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APLA 2001 Merit Award Winner: Peter Glenister

Merit award address given at the Merit Award Banquet, APLA Conference 2001 held at the Delta Prince Edward Hotel and Convention Centre, Charlottetown. PEI – Saturday June 2, 2001

by Norman Horrocks

It is a very great honour and personal pleasure to introduce this year's recipient of honorary membership in APLA - Peter Glenister, Bibliographic Services Librarian, Mount Saint Vincent University. Peter has his first degrees from St. Mary's University and started his professional life as a schoolteacher before entering the first class at the then School of Library Service at Dalhousie from which he graduated in the first class, class of 1971. Many of us here tonight have known Peter over the years as a pillar of APLA - he has served on our committees, spoken on our programmes and currently serves as our Financial Examiner. In all these capacities he has been dedicated to serving the interests of all those who work in our region's libraries. On a personal note we do have a Prince Edward Island connection in that his wife, Gloria Hardy who was born in Prince Edward Island and also a Dal library school graduate, is here tonight. Peter has a number of non-library interests - Glenn Gould and the N.D.P. rank pretty near the top of these but I think the greatest pleasure he has now is having recently become a grandfather.



Peter Glenister is congratulated by Roch Carrier, Canada's National Librarian.

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First annual APLNB Recognition award Premier prix annuel de reconnaissance de l'ABPNB

L'Association des bibliothécaires professionnel(le)s du Nouveau-Brunswick / The Association of Professional Librarians of New Brunswick is launching a new award - the APLNB Recognition Award / Le Prix de Reconnaissance de l'ABPNB - to recognize significant contributions to New Brunswick libraries.

Le prix annuel sera présenté à un individu ou à un organisme qui mérite d'être reconnu pour ses efforts dans l'avancement des bib-

liothèques ou qui fait une contribution remarquable dans le milieu des bibliothèques du Nouveau-Brunswick. Les personnes présentement à l'emploi de bibliothèques de la province ne seront pas éligibles à ce prix.

The Award will be primarily an honorary one and the Award winner will be announced at APLNB's autumn conference. A plaque will be presented to the recipient, along with available APLNB / ABPNB promotional items. In addition the

Award recipient shall choose a New Brunswick library to which a monetary gift shall be granted.

Vous pouvez envoyer dès maintenant vos suggestions de candidat(e)s pour ce prix. Toutes les candidatures devront être reçues au plus tard le 1 septembre de chaque année. For details of the Award see the terms of reference at the APLNB / ABPNB website at:

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Words from the new APLA President Norine Hanus

The APLA conference is over for another year and we have returned to work, energized and replenished. It is at this time of year that I realize the importance of APLA in my professional and personal life. The annual conference is where it all comes together. It is at the conference where we connect with our profession and our colleagues. The speakers, both from within and from outside the Association, inform and challenge us professionally. Stephen Abram has his presentation posted on the APLA 2001 web page. His ideas look back at the best of librarianship and how we can maintain this in the rapidly evolving future of the world of information. It is worth a second reading. Equally, I find that I am informed by colleagues in APLA. Their experience and wisdom is an extensive source of knowledge. Connecting with each other strengthens us all. I believe that all who attended an Interest Group dinner at the conference can attest to this. The success of these dinner meetings and the connections made there give me hope for a renewal within the

groups. We have a new Interest Group for Youth Services. Contact Nancy Cohen at nancy.cohen@gnb.ca if you are interested in joining. The Executive plans a close look at Interest Groups over the next year and will be contacting the membership through the Bulletin and on the listserv about your thoughts on the future and the activities of the groups. I will be attending the CLA Conference and representing APLA at the Libraries Advance Canada meeting in Winnipeg. This new movement aims to be a coalition of library associations working together as equal partners to address issues of common concern to libraries in Canada. In closing, I want to thank all of you for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President for 2001-2002. I am looking forward to working with the new Executive. I ask that you contact myself or any member of this executive with any concerns or issues that you may have.

May you all have a great summer!

Norine Hanus



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NEWS FROM THE PROVINCES



NEW BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARIES

There have been several staffing changes in the New Brunswick Community College system. At the beginning of April, Kenda Clark-Gorey took a transfer from the Edmundston campus to the Woodstock campus. At the end of April, France Smyth was hired as the college librarian at the Edmundston campus. In May, Michèle LeBlanc resigned from the Campbellton campus and took a position at the Dieppe Public Library.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES / BIBLIOTHÈQUES PUBLIQUES

Since May 2001, several new members have been added to the NBPLS team. We are pleased to welcome Stephanie Sherman (Network Manager), Pascal Lupien (Emerging Services Librarian), and Andre Gionet (Public Services Librarian).

The Provincial Summer reading club has benefited from a grant of fifty-five student positions through the Priority Employment Program from the Department of Training and Employment Development.

The Professional Librarians of the NBPLS met for the second consecutive year in Fredericton. A workshop featured a session on Media Awareness as well as updates from the various provincial committees.

YORK LIBRARY REGION

York Library Region launches Summer Reading Club for the province's libraries

There were lots of stetsons, bandannas and badges in evidence at the official launch of this year's western-themed Summer Reading Club.

Held May 29 at the lodge in Odell Park in Fredericton, the party marked the official start of one of the province's libraries most popular pro-literacy programs. The club has seen over 105,000 children register since its province-wide inception just over 10 years ago and it has grown and changed to include a read-to-me component for even younger children.

'WestWords/La Ruée vers la Lecture' is this year's slogan and the launch featured rope tricks with Buffalo Bob Gray, fiddle music and a western sing-a-long with Dave Neilsen as well as treats of Buckaroo Trail Mix and Wild West Popcorn homemade by York Region staff.

Jocelyne LeBel, former head of the New Brunswick Public Library Service and responsible for taking the summer reading club province-wide, was on hand to welcome the children and visiting dignitaries, as was Ella Nason, Assistant Director of NBPLS and Laurette Mackey, Regional Librarian for York Region, who was master of ceremonies for the day.

York Library Region wrapped up over 15 years of book sale involvement June 10 with the close of this year's Giant Annual Book Sale. The Friends group of Fredericton Public Library is taking over. "This year was one of our most successful ever", said Regional Librarian Laurette Mackey in announcing the changeover. "We made just over \$17,000 in cash sales at the door and we put over \$10,000 worth of donated material right into the collection."

The new Dalton Camp

Canadiana Centre opened June 18 at the L.P. Fisher Public Library in Woodstock with an evening reception and ribbon cutting. Mr. Camp, his colleagues, library patrons, special guests and friends were on hand to inaugurate this unique community resource.

The Centre honours a man who has been a player in the political flow of Canada for over 50 years. Mr. Camp has been a party organizer, a campaign manager, party president and candidate. He has written compelling columns and memoirs and has been acknowledged one of the nation's most gifted writers. For years he shared the CBC airwaves of "Morningside" while he and his colleagues kept the nation informed and entertained by their analysis of the on-going Canadian political scene.

Funded in part by a dinner honouring the Woodstock native, the Centre also received funding from the New Brunswick government and the Government of Canada under the auspices of the Department of Canadian Heritage.

The Centre will house a comprehensive collection of Canadian materials, and while it will focus first on non-fiction titles and materials that represent various Canadian perspectives on social and political issues, it will also include a representative selection of Canadian fiction, poetry and drama.

ALBERT-WESTMORLAND- KENT LIBRARY REGION

The Albert-Westmorland-Kent Library Region held its spring workshop featuring a session on 'Succès NB Succès', a provincial initiative to combine fitness with literacy, as well as updates on Public Libraries Week, Summer Reading Club and various administrative issues.

