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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Elizabeth Bucciarelli, MLS, MSTS

What jumps out at me as I wrap up my second year as President of MDMLG are all of the joys this opportunity for professional service has delivered. So, I'd like to focus my last column on the benefits of engaging in professional service work.

What spurred me into over twenty years of service engagement began as a job requirement as an academic librarian to engage in service work beyond the university, as well as at the departmental and university levels. Medical librarians in health systems and in other settings, as well as those seeking AHIP experiences, also engage in professional association service work. As a result, service work has the advantage of providing participants with a rich set of leadership skills, new acquaintances and friends, and fulfilling careers.

In the beginning, I could not imagine how I would be able to balance service work with my other professional workload. However, what I didn't realize was the guidance and support that I would receive by mentors along the path. They taught me to select an association, committee, or service opportunity to engage with that: Interest me, either professionally or pers-

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## MDMLG EXECUTIVE BOARD AND COMMITTEE ROSTER 2023-2024

New members of the MDMLG Executive Board and MDMLG Committees will be introduced at the annual summer luncheon on June 20, 2024. Each Executive Board member begins their role on August 1. All board member roles receive voting privileges. Treasurer, Membership Service Officer, Secretary, and Outreach Officer are elected positions to two-year terms. President-Elect and Nominating Committee members are elected to one-year terms. Committees are by both appointment and on a volunteer basis.

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## COMMITTEE ROSTER 2023-2024

<b>Nominating Committee</b>	Amanda Kelly, Chair Mariela Hristova Merle Rosenzweig
<b>Newsletter Committee</b>	Steven Moore, Chair David Stewart Jill Turner
<b>Program &amp; Professional Development Committee</b>	Steven Moore, Chair Brianna Andre Bethany Figg Jill Turner
<b>MHSLA Representative MHLSA Alternate Rep.</b>	Nancy Bulgarelli Stephanie Stebens

## MDMLG 2024-2025 SLATE OF CANDIDATES

As the MDMLG Nominating Committee Chair of 2023-2024, I am pleased to announce the Slate of Candidates for the 2024-2025 term. There are no contested positions, so a ballot will not be necessary. The new board will be approved and presented at the Annual Summer Meeting and Luncheon.

**President-Elect:** Colleen Streeter, Henry Ford Health

*At the request of the President or during the President's absence or inability to act, shall perform the duties and exercise the functions of the President and when so acting shall have the powers of the President. The President-Elect shall act as Chair or Co-Chair of the Program and Professional Development Committee. They shall also have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive Board, prescribed by these Bylaws or MDMLG's parliamentary authority.*

**Treasurer:** Jennifer Bowen, University of Detroit-Mercy

*The Treasurer shall prepare and submit to the Board and the members of MDMLG a proposed annual budget and recommendations regarding fiscal policy, and at each business meeting, an account of MDMLG's current financial condition. The Treasurer shall also perform other duties as necessary when disbursing MDMLG funds.*

**Membership Services Officer:** Carla Brooks, University of Michigan–Dearborn

*The Membership Services Officer shall be responsible for processing membership renewals, communicating member information to the Webmaster for the purposes of the membership directory, and all other duties as outlined in the procedural document.*

**Nominating Committee:** Brianna Andre, Henry Ford Health; Melanie Bednarski, Henry Ford Health–Macomb; Bethany Figg, Central Michigan University

*The Nominating Committee will nominate candidates for election to the Executive Board. In even-numbered years of the replacement cycle, candidates must be provided to replace the President-Elect, the Treasurer and the Membership Services Officer. In odd-numbered years, candidates must be provided to replace the President-Elect, the Secretary and the Outreach Officer.*

Amanda Kelly  
Chair, MDMLG Nominating Committee

## MDMLG COMMITTEES CALL FOR MEMBERS

There are additional opportunities to serve with your colleagues. Please let Steven Moore or a member of the Nominating Committee know if you would like to join a committee. Help is needed in areas such as Program & Professional Development, Outreach, Social Media, MHSLA Representatives, and more!



## MDMLG SUMMER ANNUAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON



The MDMLG Summer Annual Meeting and Luncheon will be held on June 20, 2024 at The Whitney in Detroit, Michigan. This meeting is the fourth and final general business meeting of the 2023-2024 term and serves as a celebration of the past year's accomplishments. Our new executive board slate will be announced and voted on. Lunch, beverages, and dessert are included. Valet parking will be provided at no cost.

