Medical Libraries Section Victorian Group Newsletter

November 1984



### 1984 programme

Christmas Party: Thursday, December 6th.

"View Room", Fitzroy Gardens. Enter from Clarendon Street.

("View Room" is near the miniature village)

6.00 pm - Cocktail Party.

\$10.00 per head.

Don't miss our great end of year celebrations! A perfect chance to mingle, share a laugh, relax and enjoy the company of others as the festive season begins. Everyone is invited to bring a friend, but more importantly, we are very much counting on your support for the Christmas Party.

Spare a little of your time to enjoy the merriment, gaiety and laughter of the Christmas cheer... All RSVP's, including money, to be sent to Ms. Aina Zalitis, Medical Library, Cancer Institute, by Friday, November 23, 1984. We ask for your support for this function; unless there are enough numbers, our traditional Chrissie Party will be cancelled.

Come and join us on the 6th!

## Past meetings ...

- \*\* Tues, Sept. 25. Joint meeting of MLS/PLS on 'Delivery of medical information to the public'. A panel of speakers comprising a medical librarian, GP, public librarian and a medical patient provided a diversity of views on this subject. Such a broad representation helped to highlight many aspects of this subject, including the different needs of the public for medical information, and problems which can arise in the provision of the required information. The panel discussion created increased awareness of the need within the community for access to medical information; a stimulating Q and A session then followed at the meeting.
- \*\* Thurs, Oct. 11. 'Peer review and quality assurance'. Dr. Ken Sleeman.

Dr. Sleeman discussed the concepts of peer review and quality assurance, indicating how they represent avenues for monitoring and improving performance. He also spoke of the establishment of a quality assurance programme.

The Peer Review Resource Centre has set up a National Allied Health Professionals Quality Assurance Committee (NAHPQA) and has issued a formal invitation to the Medical Libraries Section to become a member. It was decided at the 1984 AGM that a Peer Review working party should be established — hopefully such a group will be set up in early 1985.

#### Victorian Medical Directory & Handbook

The Victorian branch of the A.M.A. will be publishing the "Victorian Medical Directory & Handbook" in December, 1984. The directory will list Victorian A.M.A. members with details and include information of a more general nature, such as addresses of medical organizations. Copies may be ordered from the Editor, Victorian Medical Directory, 293 Royal Pde, Parkville. 3052. Telephone: (03) 347 8722 ext. 25. \$25.00 per copy.

#### New appointments

- \*\* Veronica Delafosse (formerly Royal Melbourne Hospital, School of Nursing) is the newly appointed librarian, Royal Southern Memorial Hospital. The library will be integrated with Caulfield Hospital library as a joint library.
- \*\* Janine Lucato (B.C.A.E. lecturer in librarianship) has recently been appointed part-time librarian at Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre, Ballarat.
- \*\* Judith Dalton (formerly a school librarian for 11 years) has been appointed librarian at Warrnambool Base Hospital.

# Your new Executive in '85 - who they are!

	MLS - Victorian Group State Executive	MLS - National Executive
President Secretary Treasurer	Joan Martin Sandra Russell Barbara Jacoby	Joan Martin Sandra Russell Barbara Jacoby
Committee members	Andrew Rooke Aina Zalitis Bronia Renison Susan Liepa Mary Arnold	Enid Meldrum Jo Marshall Anne Parkhowell Mary McGill Aina Zalitis

Addresses and contact phone numbers of these executive members will be listed at a later date.

## Locum librarian wanted

The Medical Library, Repatriation General Hospital requires a locum for the period Jan. - Sep. 1985. If you're interested, the phone number to ring is 490 2894 (direct line).

#### Available now ...

The following years of CANCER are currently available from the Medical Library, Alfred Hospital: 1971 - 1978 (almost a complete set with the exception of one or two vols. with issues missing). Interested? If so, please ring 520 3003/3042 before December 21, 1984.

