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MAHSLIN Network News

A Message from the President Jane Ichord, MAHSLIN President Looking Ahead to 2013

This time last year the MAHSLIN Annual Meeting was on my mind *a lot*. You see, I was planning it.

This year it's not on my mind quite as much, as Cara Marcus has the honor of being program chair this time around. I must admit, I have had a great experience at every MAHSLIN Annual Meeting I've been to and I always look forward to attending; there are great speakers, excellent opportunities for networking, a list of great take-aways – all around it's an inspiring event. This year I may be looking forward to it even more than usual.



At every MAHSLIN board meeting, Cara shares with us her ideas for our annual gathering. She always has good news to share about how the program is coming together. It will not come as a surprise to those of you who know Cara that she's got great things in store for us on April 19, 2013. You'll see an announcement about the meeting in this publication and I urge you to act now and get this meeting on your calendars.

One of the best parts of planning for last year's meeting was working with a group of MAHSLIN volunteers. Cara is working with a great group of librarians this year, as well. Volunteering on the planning committee is a great way to get your feet wet in the workings of MAHSLIN, so if you think you might have some time to contribute next year, I encourage you to keep your eye out for this great opportunity after this year's meeting.

I also want to draw your attention to the fact that there are some openings on our board, so if you're at all interested, or at least curious, be in touch with Elaine Alligood, who is recruiting for these positions. Many of you probably saw Brandy King's recent tribute to MAHSLIN and some of its members on our listserv.

After thanking several members individually, she wrapped up her testimonial about the power of MAHSLIN members to help:

"What do all of these people have in common? I served with each of them on the MAHSLIN board at one point or another over the past 6 years. If you aren't sure of the value of volunteering, I hope this proves just how rewarding it can be! I urge you all to get involved in MAHSLIN or another professional association. You will be paid back a thousand fold."

So as you're looking ahead to the New Year and pulling together a list of resolutions, keep Brandy's words in mind and think about taking on a more active role in MAHSLIN.

Happy holidays and all the best in 2013!

Member Spotlight - Wendy Brown



Countway Librarian Wendy Brown is a new member of MAHSLIN and our spotlight member of the month. Wendy Brown graduated from Northeastern University with a teaching degree in elementary education. After three years of teaching science to elementary and middle school children at a public school in Mission Hill (and in particular that last year teaching those challenging middle-schoolers) she began rethinking her career choice. At the time she was still under an assistant teacher contract that did not provide any health insurance coverage so she did what any rational person would do – she focused on finding a job with health insurance!

Luckily for us, her search lead her to a temporary position at Harvard's Houghton Library and when that ended, to a position in Harvard's Social Sciences library (now closed, but at the time referred to as the Littauer).

During her time at the Littauer, Wendy saw how her passion for education could be applied to librarianship. When a mentor and friend of Wendy's encouraged her to go back to school for her Masters in Library Science, she decided to give it a try. After 5 years of working full time and attending Simmons College, Wendy now has her degree and a job that she loves. Wendy currently works for the Countway Library of Medicine as the recently promoted Head of Access Services. "I love working with the students and taking advantage of those educational moments, but there is also something very special about working in a medical library. What we do is connected to a larger and important mission and it's inspiring."

Of course, after the grind of attending graduate school and working full time, Wendy is enjoying her free time. "I realized that I could have hobbies again!" Those who know Wendy know that one of her hobbies is animals, and in particular, goats. How does one get interested in goats, you ask? Well, for Wendy it started with a "Goat Walk" on Cape Cod. (Yes, it is exactly what it sounds like – people walking goats.) She found the goats to be smart, sweet, and just a little crazy...and she fell in love. She has since taken a number of different classes on caring for goats and she dreams of one day owning a farm with goats somewhere in New Hampshire. But until those dreams come to fruition she will happily attend to her greyhound, her two cats, and a library full of eager medical students, taking advantage of those opportunities to educate and enlighten our future healthcare professionals about the research and resources at their fingertips.

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TechnoTool Corner Searching ProQuest Databases

You can search by entering words into a search box without specifying search fields.

When you do:

ProQuest will retrieve documents containing all your search terms, appearing in any field (document titles, authors, subjects, full text, etc.).

For example, a search on **healthy eating** is the same as a search for **healthy AND eating**. The search will not retrieve results with just the word **healthy** or just the word **eating**. ProQuest will look for the terms **healthy** and **eating** in all fields.

Note: If your account does not search full text by default, a notice to that effect displays above the Basic Search box.

These are the most common search fields among researchers.

