

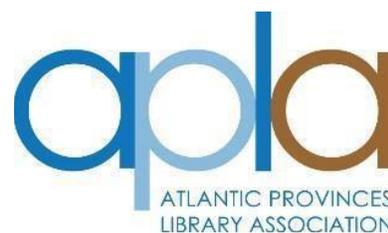
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From the President's Desk



Fall 2018
Patricia Doucette



The Executive held its first in-person meeting on Saturday, October 13, in Halifax. It was fantastic to get the Executive together and discuss collaboratively the direction we want the association to take. An area of immediate concern is a decrease in APLA membership. Much discussion occurred around this issue with many ideas on how we can continue to benefit our current membership and how to appeal to new members. Stay tuned for some new and exciting ideas. We ended with a Media Workshop presented by Marlo MacKay. It was an exhilarating and productive day.

VP, President Elect Trecia Schell and I attended the *Summer Retreat of The Partnership*, a national network of provincial and territorial library associations, held at the OLA office in Toronto on August 13th. This forum provided a very rewarding and informative experience, especially as we talked about our individual and collective challenges, showcased our successes, and discussed future priorities and directions. This summer, we had an interesting discussion concerning each associations' strategic plans. Through this discussion both Trecia and I realized that APLA did not have a strategic plan and that our APLA Vision and Mission Statements need to be refreshed. Over the next several months we will be soliciting members for input.

VP, Newfoundland and Labrador, Amanda Tiller-Hackett had to step down for the rest of her term. The Executive decided to solicit an interim VP, as per our Procedural manual. We are happy to announce that Kate Shore joins the APLA Executive as VP, until June 2019.

The APLA website experienced a hacker attack just before the annual conference causing some problems for registration. The website had to be completely rebuilt. No personal member information was gained in this attack as this is kept in a separate database. A special thanks to computer science co-op student Miles Redgate and to Director of Academic Technology services, Marc Comeau, at Dal who fixed the Drupal APLA website. Also, a special thanks to Margaret Vail, our webmaster, for coordinating the recovery efforts.

Membership has its rewards! (CLIC on 01 to 06 for more details)

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6 WAYS THE PARTNERSHIP ENRICHES MEMBER LEARNING AND BENEFITS

The Partnership is Canada's national network of provincial and territorial library associations. The Partnership meets twice a year to collaborate and to develop services and programs for members of their respective associations. More than 7,800 people who work for or with the library and information management sector belong to the associations that make up The Partnership.

The associations that make up the Partnership include: l'Association des bibliothécaires du Québec - Quebec Library Association (ABQLA); Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA); British Columbia Library Association (BCLA); Library Association of Alberta (LAA); Manitoba Libraries Association (MLA); Nunavut Library Association (NLA); Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association (NLLA); Nova Scotia Library Association (NSLA); Northwest Territories Library Association (NWTLA); Ontario Library Association (OLA); Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA); Yukon Library Association (YLA)

02 CONTINUING EDUCATION CERTIFICATE (CEC)

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The Partnership's *Continuing Education Certificate (CEC)* is a national program administered by the Library Association of Alberta on behalf of The Partnership.

As a CEC program participant you will:

- Plan and document your learning and professional development by activity type and subject areas;
- Collect points annually, based on learning activities, over the program period of three years;
- Receive a certificate of completion and a full record of your learning activities.

Visit <http://bit.ly/ContinuingEducationCertificate> for more information.

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EDUCATION INSTITUTE (EI)

The *Education Institute (EI)* is a continuing education program for library information workers developed by The Partnership. Annually, there are three EI Semesters. The Winter semester runs from January - April; the Spring/Summer semester runs from May - August, and the Fall semester runs from September - December. Each semester is promoted through a calendar. Members of the Partnership receive discounts on webinars and annual institutional subscriptions are available.

Visit <http://bit.ly/EducationInstitute> for upcoming events and more information.

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The Partnership Job Board lists positions available to library and information personnel from coast to coast to coast. The Partnership Job Board was developed and is managed by the British Columbia Library Association (BCLA) to support members of The Partnership. The Job Board is free to job seekers and is a paid service for employers. The employer is responsible for all job posting content. BCLA does not participate in the hiring process and does not forward messages or applications to employers. The cost to post is \$55 for institutional members of a provincial or territorial library association in the Partnership, and \$85 for non-members.

Visit <https://partnershipjobs.ca/> for more information.



