On April 25, Suellen Jagels received the Eleanor C. Cairns Distinguished HSLIC Librarian award. Sue is the Director of the Parrot Health Science Library at Eastern Maine Medical Center, Bangor, where she started working in 1980. She is a leader in our consortium and active on a regional and national level. Sue serves on the Membership Committee of the Hospital Library Section of the Medical Library Association and Program Committee for the 1997 NAHSL Conference.

She is currently HSLIC's representative to the Maine Library Commission. In this role, Sue has been our leading advocate for the health sciences libraries on the NYNEX/PUC agreement. She spearheaded a letter writing campaign to the Public Utilities Commission chair to include HSLIC members in the "widening the circle" proposal. Sue kept the membership up-to-date on the status of this proposal including publicizing dates of upcoming meetings of the Maine School & Library Network Advisory Board. Thanks to her persistent efforts, HSLIC members were offered the opportunity for connections to the state's telecommunications network. A number of HSLIC members were accepted into this project and they will soon receive installation of the 56 Kbps Frame Relay Service.

Sue has also promoted access to information services in northern Maine. She had a NLM grant under which she provided training to rural health care providers in the use of Grateful Med. On a local level, Sue is active in the Friends of Bangor Public Library and the newly formed Eastern Maine Technical College Library Advisory Board. She has found time to participate in and enjoy the Maine Humanities Council Reading Group, which is sponsored by the Lily Foundation.

Sue has worked unselfishly giving of her time to share her expertise, insights and skills with her colleagues. She is a mentor and a great role model for all librarians. She was very effective in promoting the needs of the health sciences libraries. Sue is truly a leader and advocator for libraries.

Sue will be recognized on June 26 1997 at the Maine Hospital Association's 7th Annual Professional Societies' Recognition Luncheon.