This year's presentation will be by Alethea Davenport of Pewabic Pottery, who will share Pewabic's history in Detroit. Founded in Detroit in 1903, Pewabic is one of the oldest potteries in the country, serving as a education center, museum, and cultural destination, as well as an active working pottery.

Registration for the luncheon is now closed. Look for minutes and other details from the meeting on the MDMLG website and future newsletters.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Upcoming events and activities relevant to MDMLG members.

**June 18:** Ferndale Area District Library Graphic Novel Book Club: "Calling Doctor Laura" by Nicole Georges, 6:30pm, Drifter Coffee, Ferndale, MI, free

**June 20:** MDMLG Annual Summer Meeting and Luncheon, The Whitney, 11:30am, \$20/\$35 members/non-members

**June 27–July 2:** American Library Association Annual Conference and Exhibition, San Diego, CA

**July 10:** NNLM Webinar: "A. I. in Healthcare—Balancing Risk and Opportunity," 11am, virtual, [free](#)

**July 17:** NNLM Webinar: "Know Your Worth—Mastering the Art of Salary Negotiation," 12:30pm, virtual, [free](#)

**August 1–October 31:** NNLM Book Discussion: "You Just Need to Lose Weight And 19 Other Myths About Fat People" by Aubrey Gordon, self-guided CE course, [free](#)

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personally; stretches professional skills and boundaries; provides networking opportunities; fulfills the requirements of my academic contract; and provides a realistic workload balance along with my other professional obligations. I still use these principles when selecting volunteer opportunities.

MDMLG has a reputation as a very active association. We offer multiple virtual and in-person educational opportunities every year, from professional presentations, panels, and programs to webinars. MDMLG provides time and space to network and meet other medical and health science librarians in relaxed, social environments, as well as at professional meetings. We need people to help create those experiences. Lastly, MDMLG offers the opportunity for individuals to hone their leadership skills through committee and officer appointments in a supportive environment. Those appointments are available annually.

So, I encourage you to talk with any of the Executive Board members, past or present, about the benefits they found while serving in a role of MDMLG leadership. If you find that other associations interest you, then I encourage you to volunteer for those opportunities as well.

Service work oils the gears of life and provides intangible benefits. So, pick your happy opportunity and run with it!

## MDMLG HISTORY PAGE

Valerie Reid, MDMLG Webmaster, has been hard at work on a new page on the MDMLG website that collects virtually all of MDMLG's history into one central location. Visit the MDMLG History webpage at <http://www.mdmlg.org/mdmlg-history.htm> to view rosters from past executive boards and committees, directories by year, newsletters, meeting minutes, various reports, photos, goals, objectives, and more.

Thank you, Val, for all that you do as MDMLG Webmaster!

Included in the MDMLG History webpage are:

- Executive Board & Committee Chairs/Members - 2001 to the present
- [Newsletter](#) - 1999 to the present
- [Nominating Committee Slates & Results](#) - 1970 to the present
- [Program & Professional Development Committee](#) - information on meeting locations, topics, speakers, MLA CE classes, etc. - 1999 to the present
- [Annual Reports](#) - 1999 to the present
- [Directory](#) (members-only) - 2007 to the present
- [Meeting Minutes](#) (members-only) - 1999 to the present
- [Treasurer Reports](#) (members-only) - 1999 to the present
- [Scholarship History](#) - 2005 to the present
- [Photo Album](#) (members-only) - 2001 to the present
- [Goals & Objectives](#) - 2003 to the present

## HYPOTHESIS RECRUITING SUBMISSIONS, PEER REVIEWERS, MARKETING HELP

By Margaret Hoogland

[Hypothesis](#) is an open access and completely volunteer peer-reviewed journal, which publishes two issues each year in March and September. It offers five peer-reviewed submission categories. If scholarly activities and publishing seem scary or off putting, never fear—*Hypothesis* will work with you every step of the way.



We are always looking for peer reviewers—your input as a non-author improves the quality of the submission. As for requirements, each peer reviewer commits to reviewing one submission per issue. If that seems off putting, our marketing team (two people) assist with promoting the new issue, manage content on social media, and other things as needed/requested. Our marketing team is tiny but mighty. If marketing suits you, we would love to have you.

In calendar year 2024, *Hypothesis* will be applying to be indexed in PubMed Central. So we will take your ideas, input, and good wishes as we organize and prepare our application!

Issues are available on the [journal website](#).