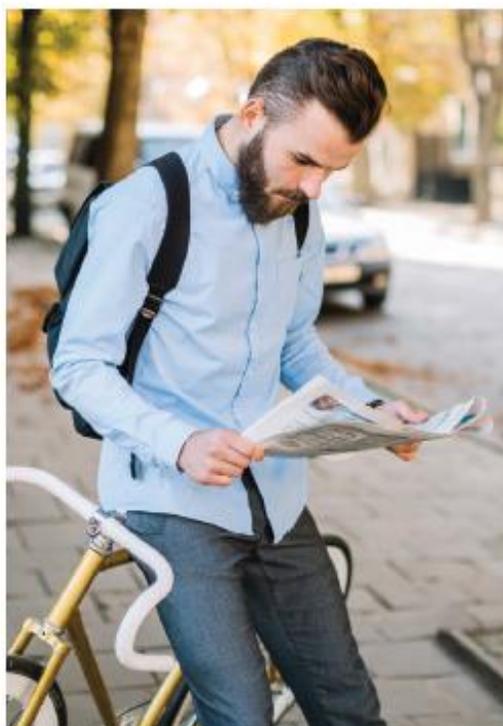
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THE LIBRARY MARKETPLACE

Library associations in the Partnership receive discounts from *The Library Marketplace*. Associations are also provided with a variety of product marketing tools like “the store in a box”.

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06 PERKOPOLIS



Individual members of library associations in the Partnership are offered an opportunity to take advantage of some very good savings on many products and services in entertainment, hotels, shopping, and travel. This offer is available through The Partnership at **Perkopolis** and is accessible through a code which is available through your association's office.

Visit <https://www.perkopolis.com/> for more information.

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THE PARTNERSHIP JOURNAL

PARTNERSHIP: The Canadian Journal of Library and Information Practice and Research is the journal of the Partnership. The Journal promotes the exchange of ideas about libraries, librarianship, and information science among practitioners across all library sectors. We are a Canadian, open access journal publishing double-blind peer-reviewed research and editorially reviewed articles and opinion pieces.

Visit us at www.partnershipjournal.ca for more information.

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Announcements

Call for Proposals – APLA Conference 2019 (Deadline: January 11th)

Alison Ambi, Memorial University Libraries

Leigha Chiasson-Locke, Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries



The APLA 2019 Programme Committee invites proposals for the 2019 conference.

- Presentations (45 minutes with additional 10 minutes for questions);
- Interactive panel discussions (60 minutes);
- Pre-conference workshops (half or full-day);
- Lightning talks (10 minutes);
- Posters.

Proposals must be submitted by Friday, January 11th by email to aambi@mun.ca. Please include “APLA 2019” in the email subject, and please also provide/specify the:

- Preferred session type
- Presenters’ names, professional affiliations, and email address (indicate primary correspondent if more than one presenter)
- Title
- Abstract (*Approximately 250 words*)

Libraries are in the midst of great change. As we break with many of our traditional operations and structures, this change can be both challenging and exciting, but always promising. Who knows what’s next? What we currently see is really just the tip of the iceberg! The future of our libraries is in our hands, and we have lots to discuss!

We would love to hear perspectives from public libraries, health libraries, special libraries, archives, academic libraries, and more!

APLA 2019 Programme Committee:

-Alison Ambi, Memorial University Libraries

-Leigha Chiasson-Locke, Newfoundland & Labrador Public Libraries

Announcements

2019 APLA Memorial Award Now Being Accepted

Kate Stewart, Convenor, APLA Memorial Award Committee

Do you need financial assistance for study or research? The APLA Memorial Trust provides funding for projects that contribute to the development of your career and are of benefit to the library profession, through research, educational opportunity, or other appropriate endeavor. Applicants must be members of APLA. Previous applicants and winners are eligible. To apply, send a letter outlining your proposed project and estimated costs, and a copy of your curriculum vitae. Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2019.

The award amount is determined annually by the interest from the Trust. Please consider donating to the Trust as a means of assisting the professional development of present and future members and of honoring past members.

For more information about the award, to apply, or to make a donation, please contact:

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Announcements

2019 APLA Merit Award Nominations Now Being Accepted

Kathryn Rose, APLA Past President

Presented at the Banquet during the Annual Conference, the APLA Merit Award honors an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to library services in the Atlantic Provinces.

Some of the contributions that might be considered in selecting a person for this award are; leadership in library associations at the local, regional, and provincial levels; contributions to the development, application, and utilization of library services and library systems; significant contribution to library literature. The list of the past recipients of the Merit Award may [be found here](#).

Nominations, including documentation of the nominee's achievements and letters of support, should be submitted by March 31, 2019 to:

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Announcements

Games @ the Library Week, 2018

Jennifer Devlin, Library Assistant, Nova Scotia Community College

During the week of October 21-27, 2018, APLA sponsored "Games@theLibrary" week, also known as *la semaine des Jeux@la bibliothèque* in French! Anytime that week, libraries of all types in Atlantic Canada were encouraged to host a "game themed" event of their choice (board games, chess, trivia, scavenger hunts, video games, etc.). Events could be geared toward specific age groups or the whole community. APLA's goal is to show that libraries are places where people meet, learn, and have fun!

