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APLA 2008! Pre-conference Workshops May 8th, 2008

There is still space available in the APLA Pre-Conference sessions, so come to Charlottetown early, learn a little and enjoy an extra night of oysters and Island hospitality:

1. UR but IM: Serving Teens in the 21st Century Public Library (9 am to 4 pm; to be held at Delta Hotel; cost \$100 for APLA members, \$125 for non-members and \$75 for students). This is "must see" for public library folk working with Teens - Patrick Jones is a popular speaker, often standing room only!
Details at URL: http://apla.ca/joomla/index.php?option=com_eventlist&Itemid=29&func=details&did=3
2. Evaluating Your Services (9 am to Noon; to be held at Delta Hotel; cost \$50 for everyone).
Details at URL: http://apla.ca/joomla/index.php?option=com_eventlist&Itemid=29&func=details&did=5
3. The Wearable OPAC: An Extended Improvisation on Open Source (1:30 to 4:30 pm; to be held at Robertson Library; cost \$50 for everyone). Peter Rukavina is one of Canada's most creative open source advocates and an engaging speaker - this one will be fun and informative!
Details at URL: http://apla.ca/joomla/index.php?option=com_eventlist&Itemid=29&func=details&did=2
4. Unicorn Indexing and Search/Retrieval (2 to 5 pm; to be held at Robertson Library; FREE!).
Details at URL: http://apla.ca/joomla/index.php?option=com_eventlist&Itemid=29&func=details&did=36

Mark Leggott, Chair, APLA 2008 Program Committee

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Atlantic Provinces Library Association 69th Ordinary General Meeting

Charlottetown, PEI

Friday, May 9, 2008 - 5:15 - 7:00 pm (Part 1)
Sunday, May 11, 2008 - 9:30 - 11:00 am (Part 2)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Establish Quorum
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Adoption of APLA Meeting Rules
5. Minutes of the 68th Ordinary General Meeting, St. John's, May 25th/27th 2007
6. Business Arising from the Minutes
7. President's Report – D. Bourne-Tyson
8. Past President's Report – I. Douthwright
9. Vice-President's Reports
 - a. New Brunswick – N. Goguen
 - b. Newfoundland & Labrador – P. Parsons
 - c. Nova Scotia – D. Costelo
 - d. Prince Edward Island – D. Moses
 - e. Membership - R. MacPherson
10. Financial Examiner's Report - P. Glenister
11. Treasurer's Report – P. Logan
12. Report of the APLA Bulletin Editors and Bulletin Management Board – S. Penney / D. Taylor-Harding
13. Report of the APLA website administrator – S. Orlov
14. Executive and Standing Committee Reports
15. Aims & Objectives – S. Cleyle
16. Committee on Committees and Interest Groups – S. Cleyle
17. Finance – D. Bourne-Tyson
18. APLA Memorial Award – T. Harrison
19. Carin Alma E. Somers Scholarship – S. Cleyle
20. Communications and Public Relations - G. Byrne
21. Continuing Education Committee – S. Adams
22. Nominations and Elections – I. Douthwright
23. Interest Group Reports
 - a. Access to Government Information - J. Neilson
 - b. Collections Development – L. White
 - c. Computers and Connectivity – H. Cook
 - d. Conservation of Library Materials - S. Lloyd
 - e. Continuing Education – H. Berringer
 - f. Francophone - C. Bellemare
 - g. Information Literacy - G. MacNairn
 - h. Library Technicians – K. Darby
 - i. New Librarians and Information Professionals – D. Corey-Fancy
 - j. Newspaper - E. Brown
 - k. Youth Services - N. Cohen
24. Report of the ASTED representative - C. Bellemare
25. Report of CLA Copyright representative – vacant
26. Report of the IFLA representative – L. Mackey
27. Annual Conferences -- Reports
 - a. St. John's, NL 2007
 - b. Charlottetown, PEI 2008
 - c. Halifax, NS 2009
 - d. Saint John's, NB 2010?
28. Unfinished Business
29. Resolutions
30. Dalhousie University, School Information Management Update
31. Nova Scotia Community College Library Technician Program Update
32. Inauguration of Incoming President
33. Adjournment

Atlantic Provinces Library Association 68th Ordinary General Meeting

MINUTES
Delta St John's
St. John's, NL

May 25, 2007 - 5:00-7:00pm (Part 1)
May 27, 2007 - 9:30-11:00am (Part 2)

1. Call to Order

President I. Douthwright called the meeting to order at 5:08 and introduced President Elect D. Bourne-Tyson, Secretary C. Saunders and Parliamentarian N. Horrocks. He gave apologies for the absence of Treasurer E. Piorko and said that Financial matters would be handled by himself and President Elect Bourne-Tyson.

