

**NAHSL Executive Board Meeting
September 7, 2007
New England Regional Medical Library
Shrewsbury, MA**

Present: Janene Batten, Mark Goldstein, Nancy Harger, Carole Foxman, Mark Gentry, Shirley Gronholm, Janene Batten, Marianne Burke, Joan Yanicke, Dina McKelvy, Barbara Ingrassia, Len Levin, Penny Glassman, Janet Cowen, Mary Ann Slocomb, Hongji Wang, Andy Dzaugis, John Gallagher.

Chair's Report (Janene Batten)

Annual reports for NAHSL conference for the packets need to be prepared and given to Janene. Early registration goes through September 14 to save \$30.00. Incoming marketing chair, Mary Ellen Bowen, will be posted to the NAHSL list. NAHSL scholarship table—will not have NAHSL memberships this year. We will have a MAHSLIN membership donated to the table.

See achievements list at end of NAHSL agenda—put into these minutes. Discussion about the third goal about CE's/programs to be broadcast. This was never addressed by the board. Janene will talk with Ed Donnalld about how this goal could be moved forward.

Secretary's Report (Nancy Harger): minutes approved with one change on the second page under Bylaws—21 days not 30 days.

Treasurer's Report (Mark Goldstein): See reports. The CD matured today. Discussion about what to do with this money. Motion to roll over the CD to mature May 08. Approved by the board.

Committee Reports

Archives (Carole Foxman):

Discussion: The professional development awards will be added to the **E-archives**.

Benchmarking (Shirley Gronholm):

The next benchmarking survey is still scheduled for this fall. A test survey will go out to members of the Benchmarking Network Editorial Board and to each of the Chapter Liaisons within the next several weeks. The testing period is scheduled to last 2 weeks. After that they will make any final revisions and the survey will be ready to be distributed. The plan is to have it ready before Chapter meeting this fall.

Assuming that the survey is ready before the October conference, Shirley or an alternate will need a few minutes on the agenda to promote the survey and encourage participation.

By-laws (Mark Gentry—not present but submitted a report): Per MLA regulations, the Bylaws changes passed earlier this year by the Executive Board were submitted for approval by the MLA Bylaws committee in early July. We are still awaiting approval from them. I recently reminded MLA staff and the Bylaws committee chair that in order to have a vote at the October business meeting, we need to send the proposed changes out by October 8th. I will let the board know when I receive word from MLA.

Once we get the go-ahead, I will post a PDF of the complete bylaws with all revisions, deletions and additions on the NAHSL Website. Membership will receive an email with an explanation of the rationale for the changes and the URL for the draft bylaws.

I am also continuing to clean up the Policy and Procedure Manual. Janene did a close reading of the entire P&P and found some stray clauses that need updating. She and I don't believe there is anything controversial in them so the plan is for me to send the proposed P&P revisions to Board members in a few weeks. After discussion (and changes if necessary), we will do a vote via email. That will allow us to begin the next year with a squeaky clean version of both the Bylaws and the NAHSL Policy & Procedure Manual.

Chapter Council (Janet Cowen): **no report**

Conference 08 (Andy Dzaugis):

Discussion: have contacted three speakers. Discussion about the 50th anniversary and where it might be held. The committee is still incomplete—he is working on members for the committee. Penny is working on the website. Mark suggested contacting Marty Meehan as a speaker.

Conference 07 (Marianne Burke):

Discussion: Sponsorship: budgeted \$15,000 --\$11,000 now pledged. Breakout sessions will be interactive. Four keynote speakers. Len and the marketing committee to put together a press release about the cool conference that the medical libraries are having in Woodstock. Marianne is developing her objectives for the next year. Suggested that people send her their ideas.

Credentialing/Mentoring (Joan Yanicke):

Discussion: regarding the AHIP credentialing process. The process is extremely difficult and it seems that it needs improvement. As a chapter of MLA discussion about whether they listen to the regional chapters concerns. Next year since Joan does not attend MLA, she will send a proxy to the credentialing group at MLA.

Action: Joan to answer questions at the conference about AHIP but also to raise the concerns above to bring to MLA

Education (Hongi Wang): see attached report.

Electronic Communications (Edward Donnalld): Updating professional development forms.

Finance (Mark Goldstein):

Discussion: PayPal for payment of membership 08: Looking for people for a pilot project to pay by credit card—to test it out in real time. Four people from the board volunteered to do this. Committees need to have their budgets to Mark by November 9.

Action: Mark will send out a reminder regarding the deadline committee budget proposals.