All participants during APLA's Games@the Library week were eligible to enter their names in the grand prize draw scheduled for November 21, 2018. One grand prize winner will be chosen for all of Atlantic Canada. The winner's name will be published in the next bulletin.

All participants were also encouraged to share photos of their events with APLA social media. To the right, is a picture of the Nova Scotia Community College Ivany campus Library's event.

A great big thank you to everyone who participated in Games@the Library week.



News from New Brunswick

News from Mount Allison

Laura Landon, Head of Access Services, Bell Library

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Libraries & Archives

Staff News

- Librarian Jeff Lilburn is serving a second year as President of the Mount Allison Faculty Association (MAFA). Jeff has served for a number of years on the MAFA executive and on its negotiating teams during the last two rounds of collective bargaining. MAFA is beginning contract negotiations next year.
- Laura Landon is serving a second year as subject librarian for Sociology, filling in for Jeff Lilburn. Laura served as a Public Services Librarian at Mount Allison for two separate sabbatical replacements from 2013-2015 and has been Head of Access Services since July 2015.
- Renée Belliveau joined the Library as an Archival Intern in September. A Mount A alumna, Renée has a Master's degree in English Literature from the University of Waterloo. She plans to pursue her MLIS in 2019.
- Long-time Access Services Assistant Brenda Snowdon retired on Sept. 30, 2018. Brenda was the library's informal "ambassador of cheer" for 25 years. She also developed extensive knowledge of the Library's stack space and the mechanics of shifting a large collection. To read more about

Brenda, see [the Newsstand – ‘Ambassador of Cheer’ Brenda Snowden retires from Library](#).

- Susan Duke joined the Library as an Access Services Assistant in September. Susan worked for the Peace River Municipal Library in Alberta as an interlibrary loans clerk and Access Services Assistant for four years. She also ran a high-school library in Peace River in 2013-14.
- Rodney Howland joined the Library as an Access Services Assistant in October. Rodney has 20 years’ experience as a Library Assistant, primarily at UNB and McMaster University. He is a library technician and librarian.
- The University Archives invites applications for the [J.E.A. Crake ArtsWork Internships](#). The 2018-19 intern will work with the University Archivist and the Department of Music to process the papers of former Mount Allison Music Professor Michael R. Miller, among other projects. The posting closes Nov. 12.

Events and Related News

- Librarians Anita Cannon and Laura Landon led an hour-long session at the June 2018 APLA conference in Fredericton. Their session, called Librarians as Government Information Activists, provides a snapshot of the state of Freedom of Information (FOI) federally and in Atlantic Canada, with information on how to file a freedom-of-information request. [Their slides are available on the Mount Allison Libraries website](#).
- Librarians Elizabeth Millar and Elizabeth Stregger led a lightning session at the 2018 APLA conference called Truth and ReconciliACTION Activities at Mount Allison Libraries & Archives. During Mount Allison's Year of Indigenous Knowing (2016-2017) and Indigenous Action (2017-2018), we were grateful for the opportunity to better educate ourselves and others. The Libraries and Archives also made changes to library space, practices, and programming in response to the CFLA-FCAB Truth and Reconciliation Report. This talk outlined what we’ve accomplished so far, what more we would like to do, and what we’ve learned from our efforts.
- On Sept. 10, the Libraries & Archives hosted the University's second summit on Digital Literacy and Citizenship @ MTA. Participants explored the meaning of digital literacy and digital citizenship as well as what core competencies students need for an undergraduate degree. Several members of the organizing group will be using the results from the two summits to develop a green paper on next steps for consideration by the Provost and Vice President Academic and Research, Jeff Ollerhead.
- In late September, the Mount Allison Libraries & Archives joined the Novanet consortium of academic libraries. We are the first library outside Nova Scotia to join the consortium. This year will be a busy one in the Libraries & Archives as we migrate our library systems from SirsiDynix to Novanet’s Ex Libris platform. The migration should be complete by late Spring, 2019.
- In October 2018, the Library began its [“Our Picks” author speaking series](#) with a riveting talk by award-winning journalist and novelist **Omar El Akkad**, author of *American War*. The next author

in the series is mystery writer **Peter Robinson** (author of the Inspector Banks series) on Nov. 21, followed by **Sean Michaels** (*Us Conductors*) on Jan. 16, 2019, and **Katherena Vermette** (*The Break* and others) on Feb. 6, 2019. University Librarian Marc Truitt created the Our Picks series by asking staff and librarians what Canadian authors they would like to bring to Mount Allison University, which led to the 2018-19 lineup. The events bring authors to the Library and into Mount Allison classrooms.

