

Spring Meeting Details

We have a date planned for the annual spring meeting, so mark your calendars: Friday, April 27th, at Hardin Library in Iowa City.

We have identified 2 GMR offerings that may be valuable CE sessions for the meeting, and are asking for you to vote. Please send an email to jennifer-deberg@uiowa.edu.

Information Anywhere: Mobile Technology, Libraries and Health (<http://nml.gov/training/mobile/>)

PubMed for Experts (<http://nml.gov/training/pubmedexpert/>)

If you have any other ideas for free or low cost CE for the spring meeting, please share soon!

2012 ILA Planning and Annual Conference

IHSLA officers and members proposed Dan Buettner as a keynote speaker for ILA 2012. Buettner is the author of *The Blue Zone: Lessons for Living Longer from the People Who've Lived the Longest*.

Ideas submitted for concurrent sessions are as follows:

- **Strategic Planning: E- Books** (co-sponsored with ACRL subdivision)
- **Consumer Health Information for Teens** (perhaps co-sponsored by the Public Library or School Library subdivisions)
- **Consumer Health for Multiple Languages** (perhaps co-sponsored by the Public Library subdivision)

Iowa Health Sciences Library Association Awards

The Iowa Health Sciences Library Association now offers three awards:

Iowa Health Science Library Association Annual Midwest

Chapter/MLA Conference Scholarship Award: This award is given to a member to promote attendance at the Midwest Chapter Annual meeting and encourage membership in ILA for health science librarians. The amount granted is up to \$1200. Applicants must be members of ILA/Health Science Library Association, working in an Iowa health science library or in an Iowa academic library in a college or university with at least one health science program. Application deadline is July.

Iowa Health Science Library Association Citation of Merit: This award is conferred upon individuals who have made outstanding contributions to health science library services or who have advanced the profession of health science librarianship within the state of Iowa. Recipient will have influence and reputation beyond the



Important Dates 2012

*ILA 2012 Annual Conference : Du-
buque - October 10-12*

*ILA- ACRL Subdivision Spring Meet-
ing: Luther College, Decorah - May
25*

*ILA- Health Sciences Subdivision
Spring Meeting: Hardin Library,
Iowa City - April 27*

*Midwest MLA Annual Meeting: Roch-
ester , MN - October 6-9*

IHSLA Officers 2012

*Jennifer DeBerg, Chair, Librarian at
Hardin Library, Iowa City*

*Sarah Andrews, Secretary/
Treasurer, Access Services Supervi-
sor at Hardin Library, Iowa City*

*Megan Conley, Vice Chair, Scientific
Literacy Librarian at Wartburg Col-
lege, Waverly*

local community. Award may be given either to ILA members or to those who are not members of the Association. Award may be given to an individual or a group of individuals. **This award is to be given at the Spring Meeting, so we are looking for nominations now!**

ILA Annual Conference Award : The new ILA Membership Conference Award has just been approved. This award includes up to \$500 towards expenses and ILA dues for one year. Deadline for application is July.



Midwest Chapter: Growing Opportunities

The Midwest Chapter of the Medical Library Association is meeting this year in Rochester, Minnesota from October 6 - 9, 2012. The annual meeting is titled, *Growing Opportunities*, and the program focuses on change and growth as new opportunities.

The keynote speaker is David deBronkart, better known as e-Patient Dave, a cancer survivor and blogger noted for activism for healthcare transformation through participatory medicine. You can find more information about e-Patient Dave on his website <http://epatientdave.com>.

The annual meeting is your opportunity to network with colleagues through papers and posters and continuing education classes (to be announced shortly). Please watch MIDLINE and the conference web site for more detailed information.

Disability Resource Library at the Center for Disabilities and Development (CDD)

The Disability Resource Library at the Center for Disabilities and Development (CDD) is newly relocated to a "front and center" space in the CDD lobby. Situated on the University of Iowa medical campus, we are funded by CDD (Iowa's University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities) to serve as a full-service state-wide lending library on disability information. In 2011, we welcomed visits and inquiries from individuals in 62 Iowa counties covering every corner of the state and a wide swath of interior counties. Our collection of 5,000 items includes books, magazines, DVDs, training kits, and educational assistive technology. The library's software/hardware lending library allows patrons the opportunity to try out portable assistive technology at home before investing in expensive equipment. The current favorite is no surprise: the iPad, loaded with communication apps.

Home delivery is available for almost every item in our catalog. We lend to Iowans, without charge, for a three week interval; the only cost to borrowers is postage on mail returns. Online visitors can peruse the library catalog via the Programs and Services section of the CDD website: <http://www.uihealthcare.org/cdd/>. You can set up an account with us and order by e-mail. Phone orders are welcome as well and we will ship your items the next day. Contact us at 1-800-272-7713.

Librarian, Mary Hubbard, is a member of MLA and the Midwest Chapter-MLA, in addition to the Iowa Library Association Health Sciences Subdivision. Reference inquiries are our specialty and there is never a charge for this service.

Visitors are welcome to peruse the library weekdays from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Bring your families along to enjoy the accessible SmartBoard and our in-house toy collection. Over time, we will be building new training stations and adding a collection of therapeutic home trial toys "prescribed" by our clinicians. So keep us in mind for all of your disability-related needs. Our e-mail is: disability-library@uiowa.edu.

UIHC Patients' Library celebrates 80 years

The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics (UIHC) Patients' Library will celebrate its 80th year in style during National Library Week, April 8th through 14th. The library occupies approximately 1200 square feet of newly renovated space on the 8th floor of the Colloton Pavilion. The prime location of the library in the Joyce Summerwill Patient and Visitor Activities Center has served to reinforce the importance of patients and families in the library's mission. The renovation allowed the library to create a welcoming glass entrance which entices patients and families to come in and explore the many recreational and educational resources.

A large flat screen TV complete with X-Box 360 Kinect, Playstation 3, and Wii, is balanced by the ability to access the TiGR on-demand patient education system. The twelve computer workstations available to patients, families, staff, and volunteers also connect to the closed circuit TV allowing access to the TiGR system – and the 4 Swank movie channels (one in Spanish) featuring new family friendly movies.

In addition to the excellent diversion resources, the new library now offers more private space for researching and providing consumer health information and patient education. The greatest achievement of the renovation is the inclusion of the first UIHC Patient Education Center. This room features the Intel Reader, Health Literacy Advisor software, and medical resources including atlases, dictionaries, PDR, along with other resource directories, and a virtual library of medical reference books. For more information, please contact Mindy Egeland, Director, at 319-384-8908 or mindwell-egeland@uiowa.edu



Meet Megan Conley, IHSLA Vice Chair

I am the Scientific Literacy Librarian at Wartburg College where I work with undergraduate students on information literacy. I became interested in health science librarianship while working as a student at the Hardin Library for the Health Sciences. I earned my MLIS from the University of Iowa in 2010. In my life before librarianship I managed AmeriCorps*VISTA programs in Minnesota that focused on alleviating poverty through literacy. In my spare time I travel, cook and do yoga. I look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new colleagues during the next two years with IHSLA.

Meet Sarah Andrews, IHSLA Secretary/Treasurer

I am Access Services Supervisor at Hardin Library for the Health Sciences, and a substitute reference librarian at Iowa City Public Library. I previously worked in library acquisitions for 19 years. I enjoy working with the public, and health-related reference questions are some of the most important ones I answer at the public library. I supervise 20-30 undergraduate student employees, and I am always looking for new ways to train them. Tips appreciated! I helped found and currently lead a Cub Scout pack for disadvantaged boys, and in my spare time I like to read, cook, knit and garden.

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