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HSLANJ Elections

The Nominating Committee has chosen the election slate for 2002-2003. The ballot appears in this issue on page 7. Biographical information begins on page 8. Ballots must be returned by U.S. Mail by March 15, 2002. If you have not already voted, please return your ballot immediately.

Morristown Memorial Opens New Library

By Rekha Gandhi, Morristown Memorial Hospital

The Health Sciences Library at Morristown Memorial Hospital, which underwent extensive remodeling and a slight expansion, had a grand opening on Tuesday, December 11, 2001. The newly renovated library has been renamed Shinn-Lathrope Health Science Library in honor of a generous donation by philanthropist, George Shinn, PhD. In addition to Mr. Shinn, the library was also dedicated to Dr. Warren Widmann, a retired surgeon who is now a full-time professor.

An evening reception began at 5:00 pm where warm hors d'oeuvres, fruit, cheese, and drinks were offered to the arriving guests. A harpist provided live entertainment. About a half-hour later, the guests were ushered into an auditorium for a formal program. After that a ribbon-cutting ceremony took place and then the guests were invited to tour the library. Mary K. Joyce, Library Manager, Rekha Gandhi, Librarian, and James Dvoretzky, Library Assistant, were on hand to answer questions.

The main entrance of the Library leads to a lobby, which opens out to the Reference Area whose centerpiece is the semicircular Reference Desk. Some details such as color and patterns were selected over a year ago. Green was the color of choice in designing the walls as

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Spring Meeting to Highlight Consumer Health

By Vicki Sciuk, Overlook Hospital
The Spring Business and Continuing Education Meeting of HSLANJ will be held on Wednesday, March 20, at the Conference Center of the New Jersey Hospital Association in Princeton, NJ, beginning at 9 a.m.

The CE session is entitled "Government Resources in Consumer Health" and will be presented by Kathy Moeller of Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ. Kathy has been involved in providing Consumer Health information in a hospital library for 20 years, and was on the cover of the Consumer Health issue of *Library Journal* in July 1997. She is a leader in this field who recently became one of two people in the nation to earn the new Level II Consumer Health Credential (CHC) from the Medical Library Association, and is presently the only one in NJ who holds any level CHC. She is also a member of AHIP at the Senior Level.

The Medical Library Association has approved this course for 4 CE credits, which can be used toward earning the Consumer Health Credential and for AHIP. Kathy will also teach this course in May at the national MLA meeting in Dallas, where the course fee is \$185/\$235 (members/non-members). HSLANJ is pleased to present this new program here first, at a reasonable cost, taught by one of our own. The fee for HSLANJ members is \$50; nonmember fee is \$70.

The goals of the CE program will allow one to gain experience locating and using online government resources for consumer health information, review websites from a variety of national clearinghouses, health information centers, and state & local governments, and gain knowledge on doing collection development by finding free or inexpensive government health resources.

The schedule for the meeting is:

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| 9:00 am – 9:30 am | Registration & Coffee |
| 9:30 am – 10:30 am | Business Meeting |
| 10:45 am – 12:30 pm | CE Program |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | Luncheon |
| 1:30 pm – 3:45 pm | CE program ♦ |

well as the floor and the furniture. Plaques with donors' names and adages adorn the walls. The new layout of the library includes raised ceilings which has helped to create a more spacious appearance.

To the left side of the Reference Desk is the Computer Area with about a dozen Internet-accessible terminals. On the right side are open tables and chairs to read newspapers and a few study carrels. There is a copy room across from this area. To the back are the microfilm cabinets and microfilm reader/printers. Adjoining the cabinets is the staff office area. All the audio-visual materials are now stored on shelves in the office area. In the new library Patient Education and Consumer Health books are housed in a separate area. These materials are available to the community as well as the staff.

HSLANJ members were invited to attend the opening of the Shinn-Lathrope Health Science Library, and many attended. The official ePulse photographer, Eleanor Silverman came ready to click away.

The opening and dedication of the Shinn-Lathrope Health Science Library is an important milestone for the Hospital and for the entire Atlantic Health System. It is also a significant event for HSLANJ and everyone striving



to provide accurate medical information to clinicians and consumers. ♦

Mary K. Joyce and Rekha Gandhi leading a tour of the new library facilities at MMH.

