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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Fred Roper

Thanks to the quick work of the Nominating Committee, an election was held before Christmas to fill the vacant post of Chair-Elect for the Division. We are grateful to Geeth Rao and Larry Kelland for their willingness to stand for election for a post that would have a shortened time-span. Larry Kelland was elected your new Chair-Elect, and I am sure that you all join me in congratulating him. He has been active in Division affairs for quite some time-- particularly with BIOFEEDBACK and with the Fund Development Committee. He and I have worked closely together this fall on fund development, and I can tell you that he has worked long and hard on your behalf. He hit the floor running, and he is already hard at work on the Indianapolis meeting! Larry will become your Chair at the conclusion of the Seattle meeting.

Larry and I attended the Winter Meeting of SLA in Fort Lauderdale where we represented the Division at meetings of the Seattle and Indianapolis program planners and in the Division Cabinet. Plans for the Seattle meeting are well in hand thanks to Pat Murphy and her Program Planning Committee. I believe that you will find the Seattle program to be both educational and stimulating. As has been the case in recent years, there are several programs co-sponsored with other divisions.

Elsewhere in this edition of BIOFEEDBACK, you will find an article by Lucy Rowland, Immediate Past-Chair of the Division, on the proposed name change of the Division and

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the proposed revised scope note. Both of these items will be considered at the annual business meeting in Seattle. These changes represent a needed refinement of the Division's scope note and a more realistic representation of our constituency.

Under Nancy Bryant's guidance, the newly formed Medical Section of the Division is moving ahead, and she discusses the Section's activities in an article in this issue. The first meeting of the Medical Section will be held in Seattle. Nancy and the new Chair-Elect of the Section, David Duggar, make a great team to lead the Section in its early development. All members of the Division with an interest in medicine are encouraged to join us on Sunday, June 8, at 1:30 pm in Seattle.

Finally, I would like to thank the Executive Board--Janet Chisman, Larry Kelland, Toni Powell, and Lucy Rowland--for their support during these past few months. I am also indebted to another group who have given freely of their time, advice, and support--the recent past Chairs: Renee Bush, Jo Anne Boorkman, and Patricia Yocum. With their help and that of the Executive Board, it has been possible for me to learn what needed to be done, and I am grateful to all of them.

Seattle promises to be a wonderful location for a meeting, and the program should be outstanding. I look forward to seeing you there!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

During the last few months, the pace of my life has changed a great deal. At the time of the last Biofeedback deadline, I was spending my time at the hospital with my husband. That makes one take stock of their life and its directions. I did just that.

When I accepted the nomination to run for Chair of the Division, I was busy but had time of my own which could be devoted to working on Division business. Over the last few years, however, that has changed. My work load has grown and gradually began taking all the time I had for working on Divisional projects. I found I could not

devote the time to the many projects required to run the Division. I had no time to give.

I talked it over with people in the Division and at work and it became clear that the Division deserved much more than I was able to give. I therefore, decided to resign in order that the Division could continue to grow and meet the professional development needs of its members.

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This was not an easy decision to make. I have made some very good friends in the Division and have enjoyed working with all of them. I learned a great deal from them and looked forward to a long association. To those who have been helpful and supportive, I want to thank you.

I know you all will continue to support the Board and the Division as they continue to bring you great programs and opportunities for professional growth. It is through such outstanding work that the Biological Sciences Division has earned its reputation as one of the most active and progressive Divisions in SLA.

I will miss you all.
Kay Collins

Miss Doris A. Standing, formerly of the Ontario Ministry of Health, sent a very lovely card with holiday greetings for all BIO members. She wrote:

"I have just received my membership renewal notice for SLA, and regret to say that I will not be renewing my membership for 1997, as I will be retiring in February. I do not wish to stay on as a retired member, although I may continue membership in some Canadian associations.

It was quite a surprise to see my name in the Summer 1994 Biofeedback. I don't know why, as I have been in the same library now for almost 31 1/2 years. In the early days, SLA was one of the more active groups. So it seemed natural to join. The local medical

library group was very small at that time. The Toronto Health Libraries Association has grown from just a few members to a very large group, now. One of the reasons it grew quickly was that in 1972 hospitals had to observe certain standards for libraries within the hospital in order to be accredited.

I have enjoyed getting the SLA publications, including Biofeedback from the Biological Sciences Division - and am pleased that you are going ahead with the medical division.

Give my best wishes to all in the Biological Sciences Division.

Sincerely,
Miss Doris A. Standing

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SPECIAL ELECTION RESULTS

Jo Anne Boorkman
Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee

Larry Kelland, University of Rhode Island is the new chair-elect. He assumed the position immediately, replacing Fred Roper who is now division chair.

