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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

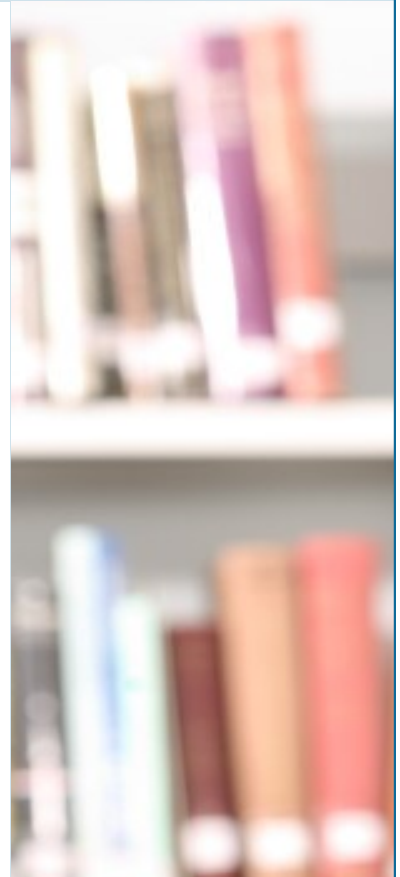
By Elizabeth Bucciarelli, MLS, MSTS

As I reflect on the closing of another fiscal year for MDMLG, I am astonished at the number of events that have occurred and the number of accomplishments within our organization.

By far the most impactful event occurred with the passing of MDMLG President, Margaret Danowski, on October 25, 2022. She will always be remembered by her MDMLG colleagues and friends as a hard-worker with a positive disposition who was always willing to volunteer for committees and other service work. As an organization, we sent her family a sympathy card and a plant, and memorialized her at a General Business Meeting along with an article in the MDMLG Newsletter. However, in order to honor Margaret's memory in an enduring way, the MDMLG Student Award was renamed the Margaret Danowski Student Scholarship Award.

The MDMLG Newsletter has been churning off the presses this year with four issues! Thanks to the efforts of Steven Moore, Marilyn Dow, and the Newsletter Committee members, Merle Rosenzweig, David Stewart, and Jill Turner, and other volunteer authors, we have been kept informed and updated on many topics and events.

Rich with content from numerous authors, we learned about: NNLM funding opportunities; NNLM's Virtual Symposium on Health Misinformation; the Medical Institutional Repositories in Libraries Symposium; Shiffman Medical Library's launch of the new Diversity Residency Program; the results of two surveys by MDMLG members: 1) AI in health science libraries, and 2) the results of the survey of podcasts recommended by members; our new Student Representative, Noah Greco; hidden resource gems, books and other products available via the NLM and other organizations; and much, much more. If you haven't already, take the time to give the newsletters a deep read. (continued on pg. 2)



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (CONTINUED FROM PG. 1)

Additionally, Nancy Bulgarelli and I Co-Chaired the Programming & Professional Development Committee (PPDC) this year. We want to thank all five members of the PPDC, Bethany Figg, Jo-Ann Krzeminski, Merle Rosenzweig, David Stewart, and Wendy Wu, for all of their hard work. Through many meetings and brainstorming sessions, the committee ultimately organized two networking events and six programs for the association's professional development and continuing education!

Professional and social contacts with other medical and health science librarians is a focal point of our organization. To that end, the PPDC organized two networking events this year. The first event took place outdoors in Berkley, MI, at the Berkley Commons on September 29, 2022. The second in-person networking event is the upcoming Annual Summer Meeting on June 22, 2023, held at Maggiano's Little Italy in Troy, MI. This event was so popular, the PPDC had to close registration early because the capacity had been reached. The guest speaker, Dale Carlson, will provide an intriguing perspective of Metro Detroit architecture with his presentation, *Albert Kahn: Unintended Consequences*.

Looking through the professional development lens, attendees of the six programs learned about: image copyright issues; social media data use in health sciences research; medical misinformation; data extraction tools in systematic reviews; ChatGPT; and the *NNLM Community Guide to Advance Health information Equity*.

As I conclude, I want to acknowledge the effort and support of all of the Executive Board members, Committee Chairs and their members, without whom this organization simply could not run. They do their work professionally, quietly, and punctually.