NJHA & NN/LM Sponsor Bioterrorism Seminar

By Madeleine Taylor, St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center

In response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, the New Jersey Hospital Association and the Middle Atlantic Region, National Network of Libraries of Medicine sponsored a seminar on December 5, 2001, at the New Jersey Hospital Association. The program was called "Thinking the Unthinkable – Biochemical Terrorism and Disasters: Information Resources for Medical Librarians."

Presenters were Dr. James Pruden of St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, who spent time at "Ground Zero" immediately after the World Trade Center attacks, Onnalee Henneberry of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Stacey Arnesen of the National Library of Medicine, Barbara Schultz of the ASTROX/United States Army Medical Research Institute for Chemical Defense, and Michelle Volesko, Director of Library and Corporate Information Services at the New Jersey Hospital Association.

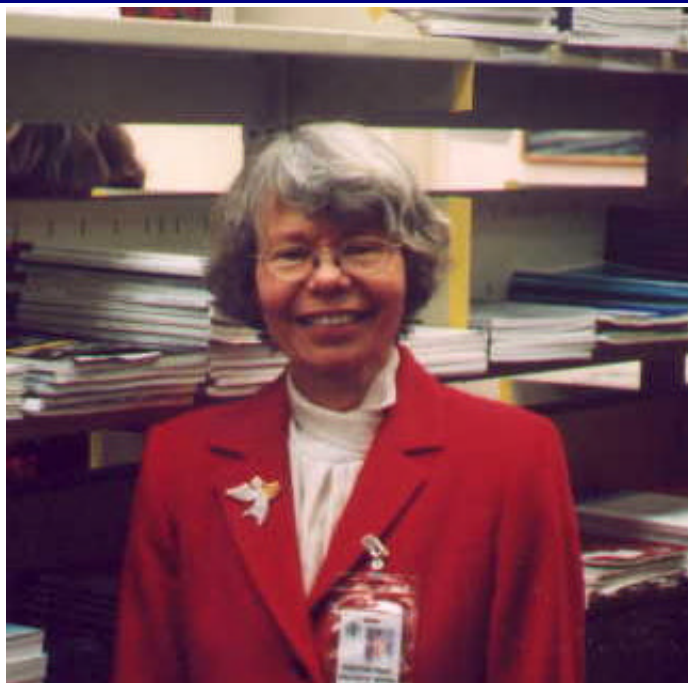
The seminar was well attended by librarians from NJ and surrounding states. The presenters provided information on numerous online resources, and presenters were even seen taking notes from each other!

Michelle Volesko has provided the agenda, presentations and handouts from this seminar on the New Jersey Hospital Association's website for those who were unable to attend. This information can be found at <http://www.njha.com/njresponse/biopresent.asp>. ♦

Duress Pujat Retires

On December 19, 2001, Duressa Pujat retired from her position as Library Director at Hackensack University Medical Center. Duressa was at Hackensack for 28 years, and has relocated to Georgia with her husband, Bob, and their four cats: Boots, Pandora, Ralph and Sitka.

Duressa was presented with a pin from HSLANJ. Hackensack University Medical Center held a buffet reception in the library, and HSLANJ members were invited to attend. ♦



Duressa Pujat on her last day at Hackensack.

A Letter from Duressa

1/5/02

Dear Larry,

Please extend my thanks to everyone in HSLANJ for the pin which Robb presented to me at Hackensack, and for the lovely flowers delivered to my home.

I was so glad that some HSLANJ members could come to Hackensack on Dec. 19 - my last day. I wish I could have attended one last meeting, but it just wasn't possible. I am hoping to see some people at MLA, and I'm sure I'll be in NJ at some time to renew friendships.

HSLANJ is very special to me, and I got more out of it than I gave.

Keep it going.

Love,
Duressa ♦

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Upcoming HSLANJ Events

March 20, 2002

General Meeting

Government Resources in Consumer Health,

With Kathy Moeller

At NJ Hospital Association, Princeton

April 10, 2002

Board Meeting

At NJ Hospital Association, Princeton

April 18, 2002

HSLANJ 30th Anniversary Luncheon

Speaker: Dr. Robert Cassidy, Director of Bioethics and Social Planning, Childrens' Hospital, New Hyde Park, NY

At PNC Arts Center, Robert Meyner Reception Center, Holmdel

September 13, 2002

General Meeting

At NJ Hospital Association, Princeton

October 23, 2002

Board Meeting

At NJ Hospital Association, Princeton

December 11, 2002

General Meeting

HSLANJ Listserv Information

By Barbara Reich, Hackensack University Medical Center

HSLANJ-L is set up as a "private list." This means that you cannot make subscription changes yourself, only the moderator can do it for you. Using this list is very simple, however, you must keep in mind that it is slightly different from some of the other electronic mailing lists that you may be familiar with.

