Southwest Georgia Area Health
Education Center (AHEC)
Albany GA

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The outreach Librarian position of the <u>Southwest</u> <u>Georgia Area Health Education Center</u> (<u>SOWEGA-AHEC</u>) is responsible for the health information request of Southwest Georgia. The

Employment Opportunities

Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital (PPMH) Library serves a the regional library for the SOWEGA-AHEC.

JOB QUALIFICATIONS

Masters degree in Library Science from an ALA accredited library school. Health science library experience is required, as is Online searching expertise, especially MEDLINE. Proficiency with computers is necessary. Effective communication skills and a willingness to travel are also required. Knowledge and experience in automated systems, such as GaIN and Docline, are highly desirable.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL EFFORT

Normal activities associated with office environment.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND WORKING CONDITIONS

Typical office environment.

AGE SPECIFIC ACCOUNTABILITIES None.

JOB DUTIES

IDEA (Information Delivery through Electronic Access) Stations, 44 resources centers

TRAINING

- •Trains contact person (s) at each site in use of IDEA Station and Gain.
- •Trains additional personnel at each site.
- •Trains physicians and family practice residents.

ONLINE SEARCHING AND REFERENCE SERVICES

- •Perform MEDLINE searches and searches of other appropriate database, i.e., CINAHL, HEALTH etc., as requested.
- •Provides reference services.

DOCUMENT DELIVERY

- •Sends ILL request via electronic mail, i.e., DOCILE, GaIN when possible.
- •Processes interlibrary loans received and delivers to sites (via mail, fax etc.)
- •Contacts sites when interlibrary loans are overdue.

STATISTICS

- •Prepares monthly statistical report for the Center Director.
- •Prepares other statistical reports for the Center Director as required.

COMMUNICATIONS

- •Maintains frequent communications with contact persons at each IDEA site, electronically, by phone, and by periodic site visits.
- •Maintains frequent contact with staff of SOWEGA-AHEC and Southwest Georgia Family Practice Residency Program.
- •Attends PPMH Library Advisory Committee meetings.
- •Serves as a member of SOWEGA-AHEC Advisory Board.

MARKETING

- •Actively markets outreach services to personnel 44 sites.
- •Markets outreach services to other sites and health professionals in the 38 county region of SOWEGA-AHEC.

COOPERATION WITH PPMH LIBRARY STAFF

Works with PPMH Librarian and Library
Assistant to define areas of responsibility and
cooperation. Performs computer searches,
provides reference service, and requests
interlibrary loans for PPMH staff, as schedule
permits. Works with PPMH librarian areas of the
PPMH Library. Identifies with PPMH librarian
areas of the PPMH Library collection that need to
be developed in order to meet the information
needs of the health professionals in the
SOWEGA-AHEC region.

MISCELLANEOUS

Investigate topics identified by the SOWEGA-AHEC grant writer as potential grant proposals. Performs other duties as assigned.

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