

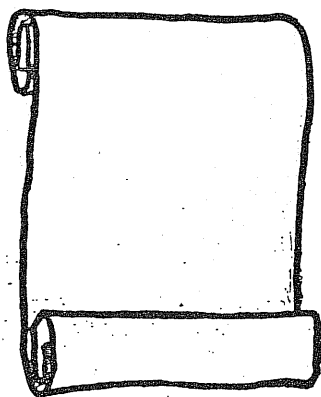
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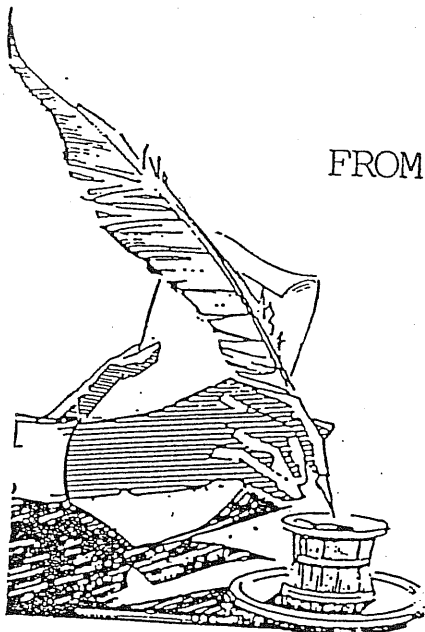
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FROM THE

PRESIDENT'S

PEN.....

On behalf of your new executive, I would like to welcome you to a new year of activities of the Manitoba Health Libraries Association.

We have scheduled three meetings for the year. The Fall meeting will be held at the Canadian Food Development Centre in Portage La Prairie on Sept 27, 1988, at 1 p.m. It will be hosted by Greg Wilton. The Winter meeting will be hosted by Marilyn Brooke of the Manitoba Dept. of Health Library on Feb 7, 1989. Judy Inglis of Deer Lodge Centre will host the Spring meeting on April 25, 1989.

MHLA will be participating in the MHO Health Conference this year. Our session will be on Quality Assurance on Nov 2, 1988 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The speaker is Wendy Peppel, QA Co-ordinator at the Misericordia Hospital. Sharon Allentuck and Kathy Eagleton are co-chairs of the MHO/MHLA Planning Committee. In addition MHLA will host a display of MHLA publications and health administration material. The display table will need to be staffed for the full three days of the conference, Nov 2 3 and 4. If you can volunteer your time, please give Sharon or Kathy a call.

Judy Inglis and the Programme Committee have met to begin planning for Continuing Education sessions for the year. Topics may include: quality assurance, audio-visual materials in health libraries or the use of the facsimilie machine.

MHLA's fund raising project for this year is a lottery. Plans for this are well underway.

We hope that you've had a busy and productive summer. See you in the Fall.

*Susan Rogers*

# FORTHCOMING PROGRAMMES

September 27, 1988  
1:00pm

Manitoba Industry, Trade & Technology  
Canadian Food Products Development Centre  
P.O. Box 1240 - 810 Phillips St.  
Portage la Prairie, Manitoba  
R1N 3J9  
GREG WILTON, LIBRARIAN

February 7, 1989  
1:00pm

Manitoba Health. Manitoba Community Services &  
Corrections. Anna E. Wells Memorial Library  
202-880 Portage Ave.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
R3G 0P1  
Marilyn Brooke, Co-ordinator of Informational Resource.

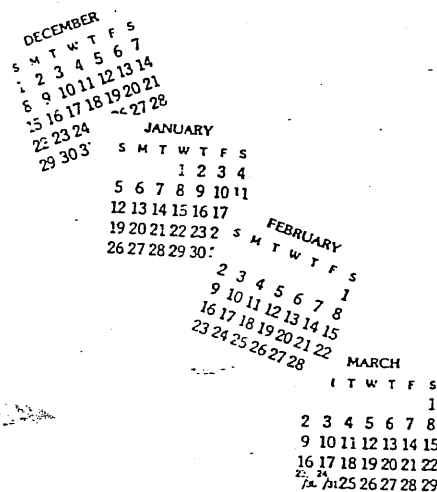
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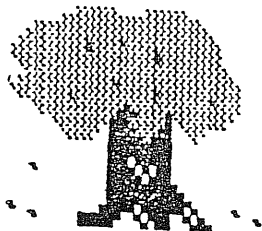
Deer Lodge Centre Library  
2109 Portage Ave.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
R3J 0L3  
Janis Saunders, Librarian

## MHLA NEWS DEADLINES.....

JANUARY 3, 1989 Winter issue.

MARCH 31, 1989 Spring issue.





# FALL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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September 27

MHLA Fall Meeting  
Canada Food Products Development Centre  
Portage la Prairie, Manitoba

September 21

CASLIS Manitoba/SLA Western Canada  
"Design & Development of Promotional  
Materials"

for further information contact:

Pat Routledge  
649 Riverwood Avenue  
Winnipeg, MB. R3T 1K3

Registration limited to 30, deadline  
for receipt of registration is Sept. 28.