## RESOURCE ROUNDUP

### A RECAP OF RECENT REVISIONS TO RX RESOURCES

**PubMed Update—Wildcard Search:** PubMed search syntax now supports the asterisk (\*) wildcard character. With this update, wildcards can be used in the middle of a term or phrase, and multiple wildcards can be used in the same term or phrase. (e.g., organi\*ation\*). Visit the [NLM Technical Bulletin](#) for more.

**ClinicalTrials.gov Update:** ClinicalTrials.gov is the world's largest clinical trial and results registry. [Next week](#), the modernized ClinicalTrials.gov website will become the singular website experience, when NLM retires the classic version of the website.

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

## JOB POSTINGS

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

Research and Instruction Librarian, **Shiffman Medical Library, Wayne State University** (posted April 2024)

Join a vibrant, skilled and service-oriented library staff that serves the region's largest single-campus medical school and the Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. This is a full-time position reporting to the library director.

For more information, visit [bit.ly/ShiffmanLibraryJobPosting](http://bit.ly/ShiffmanLibraryJobPosting).

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## LIBRARY JOB BANKS ON THE WEB

[ALA JobList](#)

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[LibJobs](#)

[Medical Library Association Jobs](#)

## SLIDES FROM MICHELLE KRAFT'S PRESENTATION NOW AVAILABLE

Our spring general business meeting was held on April 17th at the Michigan School of Psychology in Farmington Hills, Michigan, hosted by Stephanie Swanberg and her wonderful staff at MSP.

Our first business meeting in-person in 4.5 years was attended by 25 MDMLG members who were appreciative to hold a meeting outside of Zoom. Following the meeting, Michelle Kraft, Library Director of the Cleveland Clinic and co-editor of the *Journal of the Medical Library Association*, presented on the topic of promoting the field of health sciences librarianship. Michelle's presentation touched on emergent topics of misinformation and artificial intelligence, and what librarians should do to promote our values, ethics, and services in a changing information landscape.

Slides from Michelle's presentation, titled "Promoting Health Sciences Librarianship in an Information-Changing World," are now available on the [MDMLG website](#).

(Note: use Chrome or Edge to best view Michelle's slides.)

## QUALITY EXPO POSTERS, LAM ARCHIVES VIDEOS NOW AVAILABLE



Content from the Henry Ford Health annual *Quality Expo* is now available on the Henry Ford Health institutional repository, [Scholarly Commons](#). The Quality Expo is an opportunity for improvement projects created by employees to be shared as part of the Henry Ford Health culture of continuous process improvement. Quality improvement projects include topics such as improving early detection of C. diff and reducing CLABSI in the ICU.

All 74 posters from the 2024 Quality Expo are [now available on Scholarly Commons](#), as well as poster competition winners from 2021-2023.

The *Conard R. Lam Archives* of Henry Ford Health serves to collect and preserve the records, photographs, and artifacts that document the legacy and growth of Henry Ford Health. Videos from the Lam Archives are made available online through Scholarly Commons, which can be [viewed here](#). Video content ranges from goiter surgery to construction of the hospital's clinic tower and more.

Contact Steven Moore with any questions about Scholarly Commons or institutional repositories.

## MHSLA PRE-CONFERENCE REPORT

By Jennifer Bowen

On May 15, the Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association (MHSLA) had its first in-person event since 2019. With 33 registrants representing academic and hospital libraries, the pre-conference was the kick-off event for the Michigan Academic Libraries Association (MiALA) Conference. Sponsored by MHSLA and the MiALA Health Sciences Interest Group and hosted by the WMed Library at the Western Michigan Homer Stryker MD School of Medicine in Kalamazoo, the conference theme was "Preparing for Take-off: Health Sciences Pre-Conference." We started the day with a lunch buffet of build-your-own sandwich, salads, soup, chips, desserts, and beverages. While we munched on our delicious lunch, Seth Pierce, the Michigan EBSCO regional sales manager, gave an informative presentation on the latest updates from EBSCO.

After a briskly-paced business meeting presided by MHSLA President Abe Wheeler, we settled in for the CE course: "AI, Higher Education and Medical Librarianship: Opportunities and Risks." The course was presented by Michael Flierl, from The Ohio State University Libraries. Michael's presentation was very informative with exercises for participants to experiment with various artificial intelligence (AI) platforms. We paired up with colleagues to test Google's Gemini AI platform, Claude from Anthropic, and Meta's Llama, among others. We composed a prompt asking what was essentially a PICO question, and discussed our various experiences. I personally experimented with Gemini, which I found useful for generating search terms. However, as I became more specific in my prompt specifying searching PubMed, Gemini suggested using MeSH headings that—when looked up in a MeSH search—didn't exist! We also discussed the ethical issues surrounding the use of AI by students and how the professional values of librarianship and our code of professional ethics can guide our discussion with students and peers around the use of AI. I personally had not experimented with AI much, and the course made AI seem less overwhelming and relatively easy to use. I'm more likely to use AI as a source for generating ideas, particularly if I'm stuck with writing, as I occasionally struggle to turn my vague ideas into concise language.

