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**April 16, 2008, GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
SUBMITTED BY LILIAN HOFFECKER

**Teaching in Rwanda with John J. Cohen, and the *New* Library at UCD-AMC**

The new Health Sciences Library at the University of Colorado Denver will host this year's annual meeting and luncheon featuring John J. Cohen, MD, PhD of the Department of Immunology. Dr. Cohen is a prolific scholar and scientist recognized by ISI Thomson's Web of Science as a "Highly Cited Author" (<http://tinyurl.com/34xhgn>). He is also a dedicated and recognized educator having won the Teacher-of-the-Year award every year since 1982 at the University of Colorado.

It's this interest in education which recently brought Dr. Cohen to Africa where he taught immunology to students in Rwanda. The CCML audience is fortunate to have him relate this experience to us with his presentation, *Teaching Immunology In Rwanda: Is There A Better Way? What To Do About Your PowerPoint Show When There's No Electricity Today*. Dr. Cohen is not only hoping to give us a memorable presentation, but he would like us to share our experiences and advice as experts in information access. Be prepared therefore, to learn and teach!

Prior to the main program, join us for a tour of the Health Sciences Library or simply, the HSL. The health sciences campus and its hospital have been gradually relocating from the Colorado Boulevard site to the Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora. The HSL made its transition in October 2007 and after months of settling in, the librarians are eager to show off their new home.

The CCML meetings are the best opportunities to network with Colorado and Wyoming's professional medical librarians, the experienced as well as newcomers. Students, public librarians, and others who may have a growing interest in the profession are welcome to attend.

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I hope all members will come for the programs, the business meeting, and of course the complimentary lunch. Thank you to our vendor sponsors, Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database, Elsevier, STAT!Ref, and Matthews Books, for generously providing funds to support this meeting. Please be sure to send an RSVP to [lilian.hoffecker@uchsc.edu](mailto:lilian.hoffecker@uchsc.edu) 303-724-2124 if you plan to stay for lunch.

**Date of the Meeting:** Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

**Location:** The Health Sciences Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reading Room, 12950 E. Montview Blvd., UCD-AMC, Aurora, 80045.

**Schedule:**

Tour of the Health Sciences Library	8:15 AM – 9:00 AM
Networking and Refreshments	9:00 – 9:30
Main Program	9:30 –10:30
Break	10:30 – 10:45
Business Meeting	10:45 –11:45
Lunch	11:45-1:00 PM

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**RUTH GILBERT HONORED WITH 2008 MARLA GRABER AWARD for  
EXCELLENCE and ACHIEVEMENT  
SUBMITTED BY CATHERINE REITER**



On behalf of the Marla Graber Award Committee and the CCML Executive Committee, I am delighted to announce this year's recipient of the Marla Graber Award for Excellence and Achievement – Ruth Gilbert.

An Emeritus Member, Ruth joined CCML in 1966 and has been associated with the organization longer than any other current member. Ruth has served CCML in a number of capacities including her tenure as President and Treasurer. Her committee participation has included serving on the Membership Committee, Consultants/Marketing Committee, Education Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, Health Information Providers SIG, and Professional Issues Task Force. In addition to CCML, Ruth has been involved in many other library and information organizations during her career, including the Colorado Interlibrary Loan Committee, Denver Area Health Sciences Library Consortium, Colorado Information Professionals Network, and the Medical Library Association.

A Denver native, Ruth Rice received her BS in Chemistry from the University of Denver. She worked as a research chemist for Phillips Oil in Oklahoma and in research product applications for Gates Rubber Company. Following marriage to Ralph Gilbert, she moved to Phoenix, Salt

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Lake City, and Boise, as Ralph pursued career opportunities. Ruth and Ralph returned to Denver in 1961, where they raised three children and Ruth enjoyed serving as a lay reader for Denver Public Schools.

Several of Ruth's librarian friends thought she would make the perfect librarian (how right they were!) and encouraged her to pursue librarianship as a career. Ruth entered the University of Denver graduate program in library science, even though the Dean told her she was "too old" to register. Of course, he didn't appreciate Ruth's determination! She was not deterred from her goal and attended graduate school part-time while juggling family responsibilities. Ruth received her MLS in 1966.

After graduation, Ruth completed a library trainee position at the Denver Veterans Hospital and was hired as a librarian. Soon after she was appointed Chief Librarian, a position she held for 21 years. Among her many accomplishments at the VA, Ruth managed the Medical and Patient Libraries, initiated the MEDLINE service, developed a Clinical Librarian Program, taught library resources to third year medical students, co-wrote a grant to fund a Learning Resources Center for multimedia education, and oversaw a substantial renovation of the Medical Library. She was honored with multiple outstanding employee awards during her tenure.

