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funds. In its initial year, the Committee was allocated \$38,000 for library upgrading. The Committee was overwhelmed with the \$200,000 worth of requests that were submitted from 53 schools of the 67 schools in the board. After careful consideration and much discussion, the Committee came up with some money for each of the 53 schools in one of the following categories: automation, facility upgrade, or Canadian resources.

The library services committees are now working on policies for the selection of and the handling of challenges to school library resources. Each of the zone committees has examined the draft documents and made recommendations. In April, the regional committee will look at the recommendations of the zones and attempt to come up with workable policies to recommend to the board.

**Hackmatack Award** - Children in Atlantic Canada will have one more

thing to celebrate in the year 2000. This will be the inaugural year of the Hackmatack Children's Choice Award. This award is designed to promote reading by children in Atlantic Canada and to recognize fine writing. There are many prizes for children's books which are selected and awarded by adults, including the Governor General's Awards and the Ann Connor Brimer Award. While these awards recognize outstanding children's books, they are not chosen by their intended readers. The Hackmatack Award gives children the opportunity to read and vote for their favourite Canadian and Atlantic Canadian books in region-wide "elections."

Many partners in the school, library, book and literacy communities have been working hard to make the dream of an Atlantic Children's Choice Book Award a reality. A selection committee is preparing the shortlist of twenty fiction and non-fiction books. From this high quality list of Canadian and Atlantic Canadian books, children will choose their personal favourites.

This program is based on the Silver Birch Award founded by the Ontario Library Association and developed from a parallel undertaking by the Texas Library Association. Since its inception in 1994, the Silver Birch Award has grown tremendously, with over 37,000 children involved in 1997.

- *Cathy Chisholm*  
Vice President (Nova Scotia)



### College Libraries

**Bev Neable** has left her position at the Prince Philip Drive campus of the **College of the North Atlantic** in St. John's to take on a new job as the Technical Services Librarian at the **Nova Scotia Community College** in Truro, Nova Scotia. She has been replaced at the Prince Philip Drive campus by **Janet Fraser**, who previously worked at the **College of the North Atlantic's Seal Cove campus**.

### Public Libraries

Libraries in the Central Region secured funding through local fundraising/partnering with schools in the area to sponsor a series of storytelling sessions featuring storyteller/folklorist Wendy Welch towards the end of May.

The **Corner Brook Public Library** was the setting for the official launch of a new "free-net" service during Information Rights Week, March 22-28. CORNET, which is analogous to the St. John's InfoNET and Halifax's Chebucto Free Net, was

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made possible through co-funding in the amount of \$30,000.00 from Industry Canada under its Community Access Project (CAP) program. Other partners in the project include the **Provincial Information and Library Resources Board**, the **Corner Brook Public Library Board**, and the City of Corner Brook. CORNET's goals are Internet access for all citizens; free "electronic public space" to foster and encourage active civic participation; and the promotion of community and economic development. At present there are 7 machines at the Corner Brook City Library devoted to CORNET access. More partners, members, and volunteers continue to be sought to contribute to the expansion of the project. The URL for CORNET is <<http://www.cornet.nf.ca/>>.

### Special Libraries

The **Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association's Special Libraries Interest Group** met on April 15 from 12:30-2:00 p.m. at the National Research Council's Information Centre to hear a presentation by NRC librarian **Adriana Popescu**. The presentation was to focus on the Canadian Institute for Scientific and Technical Information, the NRC Virtual Library, the collection and services of the NRC Information Centre in St. John's, and the Canadian Online Information Summit (which was held in Toronto on March 29-30.)

### University Libraries

May 1 was the scheduled date for a major change to the interface of the Memorial University Unicorn system. As of that date library patrons were to be greeted with a web-based version of the library catalogue and various online databases. The URL for the web version of Unicorn, called Webcat is <<http://info.library.mun.ca/>>.

The **Queen Elizabeth II Library** held a book sale on March 29 to raise money for Memorial University's Op-

portunity Fund. The event was very successful, with proceeds for the sale reaching over \$2000.00.

### Other News

The Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association held its Winter General Meeting on Tuesday, March 30, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. in Room L-1016 of Memorial University's Queen Elizabeth II Library in St. John's. Dr. Brian Roberts of Memorial's Faculty of Education was the guest speaker at the meeting. Dr. Roberts, who has professional training in bookbinding and is a member of both the Canadian Bookbinders and Book Artists Guild and the Guild of Bookworkers (U.S.), gave an introductory talk on book preservation. In his talk Dr. Roberts discussed his "Top Preservation Tips for Librarians."

In other news concerning the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association, **Dianne Cmor** has taken over the management duties associated with the NLLA website. Information about activities being undertaken by the Association, including plans for this year's Newfoundland and Labrador Library Week can be found at the following URL: <<http://www.infonet.st-johns.nf.ca/providers/nlla/nlla.html>>

- Steve Field

Vice President (Newfoundland)



### Public Libraries

**York Public Library - Chipman Public Library's** popular Irish Night, held March 12 at the Kinsmen Hall, raised \$1650 to benefit the library. Tickets are always at a premium for the annual dinner that salutes

Chipman's Irish heritage with music, entertainment, and stories of the settlers of the village. Funds this year will purchase an overhead projector and screen, a revolving book stand, and fund an author visit.

Richard Sanger, writer-in-residence at UNB in Fredericton, visited York's **Florenceville, Hartland, Nashwaaksis and Minto** branches this spring to talk about his work, to give poetry readings, and workshops in poetry and drama for young people.

Lieutenant-Governor Marilyn Trenholme-Counsell was at the Florenceville Public Library April 22 in celebration of Canada Book Day. Dr. Trenholme read to preschoolers from a selection of her favourite books, and spoke to their parents about literacy.

The **Oromocto and Fredericton** libraries will be undergoing repairs and refurbishing this spring and summer. The elevator at Fredericton Public will be out of commission for several weeks in June for much-needed repairs; the floors in the adult section of Oromocto Public will be newly carpeted by July.

Volunteers were celebrated recently at two of York's branches. The Florenceville Public Library held a brunch April 10 in honour of their volunteers and the over 900 hours they gave to the library this year; the **Bibliothèque Dr. Marguerite Michaud** (Fredericton) honoured their Volunteer of the Year, **Marie Dumas**, at a special ceremony held April 18 at the Centre Communautaire Ste-Anne.

The theme for the Hartland Public Library's annual fundraising dinner this year was "Farewell to the 90s". Guest speaker for the 16th annual event was Mark Lawlor a long-time Hartland resident; musical entertainment was provided by the popular Carleton County barbershop quartet, the Shiretones. Tickets for the roast turkey dinner provided by the Legion auxiliary were \$14.00 a person.

The **Boiestown Community School Library** held their annual fundraising dinner and auction May 1

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at the Central New Brunswick Woodmen's Museum. Tickets went on sale at \$15 a person or \$25 a couple.

York Regional Library will hold its Giant Annual Book Sale again this year at the Carleton Street Armoury in downtown Fredericton. The sale which offers the public thousands of used books, magazines, CDs and cassettes at prices that range from 10 cents to several dollars is scheduled to run from 10 am to 8 pm, Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13.