Government Relations (Barbara Ingrassia): Senate appropriates committee ordered the EPA to restore their library. See attached report.

Marketing (Len Levin): MLA participants on the NAHSL website through papers and presentations. Janet Glover knows about the history of the development of the NAHSL logo

Membership (Penny Glassman): At present there are 214 members of which 13 are student members.

Nominating (Janet Crager): no report at this time.

Professional Development (Dina McKelvey)

Discussion: We have additional money from MLA (see report). Dina suggested changing the name of the award “Non-NAHSL, Non-MLA award to something better. Perhaps to change to an historical figure from NAHSL as a named award. There have been outstanding people involved in NAHSL.

Action: Decision to change the name to “Extended Education Award” and then later to perhaps add a name.

Program (Nancy Goodwin)

RML Report (Javier Crespo): Penny reporting RFP for health information outreach—proposals are due September 28. Other opportunities—check the RML website. Donna’s position has been posted. Fall exhibit season started. Michelle is teaching two classes at NAHSL this year.

STATE REPORTS: see attached reports

ARIHSL (Mary Ann Slocomb):

CAHSL (John Gallagher):

HSL NH/Vermont (Marianne Burke):

HSLIC (Tammera Race):

MAHSLIN: (Margo Coletti):

Old Business:

NAHSL 50th anniversary—things to do for the conference, MLA, throughout the year.
Website will reflect the 50th anniversary.

New Business:

Upcoming meetings dates are October 29, December 7, March 27, June 19, and September 5.

Adjourned at 2:30 pm

Submitted by Nancy Harger

NAHSL CE Committee Report to NAHSL Executive Committee 9/7/07

- Spring CE Course: A 6-credit course on nursing resources entitled "Getting Magnetized: Search and Service Strategies for Nursing Excellence" taught by Peg Allen was offered by NAHSL and MAHSLIN on 6/29, Friday at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center (Boston). The cost for our members is \$25. Over 50 people attended. On the whole, the response was good, but the evaluation is mixed partly due to the content coverage of the course, and partly due to the instructor teaching style. The attendees came from various backgrounds, so the nurses had particular difficulties with the subject of the course. In the future, close attention should be paid to the targeted audience and their subject interests.
- NAHSL CE Committee is exploring the possibility of co-sponsoring with ACRL (Association of College and Research Libraries)-New England Information Technology SIG Steering Committee an 8-hour program on "Licensing Electronic Resources" (course details below). The date is temporarily set on Monday March 24th, 2008. To make sure it's a topic that appeals to our members, a survey was conducted during the first week of August.
- Survey questions:
 - Are you interested taking this course?
 - What do you think of offering the same program twice? (remember: more convenience means more cost)
- Survey Results:
 - Total number of responses: 49 (including 8 from MAHSLIN)
 - Those who said "Yes": 37
 - Those who said "No": 11
 - One person said "maybe."
 - Only a few responded to the question of whether they'd like to have the class offered twice at different locations, and of those who answered the question, most said that they welcome the flexibility, but it really depends on location and cost. Many prefer to have the location within 1.5 hours' drive.
- Fall Webcasting: MLA will host a webcast on "Scholarly Publishing and Open Access: Straight Talk" on Tuesday, November 20, 2007, 1:00 p.m., central time. NAHSL CE Committee will again co-sponsor this program with other state/local organizations by paying for the registration fee. State organizations wishing to co-sponsor with NAHSL should **send two things to NAHSL Treasurer**:
 - **a. Send a copy of the registration form to MLA conference by October 1st (tell MLA that NAHSL will pay the registration fee).** http://www.mlanet.org/education/distance_ed/scholarlypub/index.html
 - **b. Send a copy of filled NAHSL "Check Request Form" available at <http://www.nahsl.org/forms.htm> along with the MLA registration form.**

- **c. NAHSL Treasure will then send ONE check to MLA for ALL the states.**
- Fall Conference CE courses: the committee has selected 6 courses for the conference. They are:

Sun 8-3 Quality Filtering: Principles of Evidence-Based Medicine - 6-hours taught by Jennifer Lyon and Rachel Walden, Eskin Biomedical Library, Vanderbilt University

Sun 8-12 Number Number Who's Got the Number? Or Who's Counting: Health Statistics Sources - half day, taught by Charles Wessel, University of Pittsburgh

Sun 8-12 Teaching in Libraries: Skills to Become a Better Instructor - half day, taught by Len Levin and Jane Fama, Lamar Soutter Library, UMass Medical School

Sun 1-5 Management Skills - half day taught by Cheryl Coonahan, Organizational Consultant

Sun 1-5 Concepts in Complementary & Alternative Medicine - half day taught by Michelle Eberle, National Network of Libraries of Medicine - New England

Tue 1-5 (Free class) Grant Proposal Writing by Michelle Eberle, National Network of Libraries of Medicine - New England

Other Activities and Actions:

Notice was sent out in July to NAHSL members on how to get MLA CE credits.