Frequently used search fields

Search Field	Corresponding Field Code	Example
Abstract	AB	AB(food)
Accession number	AN	AN(1713554) - searches both the ProQuest document ID (applied to all documents) and the 3rd party document ID (applied to some databases, such as PsycINFO).
Author	AU	AU(smith)
Document feature	DF	DF(maps)
Document text	FT	FT(food)
Document title	TI	TI(food)
Document type	DTYPE	DTYPE(literature review)
ISBN	ISBN	ISBN(3-926608-58-7) ISBN(3926608587) (hyphens optional)
ISSN	ISSN	ISSN(10673881) ISSN(1067-3881) (hyphens optional)
Issue	ISS	ISS(23)
Language	LA	LA(french)
Location as subject	LOC	LOC(france)
Person as subject	PER	PER(smith)
Publication date	PD	Year, month, day: PD(YYYYMMDD) -> PD(19900504)

Search Field	Corresponding Field Code	Example
		Year and month: PD(nov and 1990) PD(YYYYMM) -> PD(199011)
		Year only: PD(1990)
Publication year	YR	YR(2005)
Publication title	PUB	PUB(wall street journal)
Source type	STYPE	STYPE(newspapers)
Subjects	SU	SU(higher education)
Tags	TAG	TAG(benefits)
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Resource Sharing

Did you know that MAHSLIN members will now receive a reduction in the annual R2 Library Maintenance fee? This fee will be reduced from \$1200.00 to \$400.00.

Each individual member can create their own individual collection. R2 titles are purchased for the life of the edition, so after you've made your selection and paid for your titles, you will only have to pay the additional \$400 maintenance fee each year. The R2 Digital Library offers more than 3,000 health science eBooks from nearly 50 leading STM publishers and has an extensive list of Doody's Core titles.

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Save the Date - MAHSLIN 2013 Annual Meeting - April 19, 2013

2013 mahslin annual meeting



We have something to celebrate at MAHSLIN's 2013 Annual Meeting – it's MAHSLIN's 30th birthday! Our meeting is titled "Top of the Class" and will be all about connecting libraries and education – library science education, librarians as educators and libraries as leaders in education.

So whether you graduated thirty years ago or last year, come to the meeting and become inspired by a keynote address delivered by Dr. James Matarazzo, Simmons GSLIS Dean Emeritus and Professor, and Toby Pearlstein, Director of Global Information Services, Bain & Company. Learn from member library presentations about

creating online instructional courses and developing library programs for grand rounds, as well as hands-on demonstrations of the newest educational products from our meeting partners.

Special meeting events include tours of the Massachusetts Medical Society Library and archives displays, and a wrap-around Simmons College CE course on assessing your library classes, taught by Vivienne Piroli, Deputy Director, Simmons College Beatley Library and Adjunct Professor, Simmons GSLIS. We'll have a "MAHSLIN Film Festival," raffles and awards and much, much more!

The annual meeting will take place at Massachusetts Medical Society in Waltham on Friday, April 19, 2013 between 8:00am-4:00pm. Meeting registration will begin in early 2013. If you would like more information or are interested in becoming a meeting partner, please contact meeting chair Cara Marcus at cmarcus@partners.org.

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Sent on behalf of Deb Almquist and NECHI: Mobile Technologies Educational Program

Save the Date - March 8, 2013, for a combined consortia morning educational program on Mobile Technologies at Olin College in Needham, jointly hosted by NECHI and MAHSLIN.

The program will take place between 9:30am - 12:30pm (registration and coffee from 8:30am – 9:30am), followed by consortia business meetings at lunchtime. Speakers to look forward to are: Evelyn Morgan from UCONN Medical Library, Michelle Kraft, the Krafty librarian (remotely), and Dr. Docktor from Boston Children's Hospital, a specialist in Gastroenterology and Nutrition and part of the hospital's mobile implementation team.

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MAHSLIN Joins Massachusetts Health Council



MAHSLIN is now a member of the <u>Massachusetts Health Council</u>, a 92 year old non-profit, non-partisan statewide organization of more than 150 governmental and voluntary agencies, consumer and advocacy groups, professional societies, and private corporations. MHC provides a forum whereby health care leaders come together to make a difference in improving health.

Member benefits include educational forums on topics like Preventing and Controlling Obesity, Creating a Culture of Prevention for the 21st Century, and The Status of Women's Health, the opportunity to network with diverse individuals and organizations in the healthcare field, and an opportunity for any interested MAHSLIN members to participate in public health and advocacy issues through the MHC.

The MAHSLIN board will keep our membership informed of important MHC initiatives and events that may be of interest to the medical library community.

For more information about Massachusetts Health Council membership, products and activities, or to request a report, please contact them by mail, phone, or email:

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