**Bibliothèque régional du Haut-Saint-Jean** - Le 8 février dernier, la nouvelle **Bibliothèque publique de Grand-Sault** a ouvert ses portes au public. Ses locaux sont situés dans le nouvel édifice abritant le Complexe municipal. Les nouvelles installations de la bibliothèque sont spacieuses, bien éclairées, attrayantes et fonctionnelles.

La première réunion de l'année 1999 du Forum régional du Haut-Saint-Jean s'est tenue le 23 février dernier au bureau régional, sous la présidence de Madame **Jocelyne LeBel**, directrice régionale. La prochaine réunion aura lieu le 3 mai 1999 à la nouvelle Bibliothèque publique de Grand-Sault.

En prévision de sa relocalisation, la **Bibliothèque publique Mgr W.J.Conway** d'Edmundston, a procédé au lancement officiel de sa campagne de financement, le 15 mars der-

nier. Cette campagne a pour objectif 350 000\$. L'objectif envisagé représente les coûts d'équipement et d'ameublement pour la nouvelle bibliothèque. Le comité, mandaté par la Commission, est présidé par Madame **Anne Soucie**. La présidence honoraire est assurée par Monsieur Claude Picard D.H.C.

Un Comité régional sur l'informatisation a été mis sur pieds dans le but de piloter le développement de l'informatisation dans la région, d'uniformiser certaines procédures, surtout en ce qui a trait au système Inlex et aussi d'identifier et de répondre aux besoins de formation des employés. Le comité se réunira pour la première fois le 13 avril prochain et devrait se rencontrer à toutes les deux ou trois semaines. Les membres de ce comité, présidé par la directrice régionale, représentent les différents services de la région ( bibliothèques, services d'extension, services techniques).

**Bibliothèque régionale AWK Regional Library** - All libraries of the **Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Library** now have automated circulation (except Hopewell Cape which cannot be connected at its present location). The bookmobile is partially connected, using backup circulation and laptops while on the road and uploading when back at the office.

**Deborah Duke** was welcomed to the A.W.K. Regional Library in March on a contractual basis to share the duties of the librarian at the **Riverview Public Library**. Ms Duke completed

her Master of Library Science at the University of Western Ontario (1989) and has worked at the Fredericton Public Library, the Halifax Regional Library, the Provincial Archives of New Brunswick and the New Brunswick Healthcare Association.

### University Libraries

**Université de Moncton - Campus d'Edmundston** - La Fondation Saint-Louis-Maillet a octroyé une somme de 9 000,00\$ à la **Bibliothèque du Campus d'Edmundston** pour l'achat d'ouvrages de référence et de monographies dans le cadre de l'introduction de deux nouvelles concentrations au baccalauréat multidisciplinaire, soit la concentration en études canadiennes et la concentration en études acadiennes. Ce projet spécial est destiné particulièrement aux étudiantes et étudiants des secteurs Arts et Lettres et Sciences humaines.

**M. Guy Lefrançois**, directeur de la Bibliothèque du Campus d'Edmundston, présidera la 14e édition du Salon du livre d'Edmundston qui se déroulera du 13 au 16 mai 1999, au Centre des congrès d'Edmundston. Au programme : plus de 40 exposants, une belle brochette d'auteurs, un volet électronique (librairie virtuelle, CIDIF et ordinateurs) et plein d'animation.

**Library Assistant Program** - The Library Assistant Program at UNB's Department of Extension has a new Coordinator. **Judy MacLean** replaces **Lesley Beckett Balcom** who coordinated the Program for four years. Judy will work with the Library Assistant Program Advisory Committee to offer continuing education opportunities for library staff in New Brunswick.

- *Charlotte Dionne*  
Vice President (New Brunswick)



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### Academic

Last year, a consulting firm prepared a report for Prince Edward Island libraries concerning the development of an integrated library system on the Island. That plan moved a little closer to reality last month when **Brenda Brady** of Holland College, **Lynne Murphy**, UPEI's University Librarian and **Harry Holman** of the **PEI. Provincial Library Service** (public libraries) met with government officials who affirmed their commitment to help the libraries move to

Z39.50-compliant Web-based public catalogues. Holland College was able to access funds from the Holland College Foundation to purchase a new server and staff are comparing products offered by various vendors.

**Andrea Stewart** of Holland College recently attended the Metadata workshop offered by the University of New Brunswick.

### Public

The **Confederation Centre Public Library** hosted a number of author readings through March and April. Writers either reading from their works or launching new books included David Helwig, Ken Garnhum, Dr. Phillip Davis and local author J.J. Steinfeld. March break was celebrated in the Children's Department by cruising on the good ship H.M.S. Basset which miraculously made it to the Bahamas, Malta, Greece, New Zealand and Hawaii, all in a week. Passengers received a chocolate dollar for every book read during the cruise which

could be spent at the ship's store at the end of the trip if not eaten. Cruise Director **Barb Kissick** (aka Children's Librarian) would like to thank Capt. **Don Scott**, Fitness Director **Bev Montgomery** and First Mate **Charity Becker** who produced the cruise newsletter.

**Nichola Cleaveland**, Government Services Librarian, has been appointed to the Department of Education's Strategic Plan Monitoring Project Team. This group is charged with responsibility for developing and implementing methods to measure and monitor the department's performance. One of those measures will be a public satisfaction survey.

French Week was celebrated in the francophone libraries in April with events like a treasure hunt in the library, a "reading caterpillar" with every body segment representing a book read and various book draws.

- *Moir Davidson*  
Vice President (PEI)

## APLA - An Advocacy Pioneer

APLA has become a pioneer in the field of advocacy in Canada with the formation of an Advocacy Committee and with trainers now available in all four Atlantic provinces. APLA and CLA co-sponsored a "Train the Trainer" workshop in Halifax on March 20. Conducting the workshop were Pat Cavill, a Calgary-based library consultant and well known library advocate, and Wendy Newman, CEO of the Brantford Public Library. Eight people took the course and are now ready to begin offering advocacy training. These eight formed the nucleus of the Advocacy Committee which will be in existence until May of 2000. Norine Hanus was selected as committee coordinator. The Committee will be responsible for developing procedures and protocols for delivering a national training program for advocates for libraries and librarians in Atlantic Canada. Joining Penny Marshall, the region's first trainer, are Gary Archibald of Yarmouth, Carol Compton-Smith of Halifax, Lorraine Fennell of Pomquet, Susan Harris of Summerside, Norine Hanus of Charlottetown, Ella Fairley of Fredericton, Jean Cunningham of Saint John and Louise McGillis of Corner Brook.

- *Norine Hanus*  
University of Prince Edward Island

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### President

It has been a busy and productive year for both the APLA Executive and myself. From May 1998 to now, the APLA Executive has: investigated the feasibility of hiring an Executive Director for the Association; taken Advocacy to the next level by "Training the Trainers" and by establishing a special committee to address advocacy planning and implementation in the Atlantic provinces; endorsed such an important initiative as CARL's *Statement of Principles for the Management of Copyright in the Digital Environment*; moved to create a special committee to investigate copyright issues affecting APLA; made APLA an institutional member of *I'ASTED* (with Pierre Lafrance as our representative); and, moved to approve expenditures from the General Activities Fund for three events -- University of New Brunswick's Metadata Workshop (\$500), Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award (\$1,000 to help in the establishment and growth of the Award), and Eastern Horizons Children's Literature at the Millennium Conference (October 19-22, 2000 in St. John's NF... \$1,000 to be committed to sponsor the authors' luncheon). Also, at the last OGM, the Executive was directed to spend more money.... this we did via funding the "Train the Trainers" Advocacy workshop, hiring a consultant to investigate the feasibility

of hiring an Executive Director, having two Executive meetings (October and March), and by my attending the PTLAC meetings in Toronto at the Ontario Library Association Conference in January (APLA funded half of the travel expenses).

