# MAHSLIN 2011 ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS

## MAHSLIN Archives Report Melinda S. Marchand, Chair

The MAHSLIN Archives continue to be maintained and updated with current aboard 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:

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## MAHSLIN By-Laws Report Dee Magnoni, Chair

There are no changes or proposed changes to the By-Laws to report.

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

Programs this year included two co-sponsored with NAHSL:

## **ABCs of E-Books: Strategies for the Medical Library**

MLA Webcast November 10, 2010 (1:30-5:00) Wrap-around discussion with Frances Foret, Tufts University, Hirsh Health Sciences Library, Head, Collection Management; Miriam Allman, Tufts University, Medford campus, Tisch Library, Science and Engineering; and Joseph Harzbecker, Boston University Medical Center, Head of Reference and Electronics Collections Management

Children's Hospital Boston 3.5 MLA CE contact hours 27 attended

## Shifting Skills to Navigate the Changing Horizon

MLA Webcast

April 20, 2010 (1:30-4:30)

Wrap-around discussion with Elizabeth Schneider, Director, Treadwell Library,

Massachusetts General Hospital

Children's Hospital Boston

3 MLA CE contact hours

14 attended

Co-sponsoring with NER, we broadcast the webinar about **LibGuides** on February 16, 2011, hosted by Sally Gore. Over 30 people registered for the event.

In January 2011 we **surveyed the membership** about their interest in webinar topics. Responses included

- New research databases & research tools
- Information delivery technologies current & future
- Cloud technology including Google docs
- Photo digitization
- Reference interview methods with remote customers
- Time management & setting priorities
- Developing customer service surveys with measurable outcomes
- Copyright
- Programming & marketing

## MAHSLIN Membership Report Brandy King, Chair

As of May 4, 2011 we have 118 paid members, including 18 partner members (7 new to MAHSLIN) and 10 other new members:

- Gaelen Adam, Tobey Hospital
- Jaime Lyn Bears, Simmons College Student
- Catherine Carr, Student

- Jane Fama, UMASS Medical School
- Jason Lawrence Homer, Simmons College Student
- Barbara Ingrassia, Lamar Soutter Library, UMASS Medical School
- Karen Lamson, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Science
- Jane Natches, Signature Healthcare Health Sciences Library at Brockton Hospital
- Lisa Palmer, University of Massachusetts Medical School
- Mary Rubin, Student

We offered a discounted rate of \$40 for new members to join and attend the conference. The hope was to attract people from Western Mass and 3 librarians from UMASS Med joined at this rate.

Paypal is working well for collecting dues and annual meeting registrations; we have received 25 payments through Paypal since January 2011.

Many thanks to Terri Niland who took over membership responsibilities while I was on maternity leave from January through March.

# MAHSLIN Newsletter Committee Report Cara Helfner & Sally Gore, Co-Chairs

Newsletter Co-Editors Sally Gore and Cara Marcus take turns producing quarterly seasonal newsletters, which are posted on the MAHSLIN website and distributed to membership via the MAHSLIN listsery. Newsletters are posted in pdf format and archived on the website. A new column: Techno Tool Corner, debuted in Winter 2011. The Swap and Shop column that began in 2010 was discontinued due to lack of interest. The Board decided that only MAHSLIN members may submit articles to the newsletter.

# **MAHSLIN Annual Resource Sharing Report Jeanie Vander Pyl, Chair**

MAHSLIN's StatRef group purchase entered its fifth successful year in 2010. However, with murmurings about McGraw Hill withdrawing its titles from StatRef, the future was certain to bring changes to our group and to our collection. The renewal process of StatRef resources is again currently in progress. Since we will indeed be losing the McGraw Hill updated editions, we are trying to put together a collection that will still be valuable for our members. This resource has been a very cost-effective way for many of our smaller hospital libraries to be able to provide an extensive e-book collection and also a way for our larger institutions to provide additional access to their e-books.

Last fall, as it became evident that we would lose some of our core McGraw Hill titles, we also implemented a group purchase to Access Medicine. Ten libraries joined together to be able to

provide the most current editions of McGraw Hill titles. The group used Waldo (West Chester Academic Library Director's Organization) for the invoicing and billing for the Access Medicine package.

Throughout the year, I have contacted vendors on behalf of our members to see if any discounts could be provided to our group. Other state health science library consortiums have set up group e-journal purchases, and this is an area we might investigate in the future.

The Board 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, Webmaster

The advantages of better control of the web site were apparent in our first full year following the transition to the Google site. The ability to make immediate changes and receive instantaneous feedback has proven beneficial to keeping the site current with useful information.

The following pages were added to the site in the past year:

- <u>Continuing Education</u> So far, it's been used just to promote MAHSLIN sponsored
  events, but it could become a destination page to learn about other related CE courses in
  Massachusetts.
- MAHSLIN Partners Listing all of the vendors and their representatives (with email addresses) who will be taking part in the 2011 Annual Meeting.
- MAHSLIN Awards Purpose, criteria, award and nomination information for both the Paul Vaiginas Award and the MAHSLIN Hall of Fame, plus a sub-page listing all of the past award recipients.
- <u>Jay Daly Information Technology Grant Program</u> Purpose and criteria for this new grant program named as a memorial to one of the first MAHSLIN Hall of Famers, as well as information on how to donate and/or purchase a mug (with proceeds going towards the fund).

The MAHSLIN <u>blog</u> and MAHSLIN <u>Twitter</u> account have also been active, with 33 new blog posts and a fairly active Twitter presence, in the past year.

The MAHSLIN-Mentors Google Group was also established, with the Webmaster serving as the administrator of that group.