The Nominations and Elections Committee wants to thank Geeth Rao and Larry for agreeing to run in this special election.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Larry Kelland
Chair-Elect

I am looking for interested, dedicated people to fill positions on the committees of the Biological Sciences Division. The positions represent excellent opportunities to further your professional careers. While many current committee members will be staying on, there are also openings we will need to fill on the 1997-1998 committees. Here is a list of our Division's committees: Awards, By-Laws, Fund Development, Membership, Professional Development, Public Relations, Publications, Student Relations/Career Guidance, and Vendor Relations. Not all will have openings, but many will, and we look forward to having new members. If you would like to serve, please contact me at:

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PROGRAMS FOR INDIANAPOLIS: CALL FOR SUGGESTIONS

Larry Kelland
Chair-Elect

The Program Planning Committee for the SLA Annual Conference in Indianapolis in 1998 is being formed now. I am seeking ideas for our Division's programs for that conference now. Typically program planning committees need as much as two years to develop a set of programs. We need as many good ideas for programs as we can receive. Ideas for programs covering all areas of biology and medicine are welcome, as well as those which may be of interest to other divisions such as Environment and Resource Management, or Food, Agriculture and Nutrition. Please send your ideas to:

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REPORT ON SLA WINTER MEETING

Larry Kelland
Chair-Elect

This is a report on the SLA Winter Meeting in Fort Lauderdale, January 23-24, 1997. At the Division Cabinet Meeting the new name for our Division was announced. The Aerospace Division will merge into the Engineering Division - it will be the Aerospace Section of the Engineering Division. The Nuclear Division will be dissolved. Minutes of the June 1996 Division Cabinet Meeting were approved. For a new division to be formed, it must start with an organizational meeting, 35 people required, with observers and advisors in addition to the 35.

The Ad Hoc Committee to Fine-Tune the Guidelines for the Formation of New Divisions reported, and their documents were distributed by mail before hand. The proposed wording changes were passed. SLA has just been through a three year audit by the IRS. There are many consequences to this, some discussed in the Board of Directors Meeting, and some in the Division Cabinet Meeting. We have Electronic Guidelines now (which were handed out) and we have a new Logo, and Logo guidelines. Apparently, these guidelines apply to every single kind of communication we have. In order to get the bulk mail rate, we will have to have the new logo on Biofeedback, and on our letterhead. I believe we don't need it on individual envelopes which we normally send at the regular rate. All the new Guidelines apply to listservs and web sites.

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For me the most pressing two meetings were on Indianapolis programming. All the division chairs-elects, and some program chairs, met and posted program ideas. I met with the chair-elects of Chemistry and their program chair, Environment and Resource Management, Food, Agriculture and Nutrition, and the Pharmaceutical Division. SLA wants more joint programs. Our Division has already been doing this. There are two new deadlines: August 1 for CE course proposals, and October 15 for vendor's contribution commitments to be in the preliminary program. There will be one general session instead of two in Indianapolis.

Nominations and Elections Committee Update

Jo Anne Boorkman
Chair, Nominations and Elections Committee

Candidate information for the election of chair-elect and director is included with this issue of Biofeedback. Ballots, including information on any candidates nominated by petition that were received by the Nominations and Elections Committee by February 19, 1997, will be mailed on March 1, 1997.

Information on Candidates for SLA BSD Chair-elect

NAME OF CANDIDATE: **Judy Wojcik**

EDUCATION: MA History, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee;
MLS University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; MPA East Carolina
University

CURRENT POSITION: Grady Branch Librarian, Emory University, 1995-present

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: Reference Librarian, East Carolina University, 1984-86; Head of
Reference, East Carolina University; 1987-89; Associate Library
Director, Northwest AHEC Library, Hickory, NC, 1988-94.

SLA ACTIVITIES: Biological Sciences Division, Professional Development Committee
1989-92 chair, 1991/92; Bylaws Committee 1992/3; Public
Relations Committee, 1994/95; Nominations and Elections
Committee 1995/96; 1997 Seattle Program Committee 1995-1997.

INTEREST IN POSITION: I am interested in program development because I feel that the
Biological Sciences Division offers a wonderful opportunity
for us to direct our own continuing education. I am also interested
in encouraging membership to participate in committee activities.