Regarding the feasibility study, Elizabeth Kelley presented her *Executive Director Feasibility Study* report to the Executive at the March 21 meeting in Halifax. It was decided that hiring an Executive Director was not financially viable for the Association. The report, summarized in the last issue of the *APLA Bulletin*, states that some measures need to be considered to ease the work of those on the Executive and to encourage members to stand for office. Some ideas discussed during the presentation included establishing an executive projects line in the budget (for such projects as streamlining the membership process or recruiting new members) and revisiting our Strategic Plan. A full summary of the report will be given at the OGM in May.

Pat Cavill's Advocacy Workshop ("Train the Trainers") on March 20 in Halifax was a success! She reported, at the Executive dinner meeting that evening, on the activities of the workshop that she and Wendy Newman gave that day, brought feedback from the participants, and offered sugges-

tions for further action. All eight participants were enthusiastic about participating in a continuing advocacy program. As a result, the Executive, at the Executive meeting the next day, moved to establish a special committee to address advocacy planning and implementation in the Atlantic provinces. This committee will advise the Executive on the structure and support necessary to sustain an advocacy training program. The committee, convened by Norine Hanus, consists of all of the participants in the Workshop.

As a result of CARL's *Statement of Principles for the Management of Copyright in the Digital Environment*, the Executive has moved to create a special committee to investigate copyright issues affecting APLA and to review the need for a more permanent committee on copyright. This special committee, convened by Jo-Ann Riggs, will make a report to the executive at the May 2000 meeting.

Finally, I want to thank the Executive for the wonderful work they have done this year. Their energy, commitment and support have made this year both productive and fun! I look forward to continuing my participation on the APLA Executive as Past President. □

*Respectfully submitted,  
Francesco A. Lai, President*

### PAST PRESIDENT

Nominations have been solicited for four executive positions. Results will be announced at the OGM in Saint John. There were no nominations received for the APLA Merit Award received by the normal closing date. Barring a late nomination there will be no presentation this year.

Other activities this year included drafting Terms and Conditions for the Procedures Manual relating to the Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship and involvement in the organization of an Library Advocacy Training for Trainers session.

As I come to the end of my three years on the executive,

I would like to thank the membership for the opportunity to serve the Association. I enjoyed working with all of those who served on the Executive, and the convenors of interest groups and committees. I am taking this opportunity to offer a special note of thanks to Jocelyne Thompson who agreed to serve as secretary during my year as president, and André Guay who chaired the conference committee in Wolfville. □

*Respectfully submitted,  
John Teskey, Past President*

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### SECRETARY

During 1998-99, the Executive held two meetings. One at Antigonish (October 17-18) and the other in Halifax (March 20-21). Special thanks to Elaine MacLean and Peter Webster who handled local arrangements for the respective meetings. A third meeting will be held in conjunction with the annual conference.

During his presidency, John Teskey, set up an e-mail distribution list for the Executive. This year the list was moved to a permanent address at Dalhousie University and a second list, for convenors, was set up. These two lists have proven to be a very effective way of communicating with members of both groups. The lists were used for discussing issues of importance and for distributing information such as reports. Not only did use of the lists save on telephone and photocopying costs, but it also meant that the Executive had copies of reports before coming to the executive meetings.

Normally, the Past President is responsible for updating the *Procedures Manual*. This year, because of the amount of typing necessitated by the change in the "Standing Orders," it was agreed that the Secretary could be responsible for the revision.

The Association Archives have been maintained by the Public Archives of Nova Scotia (PANS). PANS has recently revised its guidelines for materials which it will accept. As

a result of this revision, some materials, which were sent to PANS in 1998, were rejected. The Secretary met with an archivist at PANS to determine the best means for ensuring that the materials continue to provide a meaningful representation of the Association. Much that is in the Archives is worthless and could be weeded - a great project for anyone interested in writing a history of the Association. In the meantime, the Association has revised its guidelines for materials to be archived. With the advent of the APLA-list in 1993, we created a different archive. As one of the oldest listservs at Dalhousie University, this archive has grown to an appreciable size. The Secretary, with the help of Elizabeth Browne (Memorial University of Newfoundland), and the Past President, John Teskey, are investigating the possibility of saving the listserv archives on a CD-ROM.

As all of the presidential correspondence was handled by the President, the "corresponding" part of the job was greatly reduced - much thanks. The 1998-99 Executive has been an extremely active, enthusiastic, and committed group and it has been a pleasure to serve as secretary. In particular, I would like to thank Francesco Lai for allowing me this opportunity. □

*Respectfully submitted,  
Suzanne Sexty*

### APLA BULLETIN

This year there are only a couple of changes to report. The first is that Brian McNally, Systems Librarian at the Ralph Pickard Bell Library at Mount Allison University, replaced Michelle Fiander as Advertising Editor. Brian picked up where Michelle left off and has done a terrific job with our advertisers. Next, the *Bulletin* editors, in consultation with Suzanne Sexty, APLA Secretary, and the APLA Bulletin Management Board, added a brief disclaimer to the **Publication Information** section which states: "The opinions expressed in articles are not necessarily those of the editors or the Association". The APLA Executive and the Editors felt this statement would help clarify the Association's position on material published in the *Bulletin*.

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### VICE PRESIDENT MEMBERSHIP

The number of individual members increased this year compared to last year, thanks largely to the recruitment efforts of the provincial vice-presidents.

MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS: THIS YEAR AND LAST		
	1998-99	1997-98
Personal	192	114
Life/Honorary Life	25	24
Institutional	28	10
Subscribers	23	24
Total	268	172

The distribution by province is much the same as in past years.

MEMBERS AND SUBSCRIBERS 1998/99						
	NB	NF	NS	PEI	Other	Total
Personal	73	34	62	11	12	192
Life	3	0	8	2	1	14
Honourary Life	4	2	5	0	0	11
Institutions	10	2	15	0	1	28
Subscribers	2	1	2	0	18	23

Personal Members by Type	
	1998-99
Librarians	164
Library Staff	9
Trustees	3
Students	5
Other (or unspecified)	11

The membership committee looked at the potential versus the actual membership by type and province.

Potential Members by Province and Type				
	Librarians	Library Staff	Trustees	Students
NB	150	321	454	0
NF	83	362	864	0
NS	173	231	100	105
PEI	35	60	0	0
Total	441	974	1,420	105

Joy Tillotson replaced Barbara McDonald as Vice-President (Membership) for the remainder of her term, effective April 1, 1999.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara McDonald and Joy Tillotson*

### APLA BULLETIN REPORT

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The Editors would like to thank the ever pithy St. Jerome for 'The Den', and André Gionet for his Web reviews. We are also grateful for the advice and support of the APLA Executive, and the Provincial Vice-Presidents whose "News From the Provinces" anchor every issue. We would

also like to thank the APLA members who contributed their time, articles, and much needed advice over the year. Finally, thanks once again to our advertisers for their continued support of the Association and the *APLA Bulletin*.