Never one to sit on her laurels, Ruth founded Med-Info Search, an information brokering service, after retiring from the VA in 1987. One of the first services of its kind, Med-Info Search enabled Ruth to satisfy her addiction to helping people find information and provided her a new platform to advocate for the value of librarians as health information specialists. An article published in 1991 in the *Rocky Mountain News* featured Ruth and quoted her: "You just have to find someone who knows how to get the information and that person is a librarian". In 1989, Ruth added Indexer to her many hats and began providing indexing services for the *AORN Journal* which she continues to do today. She has also indexed the publications *Surgical Services Management* and *OR Manager*.

In 1988 Ruth began volunteering for the Reference Department at the UCD Health Sciences Library (formerly Denison Memorial Library). She still volunteers one day per week at the Health Sciences Library's Service Desk and celebrates her 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year! Her deft interviewing skills and thorough knowledge of health information resources have made Ruth invaluable to the staff. Ask anyone who works at the Health Sciences Library about Ruth and the answer will be the same: "What would we do without her?"

In addition to her love of librarianship and voracious appetite for learning, Ruth has a passionate interest in the problems faced by the millions of Americans without health insurance. In 2005, she founded the Health Care Justice Task Force which she continues to lead. Everyone who knows Ruth knows that she is working tirelessly to promote universal health care for all citizens.

At the age of 83, Ruth's energy and enthusiasm match that of individuals many years her junior. Her zest for life and the pursuit of knowledge, not to mention her wonderful sense of humor, are an inspiration. When asked about her life goals, Ruth recently replied:

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- To work toward a single-payer national health care plan to include everyone in the U.S. and help the 47 million Americans who are uninsured.
- To make people laugh!

Rick Forsman, former Director of the Health Sciences Library, once said about Ruth: “To me, Ruth is the quintessential information professional and an example to everyone who works in our library. She remains an avid learner, innately curious, and creative in her approach to everything. Personal and professional development is central to her ethos. Our employees see these traits not only at the Service Desk, but also through occasions when Ruth talks with us about her life, her work, and what has given her satisfaction in her long career. This generosity is one of her hallmarks.”

Ruth’s nomination summed it up perfectly: “Experience and competence do not describe the whole picture. Ruth is not only enjoyable to work with; she is FUN to work with. Moreover, without knowing it (or wanting it, as she might quip), she has become a mentor and role model to so many of us.” *cq*



## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

### MELISSA KOVAC JOINS THE AORN LIBRARY STAFF

SUBMITTED BY SARA KATSH

I am delighted to announce that Melissa Kovac has joined the AORN Library staff as Research Librarian.

Melissa, a CCML member formerly known as Melissa Herb, comes to us from Thomson Healthcare, where she has been both a librarian and research analyst in the areas of clinical medicine, pharmacology, and toxicology. She has experience with complex literature searching, online search training, reference management software, interlibrary loan, electronic journal licensing, integrated library systems, and

XML coding. She has also been a writer, writing teacher, editor, and indexer. Her education includes two Masters degrees: an M.A. in English literature and a Masters of Library and Information Science.

We welcome Melissa to her new spot in the CCML Library Directory and beg the forgiveness of her Thomson colleagues.

You can reach Melissa at 303-755-6304. Her phone extension is 276 and her e-mail address is [mkovac@aorn.org](mailto:mkovac@aorn.org)  
*cq*

## ♪ GETTING TO KNOW YOU ♪

### MEMBERSHIP PROFILES

#### **Jeff Kuntzman**

Jeff Kuntzman joined CCML about 13 years ago, the same time that he began working for the University of Colorado Health Science Library. Except for the last year, which has been at the new Anschutz Medical Campus Health Science Library, he worked at Denison Memorial Library. He joined CCML knowing it would be a good way to get to know other medical librarians. He also enjoyed the presentations... and snacks!

Jeff has served CCML with various hats through the years. In 1998 he served as Treasurer, and several years later on the Internet Committee, and most currently, he is the Discussion List Owner. Jeff's official title is Online Services Librarian. His favorite part of his job is learning about new technology developments. He stays current through his reading and online research. He likes to see when some things get implemented at his own library.