October 12 - 15

UNYOC '88

"Discover Your Worth"

annual conference of the Upstate New  
York and Ontario Chapter of the Medical  
Library Association looks at re-evaluating  
the role of the information provider in a  
changing health environment.

for further information contact;

Mary Anne Trainor, Registration Chair  
UNYOC '88

Health Sciences Library, McMaster University  
1200 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario L8N 3Z5

October 21

CASLIS/MLA/CAPL

"Video in Your Library"

for further information contact:

CLAHQ Professional Development at  
1-800-267-6566

November 2 - 4

Manitoba Health Organizations Conference  
"The Quest for Quality"  
MHLA Programme

November 9 - 16

DIALOG will be presenting a series of  
seminars from introductory to advanced  
subject searching.

for further information contact:

Diane Sankey at 1-800-387-2689

November 25

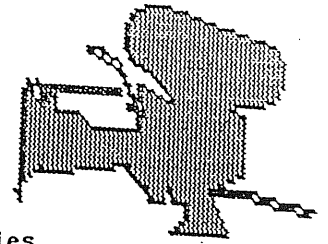
"AV Sources in the Health Sciences"

Telemedicine Canada teleconference

followed by panel on AV resources in Manitoba

for further information contact Judy Inglis  
or Marilyn Brooke of the MHLA Program Committee

# Media Page



The Audio Visual Interest Group of the Manitoba Health Libraries Association will be making a regular contribution to the MHLA News in the form of a "Media Page." To begin with, we intend to present information on the audio visual collections held by some of the smaller health care agencies in the province. It is our hope to provide the MHLA with current information on the holdings, access policies, and costs and we will also attempt to provide information on other educational resources available from these agencies such as publications, brochures, and speakers.

We hope that the MHLA membership will find this project useful. We welcome your suggestions and ask that you forward any comments to the group's chairperson, Richard Nordrum at Victorian Order of Nurses, 957- 0650

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD MANITOBA

Planned parenthood is a non-profit volunteer organization. Its main purpose is to provide and encourage education, advocacy, and research in human sexuality, sexuality education, and family planning.

In order to fulfill this purpose a fairly extensive resource collection is maintained. This collection includes books, periodicals, pamphlets, vertical file, films and filmstrips. Everyone is welcome to browse and may use the photocopier on the premises.

A membership is required to borrow A-V materials. Fees are: \$15.00 for personal membership, \$25.00 for institutional memberships. In Winnipeg, the contact person for A-V is Leslie.

A Speakers' Bureau is available, offering sessions on topics such as: adolescent development, dating, teenage pregnancy, and the role of parents and professionals as sexuality educators.. There is a fee which varies depending on the length of session, number of people, etc. Services are provided to all areas of the province, there might be an additional travel allotment required.

Offices are maintained in Brandon and Winnipeg.

For your convience the list of holdings is enclosed separately with the newsletter

THE LEAGUE FOR LIFE IN MANITOBA INC.

The League for Life is a non-profit prolife organization, whose goal is: to promote respect for all human life from conception until natural death. Funding is provided solely by its membership which is represented in 22 League for Life groups throughout Manitoba. The \$10.00 membership fee entitles a person to receive the bi-monthly League for Life newsletter.

The League for Life's mandate is to inform and educate the people of Manitoba about pro-life concerns on topics such as abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and new reproductive technologies.

A variety of educational services are available to the public at no charge:

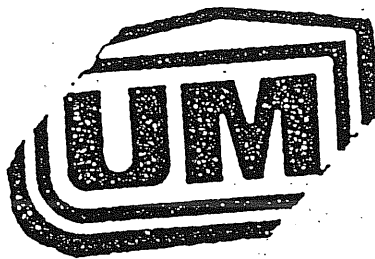
- Speakers Bureau. Many committed and talented speakers are available to provide presentations to schools, church groups, Y-neighbour groups and any other group interested. 16 mm projectors are provided but not VCR's. Requests for speakers can be made by writing or telephoning two to three (2-3) weeks in advance and should include topic, date and an alternative date if possible.
- Pamphlets. An extensive selection of information pamphlets is available on all topics. Packages will be sent out in the mail.
- Public information booths are set up at University of Manitoba, Red River Community College, conventions, malls, etc.
- Respect Life week sponsor (February)
- Regular public information meetings (monthly)
- Inservice education for those interested to become speakers
- Annual "Hike for Life" walkathon (September)
- Lending library. The library has a collection of books, journals, films and videotapes available for loan. (See accompanying audiovisual list). There is also a large current information file available for reference.

Loan period is two (2) weeks. Winnipeg borrowers are responsible for pick-up and return costs. For out-of-town customers, materials are sent by Greyhound or Grey Goose. The League pays one way and asks the borrower to pay for the return.

