Announcing SALIS Directory

The 5th edition, updated and revised, of the Substance Abuse Librarians and Information Specialists Directory is published and should be in the hands of all full members of SALIS. If you have not yet received your copy and you are a SALIS member (or were a full member in 1990), contact SALIS Institutional Home, P.O. Box 9513, Berkeley, CA 94703. The new directory contains profiles of collections and services of 197 libraries, clearinghouses, resources and information centers in twenty-three countries. Additionally there are nearly 300 other organizations, associations, foundations and other self-help groups listed with address, phone, FAX and contact person.

To order a Directory, send prepayment of $35.00 for U.S., Canada and Mexico, or $38.00 for all others to SALIS Directory, address above. Remember, we must have a prepaid check or money order.

New Officers 1992

The nominating committee has been working to get a new ballot of officers for the coming year 1992. Nancy Sutherland, Tressa Youngbear and Cathy Weglarz are phoning various persons to get their commitments, biographies and agendas for SALIS's future. By now, you should have received the list of candidates, and following that a ballot. Remember if you want to nominate someone, including yourself, please contact one of the people on the nominating committee. New officers will be announced at the SALIS conference in Washington, D.C., September 29 - October 2.

13th Annual SALIS Conference

Lisa Swanberg, Conference Chair

All SALIS members are urged to attend this year's conference which will be held in Bethesda, Maryland. Mark your calendars for September 29th - October 2! This year's theme is "Alcohol and Other Drug Information Policy: A SALIS Perspective." Participants will explore practices and policies concerning alcohol and other drug information and the role of librarians and information specialists in AOD information dissemination. The program will feature special presentations from U.S. Congressman Major R. Owens (12th District, NY); Dr. Jean Preer from the School of Library and Information Science, Catholic (see SALIS Conference, page 3)

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Institutional Home

SALIS's official home is well settled by now and working at a fast pace to keep up with various requests for mailing labels, mailing list updates, requests for information on SALIS and various topics (we refer them to the appropriate SALIS librarians in their State), and most recently the promotion of the new SALIS Directory.

Brochures and Directory flyers have been mailed out to various groups including Special Libraries Association Bulletins, all Mental Health Librarians, National Library of Medicine Regional Libraries Bulletins, and the Associations, Foundations, and other national types of organizations concerned with alcohol and other drugs issues. Reminder, Institutional Home address is:

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Report on RADAR Network Conference

Margy Chan, SALIS Chair

While the rest of North America was baking under the intense heat wave, over 180 people were huddling in Kansas City to learn about Prevention and Communication in the year 2000. It was the 3rd National RADAR Network Conference, which ran from July 21-24.

In addition to RADAR business, the Conference provided various workshops on a range of topics including Cost Recovery, Developing Culturally Specific Prevention Materials, Collaboration With Communities, Providing Information Services, Prevention in Public Housing, How to Develop Foundation/corporation Grant Proposals, Working With the Media. Additionally there were Roundtable presentations by the newer specialty centers. The RADAR Specialty Centre on Colleges and Universities is one example. It is designed to share many of the drug and alcohol abuse prevention resources available at colleges and universities in the U.S. It is operated through the Centre for Health Promotion at George Mason University in Fairfax, Va.

A number of SALIS members were able to meet during this busy Conference to cover a few business issues:

- The new SALIS Directory is out! We are looking at various ways to further promote and market it.
- Nomination for the next SALIS election is underway.
- By-laws revisions are scheduled for membership approval at the Annual General Meeting.
- A North American edition of the manual "How to start and run an alcohol and other drug information centre" is being planned.

I hope to see many of you again at the upcoming SALIS Conference in Washington, DC. A fuller report on SALIS will be presented then.

Information & Dissemination Section, ICAA

Jill Austin
Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse

The 36th International Institute on the Prevention and Treatment of Alcoholism, held in Stockholm, June 2-7, was the forum for the inaugural meeting of the Information and Dissemination section. The papers and discussions focussed primarily on issues of standardization of tools and databases, and integration of information delivery on an international scale.