Thank you to Margaret Hoogland, Past-President; Brianna Andre, Secretary; Andrea Rogers-Snyr, Treasurer; Steven Moore, Outreach; Michelle Rau, Social Media Manager; Stephanie Stebens, Membership; Ella Hu, Archivist; Colleen Streeter, Nominating (members: Carla Brooks, & Amanda Kelly); Nancy Bulgarelli, MHSLA Representative; Valerie Reid, Webmaster; Jill Turner, Auditor; and Noah Greco, Student Representative.

Kudos to you all!

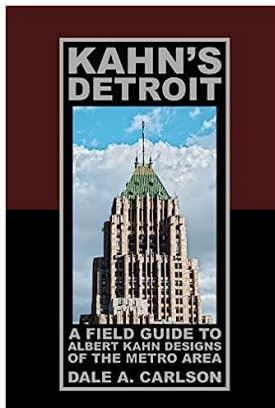
Whew! Now that's an amazing year! I'm looking forward to serving as your President in the 2023-2024 year and meeting and learning along with all of you.

Elizabeth

MDMLG SUMMER GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

The response to the MDMLG Summer Meeting on June 22 has been so positive that we reached the venue's seating capacity before the deadline of June 15. **Registration is now closed.** In the future, we will plan for a larger room for in-person functions.

Following the meeting, we will host a program titled "Albert Kahn, Unintended Consequences." Dale A. Carlson, author of *Kahn's Detroit: A Field Guide to Albert Kahn Designs of the Metro Area*, will discuss the adaptive reuses and remodels of Albert Kahn structures in the Detroit area.



The tentative agenda is as follows:

11:30am–12:00pm	Registration
12:00–1:00pm	Lunch
1:15–2:15pm	Program
2:15–2:30pm	Break
2:30–3:30pm	Business Meeting

MDMLG SLATE OF CANDIDATES 2023-2024

The slate of candidates for the 2023-2024 Executive Board is [now available](#). There are no contested positions, so a voting ballot will not be necessary. The new board will be approved and presented at the Summer Luncheon on June 22, 2023.

The 2023-2024 slate of candidates is as follows:

President-Elect	Steven Moore Henry Ford Health, Sladen Library
Secretary	Amanda Kelly Henry Ford Macomb
Outreach Officer	David Stewart Oakland University, Kresge Library
Nominating Committee	Noah Greco Wayne State University Mariela Hristova Oakland University, Kresge Library Merle Rosenzweig University of Michigan

UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming events and activities relevant to MDMLG members.

June 20: NNLM Training: "Is Seeing Really Believing? Visual Health Misinformation," 2pm, [virtual](#)

June 21: MLA President's Inaugural Address, 2pm, [virtual](#)

June 22: MDMLG Annual Business Meeting and Summer Luncheon, 12pm, in-person at Maggiano's Little Italy in Troy, MI

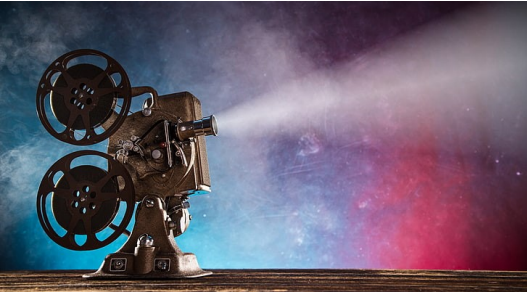
June 26: NNLM Training: "Climate Change, Health and Equity Among Minority and Vulnerable Populations", 2pm, [virtual](#)

June 28: MLA Live Webinar: "Peer Review and Critical Appraisal of Systematic Review Publications," 2pm, [virtual](#) (\$65 for members, \$85 for non-members)

July 18: NNLM Training: "How libraries can provide information in a post-Roe country," 12pm, [virtual](#)

August 30: MLA Live Webinar: "Increasing Rigor and Promoting Open Science: New Directions in Scholarly Publishing," 2pm, [virtual](#) (\$65 for members, \$85 for non-members)

PROGRAMMING RECORDINGS AND SLIDES NOW AVAILABLE



MDMLG's Programming & Professional Development Committee (PPDC) has coordinated several events this past year, including a panel discussion on ChatGPT, a presentation on advancing health equity, and discussion on misinformation in health care.

Video recordings and presentation slides from MDMLG programs are available on the [MDMLG website](#).

