

## Questions ... and Answers!

*What's on the Spring Business Meeting Agenda?*

At the last OHSLA business meeting, Barb Van Brimmer raised the question of the impact of upcoming SERHOLD changes on Ohio's medical libraries and their union list activities. Following up on Barb's question, I have spent quite a bit of time on the phone over the past few weeks discussing the pertinent issues with librarians from all over the state. One thing is clear from these conversations, there will be a significant impact on how we report our serial holdings for the purpose of resource sharing. Our current OCLC-based methods will no longer do the trick. We all will need to develop new strategies to update our holdings directly on SERHOLD. Which libraries will do the data entry for the other libraries? How will the appropriate people be trained to do the updating? How can we assure that even the smallest medical libraries are able to keep their holdings up-to-date for DOCLINE? Frankly, at this time, these

and many related questions remain unanswered.

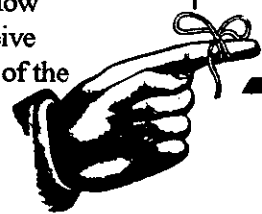
As this state's association of medical librarians, OHSLA would like to facilitate the process of change. We have invited Jean Sayre, Associate Director, and Charniel McDaniels, Network Coordinator, from the Greater Midwest Region NN/LM office to speak with us about these issues during the April business meeting. Our goal at the business meeting will be to make certain that Ohio medical librarians are informed and will have reasonable access to SERHOLD updates.

The SERHOLD changes are not the only changes emanating from NLM. Have you heard about NLM's System Reinvention? NLM is abandoning their legacy ELHILL system in favor of newer alternatives, most notably PubMed. What impact will this have at your library? How can Ohio librarians receive training for optimal use of the

new PubMed software? If you have these and other questions about the NLM System Reinvention, I have asked the GMR staff members to come prepared to discuss these issues as well.

So if you have questions, OHSLA can help you find the answers. I'm looking forward to seeing you at the April business meeting. Don't forget to bring your questions with you!

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### **PERSONNEL**

Cristina A. Pope is the new Assistant Director for Education and Public Services at the Ocasek Regional Medical Information Center at the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine. Most recently Cristina was Head of Access Services at Thomas Jefferson University's Scott Memorial Library.

Pam Snyder is now handling library services at both Smith Clinic and Marion General, Marion, Ohio. She usually works at Smith Clinic in the mornings and at Marion General in the afternoons.

Martha Lause, previously librarian at Smith Clinic, is now working for the Ohio Coalition for the Education of Children with Disabilities in Marion.

P. Scott Lapinski joined the R.H. Mulford Library in December 1997 as their Digital Services Librarian.

Sarah Murphy is now handling library services at the Hardymon Medical Library, Park Medical Center in Columbus, OH. Park's library services had been subcontracted to a commercial information service, and Sarah is in the process of putting the library back together.

Carrie Lepow returned as Library Director at St. Vincent's Medical Center Library.

University of Cincinnati Health Sciences Libraries has two new Information Services staff members. Charles Kishman began in August of 1997 and Megan Schenk started in October.

### **NEWS**

The R.H. Mulford Library at the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo received a \$35,000 award from NLM to create an HIV/AIDS Information Network for 12 counties with the highest rate of AIDS in NW Ohio.

The project entails the creation of an HIV/AIDS Web site that will provide access to the collections and services of the Mulford Library. It will also function as a "finder" for related services in the counties, and provide links to Grateful Med, AIDSLINE, as well as to state and national HIV/AIDS resource sites.

Several thousand dollars in HIV/AIDS print and audiovisual materials will be purchased and located in the Mulford Library. A list of the materials and how to borrow them will be provided to AIDS support organizations and to all public libraries in the target counties.

Partners in this project are Women and Family Services in Defiance, which will later function as Webmaster, the Allen County Department of Health, the Seneca County Aids Council, and the Sandusky County Department of Health.

David Boilard, Jonathan Hartmann and P. Scott Lapinski will participate in administering the grant.

The University of Cincinnati has been awarded a Faculty Development grant of \$122,000. A series of workshops will be developed from Spring Quarter 1998 through Spring Quarter 1999 to help faculty better integrate technology into the curriculum. Leslie Schick and Alison Armstrong submitted and will administer the grant. Jane Thompson, member of the UC Faculty Development Council, brought this opportunity to the Libraries.

Mt. Carmel Health System has joined OhioLINK as a member of the Ohio Private Academic Library Consortium (OPAL). Mt. Carmel operates libraries at Mt. Carmel Medical Center and Mt. Carmel East in Columbus, and St. Ann's Hospital in Westerville. Look for their holdings in the OhioLINK Central Catalog in Fall 1998.

### **MEETINGS**

Representatives of the Central Ohio Hospital Library Consortium and the Mid-Ohio Health Sciences Library Association will be meeting on March 19 at Riverside Methodist Hospital Library to discuss the reorganization of these two groups into one organization. Many central Ohio librarians belonged to both organizations and found it difficult to be active in both. In addition, some of the purposes for which the groups organized are no longer valid because of changes in the health care and library environments.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OCTOBER 23, 1997

PRIOR HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY, THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY  
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The meeting was called to order at 12:10 by President Clare Leibfarth.

