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# GEORGIA HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION UPDATE

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## Greetings from the President



I hope you all enjoyed a peaceful holiday season. A New Year brings with it the anticipation of new creative ideas, challenges and opportunities. Thank you for the trust you placed in me as the 2007/08 GHSLA President and for the support of the membership. I would like to encourage each of you to promote membership in our organization as well as renew your membership if you have not had the opportunity. Print out a copy of the Membership Renewal Form and send it in.

I would like to extend a formal invitation for you to join the Georgia Health Sciences Library Association in Cordele, GA, for the 2008 Annual Meeting being held at **Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, March 6-8, 2008**. Please view this newsletter for additional information or visit the GHSLA website at <http://www.ghsla.org>.

GHSLA strives to minimize your time away from the office while maximizing the educational value of annual meeting programming. The annual meeting is planned with the needs of health science librarians in mind so that each librarian and paraprofessional who attends can take away lessons of value to enrich his/her services to their students, faculty, physicians, patients, families and communities.

We understand that two of the most valued benefits of membership in a professional organization are networking and education and it is essential for the time you invest in attending the annual meetings.

The theme for this year's meeting is "Making Connections." Kate Daniels and her Program Committee as well as Mary Ellen Nolan and the Continuing Education Committee have been working hard to organize activities and set up C.E. sessions. There will be ample time for learning, networking and catching up on news with colleagues. Please make sure to visit each of the vendors who will be exhibiting this year. We appreciate their continued support.

We will kick off the meeting on Thursday afternoon, with a session on Low Health Literacy followed by our Opening Reception. Friday will begin with our annual business meeting and a brief strategic planning session followed by an exciting day of programming. We have a wonderful line-up of speakers discussing Emerging Technologies, Library Outreach, Informatics, and Emergency Preparedness. We are honored to have Sharon Cann, a dedicated long-standing member of GHSLA, to serve as our Miriam Libbey lecturer this year. Thank you to Brenda Curry-Wimberly for serving as the Miriam Libbey committee chair. We are also looking forward to a wonderful banquet with great food and entertainment. Last but not least, on Saturday we have three Continuing Education opportunities. We hope each of you will support this year's meeting and provide us with feedback on future programs.

My thanks to the members of the Executive Board who shared in the decision-making, and to the membership for their commitment to GHSLA. We are fortunate to have a wonderful group of talented and creative individuals. GHSLA needs the participation of all its members. I would like for each of you to consider sharing your talents by running for a Board position in the coming year.

GHSLA is your professional organization, with your needs and preferences vital to its future.

Tara Douglas-Williams, President

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**Georgia Health Sciences Library Association**  
**2008 Annual Meeting**  
**“Making Connections”**  
**Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, Cordele, Georgia**  
**March 6-8, 2008**

**Thursday, March 6, 2008**

- 3:30 – 5:30 pm Registration
- 4:00 – 5:00 pm **A Silent Epidemic: Low Health Literacy**  
Kathy Ordelt, RN, CPN, CRRN, Patient and Family Education Coordinator, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta
- 6:00 – 8:00 pm Opening Reception

**Friday, March 7, 2008**

- 7:30 am – 12:00 pm Registration
- 8:00 – 9:30 am Breakfast & Business Meeting
- 9:45 – 10:30 am **Emerging Technologies for Librarians**  
Gabe Rios, Deputy Director, UAB Lister Hill Library  
*This project was funded in whole or in part with federal funds from the National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, under Contract No NO1-LM-6-3502.*
- 10:30 – 10:45 am Break
- 10:45 am – 12:00 pm **Connecting With Customers: Library Outreach Panel**  
Kevin Bradford, Instructor/Clinical Information Librarian, Greenblatt Library, Medical College of Georgia  
Mary Fielder, MLS, Outreach Librarian, Three Rivers AHEC  
Eddie Lacy, MLS, Chief of Library Services, Sauls Memorial Library, Piedmont Hospital  
Toni Yancey, Outreach Exhibits Coordinator, NN/LM SE/A
- 12:00 – 5:30 pm Vendor exhibits
- 12:00 – 1:30 pm Lunch and door prizes
- 1:45 – 2:30 pm **Miriam Libbey Lecture**  
**“A Librarian’s Career in Mississippi”**  
Sharon Cann. EdD, AHIP
- 2:30 – 2:45 pm Break
- 2:45 – 3:30 pm **Bioinformatics: A Global Perspective**  
Tara Douglas-Williams, BS, MSLS, Library Manager, Fay E. Evatt Medical Library, Atlanta Medical Center
- 3:30 – 3:45 pm Break
- 3:45 – 4:45 pm **Libraries’ Essential Steps in Emergency Preparedness**  
Beth Wescott, Network Access Coordinator, NN/LM S/EA
- 6:30 pm Banquet