To subscribe or make subscription changes send an e-mail to breich@intac.com with a message that explains what you would like to do.

To send a message to all the HSLANJ members who are subscribed to hslanj-l, address it to hslanj-l@gorgon.com. That is an "ell" as in list. All subscribers will receive a copy of the message. DO NOT send commands to this address.

If you use your "reply" button to respond to a message from this list, it will send a message to the person who wrote original message only. If you click on "reply to all" it will send a message to the entire membership of the list. Please keep this in mind and choose appropriately.

Hslanj-l is the electronic mailing list of the Health Sciences Library Association of New Jersey. As such, all postings should be of a professional nature, and relevant to the organization or the practice of health sciences librarianship.

Please remember to identify yourself with a first and last name & your e-mail address on all messages. Snail mail addresses and phone numbers are optional, but should be included when appropriate.

When necessary, change the subject line so that it accurately reflects the subject of your posting.

In the interest of protecting other people's data and equipment, as well as conserving bandwidth, please do not send attachments to the list. Items should be included in text format as part of the message. If this is impossible, offer to send the file to interested individuals only. Those individuals may than e-mail you directly to request the item.

Thank you for your efforts in keeping HSLANJ-L a valuable resource for all our members. ♦

Hospitality Corner

Compiled by Lia Sabbagh, Englewood Hospital & Medical Center

Please welcome these new members to the HSLANJ family:

Tricia Reusing is the new librarian at Bayshore Community College. She was a student member of HSLANJ during the past year, and attended a number of HSLANJ meetings and functions. Please see the Biographical Information at the end of this newsletter for more information about Tricia.

Dr. Harjit Singh is Acting Librarian at Hackettstown Community Hospital.

We are sad to report the recent deaths of the mothers of Pat Regenberg of Mountainside Hospital, and Mary K. Joyce of Morristown Memorial Hospital. We offer our belated condolences to them and their families. ♦

Librarian Spotlight: Barbara Reich

By Terry Cuddy, Capital Health System/Fuld Campus

Barbara Reich is currently Director of the Hackensack University Medical Center Library (HUMC) in Hackensack. She was previously Associate Librarian at Hackensack, Medical Librarian at the Hospital Center at Orange and Medical Librarian at the Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside. Barbara has a Bachelors degree from SUNY Albany and a Masters in Library Science from Rutgers University. She is a member of AHIP pending at the Senior level.

The HUMC Library is about 1500 square feet with another 1500 square feet in another buildings. The library collection has about 3696 books, 50 slide sets, subscriptions to 10 Audiotape series, NCME videocassettes, and about 100 other videotapes on various topics. The collection has 370 total print journal titles, of which 287 are current subscriptions; there are additional psychology titles available through PsycARTICLES. Currently, there are four public access workstations, soon to be increased to six from the funds of an AT & T grant. All PCs in the library and on campus have Internet access. The library subscribes to CANCERLIT, CINAHL, PREMEDLINE, MEDLINE, several EBM Reviews, PsycINFO, and has free Databases from EBSCO through Highlands and the State. All of these are available through the hospital's Intranet from any PC in the hospital, as are the Library Catalog and the Literature Search Request form. The library is one of several locations to house the New Jersey Psychoanalytic Collection, a collection of psychoanalytic books and journals some dating back to the 1920's. Several hundred books include many of the classics in the field, such as two whole sets of the complete works of Sigmund Freud.

HUMC recently became New Jersey's first Planetree hospital. The Planetree model is a patient-centered one that focuses on personalizing and demystifying the healthcare experience for patients and their families. One of the Planetree components is to empower patients and families through information and education. Barbara is looking forward to planning and implementing enhanced consumer health information services as a result of this affiliation. She is a member of the hospital-wide Advisory Committee for the Planetree implementation. After an on-site visit to the library it was suggested that Barbara contact other Planetree librarians to see what they have done and also go to the flagship hospital in Connecticut. Barbara is also involved in putting together a multidisciplinary subcommittee of the advisory board for the Planetree to plan and prioritize projects.