For interests and hobbies, Jeff says he and his family are "big TV aficionados." Friday nights they really enjoy the Political shows. I have to ask, does that include the Daily Show? Also, Jeff and his family enjoy playing the strategy computer game called Civilization. Like chess players, he also wants to play the Russians. Jeff also spends a lot of his free time building computers from parts he orders online.

About his family, Jeff would like to share that he lives with his wife Joanna, son Casey, and dog Blackie. Joanna works for PeaceJam, a non-profit organization whose activities center on educating teens through the lives of the Nobel Peace Prize winners. Casey splits his time between working at Barnes and Noble and attending Metro State College. He loves music and online gaming, and plays everything from guitar and keyboards to banjo and mandolin. Blackie splits his time between policing the back yard and sleeping. He is about 90 pounds of rugged Rottweiler and Samoyed descent. More seriously, he is getting up there in years and the only thing rugged about him is his devotion to his fluffy toys. He is also a diabetic, so they have to monitor and take care of him carefully. Diabetic dogs need insulin shots just like diabetic cats - they use the same synthetic insulin that humans do.

Finally, Jeff would like everyone to know, "He is not getting old...er"...or "boring." No Jeff, you are not.

(By Debra Taylor)

## **Jean Welch**

Jean “Casey” cannot honestly say how long she has been a member of CCML. She thinks 11 years but possibly 15 years, because she has been a medical librarian that long. She has been at Webb Library at Penrose Hospital for the past 11 years.

Prior to coming to Penrose, she was a librarian at Memorial Hospital for 4 years. She also worked at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs, the Pikes Peak Library District, and Colorado College. She came to Colorado Springs in 1970, when she was hired as a Reference Librarian at Colorado College after receiving her Masters in Library Science from the University of Denver.

What she likes most about her job is the variety. She is the only librarian after her library was downsized four years ago and her job sharing partner quit. She handles all the administrative duties in addition to all the librarian duties. She has a wonderful assistant who works 10 - 12 hours a week and helps with the photocopying, shelving, and interlibrary loans. It does get a little hectic, because she is only part-time and finds her working time limited. This is also one of the reasons she finds it hard to attend the CCML meetings.

She met her husband, Rock, in Colorado Springs. They celebrated their 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary in December of last year. When Rock learned she was a librarian, he asked if he could come to the library and “check her out!” She has two children. Her son Jeff lives in Durham, North Carolina, and her daughter, Elizabeth, lives in San Francisco. Jeff and his wife Laura have three boys, Alex (4), Eli (2), and Calvin (5 weeks). One of Casey’s hobbies is travel, particularly to North Carolina to see her grandchildren or to spend time in San Francisco with her daughter.

She was born and raised in Sac City, Iowa and graduated with a B.A. from the University of Wyoming. She taught sixth grade for one year in a small Iowa town, and decided there were other ways to make a living, so went to graduate school to earn her MLS. She has never regretted it and has always found it fun and challenging to be a librarian.

(By Jim Honour)

## **Alma Williams**

Alma works as the Medical Library Coordinator at Parkview Medical Center in Pueblo. She has worked in the library for twenty-five years and has been a CCML member for close to twenty of those years. She first started out in nursing, then married and did various things, such as realtor, apartment manager, sales clerk, in the government printing office, and then finding employment in the library. What Alma enjoys most about her position is doing research for physicians, nurses, nursing students, and anyone wanting nursing information.

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Alma's other pursuits include working in the yard on their one-acre place in Pueblo West and taking her husband to the places he wants to go. Her husband doesn't drive anymore, as he doesn't see very well. But he likes to meet with the other retirees from the Army Ordinance Depot every Wednesday for breakfast. He also belongs to the Southern Colorado Photography Club. Alma assists him with his hobby of photography.

Alma has a large family even though she only had three daughters. She now has ten grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren. She and her husband also raised a cousin of his after the cousin's parents died. The two of them have made friends with people from many places as Alma's husband traveled a lot when he worked at the depot. Together they have traveled to Germany several times, all over Mexico, and once to England.

Recently, Alma was one of the library's staff members who collected background materials for a multi-site, randomized, controlled clinical trial. Three Colorado clinics (Pueblo Community Health Center, Southern Colorado Family Medicine, and Denver Health) participated in the trial. The same day that the results of the study were published in the *Archives of Internal Medicine*, Alma and the others were honored for what the hospital newsletter described as "...their continued excellence in supporting medical and health research initiatives."