Program: "NNLM Community Guide to Advance Health Information Equity" by Darlene Kaskie
Date: April 20, 2023

Recording is available [here](#)
Slides are available [here](#)

Program: "Let's Chat about ChatGPT" by Michael McVey and Ann Blakeslee
Date: April 13, 2023

Recording is available [here](#)
Slides are available [here](#)

Program: "When Information Disorder Meets Health Sciences Librarianship" by Sarah Memmott and Katie Greer
Date: January 25, 2023

Memmott's slides are available [here](#)
Greer's slides are available [here](#)

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Please find us and follow along at [@detroitmedicallibrarygroup!](#)

If anyone has any content, upcoming webinars, photos, or anything else they are willing to share, please email them to Michelle Rau at mr.au@wayne.edu. If possible, please include a little background information.

All feedback and suggestions are welcome.

Please consider taking and sharing photos from the upcoming MDMLG Summer Luncheon!

HYPOTHESIS JOURNAL ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS



Hypothesis is a peer-reviewed journal published by the MLA Research Caucus. The journal provides a venue for original research and research-related content, including research studies and reflections on the process in order to encourage a broader, reflective conversation among MLA members, medical librarians, and librarians interested in research.

In 500 words or less, authors are invited to write-up a project, paper, or previously presented Poster or Lightning Talk. The format can resemble a shortened Voices, Failure, Methods Moment, or Research submission; or it can discuss a program or project and include sections such as Introduction, Description, and Outcomes. Depending on your topic, feel free to adjust your sections.

Submissions are accepted year-round.

If you have any questions, please [visit the website](#) or email hypothesis@protonmail.com

RESOURCE ROUNDUP

A RECAP OF RECENT REVISIONS TO RX RESOURCES

ClinicalTrials.gov: The National Library of Medicine (NLM) has launched a modernized [ClinicalTrials.gov](https://clinicaltrials.gov) this month after a multi-year effort to improve its functionality. Read about the update [here](#).

DOCLINE: With version 6.2.44 from June 9, the Search Libraries filter defaults for DOCLINE Participant and Open/Closed selections have been set to "Any."

PubMed: NLM has updated PubMed to streamline the display of lengthy author lists in search results. When viewing search results in the Summary display format, author lists are now truncated after 1,200 characters followed by an ellipsis...

Have an update? Share it with the Newsletter Committee for inclusion in the next newsletter.

JOB POSTINGS

Visit the Job Bank at [MDMLG.org](https://mdmlg.org)

Librarian PT, **Henry Ford Health, Sladen Library** (posted June 2023)

Librarian I/II, Urban Health Research Diversity Resident Librarian #1, **Wayne State University's The Vera P. Shiffman Medical Library** (posted June 2023)

Librarian I/II, Urban Health Research Diversity Resident Librarian #2, **Wayne State University's The Vera P. Shiffman Medical Library** (posted June 2023)

System Director, Library and Archives, **Henry Ford Health** (posted March 2023)



With the Medical Library Association's annual meeting held in Detroit in May 2023, members of MDMLG had an opportunity to convene, confer, and converse with thousands of medical librarians visiting the Metro Detroit area. A recent survey of the MDMLG membership got a read on our experience at the annual conference, its first in the area since 1990. Out of the nine respondents who attended, eight would attend the annual meeting again, with one "possibly." Below are some more responses from the survey. Other experiences have been shared on the [MLA website](#).

Q. What did you enjoy about MLA '23?

"I thought the conference hall was lovely and easy to navigate. The sunrise seminars were very informative. It was interesting to hear what other libraries are experiencing, and many of the sessions were relatable or provided new ideas to think about. I appreciated all the snacks in the vendor hall haha. The musicians during the opening ceremony were amazing."

"This was my first in-person conference since 2019 and I honestly forgot how different the in-person experience is after so many years. The opportunity to network with people, meet with vendors, and talk about sessions with others just made it so much more meaningful than sitting alone participating virtually. I particularly enjoyed Michelle Kraft's Janet Doe Lecture about Fake News and the need and importance of health sciences librarians to educate our users about fake news."

"The variety of topics and being around people again!"

"I enjoyed catching up in-person with colleagues, who I had not seen in two years, and meeting people in-person, with whom I had only previously interacted with in a virtual setting."

