

# NORTHWEST NOTES

## Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association

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### Letter from the President

*Mary C. Holt [aka Suzy]*

The Executive Board met February 18 in Seattle to establish our direction for the year. It was rewarding to recognize the Chapter's progress as we reviewed the 1993 MAP, the 1994 Chapter goals, the evaluation results from the last meeting and our current Chapter finances. Thanks to all of the previous Board members, Committee chairs and members, and Annual Meeting planners who have brought us to this stage!!

Still, the challenges to our profession do not ease and we struggle to keep up with the evolving environment and technologies. Providing relevant, high quality learning opportunities for our membership is primary to the PNC/MLA mission. An ambitious program and slate of continuing education workshops are being planned for the annual meeting in Bellevue. The Board will invest in more scholarships and in new resources for the Chapter Lending Library. In addition, seed money has been set aside to stimulate a pilot project. We'd like to see someone or group of you develop a model cross-disciplinary educational meeting involving us with information systems and health information management professionals!

A terrific 1995 roster of committees was approved; these are our esteemed and valued colleagues who graciously carve out the time to contribute. Speaking of contributions, the Board thanks the staff of Children's Hospital who have generously housed the Lending Library over the past several years. With plans for adding materials and promoting their use, the Board has decided to return the collection to the facility and additional resources of the NNLM/PNR. We look forward to an active collaboration in making this a truly useful collection.

Consider helping the Chapter this year. We need members who will:

1) Volunteer to help on a chapter committee; there's still plenty of need!  
2) Scout out speakers of regional or national stature which will attract hospital IS and HIM professionals in discussions of mutual concern. Think about and suggest a kind of program which would be of compelling interest and obvious benefit. Put together a proposal for using the \$500 seed money.

3) Recommend resources for the Chapter Lending Library to me at [sholt@wln.com](mailto:sholt@wln.com) or to the CE Committee Chair, Carolyn Olson, at [olsonc@ohsu.edu](mailto:olsonc@ohsu.edu).

4) Apply for a Chapter Scholarship if it will make it possible for you to attend the Annual Meeting and its continuing education courses.

The Executive Board will meet again in May at MLA. If you will be in Washington DC, plan to join us. Let's have a great year together!

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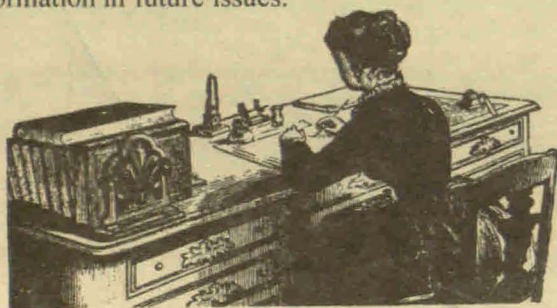


## Incorporation Update

Submitted by Vicki Croft, Treasurer

I thought Chapter members might be interested in an update on what's happening with incorporation. Following the unanimous vote to incorporate at the Business Meeting in Coeur d'Alene, our Chapter's application papers and fee were mailed to MLA Headquarters for filing, along with those of other Chapters applying for incorporation. According to Ray Naegele, our application has been filed and the process underway, with incorporation anticipated for later this year.

Thanks to the Chapter membership for your support of incorporation. Obtaining tax-exempt status is the next step we'll need to consider. Watch for further information in future issues.



### PNC/MLA Summary Treasurer's Report 1/1/94 Through 12/31/94

Balance Forward, 1/1/94	\$6,632.44
<u>Income</u>	
Annual Meeting '93	8,005.50
Dues94	2,803.73
Dues95	1,190.46
Interest Income	115.52
CD Growth (of Contingency Fund)	32.13
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$12,147.34</b>
<u>Expenses</u>	
Bank Charge	40.60
Board Meetings	3,401.24
Board Travel to MLA	794.03
Transferred to Contingency Fund	3,000.00
Incorporation	50.60
Miscellaneous	25.00
Newsletter	1,316.11
Postage	163.33
Printing/Copying	554.69
Scholarships	800.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$10,145.60</b>
<u>Assets</u>	
Contingency Fund*	3,032.13
Checking Account Balance, 12/31/94	8,602.05
<b>Total Assets, 12/31/94</b>	<b>\$11,634.18</b>

