

## **MAHSLIN 2010 ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS**

### **MAHSLIN Archives Report Melinda S. Marchand, Chair**

The Archives continue to be maintained and updated with current board information. A long range goal is the identification of interesting items for digitization and inclusion on the MAHSLIN website. If any members are interested in participating in this project, please contact Melinda Marchand at [msaffer@emersonhosp.org](mailto:msaffer@emersonhosp.org) or 978-287-3030.

### **MAHSLIN By-Laws Report Dee Magnoni, Chair**

For the By-Laws Committee Report, please refer to the meeting document: [2010 Proposed By-Laws Changes](#).

### **MAHSLIN Education Committee Report Florence Mercer, Chair Denise Corless Jim Craig Debbie Almquist**

Programs this year included:

#### **Cut the Cord: Connecting to Our Mobile Users**

MLA Webcast

November 18, 2009 (1:30-5:00)

Wrap-around discussion with Scott Kehoe, Consultant & Trainer, NMRLS

Children's Hospital Boston, Enders Seminar Conference Room

3.5 MLA CE contact hours

13 attended, 2 viewed the Webcast during on-demand period

#### **Now's the Time: Understanding the Electronic Health Record Maze & Health Science Librarians' Roles**

MLA Webcast

March 24, 2010 (1:00-4:00pm)

Wrap-around discussion with Elaine Alligood, MLS, Informationista, VA System

Technology Assessment Program, Boston

Children's Hospital Boston, Hunnewell Room 352

3.5 MLA CE contact hours

14 attended

## **MAHSLIN Membership Report**

### **Brandy King, Chair**

As of May 1, 2010 we have 100 paid members, including 15 partner members (4 of whom are new to MAHSLIN) and 10 other new members.

#### New Members:

- Donn, Judith, Cape Cod Hospital Medical Library
- Barker, Erin
- Boothby, Catherine, Center on Media and Child Health
- Fougy Henry, Dr. Gwendolyn, Simmons GSLIS
- Pallotti, Nicola, Charlton Memorial Hospital
- Grikis, Loretta, Baystate Medical Center
- O'Leary, Heather, Children's Hospital Boston
- Carruthers, Miriam, Baystate Health Sciences Library
- Searl, Jennifer, Blum Center, Massachusetts General Hospital
- Reilling, Katrina, PAREXEL Information Research & Library Services
- Vargas, Mike, Rittenhouse
- Walsh, Terry, EBSCO Information Services
- Regan, Laurie, Dana Farber Cancer Institute
- Christopher, Gary, StatRef!

The online membership directory has been changed to a spreadsheet that notes that last year each person paid dues. Only members who have paid in the last two years are included in the directory.

A payment with PayPal option has been implemented and is already well used, both for membership and payment for the annual meeting.

## **MAHSLIN Newsletter Committee Report**

### **Cara Helfner & Sally Gore, Co-Chairs**

Cara Helfner, Ingersoll Bowditch Medical Library, Faulkner Hospital and Sally Gore, Lamar Soutter Library, UMass Medical School assumed co-editorship of the MAHSLIN Network News starting with the fall 2008 issue. Quarterly issues (winter, spring, summer and fall) have been published since their tenure began. The Newsletter contains news items solicited from the general membership, as well as the larger medical library community. In spring of 2010 two new columns debuted: Member Spotlight and Swap Shop. MAHSLIN Network News is made available from the MAHSLIN website in both html and printable pdf format.

## **MAHSLIN Annual Resource Sharing Report**

### **Jeanie Vander Pyl, Chair**

MAHSLIN's STAT!Ref group purchase entered its fourth successful year. Twenty-six MAHSLIN members were a part of this group last year. Although we went through the usual title evaluation process which includes voting and shared decision making by the group, STAT!Ref ultimately gave our group a discount that allowed us to keep all titles in our prior year's collection plus add the new titles. The renewal/join process is currently taking place, and it appears that most institutions will be able to continue in the group, plus we will be adding 2 new members. The title changes will again be a group decision and will be based on maintaining a stable price for the collection. The MAHSLIN STAT!Ref program is a very cost-effective way to maintain a current collection to the top resources in medicine and nursing.

In conjunction with the 2009 Annual Meeting, Ebsco offered MAHSLIN members a discount for new subscribers to several of their databases. An inquiry was also made to Visual DX and the Cochrane collection through Ebsco to see if a group rate might be available. Since many libraries already have access to Cochrane resources through various vendors, there were only a few who were interested.

A new Resource Sharing Policy was formulated and approved by the MAHSLIN Board in January. This will establish guidelines as we endeavor to set up more cooperative purchasing opportunities. We will continue to investigate ways in which shared resources could benefit our members. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

## **MAHSLIN Web Site Report**

### **Dan McCloskey, Web Master**

With the assistance of Membership Chair Brandy King, the web site was transitioned from being hosted by UMass Medical to Google Sites, allowing us to have closer control over the site and to immediately see the impact of page edits. UMass Medical's account with Network Solutions for hosting was also transferred to MAHSLIN's control, and the necessary DNS changes were made so that <http://www.mahslin.org>, [www.mahslin.org](http://www.mahslin.org) and [mahslin.org](http://mahslin.org) now redirect to the Google site. Also, the ability for new members to signup, and for existing members to register for the annual meeting, through PayPal has been added to the web site.

The MAHSLIN blog [<http://mahslin.wordpress.com/>] has also been resurrected, with an average of 1-2 posts per week since early March. Also, a MAHSLIN Twitter account has been created, with 12 followers and an average of one tweet per day.