The Moncton Public Library used Information Technology Week as an opportunity to officially launch the region's Information Technologies Training Centre. An

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open house was held during which visitors to the library were introduced to the Training Centre as well as to the gift of equipment and software received from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Balloons, banners and refreshments helped make it a festive occasion.

RÉGION DE BIBLIOTHÈQUES HAUT-SAINT-JEAN

La Région de bibliothèques Haut-Saint-Jean a participé à la célébration de la Semaine des technologies de l'information en organisant une journée portes ouvertes sur les technologies de l'information. Le public a pu constater les nombreux progrès réalisés dans nos points de service dans le domaine des technologies de l'information et les services offerts au public: catalogue en-ligne, prêt informatisé, ordinateurs de la Fondation Gates qui permettent de faire des recherches dans des logiciels de référence et Internet, et l'accès à des bases de données sur CD-ROM.

Pour souligner la Journée mondiale du livre et du droit d'auteur du 23 avril, la Région de bibliothèques Haut-Saint-Jean a reçu la visite de l'auteure et illustratrice Anne-Marie Sirois. Artiste visuelle, auteure et cinéaste d'animation, Mad. Sirois s'est adressée aux jeunes et leur a parlé d'illustration et comment on développe les personnages à partir d'un conte.

LIBRARY ADVOCACY NOW WORKSHOPS

Finally, three workshops on Library Advocacy Now! were offered in New Brunswick. Our thanks to trainers Jean Cunningham and Ella Nason who presented the material in Fredericton, Saint John and Moncton. A number of trustees as well as some employees participated in learning to be more fully aware of the importance of convincing decision-makers at all levels that libraries need their support.

Merci beaucoup à Jean et Ella.

Jeanne Maddix
Vice-President for New Brunswick



PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The new headquarters for the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Information and Library Resources Board is being relocated to Stephenville. As a result, several members of the library administration have moved. Charles Cameron has left the St. John's Public Libraries and is now Director of Regional Services, Provincial Information and Library Resources Board, Stephenville, NF. David Norman, former Executive Director, PILRB is now the Registrar of Motor Vehicles for the Province. Judy Escott, Associate Executive Director, PILRB is transferring to another position in the Newfoundland & Labrador government.

ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

Pam Morgan is on leave from Memorial University of Newfoundland while working with the St. John's NRCC Information Centre (Canada Institute for Scientific and Technical Information) on a major project involving access to electronic information resources. Catherine Sheehan will retire in August 2001 from the Health Sciences Library, Memorial University of Newfoundland. Joy Tillotson is on sabbatical from the Queen Elizabeth II Library (MUN). She is completing advanced studies at the McGill Graduate School of Library

and Information Studies. She will be doing research on student search strategies and their expectations. In Joy's absence, Karen Lippold will be acting Head of Information Services at the QEII Library. Alberta Wood will be on sabbatical starting in the fall 2001. She will be working on the Newfoundland and Labrador Map Bibliography. Elizabeth Browne is on sabbatical leave from Bibliographic Control Services. She is working on a bibliography of writings by Moses O. Morgan. Claire Schneider is working in the Collections Division, replacing Laura Scott who is on sabbatical leave. Chris Dennis, Head of the Collections Division, is Chair of the CAUT Librarians Committee and a member of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Association of University Teachers. Suzanne Sexty will be retiring in October 2001 from the Information Services Division. Marion Matthews also will retire in October from Bibliographic Control Services, Queen Elizabeth II Library. Gillian Byrne will be returning to the Ferris Hodgett Library, Sir Wilfred Grenfell College (MUN) on contract as an Information Services librarian. Stephen Green-Dowden is Librarian in charge of the College of the North Atlantic, Topsail Road Campus library in St. John's NF. Janet Fraser, librarian for the CNA Prince Philip Dr. campus reported that the College of the North Atlantic Libraries will be automated this year using the Sirsi Unicorn integrated library system. The new union catalogue should be available in November 2001. Library staff at the 18 branches of the college have spent the past few months preparing records for loading into Unicorn

SPECIAL LIBRARIES

Shaila Mensinkai is on a one year leave of absence from her position at St. Clare's Hospital library in St. John's. Prior to the restructuring in the Health Care Corporation of St. John's, Shaila was the librarian at the Janeway Children's Hospital. During Shaila's

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absence, Pat Rahal is working full time at the St. Clare's Hospital Library in St. John's. Katherine Donnelly is the new Library Technician at the Pauline M. Laracy Library, Association of Registered Nurses of Newfoundland. She replaces Pat Rahal.

Adriana Popescu left the St. John's NRC Information Centre in May 2001. She will be working at the Plasma Physics Library, Princeton University. Starting 7 August 2001, Patricia (Trish) LeBlanc will be the Information Specialist in charge of the Centre. Derek Smith has joined the Centre as the Information Specialist for the NRCC Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP).

ASSOCIATIONS

The 2001/2002 Executive Committee for the Newfoundland and Labrador Library Association comprises : President - Patricia Parsons, Provincial Information & Library Resources Board, Gander NF ; Vice President/President Elect - Michelle Walters, Provincial Information & Library Resources Board, Gander NF ; Treasurer - Catherine Patey, NF Dept. of Mines and Energy Library, St. John's NF ; Secretary - Annette Anthony, NRCC St. John's Information Centre ; and Past President - Colleen Field, Queen Elizabeth II Library, Centre for Newfoundland Studies, St. John's NF. George Beckett, President of the Newfoundland & Labrador Health Libraries Association has reported that the 2004 conference of the Canadian Health Libraries Association will be held in St. John's.



ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

Mount Saint Vincent University Library

Meg Raven, Co-ordinator of Public Services, will be on sabbatical from July 1, 2001 to Dec. 31, 2001. During her sabbatical, Meg will be developing a half credit, stand alone course called Information Studies. Heather Shore (MLIS, Dalhousie '01) has been appointed to replace Meg while she is on leave. Heather will be with Mount Saint Vincent from August 20th until December 7th.

University College of Cape Breton Promotes Regional Library Membership

The UCCB Library Reference staff have been promoting the Cape Breton Regional Library's database Infotrac by encouraging UCCB students to search the Health Reference Center, General Reference Center, and CPI.Q. Students must have a Cape Breton Regional Library card in order to access this information service.

Acadia University

Effective June 30th, Lorraine McQueen is retired from her position as University Librarian at Acadia University. Best wishes to Lorraine as she enjoys managing her Bed and Breakfast charmingly called "Pleasantrees".

St. Francis Xavier University Taking Advantage of Downtime

St. FXU library staff took advantage of the recent Novanet downtime to divide into teams and tackle projects that were put aside for "later"! During this two week period, effort was spent cleaning out

drawers, shelves, and cabinets. Basement storage dating back twenty-five years was sorted; corrections to ISSN's in the serials database were completed; donations and government documents were sorted; geology library holdings were consolidated; stocktaking; and attics were cleaned.

St. FXU Librarians Offer International Workshop

Sue Adams, Librarian - Coady International Institute and Elaine MacLean, Head - Technical Services, Angus L. McDonald Library recently facilitated a three week "Certificate in Managing NGO Resource Centres". The program attracted 13 participants from eight countries including Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Malaysia, Nepal, Philippines, Republic of Dominica. As far as the St. FXU Library knows, this is the only program of its type in the world.