- Consultations regarding the upcoming R.P. Bell Library renovations continued in the Fall term with a series of focus groups involving staff, librarians, faculty, and students. The Libraries 2025 Vision Committee is leading the [renovation consultation efforts](#). The University expects the Library renovation, which is in early planning stages, to be finished by 2025.

News from New Brunswick

News from University of New Brunswick

Jocelyne Thompson, Director, Collection Services, Harriet Irving Library

Sally Armstrong joined UNB Libraries in early September in the exciting new position of Entrepreneurship Librarian. Sally brings excellent experience to this role, and a keen interest in working with students and other entrepreneurs. Sally comes to UNB from the MaRS Discovery District in Toronto, where she had been working as an Information Specialist on the Market Intelligence Team.

Tatiana Zaraiskaya joined UNB Libraries in March, as STEM Librarian on the Fredericton campus (Faculties of Science, Computer Science, Engineering and Forestry & Environmental Management). She will play a leadership role in developing new models of research and learning support for students in the STEM disciplines and will engage in emerging areas of academic library service such as research data services, research impact/bibliometrics, and scholarly communication. Tatiana is an established interdisciplinary researcher in the core sciences. She holds an MLIS (2015) from Western, and a PhD in Biophysics (2004) from the University of Guelph.

News from New Brunswick

News from Horizon Health Network Libraries

Alison Manley, Health Sciences Librarian, Horizon Health Network

Paul Clark, Health Sciences Librarian, Horizon Health Network

Sandra O’Driscoll, Medical Librarian, Horizon Health Network

Horizon Health Network libraries recently celebrated Library Month with Open House events at our five locations in Fredericton, Moncton, Miramichi, Saint John, and Waterville. In addition to scavenger hunts, library staff highlighted mobile apps access for Horizon resources and celebrated the newly relocated library at the Saint John Regional Hospital. Hospital staff explored and enjoyed the new space in Saint John, as well as the refreshed spaces in the other areas.

In the spring we welcomed Sandra O’Driscoll, as the Saint John area librarian, based at the Saint John Regional Hospital. We also continued our work to connect with different groups in the healthcare realm. We were happy to take a small part in the Healing Books Project, a partnership between NBPLS and Horizon, as well as to continue to work with our many students from UNB, Dalhousie Medicine New Brunswick, NBCC, and Université de Moncton.

News from New Brunswick

News from New Brunswick Public Library Service

Kate Thompson, Head of Public Services Development

The New Brunswick Public Library Service (NBPLS) launched the “Healing Books Project” this summer. The project is the result of a collaboration between NBPLS, the Horizon Health Network, and MindCare New Brunswick. It is a bibliotherapy program founded by a Horizon client and supported by Horizon’s Addictions and Mental Health team. The client was inspired to create the project by the support and hope she found in reading self-help and therapeutic books while in treatment. Thanks to this project, as well as grants received from additional funders, \$60,000 has been invested in making more mental health and addiction resources available to New Brunswickers through public libraries.

In October (to coincide with Canadian Library Month), NBPLS launched Read Local – a campaign designed to encourage discussion about New Brunswick creators and to raise public awareness about the New Brunswick collection that is available in public libraries. Throughout the month, library staff were encouraged to create displays of New Brunswick books, music, movies and art, host NB author readings, feature NB books in their book clubs, and promote Read Local on social media. It is hoped that through this campaign, New Brunswickers will learn more about their rich literary and cultural heritage.

News Nova Scotia

News from Dalhousie Libraries

Marlo MacKay, Communications Coordinator

Michelle Paon - New Interim AUL Resources & Head of Sexton Library

On August 1, Michelle Paon became the Interim Associate University Librarian and Head of the Sexton Design & Technology Library.

As Associate University Librarian - Resources, Michelle oversees the Libraries' acquisitions budget and works closely with the Resources Management Librarian and library staff across the system who select, acquire, and provide access to relevant scholarly resources in a variety of formats. As Interim Head of the Sexton Library, Michelle oversees the provision of library resources and services to faculty and students in the Faculty of Engineering and the Faculty of Architecture and Planning.



Michelle Paon has been a science librarian with Dalhousie Libraries since 2002, supporting faculty and students in the study of biology, the environment, oceanography and marine management, psychology and neuroscience, sustainability, and Indigenous studies.