Finally, the Bulletin's finances remained healthy and six issues were produced under budget. Credit for this state of affairs go to Joanne Neilson

for her formidable formatting and word-processing skills, and to the University of New Brunswick post office's 'cheap mail' and to our printer, Quebecor Inc. □

*- Respectfully submitted,  
John Neilson  
Linda Hansen  
Brian McNally*



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### VICE PRESIDENT - NEW BRUNSWICK VICE-PRÉSIDENT - NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK

1998/99 was again a very busy year for libraries in New Brunswick.

Public libraries continued to make great strides towards automation. All 61 public libraries now have direct connections to Vision.Online (the provincial OPAC) rendering obsolete the CD-ROM format catalog of which the final edition was produced in December 1998. Also, as of April 12 1999, automated circulation is a reality in more than half the libraries (34 of 61), and expected to be in all libraries by the end of 1999. Finally, Internet access is also now available in all public libraries and is proving to be very popular. Training for the staff in the use of Internet and the library system was a major activity in the public libraries this year. And again this year, libraries have gone out their way to invent new ways to stimulate reading and raise money : lots of Adopt-a-book and book sales programs.

Les cinq (5) postes de bibliothécaires régionaux sont maintenant remplis, avec l'affectation de Sylvie Nadeau à la Bibliothèque régionale Chaleur en septembre 1998. Depuis le transfert de la bibliothécaire provinciale, Jocelyne Lebel, à la direction de la Bibliothèque régionale du Haut-Saint-Jean en juillet dernier, Jocelyne Thompson agit comme bibliothécaire provinciale intérimaire.

The New Brunswick Public Libraries Board, founded in 1997, met four times in 1998. Following on their role to advise the Minister on policy directions and service levels, they considered the issues of collections, reconsideration of library materials, Internet access and library budgets.

Les membres de la Fondation des bibliothèques publiques du N.-B. ont été nommés par le Ministre et se sont réunis pour la première fois en septembre 1998. Il est maintenant possible de faire un don à la Fondation, et le gouvernement provincial s'est engagé à égaliser les premiers \$100,000 souscris annuellement.

Two New Brunswick librarians, Jean Cunningham and Ella Fairley, participated in the "Train the trainer workshop" for the Library Advocacy Now program given in Halifax in March 1999. The two of them will shortly begin work on implementing the program in New Brunswick.

The New Brunswick Community College libraries are at various stages of their recon/automation projects using Follett. Four of the nine libraries are now fully automated (Moncton, Woodstock, Campbellton and Miramichi).

Dans le secteur académique, les bibliothèques travaillent de plus en plus de concert pour planifier leurs demandes de subventions et leurs abonnements aux bases de données. L'Association des bibliothécaires professionnel(les) du N.-B. a tenu sa 6e conférence annuelle à Fredericton, présentant cette année, en première, un service de traduction simultanée.

As this is my last report, I want to sincerely thank all the contributors of news during the past two years. It has been a real pleasure to work with APLA and to get to know more about New Brunswick libraries. Un gros merci à tous pour votre précieuse collaboration et votre généreux support! □

*Respectueusement,  
Charlotte Dionne*

### VICE PRESIDENT - NEWFOUNDLAND

The 1998-99 year was a difficult year from a budgetary standpoint for a number of Newfoundland libraries. Spiraling materials prices, a poor exchange rate on the U.S. dollar, and general funding problems contributed to reductions in library material purchases. As well, staff and service reductions and staff re-allocation were necessary on some fronts.

The Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association continued to play an important role on the local scene. Fall and Winter annual meetings were held: Presentations by Dianne Cmor and Dr. Brian Roberts on, respectively, finding and evaluating information on the World Wide Web and book preservation techniques for librarians highlighted these meetings. The NLLA Special Libraries Interest Group held a couple of meetings in St. John's - at the Newfoundland Department of Development and Urban Renewal's Business Resource Centre and at the National Research Council's Information Centre. As well the NLLA's Library Week Committee, based on Newfoundland's west coast this year, began making plans for Newfoundland and Labrador Library Week 1999, scheduled to run from April 25 to May 1 and featuring the theme "Read, Explore, Connect @ the Library."

On the public library front, there was a major move towards extending Internet access to an increasing number of branch libraries throughout the province. In addition to this development, a web version of the Provincial Information and Library Resources Board's online catalogue, called Beacon, was introduced. The holdings of the Board's 96 public libraries are reflected in the new catalogue. As always, public libraries were active in staging various public activities, including author readings from a number of prominent writers. The Corner Brook Public Library was the site for the launching and set-up of a new public Free-Net - dubbed CORNET - for the provision of free public Internet access similar to that provided by the St. John's Info-Net.

Also affected by a transition to a web-based format was Memorial University's online catalogue, Unicorn. This transition was scheduled to occur on May 1, 1999. The holdings of the Unicorn library catalogue include those of the Queen Elizabeth II Library, the Ferriss Hodgett Library at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College in Corner brook, the Dr. C.R. Barrett Library at the Marine Institute, and the Health Sciences Library in St. John's.

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As Vice-President (Newfoundland) over the past year I was involved in discussions with Alison Mews of Memorial University's Curriculum Materials Centre over APLA funding for a planned children's literature conference to be held in St. John's, Nfld in the fall of 2000. I was also involved on APLA's behalf in promoting libraries as worthy recipients of available resources in response to a literacy initiative begun by the provincial government in Newfoundland. On another front, I worked to provide the Vice President (Membership) with figures estimating potential APLA membership in the province. As was the case with my colleagues on the Executive, I took part in the executive director feasibility study undertaken by Elizabeth Kelly.□

*Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Field*

### VICE PRESIDENT - NOVA SCOTIA

Nova Scotian libraries of all types continue to face change and challenges inherent in today's technology-driven environments. The ability to adapt quickly to new media, systems, programs, and interfaces is essential to our provision of information and services.

→ This ability to adapt quickly is of particular interest to the Nova Scotia Community College who recently joined the Novanet Consortium of academic libraries. NSCC Library staff is presently integrating their system with Novanet's. The collaboration between Novanet and the Nova Scotia Community College ensures students from both education systems will have enhanced access to information.

→ Novanet was recently recognised for its innovative use of technology when it was selected one of twelve finalists in NovaKnowledge's Smart Enterprise Awards program.

→ Staff training is an important consideration in today's dynamic workplace. In the past year, one hundred and twelve staff members of the Nova Scotia Regional Library received training on the new TAOS NcompasS online catalogue.

→ The Western Counties Regional Library, along with the Yarmouth Public Library and Museum Board, has formed a Y2K Steering Committee to identify and correct potential problems related to this issue.

→ Many of our province's public libraries have noticed a significant increase in the public's use of the Internet. Citizens of Baddeck, Dominion, Port Hawkesbury, Sydney Mines, and North End Halifax have access to this resource due to the introduction of CAP sites to these communities.