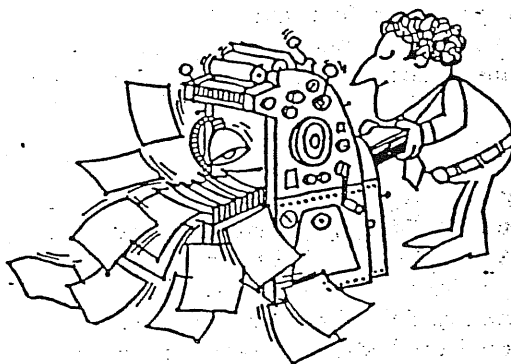
For more information write to:

The League for Life in Manitoba Inc.  
579 Des Meurons St.  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
R2H 2P6

Telephone Number: 233-8047  
Pat Soenen - Executive Director  
Barbara Gommerman - Secretary and Librarian



The U of M Medical Library is looking for a good library home for its Weber electric catalogue card duplicator. An instruction manual, two boxes of stencils and one and a half bottles of ink will also be included. For further information, please contact Bev Brown at 788-6345.

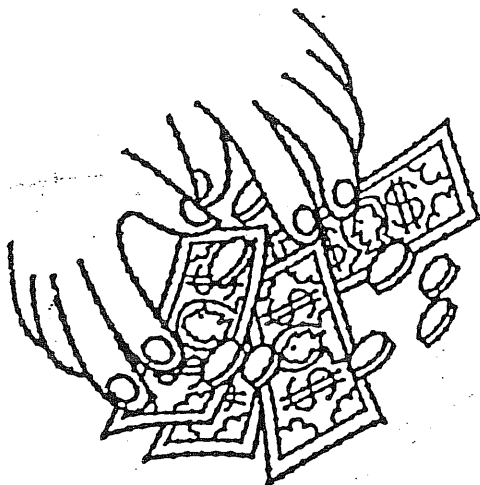


## S.B.G.H. NURSING LIBRARY NEWS

We have a new person working in our library. Her name is Denise Kurlan, and she works Monday, Tuesday & Wednesdays. We also have new LIBRARY HOURS.

MONDAY - THURSDAY	0730 hrs - 2030 hrs.
FRIDAY	0730 hrs - 1700 hrs.
CLOSED DAILY	1700 hrs - 1800 hrs.
CLOSED WEEKENDS	





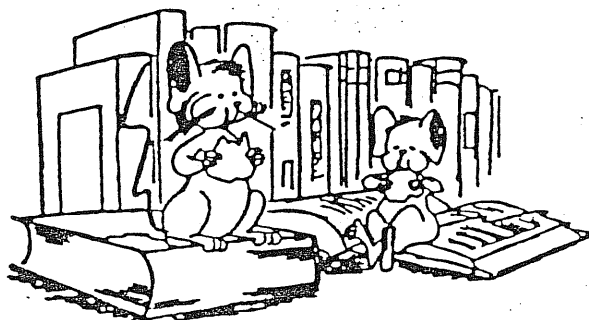
JUST A REMINDER.....

DUES:	PERSONAL	\$15.00
	INSTITUTIONAL	\$50.00
	ASSOCIATE	\$20.00

Cheque or moneyorder made payable to MANITOBA HEALTH LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION. Send to:

Wendy Barber  
Treasurer, MHLA  
Health Sciences Centre  
700 McDermot Ave.  
N4110  
Winnipeg, Manitoba  
R3E 0T2

# Hooked on Books



*"You're right. Shakespeare is  
better than Robert Frost."*

BETTY WOODS IN FAMILY CIRCLE

This year we are very excited to be participating in the Manitoba Health Organization Conference November 2-4th, 1988.

As well as presenting our workshop on Library Quality Assurance on Wednesday November 2nd at 1:00 p.m., we are also have been asked by the Manitoba Health Organization Conference Planning Committee to set up a display of books and journals with allied health information.

They would like the stress to be on ADMINISTRATIVE LITERATURE.(health care)

We need YOUR HELP working at this display, organizing it and sharing your library's unique books and journals on this subject.

The exhibits will be open from 10:00 a.m.- 6:00 P.M. Wednesday and Thursday.

On Friday November 4, the exhibits will be open from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Please fill in the form below and return it to:

Sharon Allentuck  
Hospital Librarian  
Misericordia General Hospital  
99 Cornish Ave.  
Winnipeg, Man. R3C 1A2

Thank you for your help. Please remember we need someone at our booth all the time. I'm sure you will have fun and meet interesting people. Even if you can only help for one or two hours it would be appreciated.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITY \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to share the following resources and put them on display:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help with the organization and set up the display. YES ☐ NO ☐

I can work at our booth the following hours: (please state day and times)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



MANITOBA HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS, INC.

# 19TH ANNUAL HEALTH CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

NOVEMBER 2-4, 1988. WINNIPEG CONVENTION CENTRE, WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

## LIBRARY QUALITY ASSURANCE

W08 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

To provide a basic understanding of hospital QA programs and how to apply and implement them in the library.

### SPEAKER:

Wendy Peppel  
Quality Assurance Coordinator  
Misericordia General Hospital

SUGGESTED AUDIENCE: Librarians, Library Technician's or anyone interested in or works in a library.