"I really enjoyed the networking, the new member breakfast and the Caucus meetings at the lunch on Wednesday. It was enjoyable to go to a session and then be able to informally sit down at a table in the exhibit hall and talk. I am also very grateful as a new MLIS student and MDMLG member to be able to volunteer so that I can attend part of the conference."

"The full-length sessions, panel discussions, and lectures. There was a lot of interesting info on systematic reviews that was helpful."

"I thought the content was excellent. Learned and enjoyed myself."

Q. What could be improved about your experience?

"I didn't like the lack of coffee and water on Wednesday. The content of the sessions was hit or miss - many research projects were still in progress, or seemed to do research on already known experiences. The title or description of the content also sometimes did not accurately describe the research topic or conclusions."

"Providing more programming for hospital librarians as opposed to academic."

"Recorded presentations be made available before Tuesday, so I had more time to view them and comment. (As it was, I did that after the conference.); too much great concurrent programming, which was not recorded."

"Registration was ridiculously pricey. Also - the explanation of how to participate in the hybrid was not intuitive. The steaming connection - especially for the virtual participants - was not stable. I was disappointed with the Leiter lecture. Also - I felt the introduction to the Doe lecture was geared for SLA participants, which is understandable but annoying for long time MLA members and Krafty Librarian fans."

"Would have liked to have seen more job postings in the resume area some schools came by and left papers, but would like to see more of that."

"The schedule could have been available sooner. It was hard to plan for staffing work when the schedule wasn't available yet."

"Coffee or water stations in the afternoon. More access to beverages. Very thirsty in the afternoon. On the second day, I brought my water bottle and that helped. However, wished I had access to caffeine. I also realized I could have bought coffee in the exhibit hall - didn't figure that out until the third day. Signage to water stations is a must. Again, I didn't figure that out until half-way through the conference. Last - the exhibit hall was not well ventilated Wednesday night. At times the rooms and halls were stuffy. (Never was cold! Just hot and stuffy!)"

Q. What did you learn that you would like to share with MDMLG membership?

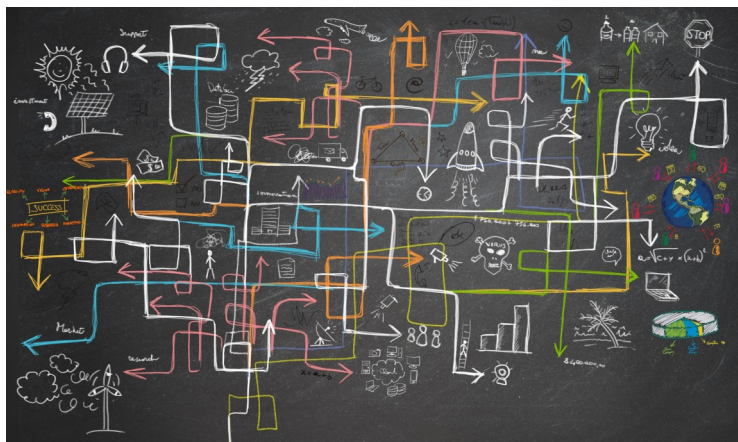
"Lots about systematic review influx, forming services and dealing with the onslaught of requests."

"There are several things I learned about that I would like to read/dig into: books: Radical Empathy by Terri Givens and Killer Underwear Invasion! How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation and Conspiracy Theories by Elise Gravel (kids book), University of Cambridge Go Viral Game, and the AI Bill of Rights."

"Innovative strategies for student engagement in health sciences/medical libraries (Utah), How to use data to make informed decisions about collections (Columbia University)."

WELCOME TO THE HOUSE OF THE SCRIBES: WHERE KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

By Jill Turner, BSN, MLIS, MALS



You might belong in House of Scribes
where love of learning spends the hour
here dwell the curious, information seekers
that
understand knowledge is power

(For all the Harry Potter fans out there.)

Several months ago, I posted a request on the MDMLG and MHSLA listservs asking members to participate in a survey about the career paths that lead them to librarianship. The idea for this survey arose as a result of a set of offhand remarks; one made at a MDMLG general business meeting and another at a MHSLA executive board meeting. Two different members briefly commented on their career paths. During the MDMLG business meeting, Nancy Bulgarelli mentioned she earned an undergraduate degree in Art History. This comment had me wondering how someone with a BA in Art History found themselves working in medical librarianship. It seems like such a dichotomy in disciplines.