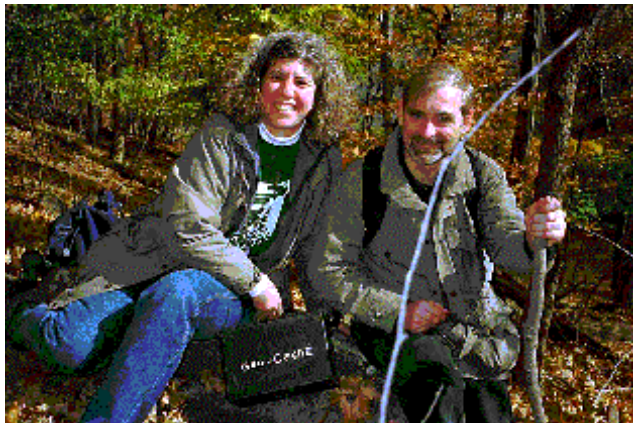
"One of the things I've always wanted to do, and will fit in nicely with this... is to put together a database of all the patient education/ consumer health information produced by the hospital and mount it on the library Intranet site. The place is so big that we often get people coming into the library to research information for a brochure or flier they want to put together...this would offer a single place for people to look to find out IF a particular item exists yet, who wrote it, how old it is, etc. Ideally, we could include PDFs of each document as well."

Barbara has been active in HSLANJ, serving as President, Vice-President, and Webmaster. Being President was exciting, overwhelming, rewarding, exhausting, and an incredible learning experience for Barbara. She has also been a member of the Awards, Education, Hospitality, Strategic Planning, and Networking & Interlibrary Loan Committees, not to mention being a Board Member and Listserv Coordinator. Somehow she also found time to chair the Nominating, Education, and Membership Profiles Committees! Barbara says, "the best thing about being involved in HSLANJ is getting to work with and learn from the incredibly talented, dedicated individuals who participate."

For fun and adventure Barbara likes photographing nature, cooking, and antiques. She is especially interested in the Arts and Crafts Movement, and also its contemporary interpretations, like the work of the Roycroft Renaissance artisans. Barbara also likes hiking and geocaching. Geocaching is a combination of hiking and a treasure hunt, with a high-tech component. Below is a picture of her and her husband geocaching in October 2001 at her favorite hunt where they found a geocaching totem made by a group called Tteepee's Tribe. This is a small pouch with a fetish stone inside, a miniature dream catcher on the front and a geocaching symbol on the back. It is on a leather thong that you can wear around your neck. "It was a beautiful late fall day, many of the leaves had fallen, but there were still enough on the trees to be pretty. It was very cool, but not cold... Also, the coordinates for the cache were about 35-40 feet off, and with all the leaves on the ground, it was near impossible to find any of the things mentioned in the clues. It took a really long time to find, so when we finally did it was really exciting... Michelle Volesko went...it was a lot of fun introducing another person to geocaching".

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Barbara enjoys being a medical librarian, interfacing with intelligent people each day, and most of all, helping others. "There's nothing like the feeling you get when you find that piece of information that you know is really going to make a difference in someone's care, or when a physician comes and tells you that something you did really changed a treatment, or a consumer thanks you because they finally understand their diagnosis for the first time. The first time that happened to me was when I was at Children's Specialized, and the results of a search I did enabled a doctor to not do a spinal tap on an infant. I'll never forget it." ♦



Barbara and her husband with a Geocache.

Copyright Class a Success

On October 30, 2001, the HSLANJ Continuing Education course "Copyright Law in the Digital Age" was presented at the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in West Orange. Laura Gasaway presented the course. Thirty-five librarians attended this well-received course.

Topics discussed included Copyright Clearing House, record keeping, electronic journal articles, and license agreements.

Some comments from the course evaluations were:

- This course should be given to hospital CFOs and lawyers!
- One of the best classes we've ever sponsored.
- I loved this, but I'm sorry that I know so much now!
- ..-- Ms. Gasaway certainly lives up to her excellent reputation. ♦



Laura Gasaway at the October CE course,

Kudos to Our Members

By Patricia May, St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center

Nancy Calabretta, Reference Librarian, The Cooper Health System, authored the following: Consumer-driven, patient-centered health care in the age of electronic information. *J Med Libr Assoc* Jan 2002;90(1):32-37.

Susan Cleveland has taken a position at Our Lady of Lourdes, having left her position at Virtua West Jersey Hospital in March.

Nicole A. Cooke joined the George F. Smith Library, UMDNJ, Newark, as Information and Education Librarian in October 2001.

Peggy Dreker has been appointed as Information & Education Librarian at the George F. Smith Library, Newark also in October 2001.