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NAME OF CANDIDATE: **Lorri Zipperer**

EDUCATION: MLS Northern Illinois University

CURRENT POSITION: Knowledge Manager in Health Law, American Medical Association

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: Database Assistant; Clinical Bibliographic Researcher; Publications Editor, all at American Medical Association

SLA ACTIVITIES: Contributor to Biofeedback; organized Biological Sciences Division' meeting, "Dilemmas and Decision in the Health Care Environment: Non-clinical Issues for the Information Professional" for the Great Lakes Regional Conference III in 1995; moderated, collaborated on, and presented program on the evolving health care system in Boston in 1996.

INTEREST IN POSITION: I am excited about working with the new medical section and in building relationships with colleagues in academic libraries. I hope my experiences both at the AMA and with SLA will serve as a strong foundation for leading the Division.

Director

NAME OF CANDIDATE: **Adam L. Schiff**

EDUCATION: A.B. Cornell University (Biological Sciences); graduate work in zoology and paleontology, University of Florida; M.L.I.S. University of California, Berkeley

CURRENT POSITION: Associate Librarian for Technical Services, California Academy of Sciences, San Francisco, CA

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: Associate Librarian for User Services, California Academy of Sciences; Assistant Professor/Assistant Science Librarian/Biology Bibliographer, University of Colorado at Boulder

SLA ACTIVITIES: Member, Biological Sciences Division (BSD) and Museums, Arts & Humanities Division (MAHD), 1987-; Natural History Caucus, 1992-; Biofeedback assistant editor, 1988-91, editor, 1992-96; SLA Liaison to ALA Cataloging Committee 1996-; speaker 1996 Boston Conference, "How Special Libraries Can Establish New Library of Congress Subject Headings"; owner of Natural History Caucus Reflector (NHS-SLA) and Natural History Caucus Home Page; UC Berkeley Student Chapter, Membership Chair, 1987/88.

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NAME OF CANDIDATE: Liese Z. Tajiri

EDUCATION: B.S. North Carolina State University (Botany); M.S.L.S. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

CURRENT POSITION: Information Resource Specialist, Research Triangle Institute, Research Triangle Park, NC

PAST POSITIONS: Science Reference Librarian, North Carolina State University; Reference Librarian, NIEHS; Library Intern Duke University Medical Center

SLA ACTIVITIES: Member, Biological Sciences Division (BSD) 1990- ; North Carolina Chapter (NC/SLA), 1990- ; BSD Strategic/Long-Range Planning Committee, 1991-1993; BSD Contributed Papers Committee, Co-chair and co-convenor, 1995- ; established and served as first owner of BSDNET-L.

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1996-97 Bylaws Committee Mid-Year Report: Division Proposes New Scope Note

Lucy M. Rowland
Chair, Bylaws Committee

The summer 1996 issue of BIOFEEDBACK was full, with much news from and about the Division, especially concerning the notable programs and events at the 1996 Boston conference. The issue included two articles concerning needed bylaws changes that had been identified by Division leaders in the previous year. Patricia Yocum agreed to continue with the revisions started in the 1995-96 year and will have them ready to present to the membership for a vote early in 1997. Meanwhile the 1996-97 Bylaws Committee began work in July to revise the Division's Scope Note.

The Executive Board did not take on reconsideration of the Division's Scope Note lightly. Events during the 1995-96 year were overshadowed by an effort to establish a new division devoted to health sciences that substantially overlapped our programming, purpose, and interests. Unfortunately, our present Scope Note is worded quite broadly and is subject to much interpretation, and on several occasions this lack of specificity was used against the Division rather dramatically. The Executive Board was urged by other SLA leaders to remedy the situation without delay.

During the latter half of 1996, the Bylaws Committee undertook the difficult task of identifying those areas of the life sciences that it wished to include in the Scope Note. After several drafts and revisions, the Executive Board endorsed a new name for the Division, Biomedical and Life Sciences Division, and a new list of objectives. The final version was sent to leaders in PHM, ERM, and FAN Divisions, and to Eleanor MacLean, SLA Bylaws Chair for her review and endorsement as required by SLA protocol. The Board is pleased to present the Committee's final draft to the membership:

BIOMEDICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION

The scope of the Biomedical and Life Sciences Division encompasses all aspects of the life sciences, both pure and applied, including: biology and biochemistry, zoology and botany, microbiology, genetics, biotechnology, evolution, ecology, veterinary and human medicine, health sciences, and other aspects of the life sciences not specifically noted, or encompassed by another SLA Division. The Division promotes the exchange of information and ideas about trends and advances in information storage, retrieval and analysis, collection management, and dissemination in these fields to support research, education, and commercial endeavors. (rev. 12/96)

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Both the Bylaws Committee and the Executive Board have spent many hours in drafting, discussing, and revising the present Scope Note. By consulting with other Divisions, we have made a concerted effort to minimize overlap, and everyone concerned has agreed that the final revision accomplishes the task we undertook in summer, 1996. The Executive Board hopes to present the new Scope Note for a vote at the annual business meeting in Seattle this June, as provided in the Division's Bylaws. If a Division member has comments or questions about the substance or procedures we employed, please contact an Executive Board member.

