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AGM AND CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday 25th November was the occassion of the combined Annual General Meeting and Christmas Party, held in the H.G. Furnell Room, Mercy Maternity Hospital. The guest speaker Mr. Bruce Davidson, President, LAA Victorian Branch, spoke to the Section on the role of the Victorian Branch, and its relationship to the various special sections and to the LAA Head Office. Bruce answered questions on the distribution of funds within the LAA. General business matters discussed at the AGM will be contained in the minutes, which will be circulated to all members. The Christmas Party followed the AGM, enjoyed by all thanks to the work of the Committee and Jocelyn Dixon especially, for the venue.

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COMINGS AND GOINGS ...

Judy Czuchnowski has left the Nursing Library at Royal Melbourne Hospital for full-time study at LaTrobe University. Lyn Higgins has joined the Library at the Alfred Hospital as Assistant Librarian. Kerry Johannes is currently setting up a library for the Victorian Institute of Forensic Pathology. She is working mornings only, and can be contacted on 648 4403. The Library's subject specialisations are forensic medicine, pathology and criminology. Madeline Simcoe is the new Librarian at the Epworth Hospital. She is available between 10 and 2.30 Monday to Friday. Sarah Gauci has had to resign from the position of Professional Development Officer and Ruth Lawrence has accepted the position.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Anne Harrison, who has been awarded a Fellowship of the Library Association of Australia in recognition of her outstanding contribution to Medical Librarianship in Australia. Congratulations to Jocelyn and Geoff Dixon on the birth of their son James, and congratulations also to Veronica Spiers and husband on the birth of their daughter Jennifer!

FAX NUMBERS

All members of the HLS are asked to contact Jenni Treller (Ph. 520 2547) if they have a new fax number or changes to an old number. Remember to indicate whether the fax machine is in the library or elsewhere. The fax numbers are needed to produce an updated list that will be circulated to members.

AIRMAIL / SAL JOURNALS

An update of the 1988 Airmail/Sal Journals List will be produced shortly, please inform Anne McLean at the Austin Hospital (450 5636) of any changes or additions that need to be made to the list.

VICGRATIS

After some delay, Uni-Coop prepared individual lists of holdings of each library which had made contributions to our Union list. These were distributed, checked, amended and returned to our committee for editing and further changes. The edited version of our Union list has now been returned to Uni-Coop for preparation of our preliminary microfiche. Thanks to all our members for the work this has taken.

Judy Czuchnowski has resigned from the committee, as she will be taking up full-time studies. Her work and efforts as Membership Secretary have been greatly appreciated, and we wish her well with her studies. The membership secretary is now Marie Rogers who is from the Medical Library, Repatriation General Hospital, Heidelberg.

UNION NEWS

The hearing of our claim for professional rates and career structure is awaiting the imminent decision on the nurses' claim. There has been agreement with the Department of Labour that allied health professionals should receive rates comparable to other health professionals, and that our group has an 'arguable claim'.

The Union's Steering Committee has proposed the following grade definitions:

Librarian Grade 1: working under the direction of a senior librarian.

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Librarian Grade 2: in charge of a Library or in charge of specific services eg. automated library systems.

Librarian Grade 3: in charge of professional staff.

Allowances are proposed for sole positions, managing multicampus or regional library systems, and higher qualifications in librarianship, computer science, and management.

If you would like to comment on the proposed definitions or find out more about your union, including how to join!, Aina Zalitas (Ph. 602 1333 Ext 371) or Kathy Hutton (Ph. 345 5109) would be delighted to hear from you.

NEW CAREER POSSIBILITIES FOR LIBRARIANS?

A recent advertisement for a Director of Allied Health Services at the Austin Hospital marks a major step forward for allied health practitioners who wish to make the transition to a management position.

Allied Health at the Austin Hospital (as in most hospitals) includes the Library. It is therefore possible that this position could be filled by a Health Sciences Librarian.

As it is likely that appointments of Directors of Allied Health will, in time, be made in every hospital, librarians, like other allied health practitioners, now have the opportunity to move into management positions in the health sphere. Certainly an exciting development!

The Age, Saturday 18 March 1989

DIRECTOR OF Allied Health Services

Austin Hospital has created a new position for a Director of Allied Health Services, whose principal role will be to provide leadership to heads of the departments within the Division of Allied Health Services in their provision of services to patients and other hospital departments. The Director will be responsible for the provision of these services including teaching and research activities to both the Heidelberg and Kew campuses. This position offers a unique and exciting opportunity for allied health professionals seeking to broaden their career options.

The successful applicant will necessarily hold a qualification of degree status relevant to the activities encompassed by the allied health departments. Higher qualifications, complementing the primary discipline as well as further qualifications in management or administration are highly desirable. The level of qualification will also need to be matched with significant experience in the delivery of health care services by multi-disciplinary teams.

An attractive benefits package (circa \$60,000) commensurate with the successful applicant's credentials, will be negotiated. Conditions of employment will otherwise be in accordance with the Health Professional Services Award.

Further information and a job description may be obtained from Dr M. R. Jones, Director of Medical Services (03) 450 5550.

Written applications including the names of three referees close on Friday 21st April, and should be forwarded to the Acting Director of Personnel Services.





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