Pam Bradigan welcomed members to OSU and offered tours of the building: the first floor provides access to Reference materials and Consumer Health, the second and third floors house the journal collection, the fourth floor has books and a computer lab and the 5th floor houses the Medical Heritage Center.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** the minutes of the general membership meeting on April 15, 1997 were included in the newsletter. Sara Timmons moved that these minutes be approved. Pam Bradigan seconded. The motion was approved.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Clare gave a brief overview of the executive Committee meetings and complimented Committee members on their enthusiasm and support. She noted that dues and value are important considerations for members, and we need to keep the Treasury at a reasonable level. She suggested that if possible we keep the membership renewal notices separate from the newsletter. The Committee touched on relationships with vendors and whether OHSLA should offer corporate or institutional memberships. No decision was reached. Mary Sprague secured funding for CE functions from Directors of Regional Libraries and GMR is underwriting the cost of the Grant Workshop. OHSLA's Spring meeting will not be with OHA but OHSLA will continue to be affiliated with OHA. The Committee will try a different approach for meetings during the coming year. The July OCLIS meeting at Kent State University Library School focused upon ways to facilitate cooperation between libraries in the state. A leadership workshop in June 1998 will be a working session on how OCLIS could be stronger. The next OCLIS meeting will be November 18, Clare will represent OHSLA.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Debra Anderson reported a checkbook balance of \$2,658.98. The projected budget is based on dues from 80 members. Item #9 should be corrected to read AHEC not RAC. There is a possibility of \$800 more from other AHECs. Mailings will be sent first class rather than bulk mail because of late arrival of materials. The decision to mail membership renewals separately will also increase postage costs. A motion to approve the 1997-98 budget was made by Mary Sprague, and seconded by Rose Zajac. The motion was passed.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** All members should have received a Directory. Renewal notices were sent to 95 members. Current membership is 102 paid members. The workshop resulted in 13 new members.

**PROGRAM REPORT:** Mary Sprague noted that the Spring meeting with OHA is expensive for members and there is not a lot of exposure to hospital administrators for members. Having OHSLA meetings in Columbus is a plus for many members. Potential locations for the Spring meeting include OCLC, The Ohio State Library or The Historical Society, the latter being the most likely venue. Members noted that MLA credit for the CE courses at this meeting was a plus. Plans for the future include confirmation of registration for future meetings via email whenever available. AHEC money helped fund this meeting, donations were received from WSU and OSU and it

is hoped that other AHECs will assist with funding. There will be no CE at the Spring meeting but there will be at the Fall Meeting.

**COMMUNICATIONS/NEWSLETTER:** Barbarie Hill reported that 320 copies of the newsletter were mailed in September. Barbarie seeks input from all parts of the state, so please send in your news.

**OHA EXHIBIT FINAL REPORT:** The signs around the room were part of the OHA exhibit. The intention was to highlight WEB sites, including OHSLA's, which is still up but not currently maintained. There was no charge to OHSLA because of a \$2,000 from GMR regional office. There was very little traffic in the exhibit area. It appeared that those hospital administrators who stopped were mostly from small rural hospitals looking to cut costs. Barbarie expressed mixed feelings about exhibiting again, noting that such a project was people intensive.

**RAC REPORT:** Rose Zajac noted that RAC reports can be found on the Web and in 3 Sources. She encouraged members to write proposals for the enhancement of technology. Only two proposals were submitted at the last meeting.

**GMR REPORT:** Jean Sayre reported that OSU has an outreach subcontract for public health, Indiana will begin a telemedicine program in November and the University of Illinois will host a technology expo in the spring. Kay Wagner is the first GMR Fellow. She will spend 1-3 weeks at the resource library. Evidence based medicine, with MLA approved CE will be offered May 8, 1998 in Chicago and possibly at MLA. With space for 40 people the cost will be \$50.00. The National Online training center is offering classes in various regions of the country, check NLM's Web site for locations. A survey conducted to assess the number of libraries without Internet access revealed that some 30% do not have WEB or Internet access. A effort will be made to design programs to help these libraries. Please inform Jean of anyone who needs help. There are 15 486 computers available for distribution. The Universal Service Fund subsidy for rural areas provides funds for schools and health care providers. This is a first come/first served program. Call the Chicago office for information and help in the application process.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**LOCAL UNION LISTS:** The question of local union lists for OHSLA was raised, small hospitals in central Ohio seem to be interested in local union lists as well as a state-wide list.

**SERHOLD UPDATES:** Jean Sayre noted that in the future participants in SERHOLD will need to go online to update holdings as NLM is changing its system and will not be able to accept OCLC tapes.

GMR is trying to get local volunteers to do updates. It was noted that only Regions 2 and 3 are not doing online SERHOLD updates. Local representatives are needed to do online updates. The executive committee will look into this and report to the membership.