**Saturday, March 8, 2008**

- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm **Using Adobe Captivate to Create Interactive Tutorials (4.0 MLA CE Credits)**  
Lindsay Blake MLIS, AHIP, Information Services Coordinator, Greenblatt Library, Medical College of Georgia
- 8:00 am – 12:00 pm **Nursing on the Net: Health Care Resources You Can Use (4.0 MLA CE Credits)**  
Toni Yancey, Outreach Exhibits Coordinator, NN/LM SE/A
- 1:00 – 5:00 pm **Evidence-Based Nursing (3.5 MLA CE Credits)**  
Toni Yancey, Outreach Exhibits Coordinator, NN/LM SE/A

Please make room reservations directly with Lake Blackshear Resort (800-459-1230) by February 6, 2008.  
Mention GHSLA to receive our \$119.00 Group Rate.

## Nominating Committee Report: 2008-2009 Proposed Slate of Officers

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of nominees for elected offices:

<b>President:</b>	Kate Daniels, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
<b>President Elect:</b>	Mary Ellen Nolan, Gwinnett Hospital System
<b>Secretary:</b>	<i>Nominations will be accepted at the annual business meeting</i>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Sylvia Brandon, Memorial Health University Medical Center
<b>Parliamentarian:</b>	Maria Jenkins, Emory School of Medicine
<b>UPDATE Editor:</b>	Kim Meeks, Mercer University School of Medicine
<b>Webmaster:</b>	<i>Nominations will be accepted at the annual business meeting</i>

Respectfully submitted,  
Liz Marvel, Chair,  
Nominating Committee

### Georgia Perimeter College to Offer Library & Information Technology Courses Online

Effective summer term (May 27 to July 24, 2008), Georgia Perimeter College will offer its first set of online courses. These are ideal for students burdened by long working hours and/or long commuting distances to the school's Dunwoody Campus. Class topics range from an overall introduction to libraries to an extensive look at the use of computers in libraries. Faculty consists of veteran librarians with many years of practical and classroom experience.

The Library & Information Science Technology (LIST) program, which has been in existence since 2005, is designed for both experienced library support staff and those with an interest in pursuing a career in library work. Two academic tracks are available: a degree track for the student wishing to earn a college degree (Associate of Applied Science in Library & Information Science Technology) who takes a general college curriculum in addition to specialized (Library Science) courses, and a Certificate track for those with a degree who wish to take courses in the Library & Information Science curriculum.

Four courses will be offered: Introduction to Libraries & Information Science Technology, Technical Services, Computers in Libraries, and Services to Children and Youth. It is required that all entering students take the first course before proceeding to the more specific offerings. For detailed information about the program, please consult [www.gpc.edu/~dunlib](http://www.gpc.edu/~dunlib) or call Steve Koplan, Curriculum Coordinator at 770-274-5088. Steve can also be reached at [skoplan@gpc.edu](mailto:skoplan@gpc.edu). The application deadline for summer term is April 1, 2008.

### Position Announcement

The Monroe F. Swilley, Jr. Library Mercer University/Atlanta seeks a Clinical Pharmacy Librarian (Assistant or Associate Librarian level) to develop and deliver sophisticated information services and resources to faculty and students of the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

Reports to the Associate Director for Public Services. Focuses on evidence-based practice tools for the College of Pharmacy and Physician Assistant curriculum and the information needs of the faculty in a fast-paced academic health sciences environment. This is a full-time, twelve-month, non-tenure track appointment with faculty status and academic rank.