Twenty-five Year Recognition

Elaine MacLean, Head - Technical Services, St. Francis Xavier University and incoming APLA Vice-President was recently recognized at St. FXU's Staff Appreciation Day for 25 years service to St. FXU.

New Name for DalTech Library

In March 2001 the Dalhousie University Board of Governors approved a name change for the DalTech Library. The Library will be known as the Sexton Design & Technology Library. The new name honours Dr. Frederic H. Sexton. In 1907 the province of Nova Scotia created a Department of Technical Education and appointed Dr. Sexton as Director of the Department and Principal of the Nova Scotia Technical College, a role he retained for 40 years. It was Dr. Sexton's job to create a technical education system that would implement his vision to "train men and women in the principles of the arts and sciences underlying industry and commerce."

This vision included a Library, established in 1909 when the

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Provincial Science Building joined the Technical College in its new building on Spring Garden Road. Now, the Sexton Design & Technology Library continues to provide access to architecture, engineering, and related information for students, faculty, researchers, professionals and the general public of Atlantic Canada. The new name, focused on the primary subject areas of design and technology, more accurately reflects the Library's mandate.

Please note, contact information has not changed.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

News from the Annapolis Valley Regional Library

Internet Line Speed

By the end of March, seven of the region's outlets will have had their Internet connections upgraded. This has been made possible through the Department of Education's negotiations with MTT. The contract to upgrade all of the Department's connections is to be completed by the end of June.

MultiLIS

The most recent upgrade to the multiLIS system which took place in January will facilitate new functionality within the web version of the catalogue. The web services should be operational in the next few months. These new services - placing requests directly from the catalogue, renewing items and reviewing your account - will be easily done by users from their own personal computers. This is a big jump in the services offered to users outside the walls of the library.

Computer Training/Information Sessions

An HRDC Youth Internship project has been approved and is now making it possible to provide computer training sessions in three of the branch libraries, Annapolis Royal, Bridgetown and Lawrencetown. Training sessions include an after school program, a seniors morning and one-on-one tutorials. This is a pilot project with the goal of expanding the program throughout the region in the next year. CAP funding approved for other locations is also providing staffing for similar programs in Middleton, Kingston, Berwick and Port Williams. This funding will

continue until the beginning of the summer when students are anticipated to carry on some of this programming.

Through CAP sustainability funding in Annapolis and Digby counties Community Mentors have been hired. These mentors will be doing a series of workshops on small businesses and career development in Annapolis Royal and Middleton during the month of May.

Smart Communities

The official launch of the Smart Community Demonstration Project took place on February 24, 2001. An exhibit table was staffed in cooperation with the Western Counties Regional Library as one of the partnering organizations involved with the project. The event was well attended with many visitors inquiring about library services. The kiosks or pats (public access terminals) will be appearing within the next month or so beginning in the Town of Middleton. These kiosks will deliver services online including library services.

Branch Report

A coffee party and Home Library Service information morning was held at the Wolfville branch on

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Saturday, February 10th. This was an opportunity to promote the service, honour volunteers, and meet the new Co-ordinator of the Wolfville program, Gisela Westphalen. Claudia Tugwell has resigned as Co-ordinator of the program, a position to which she has been dedicated for more than a decade.

Members of the West Hants Historical Society were on hand at the Windsor Library on February 12th to host a "Genealogy Evening". Both beginners and experts in tracing their family roots were invited to this event. Attendance: 40

A series of photography workshops is taking place at the Wolfville branch. This series is a creative introduction to amateur photography and is intended to help participants take better pictures and provide a forum to answer questions and talk about photography. Facilitated by staff member, Mark MacFadyen.

At the Berwick Branch, on February 22nd, the library's version of the Antiques Roadshow was held. Wilfred MacPhee of Parkway Antiques in Kentville hosted the "Warm Up to Antiques" evening. Participants were invited to bring an antique, or picture of one, for viewing, discussion and assessment. 35 participants showed up for this enjoyable evening.

NEWS FROM CAPE BRETON REGIONAL LIBRARY

CBRL Staff Receive Training

Cape Breton Regional Library automation staff received their initial Circulation Training on Feb 29 and March 1. Shirley MacLeod and Mike Purcell will return to Sydney and Glace Bay on March 20 to assist the trainers and branch staff with their first few days of automated circulation. Cape Breton Regional Library will also have Acquisition training in March.

NEWS FROM EASTERN COUNTIES REGIONAL LIBRARY

All seven Branch library services are now automated and the nine Outreach community sites will come online in May and June.

The Library is pleased to announce that public access in all branch libraries will be improved, thanks to a generous grant from the Technology and Science Secretariat. New computers will be added, older ones upgraded and all branches equipped with a scanner. As well, additional staff hours will ensure more public access hours. The Library has hired a student worker through the University Cooperative Employment Program to assist with the installation of the new equipment and for public training.

The Library's Outreach Pilot Project, Libr@ry Links is well under way and two staff members are joining the library team for a one year period. While regular staff members see to day to day library operations, two additional staff members will be providing children and adult programs to smaller rural communities which do not have branch libraries. Distance access to library resources through the Internet is growing steadily in our outlying areas and public training sessions will be an important part of this initiative. Human Resources and Development Canada and the Canadian Rural Partnership have provided the necessary funding for these projects.

NEWS FROM THE WESTERN COUNTIES REGIONAL LIBRARY

Writing Workshop

The Writers Federation of Nova Scotia, in collaboration with Western Counties Regional Library, hosted *Happy Endings/Bright Beginnings*, Saturday, April 28th and Sunday April 29th at the Yarmouth branch library. The workshop was designed for adult writers of children's stories. Sylvia Gunnery and Ron Lightburn con-

ducted the Saturday session along with public readings from 1 - 2 p.m. Carol McDougall and Noreen Smiley were on hand on Sunday to address the business aspect of writing.

Friends in Action

During this *Year of the Volunteer* Western Counties Regional Library salutes its Friends of the Library groups in Digby, Shelburne and Yarmouth counties. Each group is dedicated to making a difference in their community library. Collectively they have raised thousands of dollars to assist with book purchases, equipment and furniture. They participate in community parades, assist with library programs, and lobby, when necessary, on behalf of their library. The following are just a few recent and upcoming activities planned by Friends groups.

The **Shelburne Friends of the Library** recently purchased approx \$400 in reference materials for the McKay Memorial Library in Shelburne. They also purchased a shelving unit for teens valued at \$800.00.

The **Clark's Harbour Friends of the Library** is planning the second annual Mother's Day tea at the library in May. Plans are also in the works for a Chinese Auction, and participation in the Clark's Harbour parade on Canada Day.

The **Yarmouth Friends of the Library** sponsored the 3rd annual Great Speckled Easter Egg Hunt on Sat. Apr. 14th. Thousands of eggs were hidden throughout the library for the half hour event. Participants were asked to bring their own baskets.

The **Pubnico Friends of the Library** are getting ready to stage a new play called *Dreadful Doings at the Cider Mill*. Their first production *The Scheme of The Driftless Shifter* and a skit called *Alice & the Bookworms* was produced in 1999 and played to a full house at Argyle school for two nights. The first performance of *Dreadful Doings ...* took place during the last week of April.

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Partnership with Libraries and the CNIB

Libraries in Nova Scotia and the Canadian National Institute for the Blind Library have established a partnership arrangement that will make reading material more readily available to Nova Scotians with print disabilities. The partnership, known as VISUNET CANADA, includes all public, university and community college libraries in the province. The program is available to all residents who are print-disabled because of blindness, visual impairment, physical disability or a learning disability. For Western Counties Regional Library the program is an extension of the partnership formed with the CNIB in early 2000 with the library's involvement in the first Braille Day. For more information on VISUNET services check out the library's web site www.wcr.library.ns.ca.