After the completion of the CE course, those that were interested could take a tour of the WMed Simulation Center. However, so many people were interested in the building as a whole, we were given the grand tour of the entire seven floors of the building. Some of us were even hardy (foolish) enough to hike the entire seven flights of stairs to the top. During the course of our tour we learned that the building was donated to the school by the great-grandson of W.E. Upjohn and was the site of the original research facility of The Upjohn Company (now Pfizer). It is an impressive facility, and if you missed the tour take a look at the virtual tour.

Registration was free for current MHSLA or MiALA members. Overall, the MHSLA pre-conference was a fabulous way to start the MiALA conference. Kudos to the conference planning committee and as both a MHSLA and MiALA member, I hope we can continue to partner with MiALA to offer such terrific programming at low to no cost in the future.

## MIALA CONFERENCE REPORT

By Melanie Bednarski

I attended my first Michigan Academic Library Association (MiALA) conference May 16 and 17 this year. The conference was preceded by the first in-person Michigan Health Sciences Libraries Association (MHSLA) business meeting and conference in five years. It was held at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo. The conference brought nearly 200 academic and other librarians to the area for the keynote speaker Mychal Threets, as well as workshops, breakout sessions, and lightning round talks over the two days.

Mychal Threets is a homeschooled kid who spoke about his fondness of libraries growing up and turning his love of libraries into a profession. He discussed his career in the library field including becoming a Supervising Librarian. He also won the "I Love My Librarian Award" from the ALA in 2023. He told stories about the children he loved to interact with during his library jobs and even after hours when they would see him in the wild, like at the grocery store, out of his "Book house."

His mental health played a part in stepping down from a library position for now, but he is still finding joy in speaking about his library career and most importantly the people he has come across during his journey. Mychal is also in love with his cats—Machine Gun Kitty and Kissin Kat Barlow.

After the wonderful keynote speaker, there were breakout sessions that focused on a range of topics from A. I. tools, library instruction, textbook costs, and a Library of Things. I attended the Library of Things session. I know some public libraries have started these collections but was unaware that academic institutions have as well. The Library of Things could include anything the librarians deem that the students, faculty, or community could want to borrow. Some items that were available included a bird watching kit, a VR system, a weedwhacker, a grill, a digital camera, and headphones.

There were more breakout sessions and continuing education workshops after lunch that included metadata language, a review of undergraduate research, navigating remote relationships with employees, DEIA discussion, user experience, open access publishing, and post-Covid workplace models. I attended the user experience session, which detailed how a team from Michigan State University systematically went through and changed their website based on user feedback. The big take aways from that session are to not get too attached to anything and find a good way to incentivize your participants. There were even more sessions after all of these.

Day 2 had workshops and Lightning Rounds; I attended the Lightning Rounds. There were six talks on six different topics. We had some of our very own members presenting like Stephanie Swanberg from the Michigan School of Psychology presenting on "10 Tips for Supporting Systematic Review Research at Your Institution" and Lori Mills and Sheela John along with their colleague Maddy Wassick all from McLaren presented "Assessing the Search Skills of Incoming Residents: Challenges and Insights."

Lastly, was the MiALA business meeting with lunch. As is the case with all organizations many thanks were given for the committee that put the conference together as they should. This conference was put together well and well attended. No one asked where I was from, no one cared I knew many people from my time with MDMLG and MHSLA so I didn't feel out of place. All the sessions had something for me even as a hospital librarian. I hope that MHSLA and MiALA can work something out again next year.

## WHAT ARE YOU READING?

A survey on summer reading picks was recently shared with MDMLG membership. Below are selected responses from the survey.

### What are you reading right now?

Mary Jo Durivage: [A Little Life](#) by Hanya Yanagihara, 2015. "*Little Life* follows four college classmates—broke, adrift, and buoyed only by their friendship and ambition—as they move to New York in search of fame and fortune. While their relationships, which are tinged by addiction, success, and pride, deepen over the decades, the men are held together by their devotion to the brilliant, enigmatic Jude, a man scarred by an unspeakable childhood trauma. A hymn to brotherly bonds and a masterful depiction of love in the twenty-first century, Hanya Yanagihara's stunning novel is about the families we are born into, and those that we make for ourselves."