Classroom-based CE at MLA annual meetings and chapter meetings

CE anytime, anywhere through Discussion Groups,

(<http://www.mlanet.org/education/discussiongroups/>)

Independent Reading Program <http://www.mlanet.org/education/irp/>

Satellite Teleconferences <http://www.mlanet.org/education/telecon/>

Self-directed learning Project <http://www.mlanet.org/education/selfdirect/>

Web-based Learning <http://www.mlanet.org/education/web/>

9/10: Hi, Gayle Tudisco,

At the NAHSL Board meeting last Friday, Marianne Burke mentioned that you are the newly selected chair for NH/VT HSL. Congratulations!

I am just writing to let you know that if your HSL holds educational offerings for your members, NAHSL CE Committee could co-sponsor it when the class has a wide appeal to members in other states. In the past, most CE courses were held in the Boston area and some members in your area found it hard to attend to. One way to improve the situation is to have a class in VT/NH, but invite members from other states to attend. We'd be happy to work with your organization in this regard.

Thanks.

NAHSL CE Committee

Governmental Relations Committee
Report to the NAHSL Executive Board meeting September 7, 2007
Prepared by Barbara Ingrassia, Chair

Information from Mary Langman, Coordinator for Information Issues and Policy, MLA:

A major success for the library community is the decision by the Senate Appropriations Comm to order the EPA to restore its library network and re-open the closed libraries. The bill provides \$2 million to advance that restoration. The EPA must submit a plan for the use of this funding by December 31, 2007. The EPA is seeking input for its strategic plan for library services. MLA has joined its library association partners in meeting with the EPA to develop the strategic plan. Work will continue to support inclusion of the Senate funding in the final bill passed by Congress.

On July 17th, MLA Pres. Mark Funk and AAHSL Pres. Elaine Martin sent joint letters to the House and Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittees thanking them for their support of NIH funding and for recommending that the NIH public access policy become mandatory. In July, GRC Chair Hope Barton met with the health staff of Senator Harkin's (D-IA), Chair of the Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee. The staff conveyed that the Senator understands the importance of public access thanks to the education efforts made by the health sciences library community, and often asks NIH researchers if they submit their articles into PubMed Central upon acceptance for publication.

The House of Representatives has passed its Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Labor, Health and Human Services (HHS)-Education Appropriations bill (H.R. 3043) which provides funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and other federal health programs. The Senate has yet to consider almost all of its appropriations bills, including the FY 2008 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill (S. 1710). This delay has caused speculation that the bills will eventually be considered together as part of an omnibus package.

The language in both of those bills provides that

“The Director of the National Institutes of Health shall require that all investigators funded by the NIH submit or have submitted for them to the National Library of Medicine’s PubMed Central an electronic version of their final, peer-reviewed manuscripts upon acceptance for publication, to be made publicly available no later than 12 months after the official date of publication: *Provided*, That the NIH shall implement the public access policy in a manner consistent with copyright law.”

Further complicating the process, however, is a looming veto threat on all appropriations legislation that exceeds the President’s requested funding levels. In line with this position, the administration released a statement shortly before the House began considering H.R. 3043 that expressed the President’s intention to veto the legislation.

On Thursday, September 6, a judge has declared a portion of the USA Patriot Act unconstitutional. Stay tuned for more...

Thank you to the NAHL membership for your continued support of the activities of the Governmental Relations Comm.