Library Services on the Net

Western Counties Regional Library continues to work towards developing its 'virtual library' on the Internet. From your home, office, or laptop computer you can visit the library's home page at www.wcr.library.ns.ca. Upon entering your library card number you can: request a book, ask a reference question, register for a session in the Gates Computer Lab, check out health information through the Western Health Information Partnership, search through thousands of magazines, access online computer tutorials, volunteer with your local library, apply for special needs services, and much more!

NcompasS Extranet

The Provincial Library, with the help of Industry Canada's LibraryNet, has developed an Extranet (Intranet for external users) for NcompasS members. Public library staff will now be able to search the Extranet for information such as staff information, minutes of meetings, upcoming workshops, library events anywhere in

Nova Scotia, policies and procedures, NcompasS software problems and much more.

New Web NcompasS Features

The recent MultiLIS SOFTWARE upgrade has made it possible for Web NcompasS to be upgraded to a new interface. This interface will include some new functionality such as patron initiated holds and loan renewals. The new interface should be up and running by late Spring.

Visunet Canada

All regional public, community college, and university libraries in Nova Scotia are participating in a partnership with the CNIB library in Toronto. VISUNET CANADA is an information service for Canadians who are unable to or have difficulty reading print. A license has been signed, and training sessions with Christina Lockerby from the CNIB library were held in late February. Nova Scotia is only the second province to establish such a wide ranging partnership with CNIB. It is coordinated by the Nova Scotia Provincial Library.

VISUNET CANADA expands access to CNIB library resources to all Nova Scotians who experience difficulties with print material, a much broader audience than previously served. Some of the services include:

VISUCAT, access to the CNIB library and its collection of talking books, braille books, electronic texts, magazines in audio and braille, and descriptive videos, VISUNews, access to 9 English and 4 French Canadian newspapers via telephone or the internet, and VISUTEXT, which offers full text access to a variety of information sources, including encyclopaedias, books, full text magazines, and selected web sites.

The target date for implementing this service to the public is May 1.

Annual Report - "Access the World" Released in PDF

"Access the World", the Nova Scotia Provincial/Regional Libraries Annual Report 1999-2000, released in January 2001, is now available in pdf format on the NSPL website at <http://www.library.ns.ca/whatsnew/whatsnew.html>. Print copies are available from Barbara Jordan, Tel:902-424-2400, Fax: 902-424-0633 or jordanbj@gov.ns.ca.

Staffing Notes

The Provincial Library is very pleased to announce that Bernadette Kennedy, Manager, Access to Library Holdings Project, Shirley MacLeod, Assistant Automation Specialist, and Elizabeth Parnell, Cataloguer have been made permanent Civil Servants. All three have been term employees. This change ensures that work with regional library automation and the Government Libraries Consolidated Catalogue will continue at the same level and that future plans can now be developed.

Nova Scotia Provincial Budget

The Province's 2001-02 budget was tabled in the Legislature on March 29th. Although the funding formula for regional libraries, recommended by the Regional Public Libraries Funding Review Committee in October 2000, will not be implemented in April 2001, regional library boards did receive an \$100,000 increase in funding. The increase will be distributed on the existing formula. The new formula will be implemented in April 2002. The Provincial Library's budget remains the same as in 2000-01.

2001 Directory of Nova Scotia Libraries

The 2001 edition of Directory of Nova Scotia Libraries is now available. You can search this up-to-date and comprehensive listing of libraries and archival institutions online via the Provincial Library's homepage at www.library.ns.ca or you can access a PDF version and

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ACADEMIC LIBRARIES:

At Holland College, Elisa Brown-Martel has assumed the position of Resource Centre manager at the Justice Institute of Canada at Slemon Park. The College has recently signed a contract to deliver IT training in China and library staff will be involved in determining resource requirements for the Chinese students although not delivering service to them directly. The Business Information Systems program at the College is using courseware that utilized e-books from the company Books24x7.com, distributed through Micromedia. The current license gives access to approximately 4,000 titles, all on the subject of information technology. Brenda Brady of Holland College says that having access to this content has been popular with students and staff and they are considering expanding the license to include other subjects next year.

Congratulations go to Dawn Hooper and Betty Jeffery at Robertson Library, U.P.E.I. who have accepted permanent status. Dawn Hooper is the Reference Librarian for Health Sciences and

Betty Jeffery is the Instructional Services Coordinator.

Suzanne Jones of Robertson Library, UPEI begins her sabbatical year on July 16. Suzanne is the Head of Access and Delivery Services at the library. This is the first time that a member of the Library Faculty has been granted such a leave. During the year, she will be creating a selective annotated bibliography on training resources for library staff as well as studying towards the Certificate in Conflict Resolution Studies offered at the University. She will be replaced for 9 months of her leave beginning in September by Moira Davidson from the Provincial Library Service. Also at Robertson Library, Nicole Parsons' position as Systems Coordinator was made permanent in the spring.

At Holland College, Brenda Brady and her staff are preparing to migrate from Sydney to epixtech's Horizon system. They are currently working on the conversion forms and have received the implementation manual. They are hoping to be up and running on Horizon sometime in the Fall. Staff including Andrea Stewart are using WebCT as course software to continue development of the College's information competency curriculum. The current list of tutorials can be found at <http://www.hollandc.pe.ca/Library/LibraryTutorials.htm>.

CONFERENCE:

The tired but happy organizers of APLA 2001 would like to thank all the volunteers who helped make this conference such a success. Thanks also go out to the conference organizers, especially Norine Hanus, Andrea Stewart and Betty Jeffery, who organized the team which made everything run so smoothly. Over 300 people participated in the conference including registrants, speakers and exhibitors.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES:

Johanne Jacob, French Services Librarian, left the Provincial

Library Service last November to take up a temporary secondment as the co-ordinator for the construction of the new French school in Summerside. Johanne has been replaced by Louis-Philippe Paquette who most recently worked at the CRTC library in Ottawa.

The Provincial Library Service joined the Nova Scotia public libraries in purchasing licenses for 2 of the Gale InfoTrac databases, the General Reference Centre and CPI.Q. These databases are provided over the Web free-of-charge to anyone holding a valid PEI Provincial Library card or to anyone using the public computers in any of the 26 branch libraries.

The 2000-2001 Hackmatack Awards were won by Kathy Kacer for Fiction and Andy Turnbull for Non-fiction. The P.E.I. Provincial Library Hackmatack group consisted of eleven children, six of whom read the twenty titles and were eligible to vote. Kathy Kacer presented a reading at the Confederation Centre Public Library and was the first author to visit the new Stratford Public Library. After her reading, Kathy joined the Hackmatack group and Provincial Librarian Allan Groen for a pizza supper at the library. The Hackmatack program was organized by Children's Librarian Barb Kissick.

Barb Kissick is also part of the group organizing the Summer Reading Club for Island public libraries. This year the theme is Westwords, and is shared with New Brunswick. All public libraries will present a program of story-times and crafts for children. The group is also designing a web page with links to libraries in Saskatchewan and New Brunswick. If Summer Reading Club members read 6,000 or more books, then Provincial Librarian Allan Groen will shave his beard off (which he admits he has had for 13 years); if more than 12,000 books are read, then the beard goes and Mr. Groen spends a day on the roof of the Confederation Centre Public Library.