Margy Chan began the session with a paper entitled "Information delivery: issues of the 90's," giving an overview of upcoming issues and challenges for the next decade. I presented an overview of the current status and future plans of Canada's new National Clearinghouse on Substance Abuse. Dagobert Soergel gave an introduction to the long-awaited NIAAA Thesaurus, entitled "The NIAAA Thesaurus: an interdisciplinary conceptual framework for indexing alcohol information." Harding Burns described the New South Wales Drug and Alcohol Specialist Advisory Service, an ambitious project to
provide medical advice to health care workers dealing with drug and alcohol emergencies. Bob Denniston gave an overview of RADAR and some of the projects currently underway at OSAP. Tom Colthurst gave a paper on the proactive role that libraries can take in prevention education, entitled "Community libraries as partners in prevention." Finally, Andrea Mitchell closed the session with a nice summary of existing and needed information tools ("The information tools gap").

Apparently some wires were crossed and the European participants did not receive the call for papers in time to submit abstracts; however, there were opportunities to touch base with our counterparts in Europe and Scandinavia throughout the conference.

Given the success of this first meeting of the I&D section, we were all optimistic about the possibilities for future sessions. Everyone seemed to agree that the next meeting should have more than one session and there were plenty of ideas for themes and issues to be addressed. Let's hope that the next meeting will have increased participation from outside North America, so that we can all have the benefit of a wider range of experience.

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**SALIS Conference (continued)**

University of America; Christine Lubinski, Director for Public Policy, National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence; and Robert Denniston, Director, Division of Communication Programs, U.S. Office for Substance Abuse Prevention. Also included will be member paper presentations, a tour of the National Library of Medicine and Exhibits. The conference planning committee encourages members to be prepared to discuss and develop recommendations for the future concerning information policy, and to examine how information policies meet or do not meet the needs of the alcohol and other drug field.

The conference site is the Bethesda Marriott Hotel at 5151 Pooks Hill Road, about 25 minutes from downtown Washington. Rooms are available at a special conference rate of $86.00 per night plus tax. ALL HOTEL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY SEPTEMBER 6, 1991. Call the Bethesda Marriott at 800-228-9290 or 301-897-9400. Registration fees are $150.00 for SALIS members, $175.00 all others.

Information regarding scholarships is available by contacting Gail Weinberg, Drug Information Service in Minnesota, at 612-624-6492. For other information about the conference please contact Lisa Swanberg, Conference Chair, at 800-729-6686 ext 219 or 301-468-2600 ext 219.
Periodical News

Family Dynamics of Addiction Quarterly premiered March 1991 with eight articles and an interview with Marc Schuckit. Four of the papers concerned the special topic of adolescents and families and substance abuse. For subscription information contact:

Aspen Publishers
7201 McKinney Circle
Frederick, MD 21701-9727
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Members Publications


Penny Page and Cathy Weglarz coauthored "Electronic Information Retrieval in Alcohol Research" in the most recent issue of Alcohol Health and Research World 14:3, 1990.

Government Documents/
Fugitive Literature


Gifts & Exchange

Wanted:

2. Women's occupational alcoholism demonstration project 1982 (NIAAA).

These items are no longer available at NIAAA. We would like copies to complete our collection. If anyone has extra copies, please send them to Louise Hamel, ARF Library, 33 Russell Street, Toronto, ON, Canada M5S 2S1. (416) 595-6144.

Thanks,
Louise Hamel

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Readers Please Note:

An editorial decision has been made to make this issue Vol. 11, No. 1, Spring 1991, to reflect the time period that it really is, instead of where our publication lag leaves us. In other words, Vol. 9, No. 4, Winter 1989-90 and all of Vol. 10, 1990, are going to be unpublished.

Anyone who was a full member in 1990 who wishes to be reimbursed for the missing issues may send a letter to SALIS at the institutional home address and we will refund $15.00. Anyone who had a subscription to the newsletter will continue to receive the issues for which they have paid.

We are very sorry for this inconvenience.

Position Wanted

Librarian with five years professional work in medical reference/research seeking position in substance abuse information retrieval. Training in database retrieval, library automation, compact disc technology. Supervisory experience in reference and interlibrary loan. Resume on request. Reply to:

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