2. Establish Quorum

I. Douthwright declared the meeting quorate (42 members in attendance).

2. a). Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted with a minor change (the insertion of item 2.a. "Adoption of Agenda").

3. Minutes of the 67th Ordinary General Meeting, Fredericton, May 26/28th 2006

After two minor typographical errors were corrected, the Minutes of May 2006 were adopted by consent.

4. I Douthwright said that Reports (including President's, VP/Elect, Membership, Past President's, VP Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Interest Groups) were in the APLA bulletin or had been distributed at the meeting.

D Taylor-Harding spoke about problems with email addresses and keeping the database up to date for mailing of the APLA Bulletin.

L Mackey stated that copies of the 2008 IFLA program for Quebec City are available at this conference and she urged members to take one with them. She also requested a link to the IFLA conference from our APLA web page.

Reports were accepted as presented.

5. Nominations Report: J Richard

J Richard reported that the new APLA VP Elect is Su Cleyle; APLA Treasurer is Penny Logan; and APLAVP NB is Nadine Goguen.

6. Somers Scholarship Report:

D. Bourne-Tyson reported that the award was presented to Roseanne Gauthier, from Dalhousie School of Information Management.

7. Memorial Prize:

D. Bourne-Tyson reported that the award was presented to Hansel Cook of Saint Mary's University.

8. Conference Reports:

I Douthwright reported on the 2007 conference.

We are getting a flat amount of share of proceeds. We received \$1500 from Micromedia and collected \$200 from tickets etc at the conference. I Douthwright will report on final costs at a future date as some figures are not yet known.

2008: I Douthwright: Next year's conference will be the week of May 8th at the Delta Prince Edward in Charlottetown. The date was moved to avoid conflict with CLA. Don Moses, VP PEI said: Planning has is underway, the theme is "Libraries Exposed." There are currently 19 volunteers working. They are soliciting program ideas. M Leggott commented that a message has been sent to interest group convenors and will be sent to the APLA list, asking for program ideas.

9. President's Report – I Douthwright

I. Douthwright presented an overview of his activities for the past year, including conference attendance and establishment of a relationship with the Partnership. He commented on the move of the APLA server to Mount Saint Vincent, and appointment of S. Orlov as webmaster. He discussed his analysis of the past 10 years of the budget, the need for Standing Order revisions, the cost of producing the APLA Bulletin and the problems associated with its production. He stressed that the editors have worked very hard and had issues to publishers on time and thanked them for their good work.

The Executive recommends we go online at the end of the current volume. We investigated various ways to do it ourselves without incurring costs. That's what we've done with the conference issue. He pointed out the advantages of online, but stressed that the views of members and advertisers are important. Three positive emails about going online were received; one negative comment that was heard deals with open source and how it affects members in terms of membership benefits.

He also stated that the most recent and conference issues will be coming out of this next budget.

J. Richard spoke about the OLA partnership award. D. Bourne-Tyson and I. Douthwright were at the OLA meeting and they were presented with the OLA Presidents' Outstanding Achievement Award.

10. Approval of Examined 2006-2007 Treasurer's report—I. Douthwright

Motion to accept: CARRIED (P Parsons / R Ellis).

Approval of Budget expenditures of last year.

I. Douthwright explained why there is an examined copy with revisions at the back. The revisions are reflective of what we do with the APLA Bulletin.

Motion to accept examined copy of budget: CARRIED (S Cleyle / R Ellis).

Motion was made to appoint Peter Glenister as auditor for the upcoming fiscal year. CARRIED (E. Hamilton / C. Dennis)

11 Standing Order 9.08 Merit Award

This Standing Order was referred back to the floor from the 2006 OGM.

Under Form of the Award:

Proposal to Add: Should, for any reason outside the control of the association the traditional pewter goblet become unavailable, the executive will take responsibility for replacing it with something of comparable value and prestige guaranteeing that the award will always be ready to be presented at the conference.

Rationale: This will allow the executive to deal with any changes outside their control without tampering with the integrity of the award. Notice, the form of the award cannot be changed except in dealing with circumstances outside the control of the association.

After discussion, it was agreed that these procedures, like all other procedural matters do not necessitate general membership approval and therefore should only be included in the Procedures Manual.

12. Standing Order Revisions—Conference

Standing Order 3:13

Currently reads: The registration fee for each conference shall be set at a realistic amount based on projected attendance and expenses (such as expenses of speakers), so that each conference can be self-supporting

Proposed Addition:

A conference budget projecting revenues and expenditures shall be presented to the executive for their fall meetings for discussion and approval. Any expenditure beyond that approved budget must be approved by the executive. An update of any change to the revenues and expenditures will also be presented to the executive.

