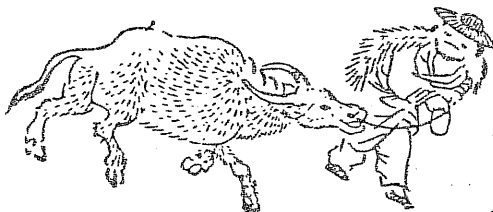


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CHLA Conference Winnipeg '83

The plans for the great Winnipeg CHLA conference are being finalized and we want you to help make it a success! A letter was sent by the Publicity Committee to all Manitoba hospital administrators urging them and their library managers to participate in the conference, by attending the various sessions and meeting friends and colleagues at the social events. To all hospital library managers: if your administrator hasn't spoken to you about the meeting, make this your opportunity to bring up the subject. Highlights of the conference include: the excellent group of instructors giving the CE courses; Dr. Daniel LeTouzé, who will undoubtedly be asked about the dismemberment of the CHA Library; the members on the panel discussion with their varied backgrounds speaking on a topic of mutual and increasing concern; outstanding representatives of health libraries participating in the sessions; a contingent of American visitors from the neighboring states; and the whole social program. See you in Winnipeg on June 13 to 15!

News is a publication of the Manitoba Health Libraries Association. The opinions expressed by contributors are not necessarily the official policy of the Manitoba Health Libraries Association.

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from Anna Enns

ASSOCIATION NEWS.

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Brandon General Hospital Library Services--
direct telephone lines

Interlibrary Loans - 726-2257

Kathy Eagleton

(please do not
use for ILL) - 726-2256

Help!

Wanted by the MARN Library for
binding purposes - Nursing 81, vol. 11,
no. 1 January & no. 6 June. If anyone
has extra copies of these I would
appreciate receiving them. Please
phone Eleanor Gowerluk at 774-3477
ext. 26.

Wanted by Brandon General Hospital
Library for binding purposes -
Dimensions in Health Service, v. 58,
no. 12, December 1981. Please bring to
May 10th meeting.

The 1982 Health Manpower Provincial
Report is now available. If you have
not received a copy, contact

Department of Health
Research & Planning Directorate
206 - 1580 Dublin Avenue
WINNIPEG, Manitoba
R3E 0L4

A health sciences library basic manual
for library staff in small health care
institutions. 2d ed. By Jan Greenwood.
1982.

From: Ontario Medical Association
240 St. George St.
Toronto, Ontario
M5R 2P4

Price unknown. Said to be very good.
Available on loan to MHLA members
from Dept. of Health Library.



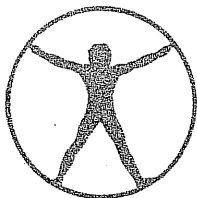
The Canada Institute for Scientific and
Technical Information is pleased to announce
the publication of the 1983 edition of
*Canadian Locations of Journals Indexed
for MEDLINE*. This publication contains
locations and holdings for over 3,000 health-
related titles, including those titles indexed
for the 1983 *Index Medicus*, the *International
Nursing Index*, the *Index to Dental Literature*,
and many titles indexed for the *Hospital
Literature Index*.

This edition has been produced via mag-
netic tape output of an automated library
system (DOBIS) by laser printing techniques
to produce a high quality print.

Please send me _____ copies of the CANADIAN
LOCATIONS OF JOURNALS INDEXED FOR
MEDLINE, 12th edition, 1983, (NRC No.
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Ottawa, CANADA. K1A 0S2
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HELP for HEALTH

GETTING STARTED

Collecting and organising patient information

compiled by Robert Gann

The Help for Health Information Package entitled Getting started was published in February 1982. The package is based on the experiences of the Wessex Help for Health Information Service and is aimed at all those involved in the provision of health information for patients and the public: NHS and public libraries; DIAL groups; community health councils; citizens' advice bureaux; health education units; councils for voluntary service; and individual health centres, hospital departments and social work offices.

Getting started helps you to set up a basic collection of health information for patients, disabled people in the community and the public at large. It tells you what to collect, how much it costs, how to store the information, index it and retrieve it for use.

Getting started has been prepared following the recommendations of the British Library research report Help for Health: the needs of health care practitioners for information about organisations in support of health care. British Library (R & D) Report 5613 1981.

The package contains:-

GETTING STARTED 1 Introduction

Voluntary organisations and health care; what information to collect; storing the information; types of index; keeping up to date. 16 pages.

GETTING STARTED 2 Checklist of organisations: voluntary groups in health care.

The organisations you might find in your district; grouped under Blindness, Children and parents, Deafness, Elderly, Mental handicap, Mental health, Physical disorders, General welfare; key to activities. 38 pages.