→ Five government libraries, along with the Nova Scotia Provincial Library, have developed the Government Libraries Consolidated Catalogue (GLCC). This collaborative effort is part of the Virtual Canadian Union Catalogue (vCuc).

This very brief discourse on some of this year's activities makes it apparent Nova Scotia's libraries are working to take advantage of technology and all it offers.

My activities during the year have included reporting the

news as provided by my colleagues throughout the province; contacting lapsed or non-renewing members to encourage them to rejoin our Association; and performing duties as prescribed by the Executive. As my first year as Vice-President, Nova Scotia draws to a close, I'd like to give my sincere thanks to members of the APLA Executive for bearing with their rookie member. It is a privilege to work beside such energetic and dedicated individuals! Your enthusiasm for APLA and librarianship has served to revitalize my interest in our profession - thank you! Kudos must also be given to my colleagues who so willingly report noteworthy events and news. It's been a revelation to learn of all the activities taking place in our libraries! To our volunteers chairing committees and interest groups a hearty appreciation is extended.

I have enjoyed my first year as VP Nova Scotia and I look forward to the next! See you in Saint John!□

*Respectfully submitted,  
Cathy Chisholm*

### VICE PRESIDENT - PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The year ending was one of slow growth and consolidation for P.E.I. libraries. The public libraries completed their first full year of automated circulation using the Dynix system; statistics indicate that circulation increased by approximately 11%. Public Internet access was provided in all branches but one (by the end of the year, that final branch library had a Pentium PC as a public Internet station.) The Community Access Program also expanded its presence in the public library system.

The school library system saw one new school library built in Summerside, with the promise of two new libraries next year. In addition, the Department of Education provided a grant of \$100,000.00 for the purchase of non-fiction material for all school libraries. The P.E.I. Teacher-Librarians' Association was active, publishing two issues of the **School Library Advocate** and facing the pleasant task of deciding how to spend the profits made from the ATLCL/PEITLA conference held in May 1998.

In higher education, Robertson Library at the University of Prince Edward Island welcomed new University Librarian Lynne Murphy last summer. The Holland College Library opened a new resource collection in Georgetown, P.E.I. and is undergoing an automated system review.

I stepped in as VP-PEI last spring to complete the term originally held by Janet Arsenaault, who is presently on a job exchange in Nova Scotia. I'd like to thank the other Executive members for their help, as well as extend a special thanks to Norine Hanus for her support. I'd also like to thank everyone who contributed material to the News from the Regions feature.□

*Respectfully submitted,  
Maira Davidson*

## ANNUAL REPORTS - STANDING COMMITTEES/INTEREST GROUPS

### COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

No convenor.

### INTELLECTUAL FREEDOM COMMITTEE

No report received.

### APLA MEMORIAL AWARDS COMMITTEE

No report received.

### PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

The only activity of the Committee this year has been to act as liaison for the Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award. APLA is represented on the steering committee for this award. Other members of the Committee include representatives from a number of interest groups including schools, publishers, libraries, and writers. The Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award is an Atlantic Provinces wide project to encourage children in grades 4 through 6 to read. The award will go to the author or authors chosen by the children from a selected list of fiction and non-fiction books written by Canadian, and Atlantic Canadian, writers.

To find out more about the award attend APLA '99, session #206 on Friday, May 28 (11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.).

*Respectfully submitted,  
Suzanne Sexty, Convenor*

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### COLLECTIONS DEVELOPMENT INTEREST GROUP

On the eve of the new millennium, collection development is undergoing various paradigmatic shifts: these include the shift from collection development to collection management and from an emphasis on on-site, local collections to web-based or digital access via remote sites. These shifts have largely been influenced by several challenges facing the library community, for example, the high cost of journals, the explosion in publishing in both print and electronic formats and library budgets which have not kept pace with the huge increases in the costs of materials. Faced with this dilemma of not having enough money to acquire the plethora of resources available, libraries are

increasingly resorting to resource-sharing and its related activities of document delivery and ILL as a means of bridging the gap between what they can no longer afford or own and what their clients need. This need for cooperative and collaborative collection development is also creating a fast-paced, high-stress, negotiation-filled environment for collection librarians. In the preface to a recent issue of Collection Management, for example, the editor observes that "the art of cooperation requires librarians' ability to comprehend and support "big picture" goals and the skills to incorporate "common good" objectives into local activities so that there is constructive and affirmative benefit to one's own programs and services". Collection librarians thus have many issues and concerns to address. What, for example, does 2000 and beyond hold for collection development? Will on-site collections lose out to digital, remote collections? Can the shift to web-based access be sustained and at what price this emphasis on electronic access if it means libraries are more or less now in the business of "leasing" information rather than owning it as has always been the case? Can libraries with small budgets handle such a shift?

Does all of this bode well for collection development? These are some of the questions to which the Collection development Interest Group will be seeking answers in its future deliberations.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Glenna A. Quinn, Convenor*

### COMPUTERS AND CONNECTIVITY INTEREST GROUP

No convenor.

### CONSERVATION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS INTEREST GROUP

No convenor.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION INTEREST GROUP

I regret to inform you that I will be stepping down as convenor as I find that I do not have the spare time to devote to the interest group as I would have hoped. As most of you know, I started a new job at the Canadian Forest Service Library, NRC as the Regional Librarian which keeps me fairly busy. In addition, I have a 9 1/2 month old boy that demands my attention.

I submitted some ideas/topics for workshops to the

## ANNUAL REPORTS - STANDING COMMITTEES/INTEREST GROUPS

APLA conference committee members in the fall 1998. I have been forwarding e-mail messages to the APLA listserv and received positive feedback on this particular mode of delivery with the exception of one member. I also suggested a few articles to be reprinted in the *APLA Bulletin* that I hope would be of interest to the membership. □

*Respectfully submitted,  
Darlene Tan, Convenor*

### LIBRARY INSTRUCTION INTEREST GROUP

The Library Instruction Interest Group met at APLA '98 in Wolfville and I took over as convenor of the group. We had an interesting meeting and discussing various styles and methods of library instruction. It was mentioned that a useful video on bibliographic instruction was available. Contact Joy Tillotson at <joyt@morgan.ucs.mun.ca> for more information about the video. During the year, I had a few inquiries from people interested in joining the group -- hopefully we'll have a good turn-out in Saint John. Joy Tillotson will be convening the meeting at APLA '99 as I will not be attending the conference. □

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Richard, Convenor*

### LIBRARY TECHNICIAN INTEREST GROUP

No report received. □

### NEWSPAPER INTEREST GROUP

Interest Group activity this year focussed on organizing a session for the 1999 APLA Conference, "Decentralized Programme for Canadian Newspapers: An Update", to be given by Sandra Burrows, Newspaper Specialist at the National Library of Canada. The Interest Group will be holding its annual business meeting at APLA '99.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Charles Cameron, Convenor*

### TRUSTEES INTEREST GROUP

During the past year through Canadian Library Trustees Meetings both face-to-face and via teleconference, I have

had the opportunity to discuss library matters at length with both trustees from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. It has been an educational process for all of us as we find a wide variety of trusteeship in the three provinces. CLTA has prepared and distributed provincial profiles for trustee organizations in all provinces and these have been most helpful.