I've heard a lot about this book since it came out and am finally getting around to it. I am finding it is just my kind of book.

Alexia Estabrook: [The Brutal Telling](#) by Louise Penny (Chief Inspector Armand Gamache Volume 5)

Steven Moore: [How Music Works](#) by David Byrne, a 2012 collection of essays that mixes ethnomusicology and personal experiences into an exploration of the history of popular music.

### Have you read anything recently you'd like to recommend?

Mary Jo Durivage: Recently, I saw the play *Photograph 51* about Rosalind Franklin and wanted to know more about Franklin who never received the recognition she was due for her part in identifying the double helix structure of DNA. I read [The Secret of Life: Rosalind Franklin, James Watson, Francis Crick, and the Discovery of the DNA's Double Helix](#) by Howard Markel, 2021. I highly recommend this book by the Director of the Historical Center for the Health Sciences at the University of Michigan Medical School.

Alexia Estabrook: I recommend the [August Snow](#) series by Stephen Mack Jones. The series takes place in the metro Detroit area with many references to places we all know and have probably been to.

Steven Moore: I loved Charles Soule and Ryan Browne's [Eight Billion Genies](#), a wildly fun fantasy graphic novel set in St. Clair Shores that follows a group of Michiganders as they try to survive the aftermath of a day where every human on Earth is given a genie. Soule fits the plot into an interesting structure where each issue takes

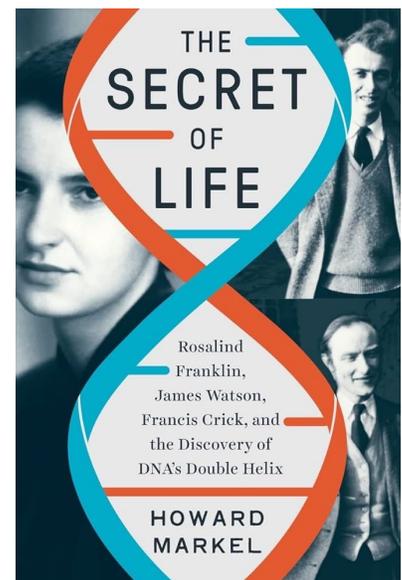


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place over an increasingly larger period of time—from eight seconds to eight minutes to eight days, all the way up to eight centuries in the eighth issue. This spring Seth Rogen was hired to adapt the novel into a TV series for Amazon MGM Studios.

### **Any other forms entertainment to suggest?**

Mary Jo Durivage: I love movies and usually have a stack from the library on my TV cabinet. One I watched a while ago and highly recommend is [Mass](#) from 2021.

"Years after an unspeakable tragedy tore their lives apart, two sets of parents agree to talk privately in an attempt to move forward. The movie thoughtfully examines their journey of grief, anger and acceptance by coming face-to-face with the ones who have been left behind."

Martha Plimpton and Ann Dowd (one of my favorite actors) play the two mothers. I had recently seen the Metropolitan Opera's streaming of [Dead Man Walking](#) (which I was lucky enough to see in Detroit several years ago) and the movie allowed me to once again immerse myself in thinking about forgiveness, and how it can sometimes be so hard to forgive but that it really needs to be a part of living a loving and honest life.

Alexia Estabrook: If you like fiction podcasts I highly recommend *Midnight Burger*, *Achewillow*, and *World Gone Wrong*.

Steven Moore: If my wife is reading, movie buffs should check out [The Next Picture Show](#), a podcast that discusses new movies and their spiritual ancestors. If my wife is not reading, movie buffs should still check out *The Next Picture Show*.

### **What can't you recommend?**

I do not often give up on a book but I no longer allow myself to feel bad about not finishing a book. The book I stopped reading is Donna Tartt's [The Little Friend](#), which is her second novel. I really enjoyed *The Goldfinch* and moderately liked *The Secret History* so was prepared to really enjoy it. I just could not get into it.

## 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](http://mdmlg.org).



## NEXT ISSUE

Please contact members of the MDMLG Newsletter Committee with any questions or content submissions for our Fall 2024 issue.

## FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM!

Please follow and interact with [@detroitmedicalibrarygroup!](https://www.instagram.com/detroitmedicalibrarygroup/)

If anyone has any content, upcoming webinars, photos, or anything else they are willing to share, please contact our Social Media Officer, Michelle Rau.

If possible, please include a little background information. All feedback and suggestions are welcome.

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