GETTING STARTED 3 Where to find out: information providers on health.

A guide to organisations providing information on health, national and local; library and information services; coordinating bodies for voluntary activity; national health service; other statutory services; television and radio; viewdata. 14 pages.

GETTING STARTED 4 A starter collection for patient information.

How to establish a basic collection of information materials on health; reference books; booklets and leaflets; journals and newsletters; details include source, price and evaluative annotations. 48 pages.

GETTING STARTED 5 Subject headings: the Help for Health thesaurus of indexing terms.

A scheme for indexing collections of patient information literature and information banks of addresses; allows indexing by disease or disability, type of person helped, type of help offered; extensive cross references. 23 pages.

GETTING STARTED 6 A classification scheme for patient information.

A version of the National Library of Medicine scheme streamlined for use with collections of patient information; straightforward system of facets or subdivisions allows large areas of material (e.g. in mental handicap) to be arranged by equipment; financial help; accommodation; recreation etc; fully indexed. 73 pages.

GETTING STARTED 7 A filing system for patient information.

A simple filing system designed for health centres, clinics etc., with small collections of patient information; based on the more detailed classification scheme but uses a single letter and number. 9 pages.

Getting started: collecting and organising patient information compiled by Robert Gann.

Southampton, Wessex Regional Library & Information Service 1982 £12.00
ISBN: 0 906132 04 5

* Please supply copy/copies of Getting started @ £12.00 each.

SPECIAL OFFER: Getting started and Help for Health BL(R & D) Report 5613
(normally £3.50) for £14.00. *

* Please supply copy/copies of Getting started and Help for Health
@ £14.00.

(* please delete as applicable)

I enclose a cheque/postal order to the value of £ made payable to
SOUTHAMPTON & SOUTH WEST HAMPSHIRE HEALTH DISTRICT.

NB. All WRLIS publications are available only on a cash with order basis.

To: Wessex Regional Library & Information Service,
South Academic Block,
Southampton General Hospital, Southampton, SO9 4XY

This publication has been noted at some length in view of the topic of our up-coming May meeting and CHLA Conference.

It definitely has an English slant, but contains useful ideas. Before you rush out and order, you may like to see the copies held by the Manitoba Dept. of Health Library (on reference but available on ILL to MHLA member libraries) or Brandon General Hospital Library (available after CHLA '83). This is the outcome of the Wessex Research project mentioned at the February meeting.

HEALTH PUBS...

By June Dutka

Titles marked with an asterisk (*) are available from the University of Manitoba Bookstore, Fort Garry Campus, phone: 474-8321.

- * Perspectives on Health (cat. no. CS82-540; \$8.00) "is for anyone who needs an in-depth understanding of current health issues. This volume is organized around five central themes: population demographics, determinants of health status, health status indicators, utilization of health services and the health care system. Current knowledge on trends and health care in Canada has been compiled to portray the situation as it exists today with a view to planning the health care of the future." Statistical tables and charts accompany the text.

A free copy of Canada's Food Guide Handbook can be obtained from the federal Department of National Health and Welfare, Brook Claxton Building, Ottawa, K1A 0K9. This 1983 revision outlines the kinds, amounts and variety of foods which together provide a nutritionally sensible eating pattern contributing to a healthy lifestyle.

Also free from Health and Welfare Canada is the Guide to Food Additives published in 1981. "Today's consumers are becoming more informed and more concerned about the food they eat...For the purpose of regulating their use, food additives are divided into classes according to function. This guide describes the function of each class and lists examples of additives commonly seen on food labels and the foods in which each is often used."

- * Dietary Standards for Canada (cat. no. H58-26/1975; \$3.75) was reprinted in 1977 and completely revises the 1964 edition. "This present Standard contains recommended daily intakes for energy and for 27 nutrients...The age-weight-sex groups have been changed since it is recognized that requirements vary with age, body size, sex and physiological state. The body weights for different age groups are based on Nutrition Canada data. Recommended daily intakes have been expressed in the units considered by the Committee for Revision of the Canadian Dietary Standard most suitable for the particular nutrient in question. Hundreds of references follow the text and provide additional information on water, energy, protein, the various vitamins and minerals."

Nutrient Value of Some Common Foods also provided free from Health and Welfare Canada has been revised in response to the growing interest of Canadians in the nutrient content of their food. "This publication is a handy reference table for Canadians which presents energy and nutrient values of commonly used foods. Public health workers and educators will find it particularly useful in nutrition education programs."

An Introductory Guide to Evaluating Nutrition Projects is a 1982 publication designed for use by field nutritionalists. "It will help anyone with a limited background in evaluation to plan and carry out a straightforward evaluation. Those who have more experience may find the references listed in the bibliography useful." For information regarding availability write to: Department of National Health and Welfare, Health Promotion Directorate, Brooke Claxton Building, Ottawa K1A 0K9.