SPONSORED BY: Manitoba Health Libraries Association (MHLA)

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MANITOBA HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS, INC.  
19TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION

REG. I.D. # \_\_\_\_\_

NOVEMBER 2-4, 1988 - WINNIPEG CONVENTION CENTRE

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM  
(PRINT OR TYPE)

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITY/AGENCY/ASSOCIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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AREA OF EMPLOYMENT: ☐ ☐ ☐  
Please include your employment code. (See Reverse)  
Choose one code most applicable to your job function.

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EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

A name badge is required for entrance to all conference activities. Refer to the pre-conference brochure for the appropriate program numbers. Please indicate the programs you wish to attend — MAXIMUM 4 sessions per day.

→ WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 W \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3 TH \_\_\_\_\_ TH \_\_\_\_\_ TH \_\_\_\_\_ TH \_\_\_\_\_  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4 F \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_\_

REGISTRATION FEE:

MHO Members:

☐ Institutional — Board members and employees of active and associate member facilities/agencies of MHO are covered by an institutional assessment fee — no individual fee is required.

Non-Members of MHO:

☐ Individual — \$100.00  
☐ Student/Senior Citizen — \$30.00

Payment required with registration, please make cheques payable to Manitoba Health Organizations, Inc.

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SOCIAL EVENT TICKETS:

Event	No. of Tickets Required	
A. Trustee Lunch November 2	_____	@ \$15.00 each = _____
*B. Exhibition Reception November 2	_____	N O C H A R G E
C. Prayer Breakfast November 3	_____	@ \$15.00 each = _____
		TOTAL = \$ _____

\*No admission charge for this event and no tickets will be distributed. Please state the number of individuals who will be attending.

☐ Cheque Enclosed ☐ Bill Facility

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorizing Signature

NOTE: The above events are run on a cost recovery basis, SORRY, NO REFUNDS.  
Requested tickets will be in your pre-registration package.

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Return to: The Conference Registrar in your facility or to Annual Health Conference, MHO, 360 Broadway, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 4G6,  
PRIOR TO NOON, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1988 to ensure pre-registration. (Please use one form per registrant. If extra forms are required, please photocopy.)

## EMPLOYMENT CODES

General Management, Administration  
and Board (01 - 03)

- 01 Board of Directors
  - Trustee
  - Board Chairman
- 02 Administrator
  - Chief Executive Officer
  - Executive Director
  - President
  - Assistant Administrator
  - Assistant Chief Executive Officer
  - Assistant Executive Director
  - Vice-President
- 03 Business Manager
  - Director of Finance
  - Comptroller
  - Chief Accountant

## General Support Services (04 - 25)

- 04 Administrative Support Staff
- 05 Auxilian
- 06 Business Office/Accounting
- 07 Central Service
- 08 Data Processing
- 09 Computer Operations
- 10 Education/Inservice/Staff Development
- 11 Employee Benefits
- 12 Engineer or Plant Operations
- 13 Food Service
- 14 Housekeeping
- 15 Human Resources
- 16 Laundry/Linen
- 17 Library
- 18 Maintenance
- 19 Materiel Managers
- 20 Medical Records
- 21 Planning
- 22 Public Relations
- 23 Secretarial/Clerical
- 24 Volunteer
- 25 Volunteer/Director

Patient Resident Services  
Personnel (26 - 52)

- 26 Activity Personnel
- 27 Chaplain
- 28 Child Life
- 29 Chiroprpodists
- 30 Dietetics
- 31 Home Care
- 32 Laboratory
- 33 Medical
- 34 Medical - Physician
- 35 Nursing - DON
- 36 Nursing - RN
- 37 Nursing - RPN
- 38 Nursing - LPN
- 39 Nursing - Gerontological
- 40 Nursing - Operating Room
- 41 Nursing - Other
- 42 Nursing Aide
- 43 Occupational Therapy
- 44 Pharmacy
- 45 Physiotherapy
- 46 Psychology
- 47 Quality Assurance
- 48 Radiology
- 49 Rehabilitation
- 50 Respiratory
- 51 Social Worker
- 52 Speech Therapists

Government Agency  
(Non-Hospital) (53 - 57)

- 53 Municipal
- 54 Provincial
- 55 Federal
- 56 Manitoba Health
- 57 Manitoba Health Services  
Commission

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- 59 Health Insurance
- 60 Lawyers
- 61 Professional School Staff
- 62 Student
- 63 General Public
- 64 Speaker
- 65 Exhibitor

# WORKING WITH MICRO-COMPUTERS

Your cost of gaining access to the databases of CAG/Acg can now be cut sharply if you live in one of the following 18 cities:

Calgary, Clarkson, Edmonton, Halifax, Hamilton, Kitchener, London, Montreal, Ottawa, Quebec City, Regina, Saint John, Saskatoon, St. John's, Toronto, Windsor, Winnipeg, Vancouver.

You must be a subscriber to the Telecom Canada INET-2000 service (sign-up fee of \$50.00). After signing on to INET-2000 with a LOCAL call, enter FIND OUTDIAL at INET's main menu, and then follow the instructions. When asked for the number of the computer you wish to reach enter 7251880, the number for AgelineCanada(tm) which acts as host for the CAG/Acg's databases (9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Eastern time).

