

CHAPTER HIGHLIGHTS / FAITS SAILLANTS DES CHAPITRES

Manitoba Association of Health Information Providers (MAHIP)

The Manitoba Association of Health Information Providers (MAHIP) was very active in 2011–2012.

35th Anniversary Dinner

An Anniversary Dinner was held on 8 December 2011 at the St. Norbert Art Gallery to celebrate MAHIP's rich and eventful 35 year history. Christine Shaw-Daigle gave a brief presentation about the history of MAHIP, thus concluding MAHIP's chapter history project.

Journal Club

In addition to three of MAHIP's regularly programmed journal clubs, two critical appraisal journal club sessions were led by invited guests. Dr. Terry Klassen facilitated a critique of a systematic review, and nurses Lorraine Avery and Karen Schnell-Hoehn facilitated a critique of an article with a qualitative methodology. All articles discussed at the journal clubs are listed on MAHIP's Web site (<http://mahip.wordpress.com/journal-club/>). The critical appraisal journal club sessions were extremely well received and MAHIP intends to offer more of them in the upcoming year.

Manitoba Libraries Conference

At the Manitoba Libraries Conference in May 2012, MAHIP sponsored the Consumer Health Resources for Libraries session, which included a presentation by MAHIP members Kerry MacDonald and Andrea Szwajcer titled "Partnering for Consumer Health: A Joint Library Services Website".

Annual General Meeting

MAHIP's Annual General Meeting was held on 15 May 2012, during the Manitoba Libraries Conference. The new executive for the 2012–2013 year includes: Andrea Szwajcer, President; Orvie Dingwall, Vice President; Lori Giles-Smith, Past President; Sherri Vokey, Treasurer; and Amy Widdifield, Secretary.

Manitoba Provincial Membership Survey Results

In 2010, a Manitoba Library Associations Working Group was established to examine the current structure of library associations in Manitoba and to determine support among the Manitoba library community for the creation of an umbrella library organization. At the Manitoba Libraries Conference in May 2012, the Working Group presented the results of a provincial library association survey, with the results available at <http://mblibraries.blogspot.ca>.

Each Manitoban association has been asked to discuss these results with their members to seek direction on how to proceed, and MAHIP held a members meeting on 19 September 2012 to have this conversation. A meeting of Manitoba's library association presidents will be held in the near future to share the consensus of the various members and to determine the next steps.

Retirement — Mark Rabnett

In June 2012, Mark Rabnett retired from the University of Manitoba's Health Sciences Libraries. He had many accomplishments in his career. Mark served as MAHIP's President (1999–2001) and Secretary (1996–1998). Mark directed the library of the AIDS Committee in Toronto (1990–1993), was the librarian at the Carolyn Sifton – Helene Fuld Library at St. Boniface General Hospital in Winnipeg, and has been the Pharmacy and Pharmacology Liaison Librarian at the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library at the University of Manitoba.

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