Barbara Ingrassia
Chair



NAHSL Executive Board
September 7, 2007
ARIHSL report to NAHSL

ARIHSL

1. Next ARIHSL general meeting is Thursday, September 20th. The morning meeting will held at Brown University Sciences Library on Level A in the Friedman Center 8:00 a.m. - Breakfast with University Librarian, Harriette Hemmasi
8:30 a.m. - Business meeting
2. Cynthia Smith, part-time Library Technician started at Rhode Island Hospital on July 9th.
3. A PubMed class on train the trainers was presented by Donna Berryman on Thursday, July 19th at the Johnson & Wales Harbourside campus. Nineteen ARISHL members attended.
4. ARIHSL sent the revised Library Section of the Rhode Island Department of Health (DOH)
Rules and Regulations for the Licensing of Hospitals to the DOH.
5. The two major health care systems in Rhode Island – Lifespan (RIH, Miriam, Bradley, and Newport Hospitals) and Care New England (Butler, Kent and Women & Infants Hospitals), announced that they are taking the first steps toward a merger.
6. Rhode Island Hospital – Peters Library is holding a Vendor Fair on October 4th and 5th
during National Medical Libraries Month.
7. HELIN – Higher Education Library Information Network
Mary Ann Slocomb presented a year's end report to the HELIN Library Directors as
representative of the hospital libraries.
8. ARIHSL is developing a poster to display information about the organization at various
conferences and events.
9. Ruthann Gildea attended the NN/LM Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting
on
August 9th.

RI-Statewide

The Senate has approved legislation to create the Library of Rhode Island Network (LORI) that would allow libraries around the state to share catalogs, databases and other services. “While creation of the network is dependent on funding, either from the state or federal government, this legislation lays the groundwork for creating the network to link libraries from one end of Rhode Island to the other. This is the first step to improving library services throughout the state,” (bill 2007 - S0390aa). Similar legislation (2007 - H5589) was introduced in the House. The bills passed, but funding was not provided. The Commission met during the summer to start again for next year’s budget and alternative funding.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Slocomb
Rhode Island Hospital / Lifespan
ARIHSL representative to NAHSL

CAHSL Report for NAHSL
June 8, 2007

CAHSL Annual Meeting

CAHSL hosted its annual meeting on June 27, 2007, at First & Last Tavern in Middletown, CT. The only official business was the announcement of the slate of officers for the coming year:

President: Katalin Gyorgyey
Vice President/President-elect: Ellen Brassil
Past President: Denise Hersey
Secretary: Lyn Crispino
Treasurer: Linda Ann Kaczmarczyk
Archives Committee: Jill Golrick
Bylaws Committee: Lynn Sette
Continuing Education Committee: Anne-Marie Kaminsky
Membership Committee: Amanda Pomeroy
New Technology Committee: Ed Donald
Program Committee: Todd Lane
Shared Services Coordinator: Nancy Gilly
NAHSL Representative: John Gallagher

Upcoming Meetings

September 25, 2007 - Location: Hospital for Special Care, New Britain
Speaker: TBA Presentation Topic: Therapeutic Recreation (incl. pet therapy, horticultural therapy, etc.)

October 8, 2007 - Location: Connecticut Hospital Association, Wallingford
Speaker: Kenneth Lipow – Connecticut Neurosurgical Specialists
Presentation Topic: Medical Librarians' Role in the Development of New Medical Technologies

Annual Report 06/07: see below

Connecticut Association of Health Sciences Librarians

Annual Report

2006-2007

CAHSL completed another year of programming with some successes but while facing some new challenges. A large number of CAHSL members participated in the planning of the 2006 NAHSL annual meeting held in Hartford, CT. The meeting itself went smoothly and was well received by NAHSL members. However, the rigorous meeting schedule necessitated in the planning of the annual meeting left many CAHSL members with “meeting fatigue.” This did seem to result in a lack of energy directed toward CAHSL programming and participation.

In addition, CAHSL’s loss of CHA conference status resulted in difficulties scheduling meetings throughout the year. Unlike in previous years, CAHSL was unable to firm up an entire year’s worth of meetings in advance at CHA. Instead, meeting dates and locations often needed to be changed unexpectedly which made it harder for members to always attend. The incoming Executive Board will need to address scheduling issues for the upcoming year so that members will have ample opportunity to save the dates of meetings well in advance.

Despite these obstacles, enthusiasm for health sciences librarianship remains high and membership continues to support future CAHSL activities and participation.

This past year, CAHSL focused on three goals:

1. Promoting an understanding of the health sciences librarian’s role and unique abilities in the management of knowledge-based information and eliciting strong support within Connecticut’s health care system for the mission of health sciences libraries.

CAHSL did begin speaking with administration from CHA’s Patient Safety Organization to include librarians in this organization’s work. Discussions are still underway in an effort to find the best way for librarians to contribute to the Patient Safety Organization’s work.

In our continuing effort to make library students aware of the health sciences librarianship field, Pat Wales, librarian from the Hospital of Saint Raphael, was invited to speak to a library class at Southern Connecticut State University on medical librarianship. She attended the class in April, 2007 along with Jennifer Campbell from New Britain General Hospital’s library.