Bylaws Ballot

Patricia B. Yocum
for the Bylaws Committee

The Spring 1997 Division election will include a ballot on proposed changes to Division Bylaws. (cf. Biofeedback, Summer 1996 for background.) In brief if approved the changes will :

- * Split the Secretary-Treasurer position into two offices, Secretary and Treasurer
- * Make explicit another duty of the Director
- * Bring Division Bylaws into conformance with Association Bylaws regarding the number of members needed to form a section
- * Adjust the election schedule to give newly elected officers more time to prepare for Annual Conference

For ease in voting the twelve changes are grouped by topic into four questions on which to vote. ("Shall changes #11 & 12 be approved as proposed?")

The changes have been under study for more than a year (some much longer than that!), were approved by the BIO Executive Board in Boston, discussed at the Division's Annual Business meeting, and reviewed and approved by the Association Bylaws Committee, Fall 1996. If approved by the Division membership via the upcoming ballot they will go into effect in June 1997.

If you have questions/comments about the changes or the ballot please contact a member of the Bylaws Committee. And please -- remember to vote!

David Duggar
Virginia Lingle
Adam Schiff
Patricia Yocum
Lucy Rowland, Chair

Public Relations Committee Request/ Share the Good News

Janet Weiss
Chair, Public Relations Committee

Have you had success in marketing your library? Have you promoted your library in a unique way? Has upper management recently realized how important it is to have an in-house information provider? The Public Relations Committee of the Biological Sciences Division is looking for PR news to print in this space and to send in to SLA headquarters. Please send your stories to Elizabeth Lamont. Photos welcomed. Text may be emailed to Elizabeth at elamont@rvhmed.lan.mcgill.ca or faxed to her at 1-514-843-1483 or snail mailed to her at Royal Victoria Hospital, Medical Library, 687 Pine Street, Montreal PQ H3A 1A1 CANADA.

We hope to hear from you soon!

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS UPDATE

Susan C. Curtis
Government Relations Liaison

The National Cancer Institute has entered into a contract with Oxford University Press to publish the Journal of the National Cancer Institute. Effective January 1997 the Government Printing Office will no longer distribute the journal to depository libraries. It will be available from Oxford University Press and Oxford will hold the copyright to the articles under the terms of the Cooperative Research and Development Agreement. The subscription rate is \$150.00 annually. The journal is issued on a semi-monthly basis.

The journal title list for the MEDLINE database was not distributed to depository libraries in 1996. The edition is available electronically at [gopher://gopher.nlm.nih.gov:70/11/online/journals/lsiou](http://gopher.nlm.nih.gov:70/11/online/journals/lsiou). We expect the 1997 edition to be available at the gopher site this month.

Since the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) discontinued its print catalog, the Government Printing Office has been in negotiations with NTIS to distribute the replacement CD-ROM product, OrderNow. NTIS believes that it has no legal requirement to provide electronic information products to the Federal Depository Library Program. It states that GPO must pay for the software licensing in order for the product to be made available to depositories. The matter is now under review by the Joint Committee on Printing.

Commerce Business Daily is now available through GPO Access. This publication lists proposed government procurement actions, contract awards, and other procurement information. It is useful for its notices of government grants. Try it at <http://cbdnet.access.gpo.gov>.

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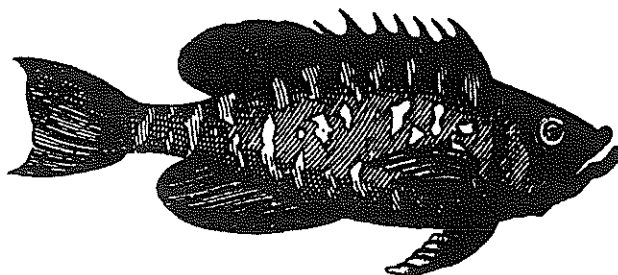
The Government Printing Office is investigating how to ensure permanent access to government information. GPO contends that this is too big a task for any agency or library to accomplish alone. It advocates the development of a shared system which includes the National Archives and Records Administration, the information producing agencies, depository libraries, and the GPO.

