

CHLA/ABSC Chapter President's Report

Official Chapter Name: Northern Alberta Health Libraries Association

Operating year for this report September 2010-September 2011

Number of Members : 36 (including 9 student members)

Executive for the operating year being reported on:

President/Présidente : Thane Chambers, 11616-95A Street Edmonton AB T5G1P8

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Vice présidente/Vice-President : Rachel (Xurong) Zhao

Présidente sortante/Past President: Dagmara Chojecki

Secretary/ Secrétaire: Linda Slater

Trésorière/Treasurer: Morgan Truax

Other Officers:

Student Representative (2nd year) Maria Tan

Student Representative (1st year) Nicole Dalmer

Chapter Website URL (if available): <http://chla-absc.ca/nahla/>

OUTLINE OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ON WHICH YOU ARE REPORTING:

Meeting & Events

- Tues, Sept 21, 2010 – Annual General Meeting
- Weds, Nov 17, 2010 – Leading Edge Session. Shades of Grey: Searching for GreyLit conducted by Liza Chan
- Fri, Dec 10, 2010 – Annual Holiday Luncheon at the Hardware Grill
- Fri, Mar 4, 2011 – PubMed Accredited CE Session conducted by Linda Slater
- Fri, Apr 8, 2011 – TRENDS Mini-Conference. This year's sessions:
 - Dr. Neil Seeman, Health Strategy Innovation Cell, Massey College, U Toronto, *Making Sense of Patient Online Conversations*, via webcast
 - Dorothy McLachlan, Alberta Health Services Consumer Health Information Technician, *Health Literacy & Libraries*
 - Soleil Surette, Research Librarian & Education Lead, CARE Program, Dept of Pediatrics, U of Alberta, *Looking Backwards: A Content Analysis of CHLA Conference Programs from 2001-2009*
 - Dr. Lisa Given, Professor, School of Library & Information Studies, U of Alberta, *Assessing Information on H1N1: Exploring the Process with Seniors & Pregnant Women*
 - Dr. Lisa Cranley, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Knowledge Utilization Studies Program (KUSP), Faculty of Nursing, U of Alberta. *Facilitating Knowledge Transfer*
- July, 2011 In the planning stage: an evening of bowling and socializing

NAHLA Member Awards & Recognition:

It goes without saying that we are proud of the recognition NAHLA members have received as outlined below:

- Shelagh Genuis received our Continuing Education Award of \$200.00 to support her attendance at the 'How to To Teach Evidence-based Practice' workshop at the 2011 CHLA/ABSC conference.
- Janine Eckert, a student in the Grant Macewan University's Librarian Technician program, was awarded the NAHLA/SAHLA Student Sponsorship to the CHLA/ABSC 2011 conference as well as a complementary membership to our chapter.
- NAHLA supported the successful application for CHLA Chapter Initiative funding submitted by Trish Chatterley, Liz Dennett and Devon Greyson for a NAHLA/HLABC collaborative project on embedded librarianship.
- Thane Chambers, NAHLA President, U of Alberta Faculty of Nursing & John W. Scott Health Sciences Library was awarded the MLA Donald A. B. Lindberg Research Fellowship for 2011.
- Trish Chatterley, John W. Scott Health Sciences Library, was awarded an MLA/EBSCO Annual Meeting Grant
- Marlene Dorgan, CHLA/ABSC Past President, Head of the John W. Scott Health Sciences Library, received the University of Alberta Librarian Recognition Award in February, 2011.

NAHLA enjoyed another productive year. Some of the highlights were: our GreyLit session, the half-day PubMed CE session and our annual TRENDS session. The GreyLit session provided a wealth of information to those in attendance, and the PubMed session was very well attended and received positive feedback. Attendance at the TRENDS session was down from the previous year despite the strength of the program. We suspect that the timing might explain this – perhaps it occurred too close to the time of the PubMed session and members could not get time off work for both. Despite some technical glitches in getting the webcast up and running, positive feedback was received from those in attendance.

We continue to develop our website using the CHLA server. This year we began using the registration function to have members register for events. We also continue to add member profiles produced by our Student Reps to the website.

We are sad to lose our VP/President Elect Rachel Zhao who is leaving Edmonton for a position in Calgary, but we certainly wish her all the best in her new position. Liz Dennett was appointed, as per our bylaws, to take up the VP position until we conduct an election for this position at our Fall AGM.

Respondent's name: _____

Date: _____