Application information (including complete position description) can be found at <http://www.Mercerjobs.com>. If this sounds interesting and challenging, we want to hear from you!

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## Funding Opportunities

### HLS/MLA Professional Development Grant for Hospital and Clinical Librarians

Application Deadline: February 1, 2008

Are you looking for financial support to advance your professional education, attend a meeting or conduct research? The HLS/MLA Professional Development Grant helps librarians in hospitals and other clinical care settings to acquire knowledge and skills through educational or research activities. Further information can be found at [http://www.mlanet.org/pdf/grants/hls\\_app\\_20050712.pdf](http://www.mlanet.org/pdf/grants/hls_app_20050712.pdf). For any additional questions, please contact Marilyn Teolis, Jury Chair, at [marilyn.teolis@baptisthospital.com](mailto:marilyn.teolis@baptisthospital.com) or via phone at 615-284-5373.

### Computer Grants for HIV/AIDS Information

Application Deadline: February 7, 2008

The National Minority AIDS Council (NMAC) and the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of AIDS Research (OAR) are pleased to announce the 2008 Equal Access Initiative (EAI) Computer Grants Program. Qualified community-based organizations (CBOs) in the United States, its territories and possessions are invited to submit an application to receive one of 100 state-of-the-art desktop computers. Grantees will also receive a scholarship package to send one representative to participate in the Equal Access Initiative: HIV/AIDS Information Resources training from the National Library of Medicine. More information is available at [http://www.nmac.org/programs\\_services/Computer\\_Grants\\_Program/](http://www.nmac.org/programs_services/Computer_Grants_Program/).



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**GEORGIA HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING**

Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, Cordele, Georgia, March 6-8, 2008

**Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEE\***

**\*All of these events are included in price of registration. Please indicate which you will be attending:**

- Health literacy workshop 3/6  
 Opening Reception 3/6  
 Breakfast and business meeting 3/7  
 Lunch 3/7  
 Banquet 3/7

	Before February 22, 2008	After February 22, 2008	Amount
<b>Member</b>	\$ 165.00	\$ 185.00	_____
<b>Non-member</b>	\$ 190.00	\$ 210.00	_____

**C.E. CLASSES** (Cost Includes Continental Breakfast & Lunch) - Saturday, March 8, 2008

**8:00 am – 12:00 pm Using Adobe Captivate to Create Interactive Tutorials (4.0 MLA CE Credits)**  
**Lindsay Blake MLIS, AHIP, Information Services Coordinator, Medical College of Georgia**

<b>Member</b>	\$ 75.00	\$ 95.00	_____
<b>Non-member</b>	\$ 95.00	\$ 95.00	_____

**8:00 am – 12:00 pm Nursing on the Net: Health Care Resources You Can Use (4.0 MLA CE Credits)**  
**Toni Yancey, Outreach Exhibits Coordinator, NN/LM SE/A**

<b>Member</b>	\$75.00	\$95.00	_____
<b>Non-member</b>	\$95.00	\$95.00	_____

**1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Evidence-Based Nursing (3.5 MLA CE Credits)**  
**Toni Yancey, Outreach Exhibits Coordinator, NN/LM SE/A**

<b>Member</b>	\$75.00	\$95.00	_____
<b>Non-member</b>	\$95.00	\$95.00	_____

**Additional Guests**

Opening Reception 3/6	\$35.00	\$40.00	_____
Breakfast 3/7	\$20.00	\$25.00	_____
Luncheon 3/7	\$30.00	\$35.00	_____
Banquet 3/7	\$50.00	\$60.00	_____

**TOTAL PAYMENT** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration **MUST** be accompanied by checks made payable to **GHSLA** and mailed with completed form to:

**GHSLA Registration C/O Sylvia Brandon, Reference Librarian, Health Sciences Library**  
**Memorial Health University Medical Center**  
**P.O. Box 23089/ 4700 Waters Ave**  
**Savannah, GA 31403**

**Cancellations are subject to a \$75.00 processing fee and must be received in writing by February 22, 2008.**

No cancellations will be accepted after that date or during the conference. **Make room reservations directly with Lake Blackshear Resort (800-459-1230) by February 6, 2008. Mention GHSLA to receive our \$119.00 Group Rate.**