Doris Eaton has found a new home, actually two of them. After a major staff reduction at St. Joseph's in October, serendipitously two hospital administrators called who were interested in the circuit rider program. Doris started work at East Orange General Hospital in January and at Newark's Columbus Hospital last month. Doris is working a few hours a week at St. Joseph's.

Roberta Bronson Fitzpatrick joined the staff of the George F. Smith Library, UMDNJ, Newark, as Associate Director in September 2001.

Chunwei (Charlie) Ma has joined the Booker Health Sciences Library at Jersey Shore as Systems Librarian. As part of the library team, Charlie will manage the library's computer resources, upcoming webpage and implementation of an integrated library system.

Kathy Moeller, Overlook Hospital, has recently been credentialed by MLA at the Level II designation (the highest) for the Consumer Health Continuing Education Credential Program. Kathy is one of only two librarians in the nation holding the advanced Consumer Health Credential.

Pat Regenberg, Mountainside Hospital, **Mary K. Joyce**, Morristown Hospital, **Kathy Moeller**, Overlook Hospital, and **Juliette Ratner**, Mountainside Hospital School of Nursing, co-authored the following: Surviving a merger: how four hospital libraries created a unified system. *J Med Libr Assoc* Jan 2002; 90(1):98-100.

Barbara Reich, Hackensack University Medical Center, is the new director of the medical library.

Tricia Reusing, is the new medical librarian at Bayshore Community Hospital. ♦

BALLOT

| POSITION | CANDIDATE | VOTE | WRITE-IN CANDIDATE |
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| President 2002-2003 | Vicki Sciuk | _____ | _____ |
| Vice President/President Elect 2002-2003 | Patricia May | _____ | _____ |
| Recording Secretary 2002-2004 | Keydi Boss | _____ | _____ |
| Treasurer 2002-2004 | Cynthia McClellan | _____ | _____ |
| Board Member 2002-2005 | Patricia (Tricia) Reusing | _____ | _____ |
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| | Central | Catherine Marchok | _____ |
| | Infolink | Elaine Brogan | _____ |
| | South | Susan Cleveland | _____ |

Prepared by the 2001-2002 Nominating Committee:
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 Robb Mackes
 Sharon Sobel

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Ballot **MUST BE RETURNED** by: **MARCH 15, 2002** to:

Mary K. Joyce, Library Manager
 HSLANJ Corresponding Secretary
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 Shinn-Lathrope Health Sciences Library
 100 Madison Ave.
 Morristown, NJ 07962-1956

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

VICKI SCIUK

(Nominee for President 2002-2003)

Vicki has been the Medical Librarian at Overlook Hospital in Summit, NJ for 10 years, since she received her MLS from Rutgers University. Vicki was the Cosmopolitan Biomedical Library Consortium (CBLC) president in 1998 and has served as CBLC treasurer since then. She served as chair of the HSLANJ Hospitality Committee from 1995 to 2000, and was Vice-President/President Elect in 2001. She is a Senior member of the Academy of Health Information Professionals (AHIP). Vicki is involved with the hospital's patient education committee, the hospital's intranet, and maintains the Atlantic Health System Libraries web site.

PATRICIA MAY

(Nominee for Vice President/President Elect 2002-2003)

Patricia May has been director of library services at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center in Paterson since 1983. Before that, she was a library assistant also at St. Joseph's. She received her MLS from Rutgers University and her BA from William Paterson College. She has been a member of various HSLANJ committees throughout the years. She currently serves as Co-Chair of the Information Technology Committee and is a member of the Consumer Health Committee. She is a Senior Member of AHIP. In 1999, Patti won a Hospital Libraries Section award for Leadership for her development of the circuit rider librarian program. In 2001, she received a certificate of appreciation from the Internal Medicine Residency Training Program at St. Joseph's for her dedication to the education of residents in the Department of Medicine.

KEYDI BOSS

(Nominee for Recording Secretary 2002-2004)

Keydi Boss is the Librarian at Holy Name Hospital, Teaneck, NJ. She recently got her MLS from Rutgers in May 2001. Having worked at Elizabeth General for 2 years as a library assistant and as a library volunteer for 9 years, she decided to follow her mother's (Cathy Boss of Jersey Shore Medical Center) footsteps.