Telecom Canada charges \$9.00 per hour in prime time (9:00 AM to 6:00 PM), and \$7.50 per hour in non-prime time. Even including the sign-up fee, none of the major North American on-line information services is available to you at a cheaper rate. CAG/Acg's databases now include an updated calendar of events and a very substantial part of the CAG/Acg Running Bibliography (starting in 1986, nearly 150 extensive annotations), which you search by using your own key words to retrieve particular annotations of Canadian books and articles. INET-2000 applications can be obtained at your local Radio Shack store or through the business office of your local phone company (the latter reportedly gives faster sign-up). To help you, the next issue newsletter will display segments of the screens you will meet in using INET-2000 to contact AgelineCanada.

...Leroy O. Stone ...

# JOINABLE

# Library Documentation Centre



National Library  
of Canada

## WHAT IT IS:

The Library Documentation Centre is an information service within the National Library which collects and disseminates up-to-date documentation on library and information science in Canada. Part of the Public Services Branch, it serves libraries and librarians as a clearinghouse on new developments in librarianship and information science.

## WHAT IT DOES:

The Centre was established in November 1970 with the purpose of serving both National Library staff and the Canadian library community. Since then it has broadened its services to include international activities.

**Internal Responsibilities:** By means of an internal current awareness service, the Centre helps keep National Library staff informed of changes in such fields as automation, technical services, and library standards. To answer staff enquiries, it provides a reference service as well as a literature search service. The Centre also selects books and serials in the fields of library and information science to be added to the regular collections of the National Library.

**National Responsibilities:** On a national basis, the Library Documentation Centre serves as a reference centre for information on Canadian libraries. To the extent that the Centre's resources permit, reference services similar to those offered within the National Library are extended to Canadian libraries and librarians.

**International Responsibilities:** The Centre has two main international functions. One is to act as the Canadian depository for the conference papers of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA). The other is to serve as Canada's National Information Transfer Centre for UNESCO's International Information System on Research in Documentation (ISORID), thus ensuring that information on Canadian library science research is reported to publications abroad as well as in Canada. The Centre is also on occasion asked to answer information requests from foreign countries.

## HOLDINGS:

The backbone of the Centre's service is a series of vertical files containing information on Canadian libraries, library schools, library associations and, to a very limited extent, librarians. A separate subject file holds current information on developments in librarianship and information science. Material for these files is collected from about two hundred periodicals indexed in the Centre, over one hundred of them Canadian; from a clipping service; and from SDI (Selective Dissemination of Information) printouts; from books, reports, and unpublished and processed materials. In addition to the deposit collection of IFLA conference papers, the Centre maintains a collection of national and international standards relating to libraries. Materials such as indexes, directories, and reviews are on hand for quick reference purposes. When the Centre does not have the resources to answer a question, it tries to refer the enquirer to another source of information, such as other specialists on the National Library staff.

## COOPERATION:

In order to maintain a collection of current and accurate material, the Library Documentation Centre needs the cooperation of the Canadian library community. Professional colleagues are invited to report on relevant surveys, studies, or research projects that they undertake, and individual libraries are encouraged to notify the Centre of any changes in their procedures, staff, or policy. In its efforts to serve as a clearinghouse for information exchange among Canadian libraries, the Centre depends heavily upon such cooperation.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Please call, write or visit

Library Documentation Centre  
National Library of Canada  
395 Wellington Street  
Ottawa, Canada  
K1A 0N4  
Telephone: (613) 995-8717

**EXTRA! EXTRA!**



**You've got something we need. News!**

#### TRAVEL SUBSIDY FOR RURAL MEMBERS

In order to encourage active participation from outside the Greater Winnipeg Area, the Manitoba Health Libraries Association is making a travel subsidy available to rural Members. The subsidy provides a maximum of \$25.00 towards the cost of transportation to one MHLA meeting per year. To receive this subsidy, members should submit travel receipts/mileage records to the Treasurer, Bev Brown c/o The Medical Library University of Manitoba, 770 Bannantyne Ave. Winnipeg, MB. R3E 0W3. Further information regarding the subsidy can be obtained by contacting Bev at 788-6342.



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From the North Dakota  
Library Association



"WOW, WHAT A  
CONVENTION!"

Come next September, round up your cowboy hat and boots and head west! NDLA is going to the Hospitality Inn in Dickinson September 22-24 for our annual convention. According to all advance reports, Diane Caley is doing a "bang-up" job of chairing the whole program/convention. The theme for this year is

"Kaleidoscope: our ever changing libraries!" and appropriately so the keynote speaker is Bill Manley, an expert on futuristic libraries. There are two pre-conference classes offered:

"Problems of the one person/or/small library" and the other will be presented by some of "our" people, "AIDS: a health care update/sample library policies." Following in the true Western spirit of the locality, banquet speaker will be Bill Lowman, North Dakota's own cowboy poet and the banquet entertainment by the "Sod Busters" sounds equally "rip-roaring." In addition to our section meetings, the local online users group is planning a breakfast get-together to discuss forming a state-wide group. No doubt about it--if you're "hankerin'" for another great convention with the "ol' gang", put a notch on your calendar, point your wagons west and we'll form a circle when we get there!