I have also aided the conference committee by way of suggestions for sessions and speakers for these sessions.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Heron, Convenor*

### ATLANTIC PROVINCES BOOK REVIEW SOCIETY

No report received. □

### FRANCOPHONE INTEREST GROUP

This group meets on a yearly basis at the annual conference to discuss ideas for sessions for the upcoming conferences. Last year we also presented a motion for APLA to become an institutional member of l'ASTED which was accepted. As well at the last conference in Wolfville we chose a new convenor for our group as I am stepping down as French Convenor after two year of hard work!! I am pleased to announce that my successor will be Jean-Claude Arcand from the New Brunswick Legislative Library. I enjoyed my time as convenor and hope that Jean-Claude will as well. He as already started his duties by organizing a preconference session "Catalogage des publications électroniques sur Internet". Bonne chance Jean-Claude!

Ce groupe se rencontre annuellement à chaque conférence pour discuter d'idées pour les conférences à venir. L'année dernière nous avons aussi présenté une résolution pour que l'APLA devienne membre institutionnel de l'ASTED. Cette résolution a été acceptée par les membres d'APLA. Nous avons aussi choisi un nouveau représentant pour le groupe francophone puisque je quitte ce poste après deux ans de travail assidu!! Je suis heureuse d'annoncer que mon successeur sera Jean-Claude Arcand de la bibliothèque législative du Nouveau-Brunswick. J'ai bien aimé représenter le groupe francophone et j'espère que Jean-Claude s'y plaira aussi. Il a d'ailleurs déjà commencé ses tâches en organisant une journée préconférence "Catalogage des publications électroniques sur Internet". Bonne chance Jean-Claude! □

*Respectueusement,  
Johanne Jacob*



**ATLANTIC PROVINCES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION****59th Ordinary General Meeting**

Acadia University, Wolfville, Nova Scotia

Friday, May 22, 1998, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 24, 1998, 9:30 a.m.

**MINUTES****1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

**2. Establish quorum**

Quorum was established.

**3. Additions and changes to the Agenda**

No changes or additions.

**4. Adoption of the Agenda****MOTION:** That the agenda be adopted as is. (F. Hopkins/S. Lochhead) **CARRIED****5. Minutes of the 58th Ordinary General Meeting****5.1 Corrections:** None.**5.2 Adoption****MOTION:** That the minutes of the 58<sup>th</sup> OGM be adopted as printed in the *APLA Bulletin*. (B. Conran/S. Lochhead) **CARRIED****6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

**7. President's Report**S. Lochhead took the chair. Report published in the *Bulletin*.**7.1 Changes to the Executive:** Janet Arseneault resigned from her position as VP, PEI when she moved to Nova Scotia. Norine Hanus agreed to a one-year term until an election could be held.**MOTION:** That N. Hanus replace J. Arseneault as VP, Nova Scotia, until the next election of the Executive. (J. Teskey/M.J. Archibald) **CARRIED**

Dan Savage resigned as Vice President/President Elect of APLA when he moved to Ontario. The Executive was unanimous in endorsing Francesco Lai as incoming President.

**MOTION:** That Francesco Lai be installed as President for 1998-99, replacing Dan Savage who has left the region. (J. Teskey/S. Sexty) **CARRIED.**

J. Teskey resumed the chair.

**8. Past President's Report**There is a change to the report published in the *Bulletin*. The APLA Merit Award will be presented this year.**8.1 Procedures:** The procedures manual has been updated. It will be put up on the APLA web site.**8.2 Standing Orders:** Thank you to S. Libby for her preliminary work on revising the Standing Orders and to L. Melanson for completing the job. The Standing Orders have been re-ordered into a logical sequence and each item made into an affirmative statement. The document is now much easier to read and to use. The Past-President will update the Procedures Manual to reflect the changes in the Standing Orders.

**MOTION:** That the revised Standing Orders be ratified. (S. Lochhead/E. Hamilton) **CARRIED**

**9. Vice-President's Reports**

**9.1 New Brunswick:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**9.2 Newfoundland:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**9.3 Nova Scotia:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**9.4 Prince Edward Island:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**9.5 Membership:** E. Browne reported a small change in the report published in the *Bulletin*. There are 58 personal members in Nova Scotia, not 57.

**10. Secretary's Report**

Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**11. Financial Examiner's Report**

The report was distributed at the meeting.

**MOTION:** That the Financial Examiner's report be accepted as presented. (S. Lochhead/L. Melanson) **CARRIED.**

**12. Treasurer's Report**

The report was distributed at the meeting. The Association is in good financial shape. The large budget surplus for 1997-98 is mostly due to the profit (over \$7,000) realized by the 1997 conference in Saint John's. Some of the membership expressed concern that APLA has so much money in its coffers and were of the opinion that more money should be spent on programs or that membership fees should be reduced to attract larger numbers to the Association. Several members drew a relationship between the fee increase three years ago and the decline in the number of members. Others agreed that APLA's financial situation is of concern. However, they pointed out that there is no way of knowing at the beginning of the year if the conference will turn a profit and to budget expenditures around potential revenue. Concern was expressed regarding the fact that there is only one executive meeting a year. J. Teskey responded that it depends on the issues in a given year and that e-mail allows a lot of Executive business to be conducted from a distance.

**MOTION:** That the Treasurer's report be accepted as presented. (E. MacLean/J. Neilson) **CARRIED**

**13. APLA Bulletin Editor's Report**

Report published in the *Bulletin*. A new advertising editor is required.

**14. Executive/Standing Committee Reports**

**14.1 Aims and Objectives:** No report.

**14.2 Committee on Committees and Interest Groups:** There seems to be an interest in creating an ILL interest group. The idea will be explored.

**14.3 Finance:** F. Lai took the chair.

- a) Budget:** E. MacLean presented the 1998/99 budget (copies distributed at the meeting). The first column in the Revenues section should read "1996/1997". Highlights of the budget: Projections for interest revenue have been adjusted to a more realistic figure based on last year's yield. The Executive committees have been allocated an overall budget of \$200. The budget for interest groups has been increased to \$100 each from \$25 in previous years in order to encourage the groups to be more active during the year. The interest groups are reminded that they can make a request to the Executive at any time for additional funding as required.

**MOTION:** That the budget be approved as presented. (J. Teskey/E. Hamilton) **CARRIED**

**b) Appointment of Financial Examiner:**

**MOTION:** That Peter Glenister be reappointed as APLA's Financial Examiner. (J. Teskey/I. Wilson) **CARRIED**

**c) APLA First Timer's Award:** Ella Fairley was presented as the winner of the First Timer's Award.

J. Teskey resumed the chair.

**14.4 Bulletin Management Board:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**14.5 Nominations and Elections:** The following positions were filled by acclamation: Vice President/President Elect, Penny Marshall; VP, Newfoundland, Stephen Field; VP, Nova Scotia, Cathy Chisholm; and VP, PEI, Moira Davidson. An election was held for the position of VP, Membership. Barbara MacDonald of Memorial University was elected.