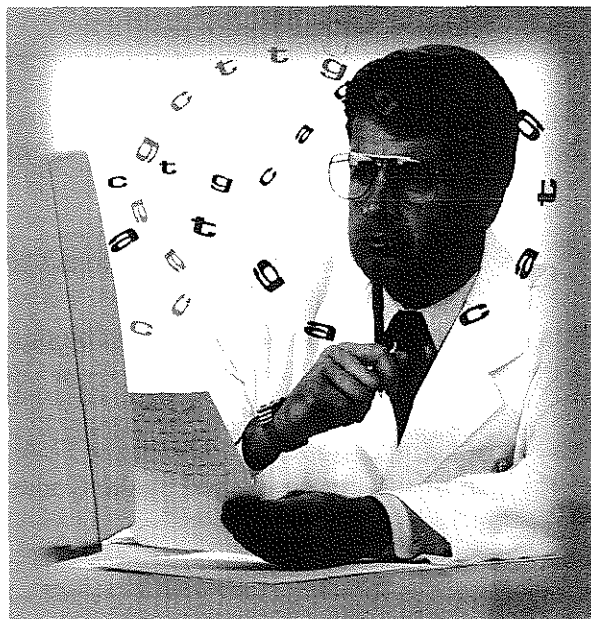
In a far-reaching decision, negotiators representing 160 nations at the World Intellectual Property Conference held in Geneva in December 1996 determined that temporary copies of copyrighted materials that computers automatically make when a user is browsing the World Wide Web will not be considered violations of copyright. The Conference also declared that contracting Parties [may] carry, forward and appropriately extend into the digital environment limitations and exception in their national laws which have been considered acceptable under the Berne Convention. Still to be decided is whether databases can be copyrighted just like creative materials.

DISTINGUISHED MEMBER AWARD – 2ND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Patricia B. Yocum
Chair, BSD Awards Committee

Been impressed with a colleague's work? Appreciated what a fellow member did for the Division? Know about someone whose contributions made a difference in information services in the life sciences? If so consider nominating him/her for a Biological Sciences Division Distinguished Member Award to be given at the Annual Conference in Seattle. There's still time to nominate a colleague whose contributions have made a difference in information services in the life sciences and especially to the Biological Sciences Division. Criteria and nominating instructions are given in Biofeedback, Fall 1996. They have also been posted to BSDNET-L and can be re-issued electronically to individuals by sending me an e-mail request (pyocum@umich.edu). Nominations must be postmarked no later than March 15, 1997 to be considered for the 1997 award. Here's one way to say "Thanks for a job well done."





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Student Relations and Career Guidance Committee

David Duggar

Chair, Student Relations/Career Guidance Committee

At the Executive Board meetings of the Biological Sciences Division during the SLA annual conference in June 1996, the Public Relations/Student Relations Committee was divided into the Public Relations Committee and the Student Relations/Career Guidance Committee. The Biological Sciences Division's Student Travel Stipend to attend the SLA annual conference was also discontinued. This was the result of surveys conducted by the Committee during the 1995-96 year.

The recommendations for the Student Relations/Career Guidance Committee were to create a way for greater interaction and communication with the student members. Suggestions were:

- a) have a member from each state agree to be the liaison to the SLA student chapter in that state;
- b) have a representative of BSD at each chapter's career day.

The Committee is also looking at ways in which we can involve student members in the annual conference itself, within our Divisions newsletter and listserv, on committees, and within our new Section. We also want to look at other options for involvement with SLA student chapters.

This year the Committee is laboring to create a clear set of goals and objectives with methods of implementation that can be put into effect during the 1997-98 year. We ask that any Division members with suggestions and ideas for interaction with our student members, please send them to us. We would like to present at the annual conference the Student Relations/Career Guidance Committee's working plan which committee members and Division volunteers will be able to put into effect next year.

The second part of the committee is "Career Guidance". Does this mean that the committee should be posting sources for jobs, continuing education, grants, and other resources which can aide any member in expanding options as professionals? Or should this committee be strictly concerned with students and thus look only at entry level positions and educational opportunities for current and graduating students? Again, please let us know your thoughts.

MEDICAL SECTION REPORT

Nancy Bryant,
Medical Section Organizing Chair

I am pleased to announce that David Duggar, current Chair of the BSD Student Relations/Career Guidance Committee and past Membership Committee Chair, has accepted nomination as the first Chair-Elect of the Medical Section/BSD. If there are any other nominations, please submit them to me by April 30. The vote on Chair-Elect, who will serve as incoming Chair beginning June 1997, will be the first order of business at our first-ever business meeting, Sunday, June 8, 1:30-3 PM in Seattle. Majors has graciously offered to provide us with funding for refreshments to celebrate our first birthday, so please join us. Check your program for details.