Michelle was actively involved in the establishment of the DalSpace online research repository and the Killam Library Learning Commons. Both were ground-breaking projects for a Canadian research library. She has served on the Curriculum Committees of the Dalhousie Faculty of Science and College of Sustainability. In recent years, she has partnered with colleagues at the Dalhousie Writing Centre to provide integrated research-writing services for students and to conduct related research. Michelle has also provided mentorship and inspiration in the Dal Libraries as a leader in the delivery of effective liaison librarian services.

Michelle holds a Master of Library and Information Studies from Dalhousie University and a Bachelor of Science (Biology) from St. Francis Xavier University. She is a member of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association and is a past President and life member of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science. Her research interests include collaborative service initiatives, open access, information literacy, and environmental history.

New Student Learning Commons in the MacRae Library Now Open

The newest Dal Libraries space opened in late August — the beautiful Student Learning Commons on the top floor of the MacRae Library. In addition to a stunning mural by Dalhousie’s own Art Stevens and a gorgeous living wall, the space features a number of services new to the Agricultural Campus. Inside, you’ll find

- Quiet meditation/prayer room with a nearby ablution station
- Bookable study rooms
- Self-serve cafe
- Bookable student meeting room (with Video Conferencing)
- Library services
- Program rooms for student groups
- DASA offices
- Gender neutral washroom



Word on the Street

As part of Dal’s ongoing 200th anniversary celebrations, the Dal Libraries featured a selection of engaging authors, poets, and scholars who all have a connection to Dalhousie at the popular annual literary festival held at the Halifax Central Library.

Featured presenters included:

- 11 a.m. – Shauntay Grant
- 12 p.m. – Linda Little
- 12:30 p.m. – Erin Wunker
- 1 p.m. – Steve Mannell
- 2 p.m. – El Jones



Photo: El Jones



Photo: Shauntay Grant

Science Literacy Week

For *Science Literacy Week* this year, MLIS intern Laura Little coordinated a series of interactive displays about science. Calling on partners both at Dalhousie and in the community, the *Science Literacy Week Display Day* included participants from the Natural History Museum, the Canadian CubeSat Team (part of the Canadian Space Agency), and the Dal Libraries' GIS Centre and 3D printing team.



Science Literacy Week is a national celebration of science which took place September 17– 23.

Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Legacy Space in the Killam Library: Official Launch

Michele Charlton, Communications Advisor, Research, Dalhousie University

A designated space dedicated to providing accurate information about Indigenous history and the journey of reconciliation — that's the concept behind the Gord Downie and Chanie Wenjack Legacy Space program.

On Thursday, October 11, a large crowd gathered to officially launch a Legacy Space at Dalhousie University. The space consists of the entire South Learning Commons on the main floor of the Killam library, and it will be a safe and welcoming place where conversations about the past, present, and future are facilitated and encouraged.

The concept for Legacy Spaces originated with Chief Morley Googoo, the Assembly of First Nations Regional Chief for Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. The idea came to him after watching a [Heritage Minute about Chanie Wenjack](#), and began to take shape during a visit to a Halifax restaurant in 2016. Since then, many Legacy Spaces have opened throughout the province, including at Armbrae Academy, Barrington Steakhouse and Oyster Bar, Cape Breton University, and Halifax City Hall.

Chief Googoo played a key role in selecting the location for the Legacy Space at Dalhousie. The Killam Library is one of the busiest places at Dalhousie. About one million people come through its doors each year — as many as 10,000 visitors daily — with many of them using the learning commons.

“This is where the minds are going to be changed, where the students are learning,” said Chief Morley Googoo during his remarks at the event. “If we’re going to have Gord and Chanie be the gatekeepers of all our stories and be the ambassadors of change, of how and when we’re moving forward, we

need people to see it, and more importantly, we need young minds that are just learning their careers to be influenced and inspired to do something — whatever their role is going to be.”

Located in the Legacy Space are two plaques that tell the story of Chanie Wenjack; an original poem written for the occasion by Rebecca Thomas, a Mi’kmaq poet and activist from Lennox Island First Nation, and former Halifax Poet Laureate; and two prints by Mi’kmaq artist Loretta Gould.



Photo: Chief Morley Googoo at the Legacy Space launch

For more information about the Gord Downie & Chanie Wenjack Fund and the Legacy Space program, visit the DWF [website](#)

Open Access Week

International Open Access Week ran from October 22–28, providing an opportunity for academics and researchers to continue to learn about the potential benefits of Open Access, to share what they’ve learned with colleagues, and to help inspire wider participation that will make Open Access a new norm in scholarship and research.

The principles of Open Access are founded on ideas of public access to publicly funded research, author rights, availability of educational resources, and affordable access to materials for educational institutions. The Dalhousie Libraries are pleased to be using these principles to bring the research activities of Dalhousie to the world.