Interested in attending this meeting? Contact Dallas  
at the St. Boniface Medical Library Before September 16.  
Call 232-2807.

HIGHLIGHTS OF CHLA/ABSC ACTIVITIES  
FOR 1988/89

1. The CHLA Special Committee on MIS/WMS (Management Information System/Workload Measurement Statistics) has been formed. CHLA realized the importance to hospital libraries and to hospital librarians of developing an accurate way to measure the work that is done in a hospital library. A committee is being formed composed of members from a cross-section of library hospitals. One mandate of the committee will be to examine what statistics gathering methods are in place now in hospital libraries.
2. Continuing Education Developments  
Tom Flemming's and Diana Kent's CE course on Canadian health statistics will be offered at the 1989 conference which will be held in Ottawa at the Chateau Laurier Hotel May 28-30, 1989.  
New Board member Joanne Marshall will be responsible for Continuing Education. Joanne is a faculty member at the University of Toronto School of Library and Information Science. She has been much involved with a Canadian Medical Association programme to teach physicians how to conduct online searches.
3. Johann van Reenen from the Victoria Medical and Hospital Libraries in Victoria, British Columbia is the second new Board member. He will be responsible for Publicity/Public Relations.
4. Other Developments  
Recommendation 3 of the Flower Reprot Libraries without walls has been acted upon by CISTI, CHLA and ACMC (Assoc. of Canadian Medical Colleges). This recommendation concerned the formation of a committee to study I.L.L. A five member committee will be formed with representatives from all three bodies.
5. The first fact sheet has been prepared and distributed in BMC. This first sheet gives an overview of telefacsimile. The Board plans to use the sheets to present brief factual information on new technology or to offer position papers of current interest to members.
6. There are 5 teleconferences planned with Telemedicine Canada. The Executive may want to write for the brochure for further information.
7. The 10th Anniversary Commemorative Award will again be offered this year. The Executive may want to consider making an application.

Please contact Bev Brown if you have any questions or concerns regarding CHLA.

# ONLINE NEWS

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by Michael Tennenhouse  
Medical Library, U. of Man.

## APR 27 MEETING REPORT

MHLA's Online Users Group last met on April 27 at the Grace Hospital. 12 members attended: Judy, Cheryl, Bev, Ada, Jill, Liz, Bernice, Janet, Eleanor, Donna, Kathy and Sharon.

Several suggestions were made for future sessions and/or separate programs. These included: a) demonstration of new or interesting databases or database services; b) program on how to initiate an online service, from writing justifications and proposals for higher administration to hardware selection and installation; c) a program to help library personnel to explain library computer applications to non library people i.e. administrators.

### Other meeting announcements

ECRI reported in its Spring 1988 *ECRI Consultant* that several of its key databases including *Health Devices Sourcebook*, and *Health Devices Alerts* will soon be available via DIALOG Information services Inc. (as of September 1988 the ECRI database has not been announced by DIALOG). Health Devices system members will qualify for a special discount from the standard DIALOG rate.

Ada Ducas indicated willingness to host a group of MHLA members interested in viewing DIALOG's new VHS video on computer searching. The tape is still available for individual loan from the U. of Manitoba Medical Library (contact me, MT).

### Problem searches

The rest of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of three problem searches.

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## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

DIALOG will be coming to Winnipeg on November 9 to 10, 14 to 16 to give several seminars:

DIALOG 88, Micromedia Update, DIALOG Introductory, DIALOG Beyond the Basics, & DIALOG Science & Technology. The sessions will be held at the University of Manitoba Dafoe Library. To register or for more information phone DIALOG toll free at 1-800-387-2689.

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## OTHER DATABASE NEWS

CISTI has announced that it has entered into an agreement with ResCan Consultants to develop a Canadian medical devices database and reporting system.

The Medical Publishing Group, a division of the Massachusetts Medical Society has introduced a new CD-ROM database called *Compact Library: AIDS*. It includes "The AIDS Knowledgebase" from San Francisco General Hospital (Also on BRS), portions of the MEDLINE database, and selected full text articles from leading medical journals.

NLM has announced the availability as of July 12 of its new database on AIDS called *AIDSLINE* (who would have guessed). It is a MEDLINE subset from 1980. It is not yet accessible from Canadian locations.

*EMBASE Plus* (Excerpta Medica online) has made its debut on DIALOG and other systems. It improves upon the old EMBASE database with characteristics purposely similar to MEDLINE e.g. hierarchical tree structures, revised subject thesaurus, use of MEDLINE like subheadings. This should make it easier to use but it remains significantly more expensive.

A sister database to EMBASE also published by Elsevier, is *SEDBASE* (Meyler's Side Effects of Drugs Database) which is now online on DIALOG as of June 1988.

DIALOG Information Services, Inc. has been sold by Lockheed Corp. for \$353 Millions to Knight-Ridder, Inc.