2. Continually developing and strengthening the knowledge and skills needed by member librarians to meet the patient care, research, and educational needs of Connecticut’s health care providers. This will be done by providing programs of continuing education and professional development.

Amy Frey, CAHSL's Programming Coordinator this past year, worked with a number of members to offer excellent meeting programs.

September- Jacqueline Ortiz, from Yale, spoke about handling translations in a large health care organization and language barriers in healthcare in general.

December- Bob Smith, author of Hamlet's dresser, spoke about his book.

January- Members of CAHSL demonstrated new programs and technologies within our own libraries (wikis, blogs, etc.)

April- Dr. John Pelegano, Chief of Pediatrics at the Hospital for Special Care gave a presentation titled:
Autism-An Overview (Incidence, Etiology & Therapies)

In addition, Todd Lane, CE Coordinator, worked with NAHSL and MLA to bring two MLA telecasts to CAHSL members. The first was in November, 2006: "Moving at the Speed of Byte: Emerging Technologies for Information Management." This telecast reiterated information presented at the October NAHSL annual meeting regarding new technologies, particularly Web 2.0 technologies, and how health sciences libraries could incorporate these resources to improve services to patrons. The second telecast was held at the University of Connecticut Health Center in March. It was entitled "Survival of the Fittest: Strategies to Prove your Library's Value." While members find the content of MLA telecasts to be useful, the actual format of these CE courses are not engaging. Next year's CAHSL Executive Board will be looking for new ways to offer CE courses for members other than the traditional MLA telecasts.

Many CAHSL members' participation in organizing and attending the annual NAHSL meeting in Hartford also promoted this goal of "providing programs of continuing education and professional development."

3. Fostering and strengthening the Association's current system of information exchange and shared resources, both among Association members and within the larger consortia and organizations of which CAHSL is a part.

A large contingency of CAHSL members actively participated in the 2007 Medical Library Association annual meeting in Philadelphia, PA. This involvement included:

- * Daniel Dollar (Yale) & Janice Swiatek-Kelley (Quinnipiac University): Co-taught a 6-hr CE, "Managing Electronic Journal Collections: People, Tools and Services" to 17 students, and received excellent evaluations.
- * John Gallagher (Yale): Facilitated the Chapter Councils Assessment and Evaluation roundtable.
- * Charles Greenberg (Yale): Copresented a poster entitled A CHILI

Recipe Contest: Careers in Health Information Librarianship and Informatics that reported on a national initiative, funded by a 3-year IMLS grant, to promote librarianship and informatics as careers amongst underrepresented minority high school students.

- * Shirley Gronholm (Hartford Hospital): In conjunction with several other NAHSL members presented a poster entitled An Advocacy Service for Hospital Librarians that reported on 2 resources developed by the Hospital Library subcommittee to advocate for hospital libraries and librarians in the region.
- * Denise Hersey (Yale): Presented a paper entitled Bringing the Mountain to Mohammed: having a Librarian in the Operating Room area which reported on her work with the Anesthesiology Dept.
- * Denise Hersey (Yale): Co-presented a poster w/ Holly Nardini and Lynn Sette entitled Ringing in a New Service: The Library as a Partner in Publishing that reported on the launch of an in-house Biomedical Writing Center that offers various levels of publication support to researchers and faculty.
- * Linda Spadacinni (Waterbury Hospital): Panelist "Improving Library-Vendor Relationships." The panel was made up of 4 librarians and 4 vendors. See <http://library-vendor-relations.blogspot.com>
- * Amy Frey (Hospital for Special Care, New Britain): Following the plenary session Health Literacy: rEvolution in Roles, was scheduled to moderate a Health Information Literacy Panel.

The officers, committee chairs and representatives of the CAHSL Executive Board all contributed enthusiastically to the activities listed in this report:

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Respectfully submitted,

President: Denise Hersey – Yale University
June 28, 2007

HSLIC Report for NAHSL – September 7, 2007

Submitted by Tamera Race, The Aroostook Medical Center, Health Sciences Library

HSLIC Executive Board 2006 – 2007

Chairperson: Kathy Brunjes, Central Maine Medical Center
Chair-Elect: Happy Copley, St. Mary's Regional Medical Center
Treasurer: Nancy Curtis, University of Maine - Orono
Past Chairperson: Natalie Hutchinson, St. Joseph's College, Wellehan Library
Secretary: Emily Scribner, Franklin Memorial Hospital
HSLIC Regional Rep's: Area I, Marj Andersen, Mercy Hospital; Area II, Gabriella Howard, University of Maine – Augusta; Area III, Cindy White, Eastern Maine Medical Center
Committees and delegates to other organizations, please see the HSLIC web site:
<http://library.umassmed.edu/hslc/officers.html>.