Photo: Geoff Brown, host of *Open Access: Tips for Planning*

The Dalhousie Libraries held two events to mark this important week, a webinar called *Open Access: Tips for Planning*, hosted by Digital Scholarship and Government Information Librarian Geoff Brown, and a screening of the documentary *Paywall: The Business of Scholarship* followed by a facilitated discussion led by Scholarly Communications Librarian, Melissa Rothfus.



Melissa Rothfus facilitated a discussion following the screening of “Paywall”

New Resource Spotlight: Cannabis Subject Guide

Cannabis became legal in Canada on October 17, 2018

This change in law will have health and social impacts. Cannabis has traditionally been an illegal substance, which has resulted in social stigma around the topic. Research evidence regarding cannabis use is limited and the majority of studies have focused on harm reduction. While harm-based research is valuable in many contexts, there is a need to explore cannabis access and use from a variety of perspectives (e.g., [Eggertson, 2017](#)). The limited body of research evidence to draw from impacts the availability, direction, and volume of synthesized information resources to support decision-making, such as clinical practice guidelines and patient education.

In this shifting landscape it is difficult to know where to start when seeking information about cannabis. To assist in navigating the complexities resulting from cannabis legalization, librarians from [Dalhousie University Libraries](#) and [Nova Scotia Health Authority’s Library Services](#) have partnered to curate trusted information resources about cannabis access and use. Our collaborative [cannabis subject guide](#) brings together trusted resources in one easy-to-access location, organized by audience.

Wikipedia Edit-A-Thon: With a Focus on Women’s Health

On November 7, the Dal Libraries hosted a Wikipedia Edit-a-thon where participants could use their research skills to help make Wikipedia a better evidence-based resource for people looking for information on women’s health.

This was our third Wikipedia Edit-A-Thon and the first with a health focus. The US National Network of Libraries of Medicine was spearheading this initiative and we followed along using the hashtag [#citeNLM2018](#)



Scholarship @ Dal Libraries – New Series Starting Fall 2018

The Dal Libraries launched a new web-based seminar series this fall focused on research tools and services. This series will focus on a range of topics going forward, but the fall 2018 sessions will focus on aspects of the publishing and research process including research reporting, rights, and impact.

Open Access: Tips for Planning

Wednesday, October 24, 12–1 p.m.

Presented by: Geoff Brown

Taking Charge of your Professional Identity: Tools & Metrics

Friday, November 9, 12–1 p.m.

Presented by: Melissa Rothfus & Melissa Helwig

Copyright and Author Rights

Friday, November 23, 12–1 p.m.

Presented by: Roger Gillis

Intro to Research Data Management

Friday, November 30, 12–1 p.m.

Presented by: Erin MacPherson & Sarah Stevenson

Welcome to the New Dalhousie Libraries Staff

We are pleased to welcome the following colleagues to the Dalhousie Libraries:

- Natasha Andrews, Video Conferencing Coordinator
- Daryl Atkinson, Evening Supervisor, MacRae Library
- Guy LeLievre, Library Services Assistant
- Morning Star Padilla, Indigenous Services Librarian
- Melissa Rothfus, Scholarly Communications Librarian
- Alex Wojcik, Library & GIS Developer

News from Nova Scotia

News from Cape Breton Regional Library

Tracy Wilson, Library Assistant – Programming, Cape Breton Regional Library

“Outlander” at the Playhouse

This fall, the W.W. Lewis Memorial Library (Louisbourg) was pleased to bring to life Diana Gabaldon’s time-travel/romance series “Outlander” at the Louisbourg Playhouse. Gabaldon’s series of books are beautifully written and you can’t help but get caught up in the story of Clare and Jamie Fraser.



The Outlander series, though fictional, helps us connect to our Celtic history as Cape Bretoners and Nova Scotians. Scott Moir, CBU Associate Professor of History, Culture, and Creative Studies was on hand at this program to help us understand the books’ historical background. Moir considers the W Network’s TV series adaptation of the novels quite accurate, as far as Highland culture and traditions are concerned. Moir also brought us into the world of weapons and the battle of Culloden, the last real attempt to maintain the Highland way of life in Scotland.

Ronald Labelle, CBRL Storyteller in Residence, shared his “time-travel experience” as well as the story of the MacLeod Fairy Flag, the only one of its kind in existence. An heirloom of the chiefs of clan Macleod of Dunvegan, the flag has mysterious origins and is said to have magical powers.

Elizabeth Campbell of Forrester’s Dancers captured the audience at this event with her precise and captivating sword dance in her beautiful blue tartan.