*Scientific American Medicine* has been added to the BRS stable of full text databases and is equivalent in content to the highly acclaimed printed version.

Also recently announced for searching on BRS is *CORK Online* (an alcoholic database)

The producers of *PaperChase* have announced a program to install free terminals/printers in medical libraries. These stations dubbed "EASY ACCESS CENTERS" would be dedicated for the use of *PaperChase* (menu driven MEDLINE system). Users would be able to immediately sign on to *PaperChase* and pay by credit card (*ONLINE*, July 1988, p 67.).

In a similar vein Telebase Systems Inc. are testing a product to be called "THE ANSWER MACHINE". This also would involve the installation of dedicated workstations in libraries to access the company's gateway system called *EASYNET* which connects to over 900 databases. (*ONLINE*, Sept. 1988, p 13-30)

*AgelineCanada* is a relatively new system containing bibliographic data and calendar of events information. It is now accessible across Canada through INET-2000. (Thanks to Judy Inglis; see *CAG/Åcg Newsletter*, V.15, No. 4, p. 4 for a few more details, or phone CAG headquarters in Winnipeg at 944-9158)

The Manitoba Telephone System has recently introduced its *Manitoba Information Network*. It provides access to a "collection of databases providing information of interest to businesses, residents and visitors in Manitoba". It replaces *First Base*, a service that never got to second. For more information contact Bob Thomas at MTS at 941-6114.

*Reference Update* is new product by the producers of *Reference Manager* (a personal bibliographic filing program). Weekly sent floppy disks contain recent citations to a core list of about 400 biomedical clinical and research journals. The U. of M. Medical Library,

and the Cancer Foundation Library are now using this service.

ISI (Current Contents) has also announced in response a similar service called *Current Contents on Diskette* covering about 300 selected journals.

*NurseSearch* (Nursing Literature on Floppy Disk) has been available for some time from the producers of *CINAHL*. Free copies are available for 30 day preview or for workshops and seminars. Has anyone tried it. Who would like to see it and arrange a group workshop around it? Please let me know.

## CD-ROM

Cambridge Information Group, the producers of *Compact Cambridge MEDLINE* have announced an agreement with the American Society of Hospital Pharmacists to publish their drug information handbooks on Compact Disk. It will be called *Drug Information CD*.

*Silver Platter*, another major player in the MEDLINE on compact disk business has announced several important changes: Subscribers will receive monthly updates as of Jan. 1989. Coverage for those who wish to pay can begin as far back as 1966. Up to 50% price reductions are available for multiple subscriptions to *Silver Platter* databases or for users who wish to change from one of the competing vendors products. The price concessions may be of significant benefit for groups of libraries. MHLA members may be interested in exploring this further.

The National Library of Canada has produced a useful introduction to CD-ROM for librarians titled *CDROM: A Brief Introduction for Librarians and Information Workers*. (Information Technology Assessment Working Paper (ITA-WP#12).

I am now receiving a personal copy of *The Lasedisk Professional*. Some recent articles are: "Medline on CD-ROM: A Review of Six Products", "Mainstreaming CD-ROM into Library Operations".

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## MED LIBRARY (U of M) NEWS

The St. Boniface Hospital and the University of Manitoba in a joint agreement have purchased the **PALS** (UNISYS) automated library system. Many MHLA members were introduced to the system (developed by Mankato State College in Minnesota) at a states side library conference in Grant Forks several years ago. It has the potential of becoming a Manitoba wide resource. First installation of its various modules will be at the U of M Medical Library and St. Boniface Hospital Carolyn Sifton Library.

I have copies of *Searching DIALOG: The Tutorial Guide*, and *CLASSMATE Teaching Guide* (DIALOG). Anyone interested should contact me.

Also recently received is *Personal Filing Systems: Creating Information Retrieval Systems on Microcomputers* by Sherri McCarthy, Medical Library Association, 1988.

Another interesting book is *Consensus and Penalties for Ignorance in the Medical Sciences : Implication for Information Transfer* edited by J. Michale Brittain.

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## ARE YOU THERE?

I would appreciate any thoughts you have on the usefulness of this column. Please send me your response to these questions or anything else you think would be helpful.

Are you currently searching?  
Do you find this column of value?  
Suggestions for improvement?

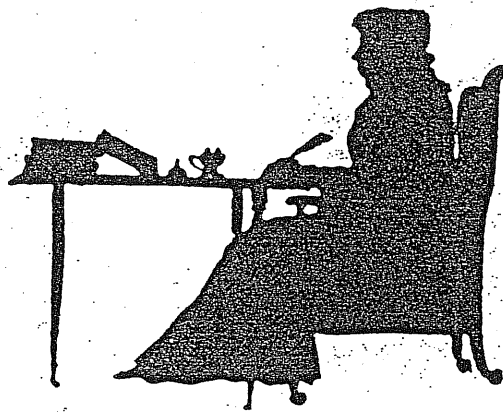
I would also like to hear from anyone with news or gossip or questions about the online/database/computers in library world that I might miss, especially local material. E.g. interesting searches, search problems, questions, in-house developments. Please keep me posted.