(By Sally MacGowan) *cc*

## NEW MEMBERS

CCML is pleased to welcome the following new member:

Name: Steve Rauch

Title: Medical Librarian

Library Name: Community Hospital Library

E-mail address: [srauch@gjhosp.org](mailto:srauch@gjhosp.org)

Biographical Sketch:

My hospital library experience started at Memorial Hospital in Colorado Springs in 1988. From there I moved to Klamath Falls, Oregon, as the first professional librarian at Merle West Medical Center. From there I ended up at the University of Washington. I split my nearly 11 years there between the Health Sciences Libraries and a Public Health Preparedness Center. In between I sandwiched 6 weeks at a dot com that failed – I accept no responsibility for its demise. My wife grew up in Grand Junction and we moved here in July 2005. I look forward to being part of CCML once again. If you ever hold a meeting in Silt, I'll be there! *cc*

### WHAT'S IN A NAME? SUBMITTED BY STEVE RAUCH

I recently learned about the report reviewing the NHS Health Library Services in England. They affirm the core function of knowledge in the range of health services from clinical decision-making, clinical governance, lifelong learning, and research.

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The report itself included a chapter called "What's in a Name?" As I have recently been talking with our marketing department about what to call the library at Community Hospital, I turned to page 31 first. In collecting the evidence for this review, the researchers discussed whether the name library was still appropriate. Their final decision is that yes, library is still the best name for this "thing." I listen to people ask at the administration desk for directions to the "library" and had come to that same conclusion.

The introductory web page is: <http://www.library.nhs.uk/aboutnlh/review> cQ

## MUSINGS BY MAXWELL SUBMITTED BY DICK MAXWELL

Things we do around the house can be, at the very least, tedious. Some would say soul-crushingly boring, and that would certainly be an acceptable view as well. Those who remember June Cleaver and Harriet Nelson, and possibly some of our own mothers, have seen examples of people who at least *appeared* to enjoy taking on dishes, dust, and dinner with a smile, a strand of pearls, and a pert, tasteful dress. Why only a few of them became serial killers is a mystery.

Nowadays it's acceptable to dislike doing the things needed to keep a house in order, and women can join men in doing everything possible to either avoid those tasks or to shift the load to some other poor sap. While some of us charge ahead without worrying about excuses, the civilized approach really is to have some near-legitimate reason for bypassing a stack of crusted, odiferous dishes or a steaming pile of laundry.

Fortunately, the relentless march of science has produced a satisfying number of studies which give not just imagined justification, but often frighteningly authentic reasons to avoid the home altogether...forget about chores. This is the kind of research best left unreviewed, but it's too late now.

To begin in the kitchen, where you won't want to linger, how about this from *Environmental Monitoring and Assessment*: "Particle size distribution of aerosols and associated heavy metals in kitchen environments." Just because the kitchens examined were at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi doesn't make the news any less disturbing.

Even if you choose to don some industrial strength re-breathing equipment to return and throw together a salad, you should know that your potential problems are far from over. Your kitchen might simply explode before you even toss on the croutons. In *Indoor Air* we find "Gas cooking, kitchen ventilation, and exposure to combustion products," and yes, it could happen due to "chance accumulation of combustion products," apparently so common that it has earned its own acronym (CACP).

But you're not intimidated, and you press on. What if you find that the knife you're using to attempt to slice the tomatoes for that salad will barely do the job. Do you sharpen it? Do you buy a new one? Helpful advice comes from the *International Journal of Legal Medicine*, a surprising source of consumer shopping hints, with "How sharp is sharp? Towards

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quantification of the sharpness and penetration ability of kitchen knives used in stabbings."

If you make it to the end of your meal without mishap you still face the cleanup (surveys indicate that a disturbingly low percentage of library professionals invest part of their generous salaries in hiring domestic help). Beyond such common errors as running the dishwasher with the cat inside it, cleanup can produce more than just prune-like and raw dishpan hands. "Does leaning posture on the kitchen counter alleviate workload on the low back and legs during dishwashing?" K. Iwakiri and others published their answer in *Industrial Health*. Of the three ways of standing there and scrubbing (12 female volunteers washing plates for 30 minutes...why females?...why plates?) the investigators suggest that the best choice is the use of a "standing aid," defined interestingly as "a stand equipment to support the shins and the counter." A preliminary search failed to find one on Ebay.