**MOTION:** That the 1998 election ballots be destroyed. (S. Lochhead/S. Sexty) **CARRIED**

J. Teskey announced that the student assistant from Dalhousie for 1998-99 is Amber Butler.

**14.6 APLA Memorial Awards:** Two awards were presented this year: one of a \$1,000 to Karen Lippold, Angela Lonardo and Suzanne Sexty from Memorial University in support of the publication of a book on literary and journalistic awards 1973-1997, and a second of \$684.84 to Pat Belier of the University of New Brunswick to attend a course at the Rare Book School, University of Virginia.

**14.7 Communications:** Report published in the *Bulletin*. F. Lai stepping down as convenor. New convenor needed.

**14.8 Intellectual Freedom:** No report. Convenor needed.

**14.9 Public Relations:** Report published in the *Bulletin*. The Committee is considering instituting a public relations award and will prepare a terms of reference for the award. M. Pape will develop the terms of reference and a budget for an Atlantic children's choice award to be considered by the Public Relations Committee. Members of the Association are encouraged to send to the Committee information on public relations projects that can be shared through the web site or publication in the *Bulletin*.

**14.10 APLA Student Award Winner:** J. Teskey announced the winner: Michelle Paon.

**14.11 Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship Trust Fund:** S. Lochhead announced that the 1998 scholarship winner is Ian MacIntyre of Charlottetown who will be attending Dalhousie. The amount of the award this year is \$2,526.17. The committee received ten applications in all. L. McQueen suggested that the scholarship should include membership in APLA.

**15. Interest Group Reports**

**15.1 Collections Development:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

**15.2 Computers and Connectivity:** No report received.

**15.3 Conservation of Library Materials:** No report received.

**15.4 Continuing Education:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.

- 15.5 Francophone:** Report published in the *Bulletin*. J. Jacob reported on the collaboration with ASTED to provide a pre-conference session in French. Twelve people attended the session. ASTED covered the cost of the speaker including travel expenses. J. Jacob will write a thank you letter to ASTED on behalf of the Association.
- 15.6 Library Instruction:** Report published in the *Bulletin*.
- 15.7 Library Technicians:** No report received.
- 15.8 Newspaper:** Report published in the *Bulletin*. C. Cameron replaces I. Wilson as convenor of the interest group. A session will be planned for the APLA 1999 conference.
- 15.9 Trustees:** Report distributed at the meeting.
- 16. Atlantic Provinces Book Review Society**  
Report published in the *Bulletin*.
- 17. Annual Conferences**
- 17.1 St. John's 1997:** In all, the 1997 conference realized a surplus of \$7,328.16.
- 17.2 Wolfville:** A. Guay reported a registration of 177.
- 17.3 Saint John 1999:** The conference will take place at the Trade and Convention Centre, May 27 - 30.
- 17.4 PEI 2000:** There is some uncertainty as to PEI's ability to organize the conference in 2000. Another location will be considered.
- 17.5 Halifax 2002 - Joint CLA-APLA Conference:** J. Teskey reported that he had written to CLA to advise them that APLA would be pleased to co-host conference on a revenue neutral basis.
- 18. Resolutions Committee Announcements**  
The deadline for submitting resolutions was announced. The co-chairs of the Resolutions Committee are J. Neilson and J. Jacob.
- 19. Other Business**
- 19.1 Conference Fees:** P. Glenister suggested that the local arrangements committee consider a staggered registration fee for APLA 1999, in keeping with the new staggered membership fees.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. and reconvened at 9:35 a.m. May 24.
- 20. Resolutions**  
Five resolutions were received.
- Resolution # 1:**  
**MOTION:** Be it resolved that at the APLA '99 conference, the APLA Executive organize a forum for the discussion of an Atlantic Canada Multi-Type Library Consortium. (L. McQueen/R. Campbell) **CARRIED**
- Resolution # 2:**  
**MOTION:** Be it resolved that APLA Standing Order #2.02 be changed to read, "The fees shall be:
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|------------------------------|-------|
| a) library technicians       | \$25  |
| b) students                  | \$12  |
| c) unemployed                | \$25  |
| d) other personal membership | \$40  |
| e) life members              | \$500 |



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| f) institutional members | \$125 |
| g) honorary life members | \$0   |
- (J. Tillotson/L. McQueen) **CARRIED**

**MOTION:** That the following friendly amendments be adopted:

1. That "unemployed" be changed to "unwaged";
2. That Trustees be added as d) at \$25, and the following categories be renumbered accordingly;
3. That categories a, b, c and d (Trustees) become effective immediately.

A vote was taken. **CARRIED**

**MOTION:** That the fee for "other personal membership" be raised to \$55. A vote was taken. **CARRIED**

**MOTION:** That "library technicians" be changed to the more inclusive term "library support staff".  
(E. Browne/E. Fairley) **CARRIED**

**MOTION:** The amended motion is: Be it resolved that APLA Standing Order # 2.02 be changed to read, "The fees shall be:

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|------------------------------|-------|
| a) library support staff     | \$25  |
| b) students                  | \$12  |
| c) unwaged                   | \$25  |
| d) trustees                  | \$25  |
| e) other personal membership | \$55  |
| f) life members              | \$500 |
| g) institutional members     | \$125 |
| h) honorary life members     | \$0   |

and that the new fees for categories a, b, c and d be effective immediately.

(J. Tillotson/L. McQueen) **CARRIED**

**Resolution # 3:**

**MOTION:** Be it resolved that the APLA Executive designate funds to be used for developing library advocacy training in the individual Atlantic Provinces and that this training be developed in conjunction with the provincial library associations and/or other provincial associations. (S. Sexty/L. McQueen) **CARRIED**

**Resolution #4:**

**MOTION:** Be it resolved that Standing Order 9.01 be replaced with "APLA shall be an institutional member of CLA and I'ASTED." (J. Jacob/C. Dionne) **CARRIED**

**Resolution #5:**

**MOTION:** Be it resolved that the appreciation of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association be extended to: The organizers and volunteers of the APLA/98; The presenters, panelists, speakers, moderators and facilitators of all workshops, seminars and theme sessions of APLA/98; The sponsors and exhibitors who have contributed to the success of APLA/98. (J. Neilson/J. Jacob) **CARRIED**

**21. Dalhousie Library School**

Norman Horrocks presented a oral report on behalf of Bertram McDonald, Director of the Dalhousie School of Library and Information Studies. The school has undergone an accreditation review and all reports are very positive. The final results will be known June 27. Two professors are leaving the school: Larry Amey is taking early retirement and Grant Campbell has accepted another position. Both positions will be filled. The Director will provide a written report for the next issue of the *Bulletin*.

**22. Inauguration of New President**

The gavel was handed over to F. Lai.

**23. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

## From St. Jerome's Den

To quote the APLA '99 conference organizers, "Forget the overdue, the computer glitches, the unfinished cataloguing, and the screams from the Children's Room. Time to kick off your shoes..." While you are enjoying the conference, why not take a moment to remember some of the books that you have read, think that you should have read, or have at least heard about. Test your literary knowledge with the following.

See you in Saint John.

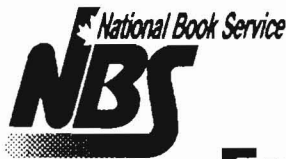
- St. Jerome

Name the authors of these first lines and the books they started?

