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BRIEF HISTORY OF THE MEDICAL AND HEALTH LIBRARIANS ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES (MAHLAP)

MAHLAP was organized in 1988 as a non-stock and non profit organization. Its domicile and office is housed at Room 301, Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. Office, National Library of the Philippines, T.M. Kalaw St. Manila.

The Objectives are the following

- encourage and promote the collection, organization and dissemination of medical/health information and library service;
- encourage and cultivate library cooperation, local and regional;
- enhance the professional welfare of its members;
- uphold the dignity and ethics of the medical and health librarianship

Membership in this Association consists of the following:

Regular – A person with degree holder in Library Science and works or has worked in a medical or health related library; A person who is candidate for library science degree and/or with at least 24 units of Library Science and works in a medical or health related library.

Associate – A person who is a degree holder in any field other than Library Science and works in a medical or health related library. He/she may be appointed to a committee work up to chairmanship thereof, but cannot elect nor be elected into office.

Honorary – Any individual who has made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the Medical and or health related librarianship.

Institutional – This includes firms, agencies, institutions and organization maintaining medical and health related libraries with at least 500 titles of books, monographs and regularly subscribing to at least 15 titles of professional and scientific journals and maintaining regular library hours and with a qualified librarian. Designated representative of an institutional member shall have all the rights and privileges of a regular member except the right to vote and be elected into office.

There are 180 members of MAHLAP as of 1998 (with the following statistics)

Regular Members – 127
 Licensed Librarians – 36
 Working in the private sector – 89
 Working in the government sector – 58
 Associate Members – 53
 Working in the private sector – 14
 Working in the government – 39

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Oath-taking of MAHLAP Millennium Officers (L-R) Rebecca M. Jocson, Adawey R. Racal, Emiliana L. Vicente, Mercedes S. Cruz, Filomena A. Juanillo, Thelma P. Trinidad, Guillermina C. Panizales, Rosario F. Lopez, with Carmelita C. Guilatco (1998 MAHLAP President) as inducting officer.

12th YEAR FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY AND RAFFLE BONANZA

PLM Audiovisual Room
Intramuros, Manila
February 24, 2000
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Registration

Thanksgiving Mass
Fr. Dave Clay, SSC
University Chaplain

Opening Ceremony

National Anthem
Ms. Emiliana M. Mañago
Board Member, MAHLAP

Welcome Remarks

Atty. Emmanuel Sison
Acting President, PLM

Opening Remarks

Ms. Rosario F. Lopez
President, MAHLAP

Message

From MAHLAP Past Presidents

Presentation of Plaques of Awards
Ms. Elnora Corti and Ms. Rosario F. Lopez

1. Recognition

Linear Educational Materials	
Reader's Vision	Forefront
Busy Books	C & E
EDCA	Goodwill

2. Professional Service Awards (Past Presidents)

Ms. Carmelita C. Guilatco
(1998 MAHLAP President)
Ms. Rebecca M. Jocson
(1999 MAHLAP President)

Mechanics of the Raffle

Ms. Rebecca Jocson
(MAHLAP President, 1999)

Raffle Bonanza

Closing Remarks

Ms. Guillermina C. Panizales
Vice-President, MAHLAP

Emcee – Ms. Emiliana Mañago

Title: Seminar – Workshop on Challenges of Medical and Health Librarians in the Next Millennium and Annual Convention.

Rationale:

Managing and implementing library programs are fast becoming complex tasks of the medical and health librarians. Emerging information technologies have developed overwhelmingly encompassing the professional skills of librarians and information workers. Much training and education were focused on equipping librarians with information skills.

Despite the influx of medical and health information and the availability of modern communication technology there is still a dearth of information in this field in the country. Similarly, there is a prevalence imbalance of information access and dissemination not only to backstop the wide range of R & D activities but more so to improve people's knowledge and understanding of the of the medical and health information towards improving quality of life and promoting healthy citizenry and thus achieving economic productivity of the country.

For the last decade, MAHLAP has successfully achieved its goal of providing information, training and education and other services in the information world. Now is the time to make some assessment of these endeavors. Have these been profitable, effective and meaningful to constituents? Have these achieved its goals and objectives? Hence, this Seminar-Workshop will answer some of these questions.

Objectives:

To define the role and required competencies of the medical and health librarian/information professionals versus need assessment

To describe prescribed medical and health information guidelines in the implementation of library and information services

To apply basic or advanced concepts of information technology according to the demands of time

Participants:

Invited participants are 70 to 100 medical and health library professionals from Metro Manila and from the regions/provinces

Details:

Date: Nov 24-26, 1999

Venue: STII Mini Theater, STII Bldg. Science and Technology Information Institute, Bicutan Taguig, Metro Manila

Participants: Seventy (70) to one hundred (100) professional librarians and information professionals from Metro Manila and the Regions with composite sectoral representatives from academe, research and health services

Seminar fee: P2, 500.00 live-out, 3,000.00 live in

Topics: Activity will be done through lectures, demonstrations and workshops

Human Resource Management the Role of Modern Librarian and Information Professionals
Ms. Conzon Nera, FAPE

Product Demonstration: Electronics Information Solutions, Inc.
Kathryn S. Orge, Account Manager EISI

Collection Development Standards in Medical and Health Library and Information Centers
Ms. Rosvida Rosal,
University Librarian, UP MANILA

Lifestyle – Diet Related Diseases.
Dr. Trinidad P. Trinidad
Scientist I, FNRI – DOST

Marketing and Packaging of Information of the Medical and Health Information Materials
Ms. Meritta Opona
Chief, RICUD, PCHRD

Product Demonstration – 3M Products and Services
Mr. Rex Bautista
3M Company

Occupational Safety and Health Concerns in Library Work Places
Ms. Fe Angela M. Verzosa
De la Salle University

Desirable Food Habits for Filipinos
Dr. Catherine Q. Castañeda
Scientist II, FNRI-DOST

Y2K and its Implications to Medical and Health Information Services
Engr. Gerardo S. Doraja
Deputy Director, STII

Assessment of Medical and Health Library and Information Services from Different Sectors
Ms. Adawey Recal, UP Manila Central Library

CPE Update
Mrs. Susima Gonzales
Chairman Board for Librarians, PRC



Ms. Rebecca M. Jocoan
1999 MAHLAP President



Participants of Nov. 24-26, 1999 Seminar

ACCESS TO MEDICAL AND HEALTH INFORMATION RESOURCES: MAHLAP AND CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE IN HEALTH RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

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Introduction

Transformation is taking place in all kinds of libraries. The last two decades brought innovations in the practice of librarianship here and abroad. As the next millenium nears, a lot more are coming. "Change is constant." Most of these changes are focused in incremental change such as Total Quality Management (TQM) efforts or unit reorganizations, Interlibrary loans (ILL), but the change in technologies in the library-digitalization of the collection, electronic sources, and surfing the internet or the superhighway gained a big leap as the 21st century nears. The continued influx of the library technologies also changed the stereotyped librarian to a high-tech information specialist or a cyberarian.

Libraries have begun to restructure services and collections with a focus on access. Libraries use the internet to offer or obtain bibliographies, and full-text information initiated the change process, thus the emergence of the virtual library or library without walls.

Medical and health libraries and information centers in the Philippines are joining the bandwagon and catching up with the changing role of the library and are now embarking on ambitious projects to transform their collection for the digital age.

MAHLAP HOMEPAGE

The Medical and Health Librarians Association of the Philippines (MAHLAP) was posted in the internet and made accessible to the public last February 20, 1998. The homepage address is Uniform Resource Locator is <http://www.pchrd.dost.gov.ph/mahlap>.