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University of Manitoba Libraries.

ODDS 'N SODS

Canadian Book Exchange Centre

The CBEC is run by the National Library of Canada to facilitate exchange of duplicate materials between libraries.

The only cost involved is payment of transportation on materials obtained from the Exchange, and also on material donated to the Exchange. While it is desirable for libraries to contribute to the duplicate stock by donating their surplus titles, this is not a pre-condition of participation.

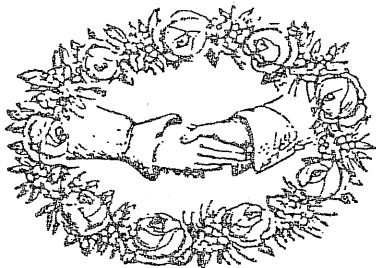
Application should be made to:

Canadian Book Exchange Centre
National Library of Canada
395 Wellington Street
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0N4

When application is complete, duplicate lists will be sent out on a regular basis. At least one medical journal list is sent out each year.

In addition, "wants lists" can be submitted to the Exchange.

For comments on the Exchange you may contact participating libraries, including MWHP and MBGH.



Winnipeg, June 16-21, 1983

For those of you who will have the strength left after our own CHLA Conference in June, the CLA Conference offers a number of interesting prospects.

Without a doubt the activities of the CHLA Conference are much more pertinent to us as health library workers, but the CLA Conference offers an opportunity to meet and mingle with a large group of people engaged in many avenues of library service.

Here are some sessions which might be of interest:

Friday

- 9:00 a.m.-12 noon - Constant change:
libraries respond to the challenge
(Keynote address)
- 1:30-2:30 - Planning and conducting a workshop
- 1:30-4:30 - Integrated library systems:
changing technology in special libraries
- Current technology update:
basic
 - Aspects of stress: symptoms
and positive management
 - Microcomputers: a showcase
- 3:00-4:30 - Kiss Marian the Librarian
goodbye
- Microcomputers and the teacher-
librarian: planning for the introduction
of micros into the School Library/Media
Centre.

Saturday

- 9:00-12 noon - The entrepreneurial
approach to library marketing
- 9:00-4:30 - Using statistics to analyse
library services
- 1:30-4:30 - Grantsmanship: government
relations and funding
- The library as workplace
 - Intellectual freedom:
practical approaches

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Monday



9:00-4:00 - Videodiscs: the technology
and its application (includes special
video fair)

1:30-4:30 - Swap and shop (ideas)

The Exhibit area will be open

Thursday 4:00-7:00 (Happy Hour 5:00-7:00)

Friday 11:00-6:00

Sat. 10:00-4:00 (Free sandwich lunch)

CLA offers a special registration rate
to members of MLA (Manitoba Library
Association) and to students and staff
of Manitoba libraries (except
librarians)

MLA members - Before May 15/83 Full \$ 95
Per Day \$ 35

- After May 15/83 Full \$ 120
Per Day \$ 50

// Students and
Staff (non-librarians)

- Before May 15/83 Full \$ 50
Per Day \$ 25

- After May 15/83 Full \$ 55
Per Day \$ 30

There are also charges to individual sessions
ranging from \$5.00 to \$23.00.

For further information contact any member of
CLA. Nancy Bridges, 949-3437 will have extra
Registration forms.

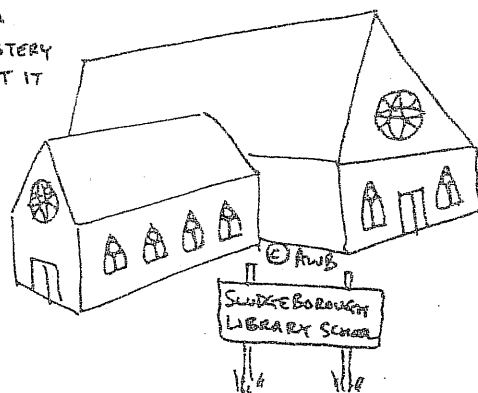
The University of Manitoba Libraries are
considering the sponsorship of several
Red River Community College courses from
their Library Technician program. They
will likely be held later this year on
evening or weekend timetables at the
University of Manitoba. The courses
under consideration are:

Cataloguing I
Cataloguing II
Reference and Public Services I

If you are interested in any of these
courses or would like further information
please contact Helen Stevens at
474-9881.