The public library system ran a

"Food for late fees" campaign for April and May, during which library staff waived late fees for borrowers who brought in items for local food banks. Although the final count is not in, libraries collected over 1,000 food and grocery items to help Island food banks.

The newly refurbished and renovated public library in the community of Crapaud celebrated its grand re-opening in May. The public library service has been combined with an Access PEI site which allows visitors to borrow books, get a marriage licence, surf the Internet and renew their car registration all in the same place. Plans have been announced by the community of Murray River to build a brand new

building for their public library, hopefully with a completion date of this fall.

Technical Services staff at the Provincial Library are working with National Library of Canada staff to clean up the holdings information in the Amicus database. The PEI Provincial Library will begin again to report its monograph holdings to Amicus during this summer, after a lapse of many years.

Finally, the Chief Librarian position of the Confederation Centre Public Library has been filled by Penny Marshall. Penny will begin her duties at the beginning of July. It will be a homecoming of sorts as Penny worked for the Provincial Library Service early in her career

at what was then the Planning Library (now Government Services Library).

SCHOOL LIBRARIES:

Construction is due to begin shortly on a new French-language school in Summerside. This school will include a dual-purpose library, serving both as a school library and a public library for the francophone community in the Summerside area. The library should be open in early 2002.

Submitted by Moira Davidson

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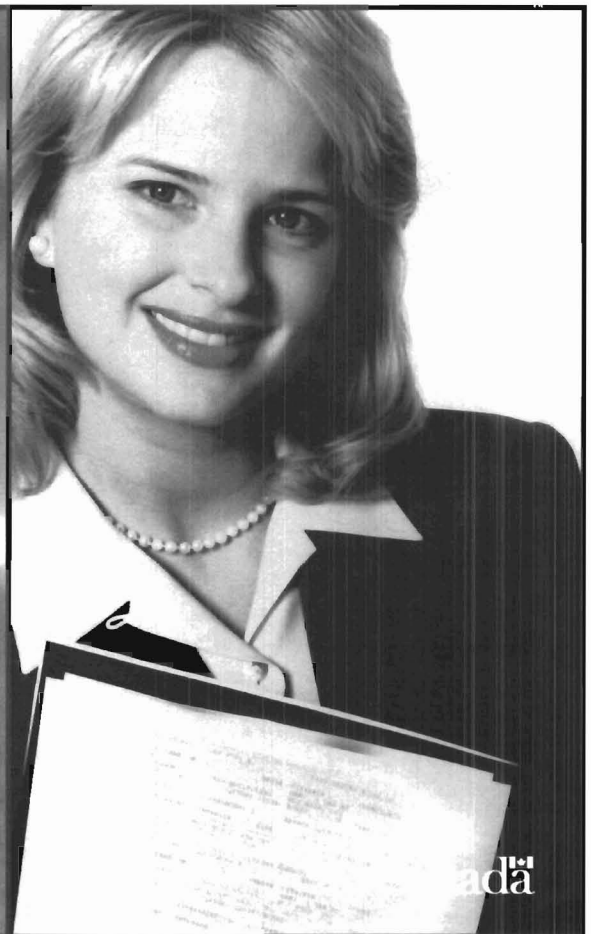
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An Ideal Library

*by Dr. Nirmal Jain
Acadia University*

An ideal library accepts the truths in Ranganathan's laws that are applicable to the practice of librarianship today, as they will be to the librarianship of tomorrow.

An ideal library's true mission is both to the individual seeker of truth and to the wider goals and aspirations of the culture.

An ideal library respects all forms of communication for the strengths that each brings.

An ideal library uses technology intelligently and wisely to enhance service.

An ideal library protects free access to knowledge.

An ideal library honors the past and creates the future.

An ideal library provides attractive appearance of physical facilities, equipment, personnel and communication material.

An ideal library provides reliable promised service dependably and accurately.

An ideal library is willing to help users and provides prompt service.

An ideal library recruits staff that possesses required skill and knowledge to perform the service.

An ideal library emphasizes courtesy, politeness, respect, consideration and friendliness of staff.

An ideal library emphasizes trustworthiness, believability and honesty.

An ideal library provides an environment free from danger, risk or doubt.

An ideal library emphasizes approachability and ease of contact.

An ideal library communicates with its users in language they can understand.

An ideal library makes every effort to know its users and their needs.

An ideal library treats co-workers and other colleagues with respect, fairness and good faith; and advocates conditions of employment that safeguard the rights and welfare of ALL.

An ideal library is free of all types of discrimination.

APLA Conference 2001 – Session Reports

Check out conference presentations on the Web

APLA 2001: it just keeps on goin'. The actual conference may be over but the conference web site lives on! A number of APLA 2001 speakers have made their presentations available on the World Wide Web.

You will find the keynote address and other presentations at: <http://www.upei.ca/~apla/> Click on "presentations" link.

Session 202 "Library and Computer Centre Collaboration" presented by Gwen Zilm, Okanagan University College.

10:30am, Friday June 1, 2001

Reported by Joy Tillotson,
Memorial University of
Newfoundland.

Cooperation and collaboration within Information Services

The speaker, Gwen Zilm, is in charge of an integrated service at Okanagan University College that includes the library, computing service, printing and graphic design service and support for teaching and learning technologies. The main collaborative activities of her group so far have been in the development of web courses (using WebCT) and

the development of a portal for the college. Gwen said that the philosophy of the college was to encourage students to experience distributed learning because it would be useful for them in continuing education. This emphasis on distributed learning helped to make cooperation among all the units a sensible option. She said that the different units brought different strengths to the partnership. Specifically that the computing staff were good at project management and process analysis while the librarians had expertise in teaching and learning and in a variety of service models.

She encouraged all of us to try collaborating with other divisions on our campuses, starting as small as cooperation on the design of a single course.

An interesting reference Gwen gave is *Integrating Computing and Library Services: An Administrative Planning and Implementation Guide for Information Resources* by Arnold Hirshon. CAUSE Professional paper Series #18 (Boulder, CO: CAUSE, 1998) which is available at <http://www.edu-cause.edu/asp/doclib/abstract.asp?ID=pub3018>

Session 308 "Managing Electronic Journals" presented by Louise White, Queen Elizabeth II Library, Memorial University of Newfoundland.

11:00am, Saturday June 2, 2001.

Session report by Peter
Glenister, Mount Saint Vincent
University.

While Memorial University of Newfoundland's Queen Elizabeth II Library (MUN QE2) may have begun adjusting to the electronic life of journals before this year, the Canadian National Site Licensing Project (CNSLP) has now become the driving force to adapt to a new approach for the management of electronic journals.

Louise White, the QE2's Head of Electronic Resources and Serials, presented a set of approaches for dealing with the problems posed by the format which is rapidly chang-

ing the work lives of serial librarians. The four characteristics of e-journals each present a combination of advantages and disadvantages.

1. While convenience for access, searching and reading is an obvious benefit, vendors generally have little control over the coverage or inclusion of individual titles and, although there are no claiming, binding or storage headaches, hardware and service support, password logistics and workload impacts pose a new set of conundrums.
2. Selection can be done on a title-by-title basis through individual publishers or in blocks of titles through a full or partial publisher's list or all-or-nothing through

vendors aggregated collections.