1. I don't do it for the money.
2. Ladybird, ladybird,  
Fly away home;  
Your house is on fire,  
Your children are gone.
3. It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness...
4. In the winter, she lived like a mole, buried deep in her office, digging among maps and manuscripts.
5. Pig shit and wet greasy straw were piled high in the wheelbarrow.

How about the author who created each of these and books in which they appeared.

6. Holden Caulfield
7. Sam Slick
8. Yossarian
9. Captain Ahab
10. Allie Fox



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## Introducing the Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award

"Children need a literary landscape before their country will be real for them."  
Robert MacNeil, "Wordstruck"

Children in Atlantic Canada will have one more thing to celebrate in the year 2000. This will be the inaugural year of the Hackmatack Children's Choice Award.

This award is designed to promote reading by children in Atlantic Canada and to recognize fine writing. There are many prizes for children's books which are selected and awarded by adults, including the Governor General's Awards and the Ann Connor Brimer Award. While these awards recognize outstanding children's books, they are not chosen by their intended readers. A children's choice award gives young readers the respect they so richly deserve, as well as an opportunity to flex their reading muscles and develop critical thinking. With the Hackmatack Award, children will get to vote for their favourite Canadian and Atlantic Canadian books in region-wide "elections."

This program is based on the Silver Birch Award founded by the Ontario Library Association and developed from a parallel undertaking by the Texas Library Association. Since its inception in 1994, the Silver Birch Award has grown tremendously, with over 37,000 children involved in 1997.

The Hackmatack Committee would like to invite you to help make this award a reality in your community. Our goal is to have children begin reading in the fall of 1999 with the first winners announced with the millennium, May 2000.

Help us to give the children of Atlantic Canada a literary landscape of their own.

Our many partners in the school, library, book, publishing and literacy communities have been working hard to make the dream of an Atlantic Children's Choice Book Award a reality. A selection committee are preparing the shortlist of twenty fiction and non-fiction books. From this high quality list of Canadian and Atlantic Canadian books children will choose their personal favourites. Children in grades 4, 5 and 6 will begin reading in the fall of '99 and will vote to select their favourites in April 2000. An award ceremony to celebrate the winners will take place in Halifax in May of 2000.

A brochure outlining details of the program, along with a registration form will be available in early spring.

For more information about the Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Award please contact: Carol McDougall, Project Administrator, NS Provincial Library, 3770 Kempt Road, Halifax, NS B3K 4X8, phone 424-2453, fax 424-0633, e-mail [mcdougac@gov.ns.ca](mailto:mcdougac@gov.ns.ca)

## COMING EVENTS

**13-16 mai 1999** - La 14e édition du Salon du livre d'Edmundston se déroulera au Centre des congrès d'Edmundston, sous la présidence de M. Guy Lefrançois, directeur de la Bibliothèque du Campus d'Edmundston. Au programme : plus de 40 exposants, une belle brochette d'auteurs, un intéressant volet électronique (librairie virtuelle, CIDIF et ordinateurs) et plein d'animation. Pour plus de renseignements, contacter M. Guy Lefrançois (tél.: (506) 737-5266 courriel: glefranc@cuslm.ca).

**May 13-14, 1999** - Digital Knowledge III. "Information Technology: Tracking the Impact of the Internet: Are Things Better or Just Different? - An International Conference and Investigation. Presented by Canada's Coalition for Public Information (CPI) in association with Ryerson Polytechnic University, and Rogers Communications Centre. Location: Rogers Communications Centre, 80 Gould Street, Toronto, Ontario. For more information or to register, please contact the DK III Conference Coordinators: The Ellis Riley Group, 15A Elm Street, Suite 104 Toronto, Ontario M5G 1H1 T: 416-593-7352; F: 416-593-0249; E: riley@interlog.com

**May 14-15, 1999** - Third Annual UCCB Storytelling Symposium at the Delta Sydney, Sydney, Nova Scotia. For more information contact Afra Kavanagh, University College of Cape Breton, P.O. Box 5300, Sydney, Nova Scotia B1P 6L2, email <afrak@sparc.uccb.ns.ca> or phone (902) 563-1431.

**May 19-21, 1999** - 28th Annual Workshop on Instruction in Library Use - McGill University, Montreal. WILU '99 will focus on the growing interest in building a culture of information within the curriculum. For more information, e-mail <wilu@lib1.lan.mcgill.ca> or contact a member of the Steering Committee. See our web page at [www.library.mcgill.ca/wilu](http://www.library.mcgill.ca/wilu) for details.

**Le 19-21 mai 1999** - 28e atelier annuel sur la formation documentaire - Université McGill, Montreal. Le prochain Atelier annuel sur la formation documentaire portera sur une question qui suscite de plus en plus d'intérêt: le développement d'une culture de l'information en milieu académique et son intégration au curriculum. Pour de plus amples information, faites parvenir un message a <wilu@lib1.lan.mcgill.ca> ou communiquez avec un membre du comité d'organisation (liste et coordonnées disponibles sur le site web de l'Atelier: <<http://www.library.mcgill.ca/wilu/>>).

**25-29 May/mai, 1999** - Canadian Health Libraries Association / Association des Bibliothèques de la Santé, "A Bridge to the New Millennium - Un pont vers l'an 2000". 23rd Annual Conference/23ième congrès annuel, Halifax, Nova Scotia. For programme details, registration forms and other information about the Conference, please visit our website at <<http://www.library.dal.ca/chla-absc99/>>

**May 27-30, 1999** - APLA 1999, Saint John, New Brunswick. Conference committee: Ian Wilson, Saint John Free Public Library and Susan Collins, University of New Brunswick in Saint John; Program co-chairs: Leslye McVicar and Joann Hamilton-Barry. For accommodation or program information, or online registration, visit <<http://www.unbsj.ca/library/apla/index>> or call Barb Malcolm at 506-643-7220.

**June 16th - 20th, 1999** - Canadian Library Association. 54th Annual Conference at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. For more information visit the conference website at <<http://www.yonahs.com/cla99/>>.

**Juillet 1999** - L'Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie - Région Amérique a tenu une réunion sur le thème «L'évolution des bibliothèques publiques dans le maintien de la langue et de la culture françaises en Amérique», le 21 août près d'Ottawa, suite à une suggestion de Sylvain Lavoie (Médiathèque Père-Louis-Lamontagne de Miramichi). Après une allocution convaincante de Sylvain, le président de la section canadienne a annoncé son désir d'amener le thème à la réunion internationale qui se tiendra en juillet 1999.

**August 15-20, 1999** - Fredericton, New Brunswick - Creating Electronic Texts and Images--a practical "hands-on" exploration of the research preservation and pedagogical uses of electronic texts and images in the humanities. Sponsored by the Electronic Text Centre at the University of New Brunswick and the UNB Libraries Department of Archives and Special Collections. For more information visit <[http://www.hil.unb.ca/Texts/SGML\\_course/Aug99/](http://www.hil.unb.ca/Texts/SGML_course/Aug99/)>.

**August 20 - August 28, 1999** - 65th IFLA Council and General Conference, Bangkok, Thailand. Conference website <<http://www.ifla99.th.com>>.