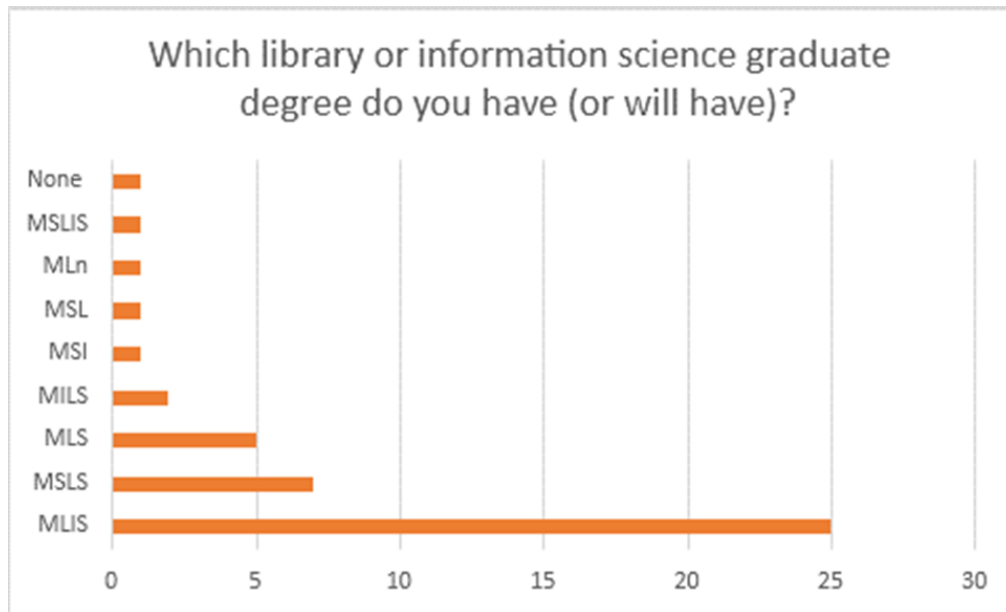
It also made me curious about the rest of the membership. What educational and occupational backgrounds do our members come from? How did everyone else find themselves in the field of medical librarianship? Even after knowing many of you for a long time, I know very few of your stories. I decided I would ask and report back in the *MDMLG Newsletter*. What better way to get to know our fellow members?

The survey consisted of ten questions, and due to the wealth of information, the results will be reported in two parts. Part 1 presents the answers for the questions on educational backgrounds. What disciplines do we come from? What type of library degree do our listserv members have? Part 2 (I am engaging in some pre-publication buzz here) will answer the questions about the occupations the listserv members were engaged in before we became librarians, along with our individual stories about how we came to librarianship. My own story involves a bit of providence, as some of you already know. Stay tuned.

Let's dive in to the results. I received 43 completed surveys. Of those who responded, 42 indicated they are Master's degree-holding librarian/informationists, and one responder was not. A huge thank you to those who took the time to submit their responses. I have included names for those who gave their permission and that provided them (it was optional).

Q. Which library or information science graduate degree do you have (or will have)?

The answers to this question are interesting. So many different degrees for what is essentially the same field of study. Librarians know that information has always been a part of our profession; however, the inclusion of the word information in the title of the degree shows the increased need to more fully capture (and explain) what we do.