I would like to publicly thank the members of the Biological Sciences Division Board and committees, who have been so supportive of me in my role as Medical Section Organizing Chair, particularly Fred Roper, Lucy Rowland, David Duggar, Nancy Curtis, Larry Wright, John Kelland, John Tebo, Liese Tajiri, Patricia Yocum, Jo Anne Boorkman, Lorri Zipperer, Renee Bush, Anna McGowan, Sue Kaczor and others. I would especially like to thank Pat Murphy, BSD Program Committee Chair, Judy Wojcik, Medical Section-Program Committee Liaison, and the Seattle Program Committee, for their excellent work in preparing balanced and excellent programming for the Seattle conference. In my opinion, BSD has a tradition of emphasizing the many facets of health care and related issues, particularly in regard to conference programming, and Seattle will offer many fine choices for Medical Section members and others interested.

I would also like to thank the 53 charter members of the Medical Section, whose enthusiasm and support from the outset has carried me on in my task. We have grown to 75 members in recent months, and I feel certain the rapid growth rate and interest will continue.

Please let me know of items for discussion at our business meeting in June. We will have some formal business for the agenda, and we will also have time for roundtable discussion of our mission, goals, organization and plans. Your input is vital. I look forward to hearing from each of you.

Information Booth Premiers at AMA Interim Meeting

Lori Zipperer
Medical Section Member

Information specialists were on hand at this year's American Medical Association Interim meeting in Atlanta where AMA, state and specialty society representatives met to shape AMA policy. SLA/Bioscience member Lorri Zipperer of the AMA's OGC Information Center, and SLA member Anita King of the AMA's Advocacy Resource Center, with assistance from other AMA staff, brought the power of information service to the national event through the creation of the Advocacy Information Booth (AIB).

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Ms. Zipperer modeled the AIB after the successful INFO '96 booth that SLA/Illinois planned for the Democratic National Convention. The AIB provided both online and web research services, ready reference, photocopying capabilities and demonstrations and distribution of the AMA's electronic policy database PolicyFinder. Arrangements were made ahead of time with Bioscience members at Georgia biomedical libraries for evening reference and document delivery services should they be required. Lucy Rowland, of the University of Georgia Science Library and Judy Wojcik, of Emory University's Grady Branch Library, and their staff members were committed to providing that assistance if needed.

The meeting, one of two such the AMA holds yearly, drew 2500 participants to Atlanta. Over the five day event, over 400 attendees were assisted at the AIB. Reference questions ranged from travel and legislative information off the Web to specific clinical and administrative medical information. Daily services were also monitored and made available to individuals as requested.

This opportunity to bring information specialists into direct contact with AMA staff, delegates and other meeting attendees was heralded by those who used the service and supported by upper management. It is thought that it may become a standard fixture at future AMA meetings, giving the special librarians involved a defined role in a high profile organizational event.

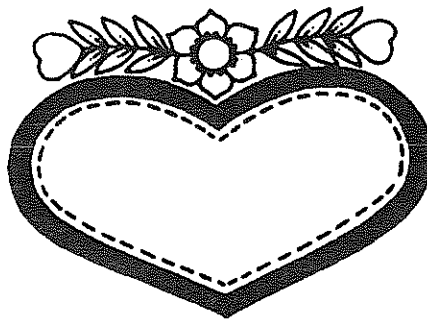
CHANGE IN BSDNET-L OWNERSHIP

Liese Tajiri
former BSDNET-L listowner

After two and a half years as the BSDNET-L 'owner', I am handing over the reigns to Alesia McManus (alesia_mcmanus@ncsu.edu), Science Reference Librarian at North Carolina State University, where the listserv is physically located. Alexia has been 'co-owner' for the past year, but only one person can be the 'primary owner' (IE: the one who gets all the subscription requests and error messages!), and she has now taken over that job. The 'welcome' message and 'information message' for the listserv have been changed to reflect the new owner.

I have really learned a lot from managing this listserv, and have enjoyed doing it. I was working at NCSU when BSDNET-L started, and they have graciously allowed me to keep ownership of it even though I no longer have any ties to them. Since I'm not a NCSU employee, however, I always felt a bit guilty calling/e-mailing them to ask for help. Alexia, being a full-fledged NCSU employee, should feel no such guilt if and when she needs their assistance!

Anyway, I'd like to thank Alexia for agreeing to take over, and I look forward to being a 'regular' member of BSDNET-L.



ACCOLADES TO LIESE TAJIRI!