You've wisely left the kitchen and are now faced with the dust and assorted nastiness lying on the bare floors and among the carpet fibers. Vacuuming seems like a good idea, don't you think? Of course not. According to R.L. Corsi and others in the *Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene*, it "may lead to short-term resuspension of particulate matter and elevated particle mass in indoor air." Good thing you kept your kitchen scuba gear on. If you read "Reliability of spot test kits for detecting lead in household dust" in *Environmental Research* and buy one of the kits, you may find that you do not, in fact, have to worry about that particular heavy metal. Don't relax, though, because here comes the *Journal of the Royal Society of Health* to report on "The survival and recovery of bacteria in vacuum cleaner dust."

You now have a fairly good basis for avoiding mundane housework. This frees you up for other things around the house which are known as "hobbies," but emit a strong odor of "work." Some claim to enjoy "puttering around" and spending long, hard hours doing things that we pay others hundreds or thousands of dollars to do much more efficiently and with much higher quality. Fine if that truly feels like fun, but if you disagree and are faced with family pressure, simply whip out a few of these studies. From *Ergonomics*, M.E. Sesto reports on "Short-term changes in upper extremity dynamic mechanical response parameters following power hand tool use." What might that do to your golf swing? Just having power tools lying around creates far too much temptation, apparently. Consider "Self-treatment using a power drill: a case report," from *Dental Update*. How's that for a bad dream? Worse yet and a sad example of determination, *Forensic Science International* reports a "Suicide by a power drill."

Don't let it come to that. I have contact information for Merry Maids and Handyman Connection. cQ



**COLORADO COUNCIL OF MEDICAL LIBRARIANS**  
**2007-2008 ANNUAL REPORT**  
SUBMITTED BY GENE GARDNER, PRESIDENT

It has been my pleasure to work with all of CCML this past year as President. Thanks to all our hardworking members, it has been a year of several accomplishments, informative programs, and educational opportunities.

CCML is an organization of dedicated and hard working library people who are dedicated to bringing excellent health care information to their primary clientele as well as to the consumer health public. This year the Advocacy Committee went global with their Myths and TRUTHS about Library Services coming up on several international websites and translated into other languages. After years of long service, the electronic Journal Locator was retired. When NLM updated their software many years ago, it was no longer possible to print the Locator as had been the custom. The Health Sciences Library hosted an electronic version but usage was not high enough to justify the effort to maintain it. Two of our member libraries experienced major moves. Children's Hospital not only moved, but changed their methods of delivering health care information from print and online to primarily electronic resources. The Health Sciences Library moved to a bigger and brighter building with expanded computer and other electronic opportunities and more study spaces.

As you keep reading this report, you will note the other accomplishments outlined in the officer and committee reports below. I wish to thank all the committees for their hard work and encourage each and every one of you to volunteer for service work in the coming CCML year.

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**Secretary:** *submitted by Stephanie Wiegand*

During the 2007-2008 year, the Secretary attended all meetings of the Colorado Council of Medical Libraries, including five Executive Committee Meetings and four Membership Meetings. She recorded the minutes for each of these meetings. The Executive Committee approved the minutes for the five meetings of the Executive Committee, and the Membership approved the minutes of the four Membership meetings. Copies of all minutes were put in the Secretary's manual and Membership Meeting Minutes were also uploaded to the CCML website (<http://www.ccmlnet.org>). Sally MacGowen, Acquisitions Librarian at the Health Sciences Library, University of Colorado Denver, will assume the duties of Secretary following the April 16, 2008, Annual Meeting.

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**Treasurer:** *submitted by Adelaide Fletcher*

Currently, the Colorado Council of Medical Librarians (CCML) is a fiscally sound and stable organization, able to meet our financial obligations. The fiscal year of CCML ends on March 31, 2008. A year end report will be posted to the web page and presented to the membership at the Annual Meeting on April 16, 2008. Adelaide Fletcher will continue the duties of Treasurer for 2008-2009 to complete her two-year commitment

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**President-Elect:** *submitted by Lilian Hoffecker*

As President-Elect, I planned four Membership meetings (three general membership and the Annual meeting) and the Annual Executive Committee luncheon. Their schedules and program details are listed below.

The first three General Membership meetings involved similar procedures, namely deciding on the venue, working with the on-site hosts regarding the selection of the speaker for the main program and arrangement for refreshments, and sending Thank-you notes to the speaker with a complimentary \$50 Gift Card to the Tattered Cover Bookstore. All Gift Cards (for all four meetings) were purchased at once in September by CCML Treasurer, Addie Fletcher.