3. Coverage within titles or lists is extremely variable: there may be only current year or volume access or current and retrospective access; there may be access only to selected articles or to a choice between full text or full image. These options are also primary considerations in deciding whether or not to provide access through public catalogue entries.
4. Licensing is probably the trickiest facet of dealing with electronic journals. In Canada, we now have the benefit of the CNSLP model which has six major areas: a definition of authorized users (those permitted to access

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the secure network), no geographic restriction, user authentication, the term of access (during the contract or after as well as during the contract), inter-library loan provision, and compilation of usage data.

From a cost perspective, subscribers may deal individually with vendors or publishers or acquisition may be through consortia. While this latter is a growing approach to subscriptions because it is almost

always cheaper, more management is involved due to the variability of access limits and the unpredictability of adding or dropping of titles.

As for acquisition of any library material, use of vendors is preferable to dealing with numerous publishers. Vendors may also offer electronic notification of changes in service (such as coverage or image version) and allow access through a comprehensive IP range which can be updated as required providing an efficient and easy method of authentication. Trial access, use of

proxy servers, and links and cross references to texts from index or abstract entries are all benefits of aggregator vendors. A special Web page can make use of the library's catalogue entries in the construction of what should be an easily maintainable, directly linked list of available titles allowing for consistency in messages to users.

The future for electronic journals includes grappling with the issues of archiving, cost control and adaptability to changes in the publishing industry.

Session 314 "Authenticating Off-Campus Users to Provide Access to Licensed Databases" presented by Gordon Bertrand, Systems Librarian, Angus L. Macdonald Library, St. Francis Xavier University; David Colborne, Public Services Librarian, Nova Scotia Community College Peter Webster, Head of Information Systems, Patrick Power Library, Saint Mary's University.

3:00pm, Saturday, June 2, 2001

Reported by James Watson, University College of Cape Breton.

With the growth of home access to the Internet, library users are increasingly expecting access to library resources outside of the traditional brick and mortar confines of libraries. To provide such access while maintaining licensing restrictions methods are needed to verify that those accessing licensed resources are authorized users. The speakers at this conference session

provided attendees with overviews of three routes to go to authorize users. Proxy servers have become a popular way of verifying users before providing them access to electronic resources. Peter Webster discussed the Patrick Power Library's experience using script based proxy server software that was effective but required technical expertise to install and maintain. David Colborne discussed the Nova Scotia Community College's experience with vendor provided solutions

requiring very little technical expertise by the College at the cost of dependence on vendors. Gordon Bertrand discussed EZProxy which is a proxy server package developed specifically for use by libraries; it allows a library to have full control of their proxy server and because it was developed for the library community it can be installed and maintained more easily than the script based software.

Session 316 "In the trenches: living with freedom of information/protection of privacy legislation in your college or university" presented by Madeleine Lefebvre, Saint Mary's University and Gwen Zilm, Okanagan University College.

3:00pm, Saturday June 2, 2001

Reported by Jean-Claude Arcand, New Brunswick Legislative Library, Fredericton.

IN THE TRENCHES: living with freedom of information/protection of privacy legislation in your college or university.

When I offered to write a report on this session, I thought it would be quite straightforward and easy to do. How naive of me! But since I offered to do it, here it is. First of all, only 8 or 10 people attended this session. Gwen Zilm from B.C. and Madeleine Lefebvre from Saint Mary's University have to deal with requests for information and at the

same time they have to convince the senior management of their university to protect that information. You have heard about the media asking to publish the salaries and benefits of universities and government employees above a certain level, forty or fifty thousands dollars. Most governments already have such a policy of disclosing that information. But universities are still reluctant to do so. In B.C., the legislation exists since 1992 for the government employees and since 1994 for hospitals employees. At Saint Mary's, the collective agreements and salaries of administrators are on the net, idem for

Dalhousie University for salaries above 50K. In PEI, the Freedom of Information Act was passed this year.

So far so good. But who is responsible for disclosing the information? Libraries' staff doesn't have the capability to answer the requests, especially like this one: a person wants everything published on the Lions Gate Bridge to verify if the bridge is secure! The departments in universities do not like to give access to their records, but sometimes it is the opposite: you will find the students' marks posted in the hallways, which is private information. The Freedom of

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Information Act is supposed to reflect the transparency of the organization. On the other side, they have to protect certain information. That is what we call having your fingers between the tree and the bark. A few examples:

- a student is working out of town for the summer. The mother calls to get his-her exams' results. No way, unless the student writes to give permission to disclose the information.
- Your dear child in grade 6 does not want to tell you about the last exams. You phone the school. Sorry, junior is right, you cannot have access to that information without permission from your baby.
- the departments CANNOT post the results of the exams in the hallways.
- in some region, the hospitals' records were used to do fund raising. Imagine your surprise when you get a call soliciting your finan-

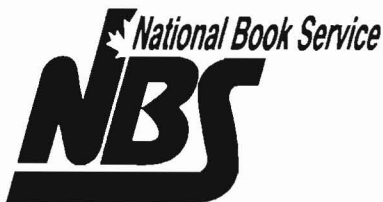
cial support and it happens that you died last year...

- in B.C., the alumni association does not allow to disclose information about graduates. Those lists are a gold mine for insurance companies or credit companies.
- very often, requests for information go to many organizations at the same time, people hoping at least on answer.

As you can see, it is not an easy task, you have to provide information and you have to respect the privacy of people. Colleges and universities need a records' management policy and the official in charge has to be located outside the President's office. Good relations with the media and the police is also a good thing. To make inquiries on campus is possible if there is a legal aspect involved. Universities are always afraid that the information will be used against them. Most provinces have the same kind of law concerning the freedom of information and the protection of privacy, that's one thing they all agree upon! And it

looks like this: collecting information is not allowed unless there is a need for it and you cannot share that information with others unless you have a written permission from the people involved. A commissioner's office can investigate, produce a report and it could end up at the Supreme Court. Simon Fraser University has an excellent website you should consult.

So, after all this, you still want to see the Prime Minister's personal agenda? Espère, comme dirait La Sagouine. Confused? Me too. But we are not the only ones. Gwen and Madeleine gave us a good overview of what they are trying to do to get information and to protect the people at the same time. Remember this: all information is not good to tell or toute information n'est pas bonne à dire. A word you don't say is your slave, a word you say is your master... Unlike Dr. Foth, I hope I did not manage to muddle the fuzzification.



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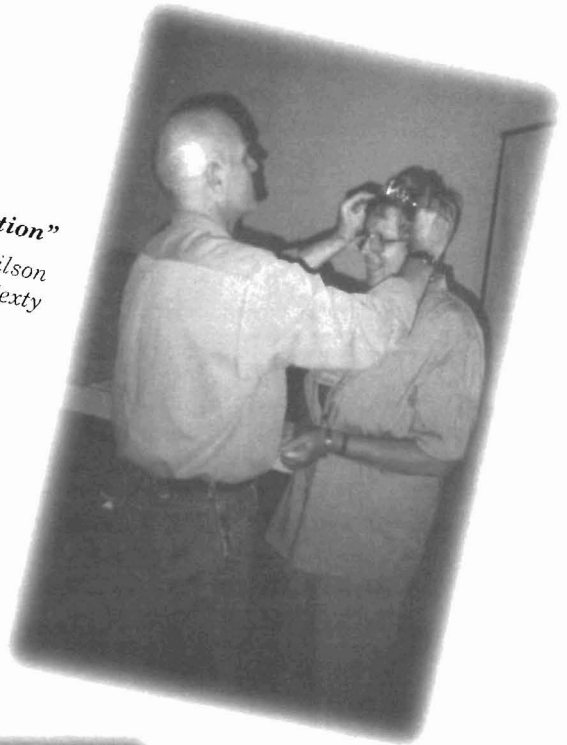
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*"The Coronation"
John Neilson
and Sue Sixty*



*Librarians juggle many responsibilities...
a lesson from representatives at the
National Library.*



*Rita Campbell and
Ian Wilson enjoy the
music of Celtic Tide.*



*Stephen Abram and Lorraine McQueen
reconnect at the Merit Award Banquet.*



*Hard at work at the APLA OGM 2001: Richard Ellis, Pamela
Stevens-Earle, Jean Cunningham and Norine Hanus*

APLA 2000-2001 Report of the Financial Examiner

To the Members of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association

I have examined for integrity and accuracy the financial records of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association as at 31 March, 2001, including the statements of operations, functional expenses, changes in fund balances and changes in financial position for the year then ended. My examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests and other procedures as I considered necessary in the circumstances. In the course of my review of the Association's records I conversed with the Treasurer to receive the necessary documents and to clarify some minor points.