\*In form of 1 year Certificates of Deposit, First Interstate of Idaho

## Treasurer's Report

Thanks to a very profitable Portland meeting, the Chapter has started a contingency fund. In July 1994, one-year certificates of deposit in the amount of \$3,000 were purchased. Last week the Board voted to purchase an additional \$1,000 CD. Two hundred dollars of the 1994 scholarship money fulfilled our 1993 pledge to donate unused scholarship money to the Cunningham fund.

Newly budgeted items for 1995 include a Pilot Program and additions to the Lending Library. Our President will describe those projects in the newsletter. Ideas for increasing revenues, such as newsletter advertising, are being explored. This year is unique in that seed money for two meetings are budgeted, since the Bellevue Planning Committee did not require seed money in 1994.

I'd be happy to answer any questions about the 1994 summary or the 1995 budget.

### PNC/MLA 1995 Budget

#### ASSETS

Checking Account Balance, 1/1/95	8,602.05
Contingency Fund	
Certificate of Deposit, exp. 7/95	1,010.71
Certificate of Deposit, exp. 7/95	2,021.42
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 11,634.18</b>

#### PROJECTED REVENUE

Dues	2,900.00
Checking Account Interest	70.00
CD Projected Growth	100.00
1994 Annual Meeting Income	2,000.00
<b>Total Projected Income</b>	<b>\$ 5,070.00</b>

#### PROJECTED EXPENDITURES

1995 Annual Meeting Seed Money	2,000.00
1996 Annual Meeting Seed Money	1,000.00
Board Meetings	1,650.00
Board Travel to MLA	1,000.00
Scholarships	500.00
Postage	150.00
Supplies, Misc.	100.00
Newsletter Printing and Postage	1,200.00
Incorporation	150.00
PNC Lending Library	200.00
Pilot Project Seed Money	500.00

**Total Projected Expenditures \$ 8,450.00**

Transfer to Contingency Fund (new CD) 1,000.00

**PROJECTED BALANCE \$ 8,254.18**

Contingency Fund	4,132.13
Checking Account Balance	4,122.05



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## 1995 PNC/MLA Annual Meeting

**Bellevue, WA September 13th-16th 1995**

*Betty Jo Jensen, 1995 Program Committee Chair*

The Program Committee for the 1995 Meeting invites you all to Bellevue and the Greater Seattle area for an informative and fun filled program.

The meeting opens with the Welcome Reception on the evening of Wednesday, September 13th. CE courses are scheduled for Saturday, September 16th, and perhaps on Sunday the 17th. Almost all of our speakers are confirmed, focusing on topics that will help prepare us for the inevitable changes occurring in our profession. Clifford Lynch, Director of Library Automation at the University of California will be the keynote speaker.

For fun, and insight into their information and research needs, we have included a panel of Northwest mystery writers. Aaron Elkins and Jo Dereske have already agreed to come, and Killing Time Books will have some of their books available if you want an autographed copy.

The banquet will be on the Spirit of Washington Dinner Train. The train runs from Renton to Woodinville and the menu features foods from Washington State. A limited number of extra tickets for this event will be available for spouses and guests of members.

The Red Lion Hotel in Bellevue was chosen for its comfortable guest rooms, excellent meeting facilities, and convenient location. The hotel is located on I-405, very near the I-90 junction. There is regular shuttle service from the airport, and ample parking at the hotel. *Please plan to join us in Bellevue this September!*

## New PNC Members

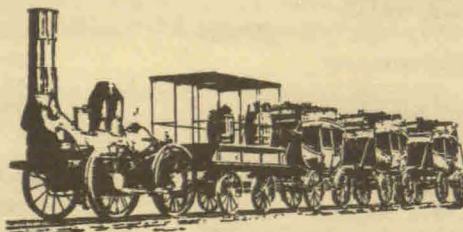
*Submitted by Natalie Norcross*

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- ☐ *Intensive Review of Internal Medicine for 1995* from Cleveland Clinic Foundation. 51 hours. \$1,275 (+S&H).
- ☐ *Mayo Internal Medicine Board Review-1994* from Mayo Foundation for Medical Education and Research. 51.25 hours. \$1,275 (+S&H).