The fourth meeting, the Annual meeting, is still a month away and in preparation. Plans are to hold the event at the Health Sciences Library, my institution, therefore in addition to the procedures noted above for the General Membership meetings, planning for food catering, main program, and education program are added responsibilities for me.

Organizing the annual Executive Committee Luncheon involved selection of the restaurant with banquet/party-room facilities, and coordinating the restaurant services with the invited attendees interests.

The meetings that have taken place or will soon take place are as follows:

**September 19, 2007, General Membership Meeting**

Location: Medical Center of the Rockies (Poudre Valley Health System), Loveland, Longs Peak Room

Host: Jerry Carlson, Medical Librarian

Main Program: Jane Jostes-Wanek, MS, RN, BC, on *What Magnet Means, How We Achieved It, And How Libraries Help Achieve It*

**November 14, 2007, General Membership Meeting**

Location: Porter Adventist Hospital, Denver, Grand Mesa Room

Host: Dick Maxwell, Medical Librarian

Education Program: Conference Roundup.

Main Program: Ken Kulig, MD, on *Street Drugs*

**February 20, 2008, General Membership Meeting**

Location: The Children's Hospital (Fitzsimons), Aurora, Mt. Harvard Conference Room

Host: Deb Weaver, Medical Librarian and Manager, Clinical and Research Library

Education Program: Tour of the new Children's Hospital with Leslie Schaeffer, Associate Vice President for Major and Planned Gifts of the Children's Hospital Foundation, and Debra Weaver

Main Program: Rosalind Dudden, MLS, DM/AHIP, FMLA, on *The Context of Library Measurement*

**March 13, 2008 Executive Committee Luncheon**

Location: The Berkshire Restaurant, Denver

**April 16, 2008 Annual Meeting and Luncheon (planned)**

Location: The Health Sciences Library, University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Reading Room

Host: Lilian Hoffecker, Research and Education Librarian, The Health Sciences Library

Education Program: Tour of the library

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Main Program: John J. Cohen, MD, PhD on *Teaching Immunology in Rwanda: Is There A Better Way? What To Do About Your PowerPoint Show When There's No Electricity Today*

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**Advocacy Committee:** *submitted by Dana Abbey*

The Advocacy Committee consists of Dana Abbey, Margaret Bandy, Adelaide Fletcher, Jenny Garcia, and Barb Jones (NN/LM Liaison for Missouri)

The role of the committee is to advocate for health sciences and medical libraries and increase the visibility of health sciences librarians.

Stephanie Weldon stepped down as Committee Chair. Members rotated the position of Chair for 2007-2008. Margaret Bandy resigned from the committee in February 2008. Karen Wells resigned in April of 2007 from the committee. Ellen Graves will join the committee in March 2008. The committee met every other month via teleconference.

2007 Accomplishments:

The Committee drafted a scoring tool for element 5.10 of the Joint Commission IM Standards for rating hospital libraries. This tool clearly and easily delineates the criteria for scoring and will enable the surveyors to more adequately and consistently review hospital library quality.

Stephanie Weldon wrote a letter of response to the following JAMA article. It was not selected for publication.

“Improving patient care by linking evidence-based medicine and evidence-based management”  
*JAMA*. 2007 Aug 8;298(6):673-6. No abstract available.

Myths and TRUTHS went global with its mention in *Biblioteche Ogg*, an Italian publication for librarians. Fantastico!

Adelaide Fletcher created a reproducible/customizable bookmark that provides advocacy talking points in support of medical librarianship. It is an ideal piece of literature to share with library administrators and health professional staff. The bookmark is available on the CCML website under Marketing and Advocacy at <http://www.ccmlnet.org/Advocacy/index.html>

For the third year, the committee offered the Administrator of the Year Award. The award increases the value of libraries and recognizes administrators who support librarians and library services. Barb Jahn, Vice President of Operations for Exempla Saint Joseph Hospital in Denver, Colorado, was the 2007 Colorado Council of Medical Librarians (CCML) Administrator of the Year Award recipient. Barb was nominated by Margaret Bandy, Manager, Library & Media Services at Exempla Saint Joseph Hospital. The award was presented by Gene Gardner, CCML President.

Dana Abbey continued to serve as a liaison on the Colorado Medical Society's CME Committee. New leadership of the committee has opened the door for Dana to begin participating in CME site surveys starting in April 2007.