Board meetings: **The HSLIC Executive Board met on June 28, 2007 (Kennebec Valley Community College, Fairfield) and August 23, 2007 (Tenant's Harbor, hosted by Patty Kahn)**

Resource Sharing: The consortial arrangement for our subscription to NEJM has been implemented. Happy is researching other possibilities for purchases as a consortium.

Membership: The confidential membership survey has been completed, and Dina has begun compiling/analyzing the results. Two of the purposes of the survey are to assist with planning at the institutional level and issue identification at the consortium level.

Fall Meeting: Scheduled for September 21 at Husson College in Bangor. Shelly Davis of the Mantor Library, University of Maine at Farmington will be presenting "So You Think You Know Copyright?"

NAHSL: Planning for the 2009 NAHSL Conference has begun. First planning meeting for HSLIC will be held on October 5, in Tenant's Harbor.

HSLIC Representative to NAHSL: I've accepted another position at the University of Maine, Presque Isle, effective August 30. As soon as I have all of my new contact information, I'll post to the Board. However, I'll be part-time at The Aroostook Medical Center through September, and can be reached there on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Board held a planning meeting on August 23. The group identified four themes during our brainstorming session: Advocacy/PR, Education, Collaboration, and HSLIC Growth. Under the themes of HSLIC Growth and PR, a subcommittee was formed (Deb Carter, Happy Copley, Kathy Brunjes) to plan and implement a review of our current web site. Under the themes of Education, Collaboration, and HSLIC Growth, the Board decided to devote this year's focus funds to a full membership retreat focusing on education and networking. Under the theme of Collaboration, the Board noted the need for a new HSLIC brochure, the value of increased contact with library schools, and the value of HSLIC member participation on other boards and committees (specifically Maine library districts and Maine InfoNet).

**Next Executive Board meeting date is scheduled for Oct. 5 at Tenants Harbor.
Focus of this meeting is to begin planning for the 2009 NAHSL Conference.**

Upcoming Meeting Dates

HSLIC Fall General Meeting: September 21, 2007.

Report to NAHSL Executive Board
September 7, 2007
VT/NH Report to the NAHSL

1. NAHSL 2007 :

Planning continues. The committee has submitted a report to the Executive Board. We look forward to a wonderful event.

- * GeeGee Zaveson will manage the poster session- see the information at the website.
- * Very Special event: the RAC Players presentation will be presented in a surprise location.
- * Conference website (<http://www.nahsl.org/2007>) has new updates, including photos of plenary speakers.
- * Saturday night is the only night where folks *might* encounter limited room availability. See the website for information to contact the Inn directly.
- * Anticipating the possibility of overbooking, the committee has identified a number of other accommodations with a variety of price ranges. (See the Website.)

2. Local (VT/NH) events: Join us for NAHSL 2007!

VT/NH spring meeting was held June 1, at Dartmouth Hitchcock, Lebanon, NH with 22 attendees. Minutes of that meeting are listed at the end of this report as an addendum.

Stay tuned for information about a Spring Meeting for VT/NH... initial discussions are leaning towards Woodstock (we do like that location- and the food is excellent!).

3. People/Places:

Linda Ford, Littleton Regional Hospital, Littleton, NH will be retiring in September. A farewell luncheon is currently being planned for her. Anne Connor will become their sole librarian.

Brenda Birck has retired (NHURIV in folks' DOCLINE routing tables) and it looks as though they are not doing DOCLINE at the moment. Is the library staying open? Is Brenda being replaced with a librarian? Stay tuned. ...

Cynthia David (NHUCAM in your DOCLINE routing) sends this note:

Catholic Medical Center Health Sciences Library hours have changed to the following schedule:
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM [closed Tuesday].

Maureen Dunn has a wonderful baby boy— Peggy Sleeth is helping out with Hospitality/Local information until Maureen is back in full swing... You'll know Maureen from Concord Hospital (NHUCND in DOCLINE) and Peggy from Dartmouth.

Betsy Merrill reported that she will no longer be able to continue as the bi-state representative after the change of the year, due to continued family care responsibilities. A steering committee has developed a list of nominations.

Respectfully submitted,



Betsy Merrill, VT/NH Representative