In my opinion, the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Balance Statement represent fair-

ly the financial position of the organization and its investments as at March 31, 2001, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with the notes to the Statement applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

I have also examined the financial records of the APLA Memorial Awards Trust Fund and, in my opinion, the Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Balance Statement represent fairly the financial position of the Fund as at 31 December, 2000.

Peter Glenister
Mount Saint Vincent University
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

29 May, 2001

Treasurer's Report Atlantic Provinces Library Association

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APLA continues in solid financial shape with assets of \$69,491.21. The fiscal year 2000/2001 ended with a budget surplus of \$201.51.

Overall, revenues were close to the budgeted amount. The seed grant for APLA 2000 was returned plus a \$2,388.78 profit while the Bulletin advertising revenues were less than predicted.

Expenditures, in total, were slightly lower than the anticipated amount. APLA Bulletin expenditures were lower than budgeted. We budgeted for six issues, but paid for only five. This also explains the lower than expected revenue from bulletin advertising. The \$750.00 Executive Projects fund was to be used for Advocacy workshops. Only two of the provinces had held the workshops by year-end.

Three members received First Timers Grants to APLA 2000 for a combined amount of \$1,159.25. Interest accumulated in 00/01 in the First Timer's

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fund was \$883.42 and, along with a carry-over amount of \$248.00 renders \$1,131.42 available for APLA 2001. An estimated \$900.00 in interest will be available to grant for APLA 2002.

Three General Activities Fund grants (\$2,945.00 total) were dispensed this year. The recipients were: \$1,000.00 to Eastern Horizons, \$800.00 to Access 2000, and \$1,145.00 to S. Sixty for her research into the history of APLA.

Memorial Awards went to two recipients. Angela Lonardo received \$650.00 towards her work on the publication *Literary and journalistic awards in Canada 1973-1999*. Eric Swanick received \$497.10 towards a descriptive bibliography of Alden Nowlan. There is \$615.16 available for 2001.

The Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship available for 2001/2002 is \$2,608.17.

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| Statement of Revenue and Expenses March 31, 2001 | | 2000/2001 Budget | 2000/2001 Actual |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| R E V E N U E S | BULLETIN | | |
| | Advertising | 3,500.00 | 2,300.00 |
| | Subscriptions | 1,700.00 | 1,654.26 |
| | Royalties | 100.00 | 0.00 |
| | Subtotal | 5,300.00 | 3,954.26 |
| | | | |
| | CONFERENCE FUND | | |
| | Seed Grant | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | General | 0.00 | 2,388.78 |
| | Subtotal | 1,500.00 | 3,888.78 |
| | | | |
| | GENERAL FUND | | |
| | Personal Memberships | 11,000.00 | 10,282.00 |
| | Institutional Memberships | 4,000.00 | 3,527.50 |
| | Subtotal | 15,000.00 | 13,809.50 |
| | | | |
| | OTHER | | |
| | Interest | 150.00 | 220.20 |
| | MMF Interest | 1,350.00 | 1,602.07 |
| | First Timers | 2,157.25 ^a | 883.42 |
| | GAF Seed | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | Transfer from assets | 1,655.30 | 1,655.30 |
| | Carin Somers Scholarship | 2,608.00 | 2,608.00 |
| Miscellaneous ^b | 0.00 | 550.00 | |
| Subtotal | 7,920.55 | 7,518.99 | |
| | | | |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 29,720.55 | 29,171.53 | |

^a Includes \$1,407.25 carry over plus \$750.00 predicted interest.

^b Includes \$250.00 from APLA '99 received after conference accounts closed.

| Statement of Revenue and Expenses March 31, 2001 | | 2000/2001 Budget | 2000/2001 Actual |
|--|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| E X P E N D I T U R E | BULLETIN | | |
| | Pkg & Supplies | 200.00 | 21.60 |
| | Printing | 6,250.00 | 5,756.04 |
| | Postage & Shipping | 1,500.00 | 1,501.41 |
| | Subtotal | 7,950.00 | 7,279.05 |
| | | | |
| | CONFERENCE | | |
| | Conference Seed Grand APLA 2001 | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | Conference General | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | Subtotal | 1,500.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | | | |
| | APLA PRIZE | | |
| | APLA Prize | 500.00 | 500.00 |
| | | | |
| | OTHER | | |
| | Executive Travel (Meetings) ^c | 4,000.00 | 4,744.16 |
| | President's Travel (APLA/PTLAC) ^d | 1,500.00 | 1,607.82 |
| | Executive Projects ^e | 750.00 | 562.77 |
| | Registrations & Memberships | 250.00 | 25.00 |
| | Postage ^f | 300.00 | 542.17 |
| | Student Ass't | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| | Supplies ^g | 100.00 | 208.53 |
| | APLA membership computer ^h | 3,000.00 | 2,813.75 |
| | Subtotal | 10,200.00 | 10,804.20 |
| | | | |
| | EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES | | |
| | All | 100.00 | 0.00 |
| | Subtotal | 100.00 | 0.00 |

^c Additional amount approved at Executive Meeting May 31, 2001.

^d Additional amount approved at Executive Meeting May 31, 2001.

^e Motion to spend Executive Projects funds on Advocacy Workshops passed Executive Meeting, October 27, 2000.

^f Additional amount approved at Executive Meeting May 31, 2001.

^g Additional amount approved at Executive Meeting May 31, 2001.

^h Expenditure for new membership computer approved at Executive Meeting May 25, 2000.

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|---|--|------------------|------------------|
| E X P E N D I T U R E C O N T I N U E D | STANDING COMMITTEES & INTEREST GROUPS | | |
| | Communications (Directory & Extra Postage to mail with Bulletin ⁱ) | 300.00 | 325.89 |
| | All other Committees/ Interest Groups | 100.00 | 0.00 |
| | Subtotal | 400.00 | 325.89 |
| | | | |
| | GAF Grant | 3,000.00 | 2,945.00 |
| | Miscellaneous ^j | 100.00 | 193.33 |
| | Subtotal | 3,100.00 | 3,138.33 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | Transfer to Memorial Awards | 827.65 | 827.65 |
| | Transfer to First Timers Award | 827.65 | 827.65 |
| | First Timers Award | 1,407.25 | 1,159.25 |
| | Carin Somers Scholarship | 2,608.00 | 2,608.00 |
| | Subtotal | 5,670.55 | 5,422.55 |
| | | | |
| | TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 29,420.55 | 28,970.02 |
| | TOTAL REVENUES | 29,720.55 | 29,171.53 |
| | REVENUES - EXPENDITURES | 300.00 | 201.51 |

1999/2000 Accumulated Savings

| | 1999/2000 | 2000/2001 | 2001/2002 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1. Savings | \$19,078.90 | \$15,306.92 | |
| 2. First Timers Grant | | | |
| Principal | 17,857.71 | 19,568.78 | |
| Interest | (693.78) | (713.47) | (883.42) |
| 3. Investments | 33,013.44 | 34,615.51 | |
| 4. Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship Trust Fund | | | |
| Principal | 60,000.00 | 60,000.00 | 60,000.00 |
| Interest | 2,608.00 | 2,608.17 | |

ⁱ Additional amount approved at Executive Meeting May 31, 2001

^j Includes charges to chequing account and membership overpayment refunds.