This was discussed in detail in Committee of the Whole and it was agreed that I Douthwright would bring a revised version to the Sunday meeting.

Standing Order 3:14

Currently reads: a separate report shall be made for each conference and appended to the main report and conference receipts and expenditures shall be shown only as totals in the annual financial report.

Proposed: A final conference report including all actual expenditures and revenues shall be presented to the executive for review in the fall executive meetings immediately following the conference. Like the other annual reports, this report will be published in the conference edition of the Bulletin.

Rationale: This will require amore deliberate communication between the conference planning committees and the executive and hold both bodies accountable for outcomes. It will help to stabilize conference expenditures and avoid any surprises along the way

S Sixty: mentioned that any resolutions must be brought to the Resolutions Committee by 9:30 Saturday morning in the Bonavista Room. No new motions can come to the floor on Sunday.

Atlantic Provinces Library Association Ordinary General Meeting, Part II

Sunday, May 27, 2007

1. Call to Order

I. Douthwright called the OGM, Part II, to order at 9:31.

2. Declaration of Quorum

I. Douthwright declared the meeting quorate (35 members present; 13 proxies received)

3. Budget

Motion to adopt the budget.

Discussion:

P. Glenister pointed out an expenditure relating to another fund for which the association paid the bill (Somers fund, income tax). The treasurer said we paid both the tax and H&R Block to prepare the return. The Somers fund should reimburse the association.

Motion: It is moved that we add (what amount? 2000?) from the Somers fund into the operating budget to repay the debt the fund owes the association.

CARRIED (P Glenister / S Sixty)

P. Glenister also noted that lines called MMF interest and First-timers were budgeted but not transferred. Therefore, we are short that amount. D. Bourne-Tyson explained that the first timer's is based on % of profits from the previous year so that won't change. Also, we have a very experienced new Treasurer coming on.

Motion: that the Money Market should add \$800 under MMF interest. CARRIED (P Glenister / S Sixty).

S. Sixty stated that we need a correction under Conference General; it should be changed to 2008. P.Glenister said that \$100 needs to be changed to \$800; Expenditures Conference General will now read \$800 not \$1000. D. Bourne-Tyson suggested that P.Glenister work with the new Treasurer to correct these financial errors.

E Maclean: The Somers Fund is separate and it should not be included in our budget in future.

P. Glenister: Because it is an investment account it may not have chequing privileges.

S. Sixty raised the question of the Bulletin and said we should discuss that before passing the budget. There followed a detailed discussion of the APLA Bulletin, including finance, publication frequency, advertising, Open Access publishing, preservation and archiving and the online format.

P. Glenister commented that the expenditure side of the budget still showed postage and shipping; he requested an explanation for that. I. Douthwright replied that the most recent and current issues printed will still be expenses that come out of this budget.

Motion to approve budget as amended CARRIED (P Glenister / S Sixty).

4. Bulletin

Open Access:

Motion: It is moved that APLA support open access publishing, and begin with Volume 71 of the APLA bulletin, to be open access. CARRIED (J Richard / E Maclean)

There was a discussion of whether the current copyright statement in the Bulletin would be appropriate, or whether it needs amendment. R. Ellis pointed out that the present clause is useful in some respects, but it is often easier for someone wishing to reprint an article to contact the bulletin than try to figure out how to contact an author at a later date.

Motion: It is moved that APLA adopt a creative commons copyright statement with the first online issue, to replace the current copyright statement. CARRIED (R Ellis / J Richard)

S. Sixty asked about the items that were on the table when Part I of the OGM was adjourned. I Douthwright replied that standing order revisions will be made and brought to the next meeting.

5. New Resolutions—M. Mercure

1) IFLA

The following resolution, made in English and French, was proposed:

Considering APLA supported Canada's presentation to host the 2008 World Library and Information Congress: 74th IFLA General Conference and Council to be held August 10-14, 2008 in Quebec City

Considering APLA supports the professional development of its members

Considering that the WLIC: 74th IFLA general conference and council has not met in Canada since 1982 and will not return to Canada for some time in the near future

Be it resolved that APLA support an APLA member to attend the WLIC 74th IFLA conference and Council (Quebec City August 2008) by covering the cost of registration

Be it resolved that the executive institute a selection process (criteria and committee to evaluate applications)

Considérant qu'APLA a supporté la présentation du Canada pour être l'hôte du 74^e Congrès mondial des Bibliothèques et de l'Information qui aura lieu du 10-14 août dans la ville de Québec

Considérant qu'APLA appuie le développement professionnel de ses membres

Considérant que WLIC : 74^e Congrès général et conseil n'a pas eu lieu au Canada depuis 1982 et ne sera pas de retour bientôt

Qu'il soit résolu qu'APLA supporte un membre d'APLA afin qu'il puisse assister à la 74^e conférence à Québec en août 2008 en payant le coût d'inscription

Qu'il soit résolu que l'exécutif organise un processus de sélection (critères et comité pour évaluer les applications).