#### PEDIATRICS

- ☐ *Pediatric Board Review* from The Children's National Medical Center & George Washington University Medical School. 45 hours. \$975 (+S&H).

#### OB/GYN

- ☐ *Obstetrics and Gynecology Review Course* from Chicago Area Medical Schools. 35 hours. \$875 (+S&H).

#### EMERGENCY MEDICINE

- ☐ *Emergency Medicine Review* from University of Nebraska. 43 hours. \$1,075 (+S&H).

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## 1995 PNC/MLA CE Survey

228 continuing education survey forms were sent out in December 1994 to the PNC/MLA mailing list; 128 completed forms were returned. Your Regional Medical Library has been mailing and tallying this survey for PNC/MLA every year since 1983.

1. **Library related education**  
 104 - MLS                      16 - college courses                      18 - trained on the job
2. **Type of library**  
 28    academic health sciences library  
 8    academic library  
 41    large hospital (200+ beds) library  
 29    medium hospital (75 to 199 beds) library  
 5    small hospital (1 to 74 beds) library  
 21    other
3. **Course topics.** [Respondents were asked to check the five most useful topics.]  
 99    Internet hands-on course for several different levels of expertise  
      32    beginning  
      68    intermediate  
      33    advanced  
 62    health care administration information resources  
 57    how to teach Internet classes  
 54    using management info. to justify funding/new programs/continued existence  
 49    epidemiology for librarians  
 47    medical libraries' roles in evidence-based medicine projects  
 45    technical issues involved in establishing an Internet node in your facility  
MLA Courses:  
      56    copyright law in the age of technology  
      49    introduction to telemedicine  
      49    online searching for alternative medicine  
      43    benchmarking  
      27    getting funded: developing skills in proposal writing  
 [Respondents were also asked to suggest other topics. The RML has a complete list.]
4. **Course Format.** Which kind of presentation do you find most instructive and useful?  
 113    course with lecture/discussion/exercises  
      6    small group sharing session  
      10    independent study with videotape or software  
      3    independent study with self-paced manual
5. **Course Length.** Which of the following do you most prefer?  
 81 - half day                      32 - full day                      10 - doesn't matter/depends on topic
6. **Fees.** For a course on a subject of high interest, what is the maximum fee you would pay?  
      4 - \$25                      48 - \$50                      66 - \$100                      7 - \$200
7. **Credit.** Is MLA credit for a CE course an important factor for you?  
      48 - yes                      75 - no

*Survey developed by the PNC/MLA CE committee; results compiled by Nancy Ottman Press, Resource Sharing Coordinator, NN/LM, Pacific Northwest Region.*



## Current Citations

Kelly, Brian. *Running a WWW Service*. Last updated 1/23/95. Available via a World-Wide Web client at any of the following:

<http://info.mcc.ac.uk/CGU/SIMA/handbook/handbook.html>  
<http://scholar2.lib.vt.edu/handbook/handbook.html>  
<http://www.hcc.hawaii.edu/handbook/handbook.html>  
<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/cns/handbook>  
<http://www.arnes.si/books/www-handbook>  
<http://www.ub2.lu.se/kelly/handbook.html>

-- Kelly's self-described "handbook" is an impressive collection of descriptions and hypertext links which cover a lot of the ground necessary in considering the provision of World-Wide Web resources. It serves as a one-stop online reference center for much of the information that is on the Web itself, documenting both the technical and the procedural aspects of becoming a World-Wide Web "presence." Information on the technical side, such as descriptions and references about HTML or Web server utilities, is fairly deep. Organizational and social issues, such as "Legal and Ethical Issues" or "Libraries and the WWW" are treated more thinly, but those sections are still good starting discussions. In an ironically refreshing criticism, given that it is usually leveled at material that originates in the USA, Kelly's handbook does draw examples primarily from the UK, from where he writes and works. -- John Ober [Reprinted with permission from *Current Cites* 6(2) (February 1995) Copyright (C) 1995 by the Library, University of California, Berkeley.]