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ENVOY-100 AT U. of M. Medical Library

The Medical Library in conjunction with the University of Manitoba Library System has been using, since October 1982, an electronic messaging system called ENVOY-100. We are primarily testing its capability to send and receive interlibrary loan requests. This "ILlectronic" system seems to be working out well, is being adopted by an increasing number of libraries across Canada, and should be easy and cost-effective to implement in any size library. For these reasons it is important that MHLA members know about ENVOY and perhaps consider its potential use in their respective libraries. What follows provides but a brief exposure of the first kind. Roy Bonin's article in the March 1983 issue of the Manitoba Library Association Bulletin gives a more thorough and serious account of the system.

For some initial insight about ENVOY-100, let your fingers do some exploring through the current Winnipeg or Manitoba telephone directory. When you reach the MTS glossy advertising insert, proceed to page 13. Under the heading "CCG-Message Communications" you should uncover a vague description of ENVOY-100. Allow me to embellish further by way of a sample encounter.

It's 4:00 PM at the Medical Library. M.T. (the male terrestrial) waddles up to a DECwriter computer terminal with a load of verified ILL requests in hand. He turns on the terminal and MODEM (a device that enables a terminal to "talk" by phone with other computers). He dials the local DATAPAC number (check page 14 of MTS insert) to hook us into a North American-wide data telecommunications network that provides cheap, distance independent, long distance service. After coupling phone to modem and typing an appropriate number (ENVOY's DATAPAC address) on the terminal, DATAPAC responds, "call connected".

We are now on-line with the ENVOY-100 computer in TRONto. ENVOY prompts for our i.d. and password. Fortunately M.T. remembers; we soon get the response "welcome to ENVOY 100" followed by a summary of messages received since our previous encounter. Let's examine this carefully. There are interlibrary loan requests from some unhealthy looking libraries: ILL.SSUM, ILL.AEU, and MWUC.ILL. These, of course, are "mailbox" i.d.'s for U. of Sask. Medical, U. of Alberta, and U. of Winnipeg respectively. The last message appears to have been posted at 3:59 PM today. Not bad timing! ENVOY-100 shrugs off this impressive display by immediately prompting for "ACTION?". M.T., undaunted, replies with "READ". Et voila! A complete loan request from ILL.SSUM is printed. ENVOY then urges us for more "ACTION?". M.T. ruthlessly keys in "PURGE" and whamo, all memory of ILL.SSUM's latest desire is erased.

This has been pretty one way so far. Let's initiate some messages of our own. M.T. types in "COMPOSE". Not another new symphony but a series of prompts appear. First "TO:" then "CC:" then "SUBJECT:" and finally "TEXT:". M.T. responds in turn with: the destination mailbox i.d., a blank (electronic carbon copies are too expensive), the ILL request number as SUBJECT, and the text of our message using a standardized format akin to TELEXed ILL's. Oh my Godel! A mistake was made in typing in the citation. No problem to correct. M.T. just types "EDIT" and enters ENVOY's fixit mode whereby a few simple commands make a mistaken ILL well. On completing the message ENVOY asks "SEND?", M.T. answers "YES". Wowie! ENVOY tells us "Msg posted April 12, 1983 4:10 PM". This certainly beats stamp and envelope licking. Approximate cost to send this ILL request should be about \$.70.

Perhaps this has been an ill-conceived demonstration of the capabilities of our hero (ENVOY-100 not M.T.). Of course it can manage even more wondrous tasks such as: forward received messages, send a single message to multiple locations, file messages for later action, save and copy blocks of frequently used text.

Its greatest strength is that it bypasses the tedium of ILL forms and the post office; it is more accessible and cheaper than TELEX.

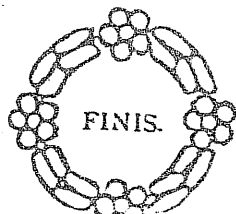
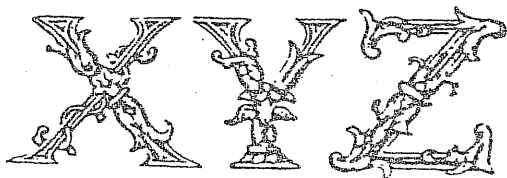
It's 4:30 PM. M.T. go home.

ADDENDUM:

A sample of libraries currently using ENVOY-100 include: CISTI, National Library of Canada, University of Saskatchewan, University of Alberta, University of British Columbia, University of Winnipeg, Red River Community College, Department of Education. Libraries contemplating ENVOY include: Health Science Centre Library, St. Boniface Hospital Medical Library, Brandon General Hospital Library, Department of Health Library.

For further information some contacts are: Randy Kabez, Computer Communications Group, MTS, 949-8635; Roy Bonin, University of Manitoba Libraries, 474-9881 (re sub-contracting an affiliated user i.d.); Michael Tennenhouse, University of Manitoba Medical Library, 786-4342.

Michael Tennenhouse



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