(L Mackey / M Lefebvre)

J. Teskey proposed an amendment to make it explicit that this be directed at student support and the selection process should include a paper or an application from students. F. Black suggested the student should have to write a report also.

Vote on amendment: Motion adopted as amended. (J Teskey / L Mackey)

2) On motion (D Bourne-Tyson / M Mercure), the following Resolution, made in English and French, was carried by acclamation.

"Be it resolved that APLA extends its sincere appreciation to the members of the St John's Conference organizing committee, the speakers, exhibitors, sponsors, and all who have contributed to the success of this conference."

"Qu'il soit résolu qu'APLA donne son appréciation sincère aux membres du comité organisateur de la conférence de St John's, aux conférenciers, aux exposants et à tous ceux qui ont contribué au succès de la conférence. "

(D Bourne-Tyson / M Mercure)

6. Dalhousie School of Information Management Report—F. Black

F. Black reported on activities and accomplishments at the school. She thanked APLA for support and stated that the APLA Graduation prize is their largest monetary prize. She stated that the school is implementing new courses and there is increased interest in combined degrees. Student and faculty achievements of the past year were highlighted.

7. Transfer of the Gavel

I. Douthwright extended his thanks to the year's Executive. The gavel was passed to D. Bourne-Tyson.

D. Bourne-Tyson congratulated N. Horrocks on receiving the Order of Canada this year and thanked I. Douthwright for his services as President. She noted that this has been a year of transition; we are one of the first associations in Canada to go with open access. In the coming year, she will visit other associations and find out what people want; she will try to help interest groups.

There being no further business, D. Bourne-Tyson adjourned the meeting at 10:50.





Atlantic Provinces Library Association Meeting Rules (Draft)

1. All Personal, Honorary Life, Life, and Institutional Members may participate in discussions at General Meetings. Non-members may speak by general consent of the Members or by majority vote of the Members present and voting.
2. Persons seeking recognition from the Presiding Officer shall identify themselves for the record, giving their names, library or other affiliation, and whether Members or non-members.
3. All categories of Members as given above may vote whether present in person or by proxy in accordance with the Articles of Association.
4. Debate shall be limited to five minutes for each speaker; no speaker may have the floor twice on the same question until all who wish to speak have spoken.
5. Resolutions at ordinary general meetings shall be submitted to the Resolutions Committee in either of the official languages. Resolutions shall be presented to the ordinary general meeting in English; if asked for, a free translation of resolutions into French will be given orally from the floor by a French-speaking member of the committee; and Resolutions shall be printed in their final form in the APLA Bulletin in both English and French. Resolutions shall be framed only in connection with contentious matters or questions of policy. The presiding officer shall protect the meeting from obviously frivolous or dilatory motions by refusing to recognize them.
6. All motions and amendments from the floor shall be written by the makers and submitted to the Secretary. Discussion will not begin until they have been read or displayed to the Membership.
7. At the beginning of each session of the meeting the Presiding Officer will announce the agenda and rule on proposed additions. After the agenda has been adopted by the members present, it can be departed from only by general consent or by a two-thirds vote.
8. The President shall appoint a Parliamentarian who shall render service as required at general meetings. During a meeting the work of the Parliamentarian should be limited to giving advice to the Presiding Officer and when requested, to any other member.

April 2008

COMING SOON TO APLA 2008... UR but IM: Serving Teens in the 21st Century Public Library

Please join library and literacy colleagues as we welcome Patrick Jones to Charlottetown for the Atlantic Provinces Library Association (APLA) conference, May 8-10, 2008

Patrick is the recipient of lifetime achievement awards from the American Library Association and the Catholic Library Association; he is also the winner of the 2006 Scholastic Library Publishing Award for contribution to the stimulation and guidance of children and young people. Author of four young adult novels (including the forthcoming *Cheated*, from Walker Books/Bloomsbury), Patrick has also written a series of professional titles on collection and program development for young readers (see the whole list of titles and achievements at <http://www.connectingya.com>). In his session at APLA 2008, Patrick will offer tips and techniques for engaging youth through library programs. A limited number of session spaces means that participants will have ample time for discussion with Patrick and each other.