AT&T has loaded a free 800 number directory on a WWW Internet server (<http://att.net/dir800>).

The Council on Library Resources has published *Analytical Review of the Library of the Future*, a synthesis of the current thinking on the subject by Karen M. Drabenscott, University of Michigan School of Information and Library Studies. The book is available for \$15 prepaid from the Council on Library Resources, 1400 16th St. N.W., Suite 510, Washington, DC 20036-2217

Corrected price: The updated edition of *Standards for Hospital Libraries* from MLA is \$9, not \$8.50 as previously stated.

## LLOPS Spring Workshop

The Law Librarians of Puget Sound will be holding their Spring Workshop on Thursday, May 25 in downtown Seattle. The workshop will include a seminar on time management and a presentation on useful Internet tools. For more information please contact Mary Whisner at 206.543.7672 or Karen Helde at 206.223.7741.

## THE MATRIX IS COMING ... THE MATRIX IS COMING !!

Has anybody *really* used the Professional Development Planning Matrix? [See *MLA News*, Aug. 1994, #267] Please pass your experience along to the editor - who admits to intimidation by grandiose personal long-range planning!



## PNC @ MLA / 7ICML

Catch the following members in action in Washington, DC!

*Philip Army* (UW) presenting a paper on locating health sciences media (software, videos, etc.), May 9th during the 10:30-noon "Internet & Advanced Technology session. He'll cover issues in finding material in various non-print formats.

*Jean Shipman/Elaine Martin* (UW) teaching the CE course, "Planning and Adminstrating a Health Sciences Library Fee-Based Information Service," Friday afternoon, May 5.

*Laura Larsson* (UW) teaching the CE course, "Health Care Administration," Saturday, May 6.

*Bonnie Chadbourne* (WLN) is coordinating the MLA Poster Session.

*The RML staff* presenting a poster, "Reaching Out: AIDS Information Projects in the Pacific Northwest." Table #11, staffed Sunday, May 7, noon to 2 p.m.

*Tamara Turner* is speaking on a panel for the Hospital Libraries Program, "Work Redesign for the 21st Century." The first panelist is from a "redesign" consulting firm and will address how firms like hers do their work. The second panelist is the editor/publisher of *Healthcare Informatics*. He will look at work redesign from an information services standpoint. Tamara will speak on "The Revolutionary Dimension of Progress" and will address the political and economic realities of "re-engineering" and what we can do to win our rightful share in the workplace. The panel will be moderated by Cheryl Dee. "We hope that sparks will fly!"--Tamara

## AROUND THE REGION

From *MLA News*, January '95 [The MLA Board] ... "endorsed by consensus Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, as the meeting site for the year 2000 Annual Meeting, pending successful negotiation of the necessary contracts."

*Kathy Murray* [Lutheran Medical Center, Wheat Ridge, CO] has a new email address: [kmurray@usa.net](mailto:kmurray@usa.net). This will change later in the year when they become a "node."

*Susan Long* [Kalispell Regional Hospital] is Chair-Elect of the Hospital Libraries Section of MLA. She will be Section Chair during the 1997 MLA Annual Meeting in Seattle.



Regional News continued from page 6

*Natalie Kupferberg* left Montana State University to take the position of Health Science Library Coordinator at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, Michigan. [kupferbn@lib01.ferris.edu] She continues as a PNC member through 1995.

*Pam Spickelmier* [St. Luke's, Boise] now has a direct Internet connection: spickelp@slrnc.org

### Oregon/SW Washington News

Submitted by *Madelyn Hall*

*Barbara Sherry*, Librarian at St. John's Medical Center in Longview, WA, is working with the Regional Medical Library to establish a SLIP connection for Internet access. The new computer system will provide a graphic interface with MOSAIC. The RML will also provide partially subsidized use. St. John's was one of ten initial sites selected in the Pacific Northwest Region for the SLIP connection project.