CYNTHIA McCLELLAN

(Nominee for Treasurer 2002-2004)

Cynthia attended Douglass College as an undergraduate, attaining a BA in English in 1981. She continued on at Rutgers, earning an MLS in 1987. After an interesting career start in law librarianship in San Francisco (1987-93) and Philadelphia (1993-95), she shifted into medical librarianship by accepting a position as Outreach Librarian for Temple University's Primary Care Institute in 1995. She has been in her current position as Public Services Librarian at the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey in Stratford, NJ, since 1998. Cynthia is very glad to have switched to the health sciences, and finds her work rewarding and stimulating. She has been a member of HSLANJ since beginning at UMDNJ, and has contributed to e-PULSE. She has "been looking for opportunities to become more involved in this vital organization". Some of Cynthia's hobbies include gourd crafting, camping, travel, the Jersey Shore, volunteering with the Nature Conservancy, and keeping up with her two young sons!

PATRICIA (TRICIA) REUSING

(Nominee for Board Member 2002-2005)

Tricia Reusing, who received her MLIS degree in December 2001 from Rutgers, is the new medical librarian at Bayshore Community Hospital in Holmdel, New Jersey. Librarianship is a second career for Tricia, who previously practiced law for eight years in the General Counsel's Office for the Public Health Service, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, in Washington, DC. However, in the time between her legal career and her library studies, she stayed at home with her two boys for 11 years, doing PTA, cub scouts, church and other volunteer work. In the fall of 2001, Tricia completed an internship at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York. Tricia was a student member of HSLANJ for the past year. Her special interest is consumer health librarianship.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION (Continued)

CLAUDIA ALLOCCO

(Nominee for Nominating Committee 2002-2003)

Claudia is the Director of Library Services at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ. She is a past president of HSLANJ, and is currently the co-chair of the Information Technology Committee. Valley Hospital's Medical Library recently became the first medical library in New Jersey to form a cooperative partnership with its local public library.

CATHERINE MARCHOK

(Nominee for Nominating Committee 2002-2003)

"Kay" has a BA from Pennsylvania State University and an MS from Drexel University. She has been with the Mercer Medical Center Library since 1976, serving as Director of Library Services since 1982. Kay has been a member of HSLANJ for 25 years, has served as the Chair of CJHSLA, is a member of AHIP, and the Philadelphia Region of MLA. At Mercer, Kay has started the archives collection, served as Coordinator for the CME Committee, Facilitator for Employee Satisfaction Survey, and helped establish the Cancer Resource Center in the Radiation-Oncology Department. For 2000, Kay was selected as recipient of a "Partners in Practice" award from Capitol Health System's Nursing Staff.

SUSAN CLEVELAND

(Nominee for Nominating Committee 2002-2003)

Susan is currently the librarian at Our Lady of Lourdes, having just left her position as Library Director of Virtua West Jersey Hospital in Voorhees. She has a BA in American Studies from Douglass, and an MLS from Rutgers, with biomedical bibliography coursework at Wayne State U. A librarian since 1972, Susan has worked in medical libraries in Illinois, Arizona, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. She is a Distinguished level member of AHIP, and a member of the Philadelphia Chapter of MLA, HSLANJ, and SNJCHI.

ELAINE BROGAN

(Nominee for Nominating Committee 2002-2003)

Elaine Brogan has been the part-time Medical Librarian at Children's Specialized Hospital since August 1998. Prior to this position, she was a Medical Librarian at WestPenn Hospital and the Forbes Health System in Pittsburgh as well as Memorial Hospital in York (PA). She was also a part-time Librarian at Robert Morris College (now University), also in Pittsburgh. Her library career began at the Osterhout Free (Public) Library in Wilkes-Barre, PA. Elaine received a BA degree in Elementary Education from Wilkes College (now University) in Wilkes-Barre and an MSLS from Drexel University in Philadelphia. As part of her graduate coursework, she was a Hospital Librarian trainee in a co-operative program with the VA Medical Center. She has been a member of the Central Pennsylvania Health Science Library Association (CPHSLA), serving on several committees as well as serving as treasurer for 2 years. She was active in the Pittsburgh Chapter of MLA as well as co-authoring the chapter's history for the 100th anniversary of MLA. At the centennial meeting, she co-presented a poster session on the history of the chapter as it related to the history of MLA as well as healthcare milestones in Pittsburgh history. It was at that "gig" that she first encountered the beast known as HSLANJ! she has been a member of the HSLANJ education committee and chair of the awards committee. Elaine also serves on the Family Education and Pain Management committees at Childrens.