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## NEXT MEETING

There will be NO meeting of the MHLA Online Users Group on Sept. 27, in Portage. Hopefully we can arrange to meet at the winter MHLA meeting.

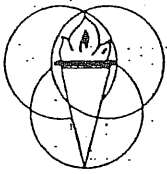
Please let me know if you are interested in a special session to view such things as: DIALOG's video, CD-ROM, Nursesearch, Reference Update etc.



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## AUDIO VISUAL LIST

### V.C.R. Tapes available for loan

A MATTER OF CHOICE, New Liberty Films, USA. 28 mins VHS

ASSIGNMENT LIFE, New Liberty Films, USA 52 mins VHS

BABY CHOICE, Americans Against Abortion, Melody Green. 10 Mins VHS.

BEVERLY HADLANDS Talk to teens about sexuality, dating, abortion (taped in Ste Rose, Manitoba). 25 mins. VHS.

CHASTITY: A QUESTION OF CHOICE, Hosted by Bev. Hadland, of Straight Talk Youth Counselling Services of Toronto.

CONCEIVED IN LIBERTY, American Portrait Films, 59 mins. VHS, BETA.

CROSSFIRE - Debate in Winnipeg May 1988 Joanne Hatherly vs Ellen Kruger. VHS. 30 mins.

DOES ANYONE CARE, a talk By Fr. John Powell, S.J. 30 mins. VHS.

ECLIPSE OF REASON, Bernadell Inc, USA by Dr. B. Nathanson 27 mins VHS

FEEL THE HEARTBEAT, by Alliance for Life, documentary on single mothers, 60 minutes. VHS & BETA

LIFE IN THE BALANCE a talk by Canadian psychiatrist Dr. Philip Ney, of University of Calgary (League for Life dinner 1987.) 60 mins. VHS.

NO ALIBIS, Upton & Browing, USA. Drama for Teens. 36 mins VHS.

SILENT SCREAM, Bernadell Inc, USA by Dr. B. Nathanson 27 mins VHS (also in French).

THE ANSWER, Bernadell Inc, interview with Dr. Jay Kelinson 13 mins VHS (who performed abortion on Silent Scream).

TO LOVE & LET GO, University of Calgary, focus on adoption. 47 mins VHS.

WHO BROKE THE BABY, by Dr. Jean Garton, author of book same title. Discusses the slogans used to promote abortion. 28 mins. VHS & BETA

### WOMANITY OF CALIFORNIA EDUCATIONAL PRO-LIFE VIDEOS ON VHS FORMAT.

AFTER ABORTION ... *Lauren Platz of Women Exploited by Abortion reveals problems of and help for women who have aborted.* 25 mins.

CARING TO THE END ... *Geriatric nurse Joyce Terry and others discuss ministering to the terminally ill.* 30 mins.

CHASTITY, HEALTH & SEXUAL FREEDOM and PROMOTING HEALTHIER RELATIONSHIPS ... with Coleen Mast PSRV-5 (1 hour)

COUNSELING THE SEXUALLY ACTIVE TEEN ...  
*Counselor Sr. Paula Vandeqaer shares clinical experiences.* 28 mins

DATING SKITS ... *High school students (The Integriteens) dramatize dating-related situations affirming self-esteem, respect, standards and abstinence.* 24 mins

DOWN SYNDROME BLESSINGS ... *Three mothers speak of the challenge and rewards of their Down children.* 27 mins

Womanity Series of Videos Continued .....

**FRIENDS - FEELINGS AND FUN...** Penny Fryman explains to junior high students the place of feelings in their decisions. 23:10mins

**JUST WAIT** (Teenagers speaking about sexuality, dating,) 14 mins.

**PROJECT SEX RESPECT...** LeAnna Benn of Teen-Aid, Inc. and Coleen Mast of Sex Respect overview their abstinence-promoting curricula for public schools. PSRV-1 29:30mins.

**YOUR CRISIS PREGNANCY**, American Portrait Films, U.S.A. single mothers, testimonies, adoption, counselling. 25 minutes. VHS.

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Eclipse of Reason by Bernard Nathanson, 27mins

Assignment Life. 52 minutes in length. Reporter interviews pro-abortion and pro-life people. Shows abortion taking place. For mature youth.

A Matter of Choice. 28 minutes in length. Short version of Assignment Life.

Slippery Slope. 30 minutes in length deals with infanticide & euthanasia.

Two Is A Crowd. 30 minutes in length A single career woman reporter who finds herself pregnant.

Saying No: A Few Words to Women About Sex. 17 minutes in length, on teenage dating.

Girl on the Edge of Town. 30 minutes in length. Teenage pregnancy, peer pressure.

Silent Scream - Dr. Nathanson shows an abortion on ultra sound. 27 minutes.

Sensational Baby - 23 minutes in length, exploring fetal life in the womb.

Does Anyone Care - A talk by John Powell, Jesuit priest on abortion & euthanasia, 30 minutes in length, available also in French.