Liese Tajiri has done outstanding work in bringing up our division listserv with minimum fuss to the rest of us. It's wonderful to see BSDNET-L prospering. It clearly fills our initial goals to encourage our sense of community, provide contact throughout the year, identify ourselves as sources willing and able to help each other, and to do all this efficiently. Heartfelt thanks for a job well done and best wishes to Alexia McManus!

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Our Division is privileged to have members with outstanding records of constant support, and it is a pleasure to announce that this year we have three members celebrating their sixtieth anniversaries and three members celebrating their fiftieth anniversaries as members of the Division.

Our "Diamond Jubilee" members, who joined SLA in 1937, are:

Estelle Brodman of Hightstown, New Jersey
Helen W. Campbell of Speedway, Indiana
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Our "Golden" members, who joined SLA in 1947, are:

Betty G. Emilio of Asheville, North Carolina
Helene M. Gingras of Washington, DC
Isabel Stauffer of Weston, Ontario.

In addition, 1997 marks the fortieth year of membership for Joan DeFato and Mary Elizabeth O'Brien. Gerald E. Meyer has been a member for thirty years. Sylvia A. Beardsley, Ray Brian, Michael J. Buckner, John J. Clopine, Susan Cooper, Marianne E. Doherty, Verla E. Empey, Solange G. Gignac, Lovisa Kamenoff, Lee J. Mosley, Karen J. Patrias, and Charles W. Sargent are all celebrating their twenty-fifth anniversaries as members. We thank you all for your continuing support of the Division and we look forward to sharing many more years with you as colleagues and friends.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

Nancy R. Curtis
Chair, Membership Committee,

As of the end of December, 621 SLA members belonged to the Biological Sciences Division. Roughly three-fourths of our membership, or 469 members, are "primary" members, while the other fourth, or 152 members, belong to another Division and chose to add BIO to their membership.

All BIO members will receive a copy of the newly revised Division brochure, in the next issue of Biofeedback. The brochure includes a brief history of the Division and lists the many benefits available to Division members.

New Membership Brochure

Nancy R. Curtis
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In this issue of Biofeedback you will find a special insert--the newly revised BIO membership brochure. The brochure includes information of interest to current members, including a list of membership benefits and a brief history of the Division. It can also be used to introduce new or potential members to BIO and all that the Division has to offer.

I encourage all of you to use the new membership brochure to publicize the benefits of joining BIO and recruit new members. If you would like extra copies for distribution at a conference, at student events, or in other settings that provide the opportunity for outreach to potential members, let me know. Call me at 1-207-581-1679, send e-mail to Nancy_Curtis@voyager.umeres.maine.edu, or write me at:

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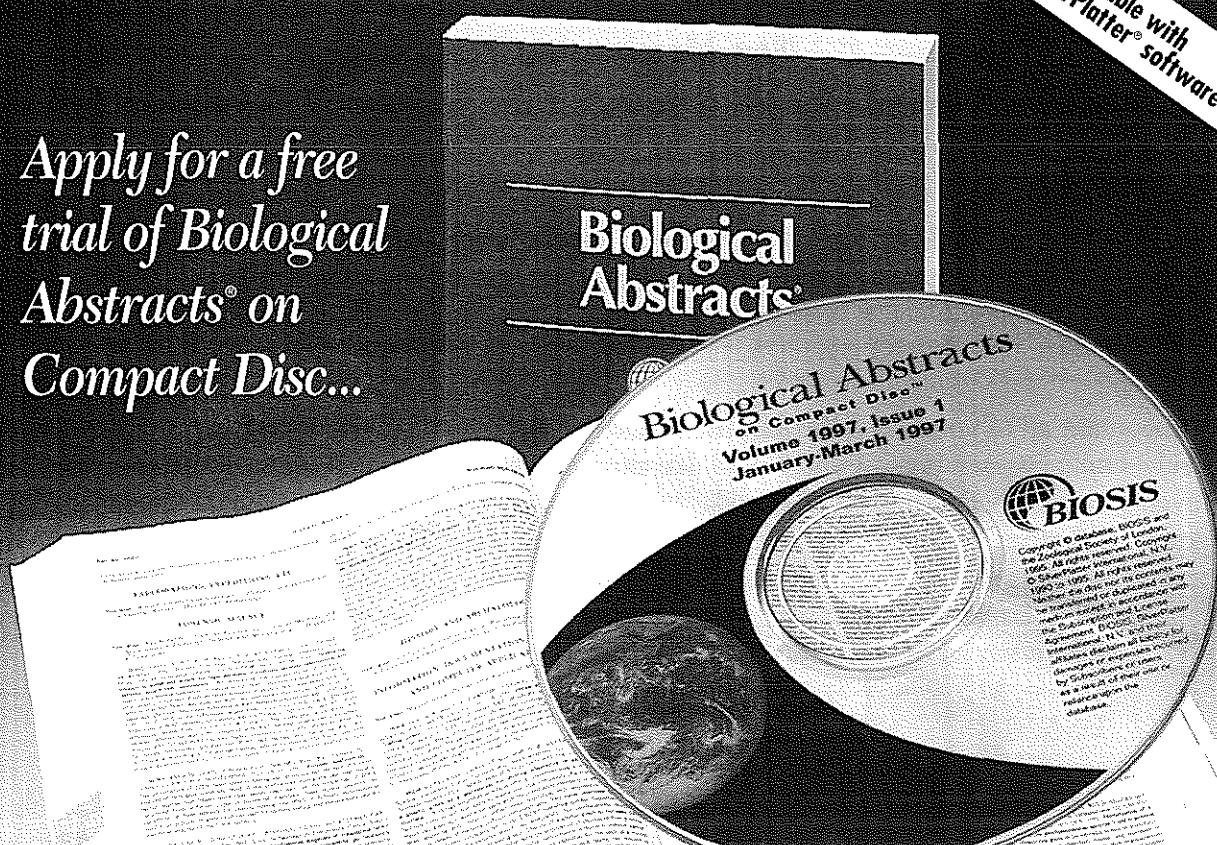
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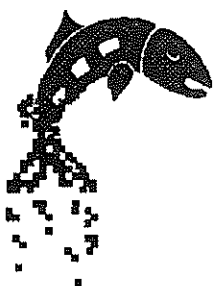
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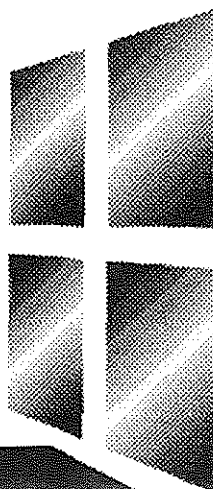
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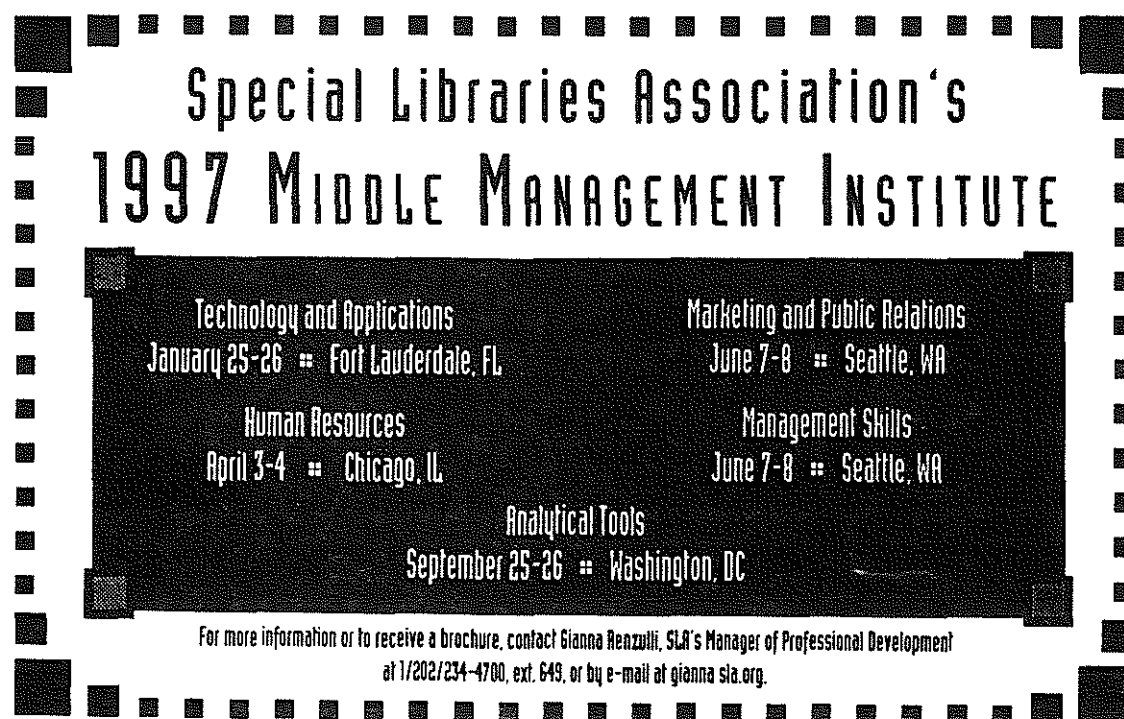
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