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## **Education Committee**

The Education Committee arranged two educational opportunities before the November 2007 and February 2008 meetings. In November attendees at various conferences reported on the highlights of MLA, MCMLA, and AMHL and the February meeting at Children's was preceded by a tour of the new facility and library area. Nancy Gross was appointed Chair in January of 2008 and will continue for the 2008-2009 business year.

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### **Internet Committee:** *submitted by Shandra Protzko*

Web Updates - The Internet Committee updated most Participation, Networking, and Special Interest Groups pages in 2007-08. The outgoing Chair recommends focusing on updates to the Education pages in 2008-09 with guidance from the Membership and the Executive Committee.

Incoming Chair - Stephanie Wiegand will replace Shandra Protzko as Chair of the Internet Committee for 2008-2009. Please communicate your Website needs to her and let her know if you currently make updates to the site.

Journal Locator - After discussion with the Membership, the Executive Committee elected to eliminate the Journal Locator and remove it from our website.

Budget for The Committee - The Executive Committee approved a budget for software for the Internet committee – as it is dependent upon the chair of the Internet Committee's needs. \$500.00 will be added to the Internet line that can be used for software.

CCMLNet Listserv – The membership voted to open the listserv to non-members. As of March 2008 no non-members have signed up for the listserv. CCMLNet currently has 129 subscribers.

Council Quotes – As of March 2008, Council Quotes, meeting agenda and minutes, maps, and other announcements will be available only online through the CCML Website.

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### **Marla Graber Award Committee:** *submitted by Catherine Reiter*

Members: Catherine Reiter, Chair; Margaret Bandy, Lisa Traditi

Emeritus Member Ruth Gilbert was selected to receive the 2008 Marla Graber Award for Excellence and Achievement. The award will be presented at the CCML Annual Meeting in April 2008. Lisa Traditi has agreed to serve as the 2008-2009 Committee Chair.

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**Library Cooperation Committee:** *submitted by Sara Katsh*

**MEMBERS:**

Margaret Bandy, Jim Honour, Sharon Martin, Carmen Urich, Sara Katsh, Chair

The main focus of the Library Cooperation Committee was to plan the 7<sup>th</sup> CCML Interlibrary Loan Survey. Previous surveys were conducted in 1977, 1985, 1990, 1992, 1997, and 2002. See <http://www.ccmlnet.org/ILL/index.html#ccml>

The purpose of survey is the same as it was in prior years: It is useful in analyzing borrowing and lending patterns and arranging DOCLINE routing tables.

A Memorandum of Understanding for participation in the survey was sent to each Colorado and Wyoming DOCLINE library in October, 2007. Participating libraries will download and submit 2007 DOCLINE data. The committee will obtain OCLC data for participating libraries and compile DOCLINE and OCLC statistics. The committee will analyze the data and submit a report for Council Quotes.

The committee will provide detailed instruction, support, and information to participating libraries throughout the process.

Roz Dudden is consulting on the survey, since she has been the guiding force behind previous surveys. Carmen Urich has been especially helpful by sending out the Memoranda of Understanding and coordinating various aspects of the process.

The Committee also continued sending ILL Tips during the year, one on the DOCLINE EFTS File Builder and one on DOCLINE 3.3 enhancements.

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**Membership Committee:** *submitted by Lynda Lillwitz*

Members: Lynda Lillwitz: Chair, Beth Tweed: Database Coordinator, Jim Honour, Sally MacGowan, Debra Taylor

We currently have 108 members. This is a decrease of nine members from 2007.

The committee continued profiling long time members in Council Quotes. The committee also profiled new members in Council Quotes.

This year, Lynda composed “talking points” to be used when CCML members talk to groups about CCML. The “talking points” are found on CCML’s website.

Lynda sent e-mail messages to the Emporia and DU library student listserv contacts about CCML and the mentorship/volunteer opportunities and opportunities that came up. Lynda sent an e-mail message to the CCML listserv asking for libraries that were willing to host a student or have volunteer opportunities to let her know. Several libraries responded.

Jim Honour and Debra Taylor will be presenting the CCML talking points to Emporia and DU library students this spring.

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A new duty added this year to the Membership Committee Chair is to collect medical stories to be published in Council Quotes. These medical stories maybe shared as a talking point, and possibly be published in library literature.

Jim Honour will become the CCML Membership Committee Chair at our annual meeting in April.

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**Nominating Committee:** *submitted by Joyce Condon*

The Nominating Committee was composed of Ellie Talmadge, Lynne Fox, and Joyce Condon (Chair).