*Dana Witten*, Reference Librarian at Legacy Emanuel, recently was honored with membership in Sigma Theta Tau, International Honor Society of Nursing. Membership is by invitation and candidates are selected by peers. [Dana is both an RN and MLS.] Prior to joining Emanuel, Dana served as Head Librarian at the Nursing Education Center of Northwestern State University, Shreveport, Louisiana.

*Delores Judkins* (OHSU) gave a well-received presentation on setting up CD-ROMs at Online Northwest 1995. Contact Delores for copies of her handouts or to make arrangements for a presentation.

### Washington News

Submitted by *Marcia Batchelor*

*Eve Ruff* [Fred Hutchinson] will be a featured speaker at the Special Libraries Assn., San Diego Chapter Annual Meeting, March 24, Radisson Hotel, La Jolla. She will present *From Kardex to Internet Home Page*. The theme of the conference is *The Electronic Library: From Vision to Reality*.

*Steve Rauch* accepted the position of Network Information Management Consultant with the University of Washington Health Sciences Center IAIMS Program effective January, 1995. He comes to UW from his position as Library Coordinator, Merle West Medical Center, Klamath Falls Oregon.

*Valerie Schultheiss* (valerie@halcyon.com) will open the Planetree Health Library at Highline Community Hospital and Health Care Network on May 2, 1995. There is an open house especially for librarians and library staff on Wednesday, April 19 from 4-6 p.m. in the library. RSVP requested.

The Seattle VA celebrated their new library with an Open House on February 28.

*Kelly Griffin* is working at Northwest Hospital. She looks forward to having more time with her family - after she gives up covering both libraries. Harrison Hospital is recruiting, but no selection has been made [as of press time]. *Tina Brisbon*, Library Assistant, will be working full time to cover Docline, etc.

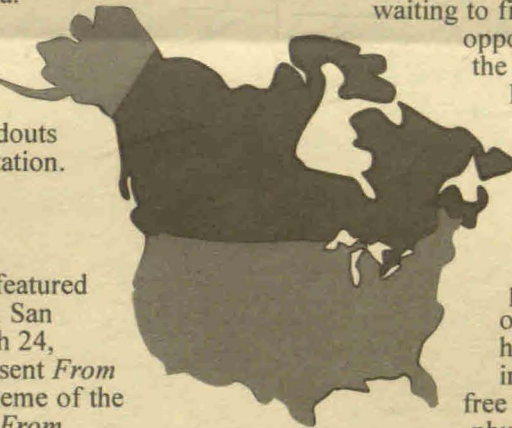
*Sue Innes* is the new Medical Librarian at Providence-Everett. She has been working at Providence-Seattle, the Environmental & Toxicology Library, and volunteering her time at Children's in Seattle.

*Margaret (Margo) Siebert* has accepted the position of Medical Librarian at Providence Medical Center-Seattle. Margo has been working at PMC as an on-call librarian for the past several months. *Robb Davis* is new Library Tech II at Providence-Seattle. His duties include answering the telephone and handling serials.

*From Peggy Burt on hlib-nw*: A number of people have been inquiring about my whereabouts-so I thought I would just take a moment to bring you up to date on my plans! As many of you know, my husband has been in a PhD program in physics at the UW for all these years...and he is soon finishing up - hurrah! We are still waiting to find out which of the postdoc opportunities will come through but the possibilities currently are Munich, Paris or Boulder. We should know our final destination very soon. Meanwhile, I have decided to leave Providence-Seattle so as to have some time to get ready for this big move.... In addition, I am pursuing some consulting opportunities and am currently helping with the CDPlus network install at Children's. Please feel free to leave me email as always at pburt@halcyon.com.

The 1995 WMLA Annual Meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 7th from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Woodmark Hotel in Kirkland, WA. CE is being offered on Thursday, April 6th. For specifics and/or registration materials contact *Ann Marie Clark* at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center Library 206.667.4314 or by e-mail aclark@cclink.fhcrec.org.

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