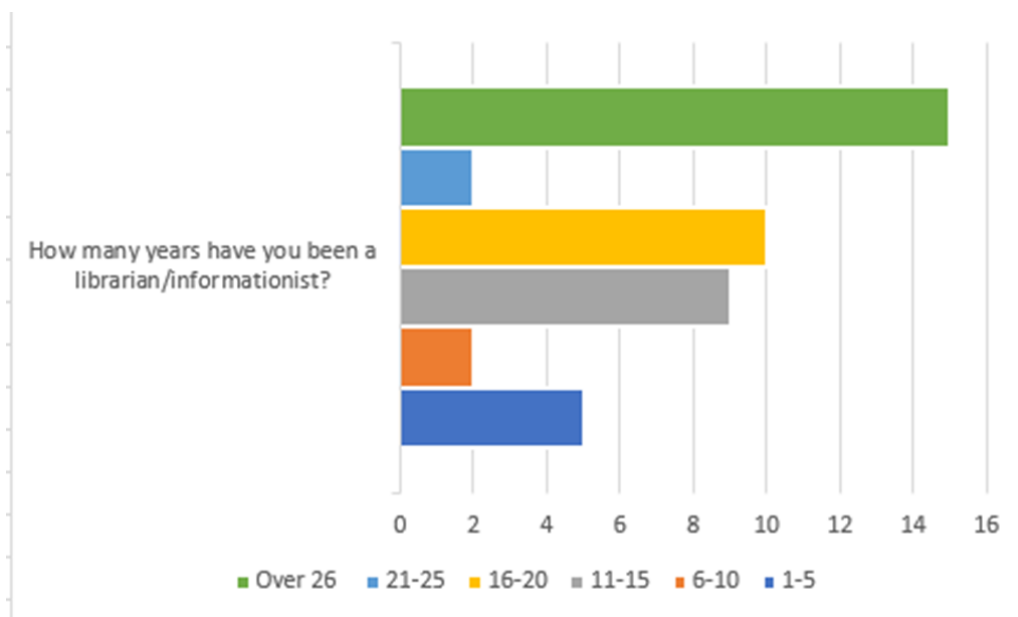
- MSLIS: Master of Science in Library & Information Science
- MLn: Master of Librarianship
- MSL: Master of Science in Librarianship
- MSI: Master of Science in Information
- MILS: Master of Information & Library Studies
- MLS: Master of Library Science
- MSLS: Master of Science in Library Science
- MLIS: Master Library and Information Science

Q4. Do you have any additional graduate or doctoral degrees?

Twelve respondents (approximately 28%) indicated they hold another graduate degree(s) in addition to their library science (or equivalent) degree. There are ten additional Master's degrees: Master of Arts; M.A. History; Master of Public Administration; M.S. Audiology; M.B.A.; M.P.H.; M.S. in Technology Studies; M.A. Communications; M.A. in Liberal Studies; and M.S. in Linguistics.

One responder holds a Certificate of Archival Administration and three have Doctorates: a PhD, a Doctorate in Educational Technology, and an Au.D (Doctorate of Audiology).

Q5. How many years have you been a librarian/informationist?



Q6. What is your undergraduate degree? What was your major / focus of study?

This question was a bit more difficult to aggregate the results. The responses were much more varied than I expected. Responses included double majors, minors, and areas of focus. I decided to group responses where I could and list the others under larger discipline headings. The numbers in parenthesis indicated the number of responses for those degrees that appeared more than once.

Business:

Business
Business Management (Bethany Figg)

Education:

Early Childhood Education
Education (Elizabeth Bucciarelli)

Engineering:

Bachelor of Engineering (chemical engineering)

Sciences:

Biology
Biological Sciences

Health:

Audiology / Speech Pathology (Ali Konieczny)
Nursing (3) (Marilyn Kostrzewski; Stephanie Stebens; Jill Turner)
Dietetics
Allied Medical Professions: Biomedical Sciences

Psychology:

Psychology (biology and life cycle influences) (Toni Janik)
Psychology
Psychology/Sociology

Humanities:

Communication (Diane Gardner)
Media Arts (Steven Moore)
Professional Writing/Public Relations (Brianna Andre)
Sociology (Jennifer Barlow)
Speech Communication (Jennifer Bowen)
Women's Studies & Classical Civilizations

Art History:

Art History with Latin minor (which helped with medical terminology!) (Nancy Bulgarelli)

History:

Archaeology/History
American History
History, American History focus (Stephanie Swanberg)
History/Anthropology (Michael Simmons)
History (Classical and American) (Orien Duda)
History, Education
History (2)
History Major; German Minor (Margaret Hoogland)
Medieval/Early Modern History (Julia Pope)

Language:

French Language and Literature
Spanish, Secondary Education

English:

English (2) (Sandy Swanson)
English (Creative Writing) and Religious Studies (Emily Metcalf)
English and French (Double major) with a Teaching certificate
English Language, Literature, and Psychology
English Literature and Film Production (Kendra Moyer)

Liberal Arts:

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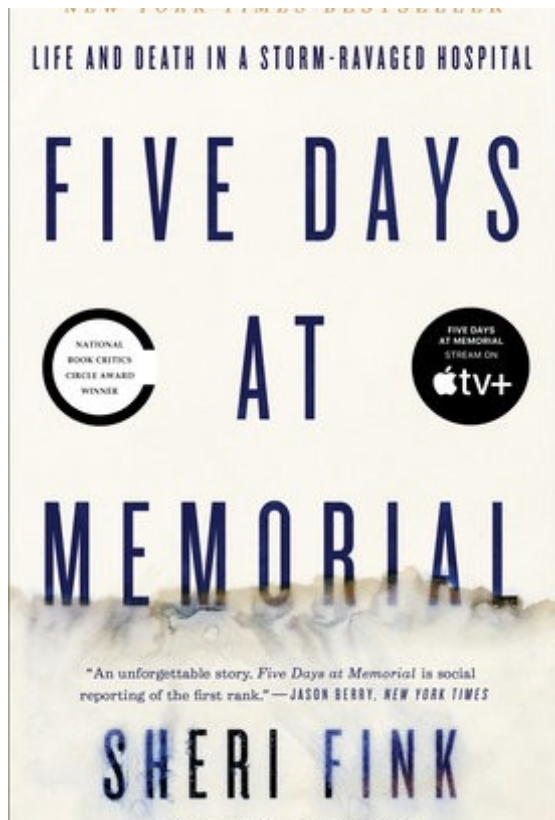
3 years of college no degree

We come from a variety of educational backgrounds. Very few of us started our professional lives with a health sciences or even basic sciences-related degree. We bring an array of different skills, knowledge, and experiences to our profession and to our professional organizations.

Stayed tuned for Part 2, where I will present the responses to the questions *what did you do prior to becoming a librarian/informationist?* and *what led (inspired) you to become a librarian?*

Jill Turner
University of Detroit Mercy
School of Dentistry

MDMLG BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS: *FIVE DAYS AT MEMORIAL*



Five Days at Memorial: Life and Death in a Storm-Ravaged Hospital by Sheri Fink tells the story of the doctors and nurses at Memorial Medical Center in Pearlinton, Mississippi in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and the failing of the levees. Hospital staff attempted to continue to care for patients through rising flood waters, extreme heat, and the absence of electricity. Teams rushed to evacuate medical facilities in Orleans Parish; however, triage protocols were enacted to prioritize patients for rescue.

Two weeks after the disaster, 45 bodies were recovered in Memorial, the highest number of all of the New Orleans nursing homes and hospitals. Five of those patients were found to have died prior to the disaster. Dr. Anna Pou and two nurses were arrested on charges of second-degree murder in the deaths of several of those patients, accused of administering drugs to euthanize several of the patients to hasten their deaths.

This book reconstructs the events of those days and the resulting trials of the healthcare personnel accused of murder. The story has also been adapted into a 2022 Apple TV mini-series.

Awards: This book was published in 2013 and was nominated for the *Goodreads Choice Award for Best Nonfiction* (2013), receiving a 3.93 rating on Goodreads (32,020 ratings). It also won the 2014 *National Book Critics Circle Award* for non-fiction, was an *ALA Notable Books for Adults* in 2014, and was shortlisted for the 2014 *Andrew Carnegie Medal for Excellence in Nonfiction*.

Have you read this book and want to comment? Please respond to Jill Turner (turnerja1@udmercy.edu). All comments will appear in the next issue of the *MDMLG Newsletter*.

This title was recommended by Mary Jo Durivage (retired, John D. Dingell VA Medical Center Library).

Submit a book to recommend by contacting members of the MDMLG Newsletter committee. Consider titles related to medicine, healthcare, librarianship, local history, diverse voices, and more—but books of all kinds are welcome!

HISTORY OF MDMLG

The Metropolitan Detroit Medical Library Group (MDMLG) can trace its roots to the Biological Sciences Group established by the Michigan Chapter of the Special Libraries Association in 1946. It existed primarily as a social group until the mid-1950s when the members began to experiment with various projects. During the 1960s, several plans came into fruition including the production of a serial locator tool, the creation of a union catalog of monographs, and the establishment of an active interlibrary loan network. The group began the process of formal organization and chose its current name in 1970.

For more on MDMLG, its history, and current activity, visit mdmlg.org.



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Please contact members of the MDMLG Newsletter Committee with any questions or content submissions for our fall 2023 issue.

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