The program closed with an “Outlander-style” fashion show, including the designs of Deana Lloy of Red Label Kilts. The fashions depicted the styles of all walks of life from eighteenth century Scotland, including dress and battle tartans, white-witch cloaks, the dresses of young maidens and the attire of noble Scotsmen.

Traditional Scottish treats of scones and oatcakes and tea were served as people stayed to chat about the evening and the books and television series that inspired the evening’s program.

“Outlander” at the Playhouse was organized through the hard work of Tracy Wilson (CBRL, Program staff) with the support and assistance of Darlene Leahy (Louisbourg Library, staff).

Celtic Colors Conversation Series 2018

Tara MacNeil, Cape Breton Regional Library, Programs

The Cape Breton Regional Library has a longstanding and successful program partnership with the Celtic Colours International Festival, by hosting the Celtic Conversations Series each year during the festival. The series has grown in scale, like the Festival itself. But despite the growing audience size, which can range from 50-150 people, the free hour-long lunch events maintain a light-hearted and informal tone and move swiftly with stories, music, dance (on occasion), laughter, and Q&A.



Performers for the 2018 Conversation Series included, Scottish pipers Brighde Chaimbeul & Ross Ainslie; The Savoy Family Cajun Band; Book Launch “A Stone for Andrew Dunphy” (hosted by Celtic Colours Artist-in-Residence Paul MacDonald); and Acadian Singer/Songwriter Ronald Bourgeois.

News from Newfoundland and Labrador

News from Memorial University Libraries

Kristine Power, Communications Advisor, Memorial University Libraries

Kate Shore, Access Services Librarian, Memorial University Libraries

Memorial University's president's term to conclude in December 2019

President Gary Kachanoski will finish up his second term at the helm of Memorial University six months earlier than originally planned. The university's Board of Regents has agreed to Dr. Kachanoski's request to conclude his second five-year term in December 2019 instead of June 2020. For more [click here](#).

Strategic Planning

The Reimagine Strategic plan is moving into its implementation phase as we begin year one of five. For more information on our strategic plan, visit [here](#).

Power Outage

The Libraries experienced an unexpected power outage in July that affected its online services. All public services are now available. A very special thank you to our ITS teams within the Library and the University who worked tirelessly to bring all our services back online as quickly as possible.

Cool Stuff

- We welcomed AULs from across the country to Memorial this September for a series of meetings and discussions on national issues affecting libraries.
- Sarah Bartlett is the recipient of the 2018 Margaret Williams Trust Fund Award. Since its inception, the Margaret Williams Trust Award has granted more than 40,000 dollars to over 40 recipients to promote the development of librarianship in Newfoundland and Labrador. The funds are awarded on a competitive basis to applicants seeking funding for library-related projects or assistance in pursuing graduate studies in librarianship, archival studies, or teacher librarianship.
- The University's website featured a profile of [library employee Bryan Russell](#).

News from Prince Edward Island

News from Robertson Library, University of Prince Edward Island

Donald Moses, Interim University Librarian, Robertson Library

Staffing Updates

A search committee for the new University Librarian was formed and continues to do its work. We said farewell to term librarian Meghan Landry and wish her all the best as she begins her new role at St. Francis Xavier University. Keltie MacPhail has started a term position as a Project Librarian and we welcomed Andrea Caza in late October as she fills a library technician term vacancy.

Events

During the summer, Librarian Rosie Le Faive worked with community partners to host *Code Club*, a six-week program aimed at 8-12-year-olds to explore the basics of computer programming using Scratch.

During late August and through September we hosted *Sailing to the Shores of Generosity*, an exhibit of small works of mixed media/collage by Island artist Louise Mould. Read more about the exhibit and the works [here](#).



Photo: Opening of *Sailing to the Shores of Generosity*



As part of *New Student Orientation (NSO)* activities, librarians Yolanda Hood and Melissa Belvadi delivered an information session and we also hosted a movie night for students. Yolanda Hood, along with other staff, have planned and have been hosting a popular series of Escape Rooms for UPEI students that continue to run through the fall.

Photo: A group of UPEI students that participated in the Library's Escape rooms.



In September, we celebrated Science Literacy Week with a “Magical Science” demonstration by UPEI Chemistry faculty member Dr. Brian Wagner. We also co-hosted a presentation on navigating the night sky and setting up & using the Library’s Dobsonian telescope with Megan Glover from UPEI’s Physics Department.

Photo: Megan Glover discusses the Library’s Dobsonian telescope

We celebrated the start of Mi’kmaq History Month with a well-attended talk, “*What’s with ‘Land Acknowledgement’? Living Treaties in Mi’kma’ki*”, by Tammy MacDonald, Director of Research and Outreach with the Mi’kmaq Confederacy of PEI (MCPEI). We also had a book display featuring items from our indigenous collection and a series of exhibit panels in the Library’s lobby reflecting the history of the Mi’kmaq provided by the MCPEI.