There being no further business Pam Bradigan moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ann Carlson seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jodith Janes, Secretary  
OHSLA

## From the Program Committee

The OHSLA Spring meeting will be held on April 1, 1998, at the Ohio Historical Center in Columbus. In addition to a special presentation by Greater Midwest Region Associate Director, Jean Sayre, (see President Clare Leibfarth's article on p. 1) and our regular business meeting, members will be treated to two informative historical presentations, opportunities to stroll about the OHC and Ohio Village, great food and free parking!

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m., accompanied by a continental breakfast. At 10 a.m., an OHC staff member will speak on the topic of "Civil War Medicine" and illustrate her presentation with medical instruments of the time. Later in the day, attendees will have the opportunity to visit the Doctor's Office and Residence, located in the Ohio Village.

The business meeting and GMR presentation will begin at approximately 10:30 and end at noon. We will then walk over to the Ohio Village's Colonel Crawford Inn for "An Early American Lunch Buffet," which will include a vegetarian entrée. After lunch, attendees will be able to visit some of the sixteen buildings in the Ohio Village, which was built to represent a typical county seat of the 1860's. Since there won't be enough time for an extended visit, browse the Ohio Village Web site at

[www.ohiohistory.org/places/ohvillage/](http://www.ohiohistory.org/places/ohvillage/) to plan your trip.

At 2 p.m., our group will reassemble on the third floor of the OHC in the Archives/Library of the Ohio Historical Society for an orientation/tour. The Archives/Library include an extensive collection of historical and archival material in a variety of formats including audiovisual, books, newspapers, local government records, manuscripts, maps and micrographics. The Library/Archives is also responsible for the State Archives of Ohio. For a preview, visit the Library/Archives Web pages at [www.ohiohistory.org/resource/archlib/](http://www.ohiohistory.org/resource/archlib/).

The OHSLA spring meeting will come to a close between 2:30 and 2:45 p.m., but attendees are welcome to complete their day by viewing the various exhibits in the Ohio Historical Center. The 1989 Smithsonian Guide to Historic America described the OHC as "probably the finest museum in American devoted to pre-European history."

Registration for OHSLA members is only \$30. Regis-

tration for non-members is \$45 but includes membership to OHSLA. So complete the registration form on p. 7 ASAP, wear comfortable shoes and join your colleagues at the Ohio Historical Center on April 1!

Any questions about the OHSLA Fall program may be addressed to Mary Sprague, Chairperson, Program Committee, 614-292-4863 or [sprague.3@osu.edu](mailto:sprague.3@osu.edu).

Directions: The Ohio Historical Center is located just off I-71 on 17th Avenue (exit 111) about 4 miles north of downtown Columbus. If you are travelling north on I-71, turn left onto 17th Avenue at the end of the exit ramp. If you are travelling south on I-71, turn right at the end of the exit ramp. The large, brown Ohio Historical Center sign will direct you to parking (you will be turning right). You may enter the OHC at the "group entrance" which is located on the same level as the parking lot. Our meeting will be held in one of the ground floor classrooms.



## *OHSLA Spring Meeting 1998*

April 1, 1998

Ohio Historical Center

Columbus, OH

### Agenda:

- 9:30-10:00am: registration & continental breakfast  
10:00-10:30am: Ohio Historical Center speaker: "Civil War Medicine"  
10:30-Noon: business meeting & GMR presentation  
Noon-12:30pm: break for walk to Colonel Crawford Inn for lunch  
12:30-1:30pm: buffet lunch, including a vegetarian entree  
1:30-2:00pm: break for walk to Ohio Historical Center Library & State Archives  
2:00-2:30pm: orientation to & tour of OHC library

Questions???, please call Mary Sprague 614-292-4863.

The Ohio Historical Center is located just off of I-71 on 17th Avenue (exit 111) about 4 miles north of downtown Columbus.

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### *Registration for OHSLA Spring Meeting*

Deadline: March 25, 1998

Name

Address

Library

Institution

e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_; phone \_\_\_\_\_; fax \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$30 for member; \$45 for non-member (price includes membership through June 30, 1998)

Make check payable to OHSLA and send registration & fee to:

Debra Anderson, OSU Health Sciences Library

376 West 10<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Columbus, OH 43210

## OHSLA Fall Meeting

The OHSLA Fall meeting was held on October 23, 1997 at The Ohio State University Health Sciences Library.

Thirty-nine OHSLA members participated in the workshops offered: nineteen at the Grant Writing workshop conducted by Jean Sayre and Cara Wilhelm, GMR; and nineteen at the Web Resources workshop conducted by Eric Schnell, OSU Health Sciences Library.

Overall, 31% of attendees were from academic libraries and 64% were from hospital or clinic libraries, and 5%

were from an "other" type of organization: However, workshop attendance was split a bit differently:

Web Resources: 79% from hospitals/clinics; 16% from academic libraries; 5% from "other"

Grant Writing: 50% from hospitals/clinics; 45% from academic libraries; 5% from "other"

Geographically, attendees travelled from every region of the state:

NE Ohio	21%
NW Ohio	5%
Central Ohio	41%
SE Ohio	3%
SW Ohio	28%
Out of Ohio	3%

Members also provided a lot of constructive criticism (and compliments!) About the CE choices, food, and the learning environment, which the Program and Executive Committees will carefully review when planning future meetings.



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