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N A T U R A L    T H E R A P Y    . . .    I T ' S    A    N A T U R A L

We have been very fortunate in having Mr. Robert Zindler, Executive Director and National Vice-President, Australian Natural Therapies Association, accept our invitation to speak about Natural Therapies.

In addition, Mr. Lyndsay Edwards, from CIG Medishield Ramsay, will display a range of books on alternative medicine and will provide a bibliography of these.

The details are :

Thursday 6th March 1986

5.30pm for 6.00pm  
Wine and cheese will be served

History of Medicine Room,  
Brownless Medical Library,  
University of Melbourne.

RSVP : Mrs. Joan Martin,  
344 - 5717,  
By Monday 3rd March 1986.

As Mr. Zindler will be coming directly from Sydney to speak to us, please make a special effort to attend.

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REPORT OF AGM AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual General Meeting/Christmas Party was held on Thursday 21st November 1985 at Leo's Spaghetti Bar, St. Kilda. Prior to a lovely meal, about twenty members were able to attend the meeting. Then, as husbands/wives/friends joined in, we were all able to wine, dine, and mingle for an enjoyable evening.

As the minutes state, nominations had been received for this year's office bearers. As there were two volunteers for the last remaining position, an election was held in the ensuing weeks for the four committee members.

Thus, the committee for 1986 is :

President : Sandra Russell, Library, St. Vincent's Hospital, Victoria Parade, Fitzroy, 3065. Ph. : 418 - 2201.

Secretary : Kathy Hutton, Medical Library, Alfred Hospital, Commercial Road, Prahran, 3181. Ph. : 520 - 3042.

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Please contact any of the above in order to bring specific information to our attention.

RATIONALIZATION OF JOURNAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Mary McGill (RMH) has suggested that the librarians in the metropolitan area attempt to rationalize the purchasing of new, specialized, journal titles in order to (i) avoid duplication and (ii) ensure that the more unusual titles are held. As this will take some time to organize, please give it some thought and prepare a list of proposed new titles by June 1986 for distribution to the membership. It may be necessary to form a sub-committee to deal with the issue, or if there are only a few librarians interested, they may prefer to consult each other.

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE - UPDATE

The LAA has approved our application for a recoupable grant to produce a booklist of recommended books, journals and reference materials for small health science libraries. Work has just commenced on this project, and the committee welcomes any suggestions which may enable the booklist to achieve its stated goals and objectives :

"To produce a publication of high quality which is as up to date as possible and which accurately reflects the needs of users of small health science libraries in Australia."

MAILING LIST

At present, the Committee is trying to ascertain members' work addresses in order to send newsletters via available courier services. If this is unsuitable in your situation, please let the newsletter editor know. As the postage is about \$50.00 per mailing, we can considerably reduce this figure if we take advantage of other means.

SEMINAR - INFORMATION NEEDS AND RESOURCES IN THE HEALTH SCIENCES

The projected date for this seminar to be hosted by S.A.C.A.E. in association with the S.A. Group of the M.L.S. is 28th November 1986. More details later, as they come to hand.

DARWIN CONFERENCE

"Alternative medicine resources" and "Legal aspects of patient education" will be the two papers offered by the Medical Libraries Section. The S.A. Group have a speaker for the first topic, but Frances Bluhdorn, President, N.S.W. Group, would appreciate some assistance with the second topic. If you are able to help, please write to her C/- Leslie Hall, Secretary, M.L.S., N.S.W. Cancer Library, Oncology Research Unit, Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick, N.S.W., 2031.

"OUR" CONFERENCE

The Proceedings of the 6th Biennial Australian Medical Librarians' Conference have been printed and are currently being distributed. Keep a watch on your letterbox for them.

MEMBERS' NEWS - SOME WELCOMES AND FAREWELLS

Stephen Due has replaced Bernard Daley at Geelong Hospital. Stephen was previously working in a school library.

Anne Simmons is starting up a library at the Royal Talbot General Rehabilitation Hospital. We wish her well.

Scott Holmes is sharing the job at Bendigo Base Hospital with Heather Jackson.

Kathy Mowat has replaced Judy Burn at the Mt. Eliza Geriatric Centre.

POSSIBLE INCLUSIONS TO YOUR COLLECTION

Paul Brennan. Repetitive strain injuries : an explorer's guidebook. Drummoyn, N.S.W. : Primavera Press, 1985. 144p. \$19.95. ISBN 0-9589494-17 Hardback only.

Susan J. Feinglos. Medline : a basic guide to searching. Chicago : Medical Library Association, 1985. Paperback. US\$20.00 non-MLA members. US\$16.00 members.

National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters. Directory of translators, interpreters and language aides. 450p. Includes names grouped by State, language, level of proficiency ; and addresses and telephone numbers. \$40.00 (including postage) PO Box 349, Jamison Centre, ACT, 2614.

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