**Atlantic Provinces Library Association
Balance Sheet March 31, 2001**

| ASSETS | 1999/2000 | 2000/2001 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Current Accounts | \$19,078.75 | \$11,418.14 |
| APLA 2000 Seed and surplus | | 3,888.78 |
| General Investments (MMF) | 33,013.44 | 34,615.51 |
| First Timers Investment (MMF) | 17,857.71 | 19,568.78 |
| Total: | \$69,949.90 | \$69,491.21 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Uncashed Cheques | 1,900.70 | 2,095.18 |
| Equity | 68,049.20 | 67,396.03 |
| Total: | \$69,949.90 | \$69,491.21 |

**APLA Memorial Award Trust Fund
Jan. 1, 2000 - Dec. 31, 2000**

Balance Sheet

| ASSETS | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Cash | \$ 3,523.99 |
| Investment Certificates | 14,000.00 |
| Total: | \$17,523.99 |

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

| RECEIPTS | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Donations | \$ 0.00 |
| Other ^k | 827.65 |
| Interest on Bank | 1.61 |
| Interest on GICs | May 304.00 |
| | Nov 262.43 |
| Total: | \$1,395.69 |

DISBURSEMENTS

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Safety Deposit Box | \$ 35.65 |
| Awards | 650.00 |
| | 497.10 |
| Total: | \$1,182.75 |

Total Revenue \$ 212.94

Amount available for 2001 award: \$615.16

^k Transferred 1/2 of 50% of APLA '99 surplus

Prepared by Sharon Murphy

Conference report from the Francophone Interest Group

*by Jean-Claude Arcand, New
Brunswick Legislative Library,
Fredericton*

Groupe d'intérêt francophone.

Ceux et celles qui ont eu le bonheur d'assister à notre souper de groupe à Charlottetown ont été ravis de l'atmosphère. Et après moult agapes et libations de toutes sortes (même de l'eau, quelle horreur!) il fut unanimement décidé par Moi-Même que ce genre de rencontre continuerait à chaque année, d'abord pour des raisons gastronomiques, ensuite académiques ... Et peut-être que l'an prochain à Halifax, lors de CLA-APLA, nous aurons le privilège d'avoir un atelier en français. Il faut y penser maintenant et notre vice-présidente réélue, Jeanne Maddix, pourrait sans doute dire quelques mots pour nous lors de leur rencontre de comités. Vos suggestions sont meilleures que les miennes, alors flattez vos méninges. Et surtout répandez la bonne nouvelle.

For the APLA members who attended the meeting of the Groupe d'intérêt francophone at Shaddy's, 14 people, it was an interesting evening. After a good meal and a few glasses of nectar, it has been decided unanimously by myself that we will continue to meet at every APLA conference, first of all for gastronomic reasons and secondly for academic reasons. We will try to get a workshop in French for CLA-APLA in Halifax next year, or at least a bilingual one. Our reelected vice-president for NB, Jeanne Maddix, could give the message to whom it may concern in the organization committee. Your suggestions are always welcome. And I know by experience that the food is good in Halifax also.

Jean-Claude Arcand

APLA Nominations and Elections Committee, Annual Report May 2001

Executive offices requiring nominations for 2001/2002 were the following:

Vice President, President Elect,
Vice President (New Brunswick),
Vice President (Prince Edward
Island), Treasurer.

A call for nominations was made in the APLA Bulletin with a nomination closing date of February 28, in accordance with APLA standing orders. A call was also made via the APLA List (apla-list@is.dal.ca) on 24 Jan 2001. The call for nominations was repeated on February 15.

By February 28, nominations had been received for all positions.

Two nominations were received for the position of Vice President (New Brunswick).

The candidates were: **Jeanne**

Maddix, City Librarian, Moncton Public Library, and Margie Pacey, Librarian, New Brunswick Legislative Library.

Therefore a mail election was held to fill the position of Vice President (New Brunswick).

Ballots, and biographical statements from each candidate were sent to all APLA members on March 15. The close of balloting was to be postmark no later than April 20.

The remaining APLA Executive positions will be filled by acclamation, as follows:

- **Vice President/President Elect. Elaine MacLean, Saint Francis Xavier University.**
- **Vice President (Prince Edward Island). Andrea Stewart, Holland College.**

- **Treasurer. Marnie MacGillivray, Mount Saint Vincent University.**

The election closing date was April 20. After giving time for post marked ballots to be received, ballots were counted on April 31st.

Although there was considerable support for both candidates, **Jeanne Maddix** was elected, **Vice President (New Brunswick)** by a clear margin.

It is heartening to note that over 50% of eligible APLA members took the time (and the stamp) to return their ballots.

All and all I have been very pleased with the process of the election. It reflects very well on the candidates and APLA.

Peter Webster,
APLA Past President.

From St. Jerome's Den

Does it mean that Libraries have arrived when a travel magazine highlights them as destinations for business travellers? In *Travel Holiday* (February 2001), three libraries, or "houses of hush," are given as the places to go when you are tired of your hotel room. In New York City, for an annual fee of \$35, you can "relax in the elegant 1890s General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen library." Juneau, Alaska's public library on the top level of the Marine Park Garage is cited as a "first-rate location" for viewing water, mountains, and ships. And, if you want a special view of Boulder, Colorado, head for the Mesa Lab Library in the National Centre for Atmospheric Research.

Libraries, the buildings, have been in the news lately. The new Denver Public Library, with its bold architectural style, was the lead off

library in "Boldly bookish/Volumes en expansion" (*EnRoute*, September 2000). The article draws attention to DPL and other libraries which are investing hundreds of millions in the construction and renovation of buildings, "challenging the image of the library as a dusty warehouse for books." Rikhardinktu (Helsinki); Harold Washington Library (Chicago); Los Angeles Public Library; Bibliothèque francophone multimédia (Limoges, France); Burton Barr Central Library (Phoenix) are among those brought to our attention. *EnRoute* also mentions the Vancouver Public Library which had also received front page coverage in the *Globe and Mail* ("Conan the Librarian: A movie that makes good reading," February 5, 2000) when producers of *The Sixth Day* paid to shoot scenes in the library's "spectacular" central branch.

Libraries have long been seen as locales for the stories of movies and books and as places which promised to be a "Healing-place of the Soul" (Thebes) or "a hospital for the mind" (Alexandria). To quote Jorge Luis Borges (Argentinian author, Nobel prize winner in literature and director of Argentina's Bibiloteca Nacional), "I have always imagined that Paradise will be a kind of library" - try to top that one.

For those who cannot visit a library in person it is, of course, possible to pay a virtual visit. "Planning and building libraries," a web site maintained by the UBC School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, provides useful links to famous libraries. Various award winning libraries, Carnegie libraries, national and historic libraries are available at <www.slais.ubc.ca/resources/architecture/Index3.html>.



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