We highlighted Open Access Week this year with a screening of *Paywall: The Business of Scholarship*.

Librarian Kim Mears also created an exhibit, *The Cost of Research*, that investigated the institutional subscription costs of the cited references (70) in a published article authored by a UPEI faculty member. More information [here](#).



We closed out October with Spooktacular Tales at Robertson Library. It was an evening of ghost stories, eerie tales, songs, and legends from UPEI, the Island, and beyond. The event included readings by Leo Cheverie, Yolanda Hood, Simon Lloyd, and Kim Mears.

Programs

This fall and winter semester, we are piloting a *Personal Librarian Program*, an initiative of individual librarian outreach to all new first year and transfer students (over 1400 students). Our program was inspired by similar existing programs. You can read more [here](#).

We are exploring a variety of avenues for reducing textbook costs for students. While we have focused on providing support for the adoption/adaptation of open education resources (OER), during the summer, we requested and received data from the bookstore regarding course materials required for the fall semester. Melissa Belvadi developed the [Textbook Access Project](#) and has worked with library staff and student assistants to surface course materials that the library already owns or licenses.

We are experimenting with new ways for donors to contribute to our collections by creating lists of selected titles using Amazon's wish list feature. More about the program can be found [here](#) and for further details contact mbelvadi@upei.ca.

Digital Collections

Robertson Library's initiative was one of the 21 projects selected by the National Heritage Digitization Strategy for funding. The Library's project, *Colony, Confederation and Country: Accessing the National Story Through the Lens of Prince Edward Island's Historical Newspapers*, will provide access to digital versions of two PEI newspapers including the *Examiner* (1840-1900) and the French language newspaper *L'Impartial* (1893-1910). The [newspapers](#) will be added to the Library's site. The project funding announcement is [here](#).

We are putting the finishing touches on a few oral history digitization projects: *The Benevolent Irish Society oral history recordings & lectures* as well as *Father Charlie Cheverie's interviews with Island fiddlers*. We hope to have these integrated and available as part of a relaunch of islandvoices.ca and bowingdownhome.ca late this fall.

We have a diverse number of legacy video formats in the UPEI archives and we recently purchased a vintage UMatric video player. This will allow us to migrate to alternate formats and ensure continued access and preservation of those unique recordings.

We've been working with the [LM Montgomery Institute](#) to develop and host the *Journal of L.M. Montgomery Studies*, a refereed, open access digital space and the first journal dedicated to Montgomery. We plan to launch the site by the end of November.

News from Prince Edward Island

News from PEI Public Library Service

Jennifer Howard, Children's Librarian, Confederation Centre Public Library

Staffing

Nicolle Hogan has been appointed as Temporary Children's Librarian covering a maternity leave at the Confederation Centre Public Library.

Book Love

This Fall, the PEI Public Library Service partnered with the [Bookmark](#) in Charlottetown for [Book Love PEI](#) – a literary program which celebrates the work of a selected author and encourages Islanders throughout the Province to read. This year's author was award-winning Canadian and indigenous author Eden Robinson, whose novels have been shortlisted for both the Giller Prize and the Governor General's Literary Award. Eden visited PEI on November 1st for an author talk at the Confederation Centre of the Arts in Charlottetown.

PEI Public Library Service presents:
#BookLovePEI 2018
with author Eden Robinson

**November 1
at 7 pm**
**Memorial Hall
Confederation
Centre of the Arts**



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Science Literacy Week

This September, many Island libraries participated in the national Science Literacy Week program which aims to celebrate and promote science to Canadians. Libraries partnered with organizations such as Kids Code Jeunesse and UPEI's Let's Talk Science Outreach team to provide coding and STEM programming to children.



Readers and Eaters: Food Literacy Program

This November, the PEI Public Library Service will be participating in a province-wide food literacy initiative for children. Made possible through the Community Food Security and Agriculture Awareness Program via the PEI Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, this program aims to teach children throughout the Province about the importance of agriculture, local food, and healthy eating habits. Local farmers, agricultural sector workers, and dietitians will be visiting select PEI libraries throughout the month and sharing their knowledge with children from local schools and early learning centres



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Get Carded: Business Perks Program

This November, libraries on the Eastern portion of the Province will be partnering with the Eastern PEI Chamber of Commerce to offer a Business Perks Program. Through this program, members of the public can show their PEI Public Library Card and receive a Discount or Special Offer when they shop at participating Eastern PEI Chamber of Commerce member businesses during the month of November.

GET CARDED!

EASTERN PEI LIBRARIES & CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PERKS PROGRAM



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