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate for officer elections in November 2007:

PRESIDENT: Shandra Protzko  
SECRETARY: Sally MacGowan  
TREASURER: Adelaide Fletcher will be continuing for her 2nd year

All officers were elected at the November 2007 CCML business meeting and will begin their terms in April 2008.

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**MCMLA '09:** *submitted by Lynne Fox*

MCMLA 2009 will be held at the Great Divide Lodge in Breckenridge Colorado, September 21-24.

A Planning Committee is being formed. Several members have been appointed:

Chair: Lynne Fox  
Exhibits: Dana Abbey  
Publicity and Promotions: Lisa Traditi  
Registration and Hospitality: Beth Tweed

Lynne will be recruiting CCML members to fill Program, Education, Treasurer, AV, and Special Events/Catering positions very soon.

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**Paralibrarians Special Interest Group:** *submitted by Debra Miller*

November Meeting, 11/5/2007:

Thirteen people attended the meeting at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Library on the  
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Anschutz Campus. Pat Nelson, the Planning and Projects Librarian of The Health Sciences Library, led a tour of the facilities. At the meeting, three members discussed the inclusion of public library paraprofessionals in the CCML Medical Paralibrarian SIG.

July Meeting, 7/16/2007:

Six people attended the meeting at the National Jewish Medical and Research Center. Rosalind "Roz" Dudden, the Health Sciences Librarian of the Gerald Tucker Memorial Medical Library at National Jewish, gave a thought provoking presentation on "The Future of Libraries, or, The Library of the Future!"

April Meeting, 4/12/2007:

The April 12 meeting was hosted by Platt College Librarian, Ellie Vaughter. Dr. Don Parson's presentation was on Health Policy, the history, and how librarians (Information Professionals) can support medical professionals.

January Meeting, 1/17/2007:

The January 17 meeting was held at Denison Memorial Library. The guest speaker, Lisa Traditi, Department Head of the Education/Learning Resources Center at Denison, presented a session on "Creating Influence - Building Relationships the Easy Way." The Co-Conveners for 2007 were announced - Debra Miller and Debra Taylor. cQ

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Free beginning DOCLINE class:

Location: <https://webmeeting.nih.gov/memberservices>

This class will be taught the last Tuesday of each month at 10 AM Mountain Time.

This 60 minute online class covers the bare essentials of DOCLINE where participants will have an increased understanding of the basic features of DOCLINE. The class is intended for beginning DOCLINE users.

Please visit <http://nmlm.gov/mcr/education/online.html#A3> to learn more about how to attend the class, to view last month's class and more! cQ

## 2007 - 2008 CALENDAR

**April**

16 Annual Meeting



### April Observances

Alcohol Awareness Month  
 Autism Awareness Month  
 National Occupational Therapy Month  
 Laugh at Work Week 1-7  
 Explore Your Career Options 7-11  
 National Scoop the Poop Week 24-30  
 International Children's Book Day 4/2  
 National Jelly Bean Day 4/22

### May Observances

Brain Tumor Awareness Month  
 Family Wellness Month  
 Get Caught Reading Month  
 Heal the Children Month  
 National Hamburger Month  
 National Vinegar Month  
 Be Kind to Animals Week 4-10  
 Reading is Fun Week 4-10  
 Root Canal Appreciation Day 5/14

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## COLORADO COUNCIL OF MEDICAL LIBRARIANS OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2007 /2008

### *Elected Officers*

President	Gene Gardner
President-Elect	Lilian Hoffecker
Secretary	Stephanie Weigand
Treasurer	Addie Fletcher
Past-President	Amanda Enyeart

### *Appointed Officers*

Newsletter Editor	Deb Weaver
& Assoc. Editor	Kate Elder
Mailing Coordinator	Bettye Snipe
Membership Database Coordinator	Beth Tweed
Parliamentarian	Jerry Carlson
Discussion List Owner	Jeff Kuntzman

### *Standing Committee Chairs*

Advocacy	Stephanie Weldon
Education	Nancy Gross
Membership	Lynda Lillwitz
Internet	Shandra Protzko
Nominating	Joyce Condon
Marla Graber Award	Catherine Reiter

### *Ad Hoc Appointments/Chairs*

Colleague Connection Representative	Addie Fletcher
CAL Marketing Committee Representative	
Colorado Library Political Action Committee	Suspended
Library Cooperation	Sara Katsh

### SIG Conveners:

Consumer Health	Dana Abbey
EBM	Suspended
Medical Paralibrarians	Debra Miller and Debra Taylor