1) An all-day (9 am to 4:30 pm) preconference session at the Delta Charlottetown on Thursday, May 8th, with fees as follows
APLA member: \$100 APLA non-member: \$125 Student rate: \$75

2) An abridged version will be offered as a regular session of the main, 2-day conference (Friday, May 9th, 10:45 am to noon). In this case, participants may either opt for complete conference registration or choose a daily rate. Complete fee schedules and registration forms (as well as PayPal options) can be found at <http://2008.apla.ca>.

SCHOLARSHIP, AWARDS AND GRANTS

Norman Horrocks Award for Library Leadership

Call for nominations:

Established to honor leadership in the Nova Scotia Library community, this award is given for distinguished contributions to the promotion and development of library service in Nova Scotia.

Those contributions should be of lasting significance and may be for leadership of various kinds – ranging from local projects to those of provincial scope, and may cover any type of library activity.

Nominations must include nominee name, address, telephone, fax and e-mail address, if applicable.

Nominations must be made in writing and signed by two nominators, one of whom must be a current member of the Nova Scotia Library Association.

Nominators are responsible for documenting the accomplishments of the candidate and for creating a package to support the nomination.

Documentation as available and appropriate may be submitted.

Nominations must include three letters of endorsement, which can include ones from the nominators. Nominations of persons previously nominated but not chosen may be resubmitted.

Receipt of all submissions will be acknowledged by e-mail.

Deadline for submissions: **May 31, 2008.**

Applications to be submitted to:

Norman Horrocks Award Committee,
Charlotte Janes, NSLA Past President
c/o Annapolis Valley Regional Library
PO Box 640, 26 Bay Road, Bridgetown, NS B0S 1C0 cjanes@nsar.library.ns.ca

Award recipient will receive engraved plaque and NSLA lifetime membership, to be presented at Annual Conference Banquet on October 4th.

Further information is available at <http://nsla.ns.ca>

Emile Theriault Library and Information Technology Award

Call for Nominations:

The Emile Theriault Library and Information Technology Award recognizes the efforts of a library support staff member who has made a major contribution to their library community.

Nomination procedure:

The nominee must work in a support staff capacity in a library in Nova Scotia. Nominations must include nominee name, address, telephone, fax and e-mail address, if applicable.

Nominations must be made in writing and signed by two nominators, one of whom must be a current member of the Nova Scotia Library Association.

Nominators are responsible for documenting the accomplishments of the candidate and for creating a package to support the nomination.

Documentation as available and appropriate may be submitted.

Nominations must include two letters of endorsement, which may include ones from the nominators.

Deadline for submissions: May 31, 2008

Applications to be submitted to:

The Emile Theriault Library and Information Technology Award Committee
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Award recipient will receive an engraved plaque and a one-year NSLA membership, to be presented at Annual Conference Banquet, October 4, 2008.

Further information is available on the NSLA website: <http://nsla.ns.ca/>

IT Hero Awards

Call for Nominations:

The IT Hero Awards celebrate and recognize the creative application of information technology that significantly improves the lives of Canadians and readily demonstrates the social and economic benefits of that technology. I am sending you the Call for Nominations e-brochure to circulate to anyone you may deem appropriate and encourage them to take a moment to complete the nomination form if they know of a suitable candidate. Self nomination is also accepted.

The Information Technology Association of Canada (ITAC) is seeking nominations for the 2008 IT Hero Awards which celebrate and recognize creative applications of information technology that significantly improve the lives of Canadians and readily demonstrate social and economic benefits.

Community IT Hero Award:

an individual, group or not-for-profit organization that demonstrates the creative application of IT in improving the lives of Canadians. [Click here to nominate](#) (self-nominations are accepted).

Corporate IT Hero Award:

a for-profit public or privately-owned business that demonstrates the creative application of IT in improving the lives of Canadians. (NEW!!!) [Click here to nominate](#) (self-nominations are accepted).

WINNER SELECTION & REWARDS:

The Community and Corporate IT Hero Award winners will be selected from a group of finalists by an independent panel of distinguished judges, click here for additional information. The awards will be presented at the Chair's dinner as part of ITAC's AGM taking place June 26, 2008 in Toronto.

For a profile of past winners, [click here for details.](#)

Awards nomination deadline: May 1, 2008 - 5 p.m. (EST)

For more information, visit www.itheroawards.ca or e-mail info@itheroawards.ca

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APLA – Vice-President Series in New Brunswick

Submitted by Nadine Goguen



Fantastic APLA supporters had great fun on March 27th at the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Office in Moncton, New Brunswick. As a catalyst for spring to arrive, bookmarks and wooden ladybugs were sprawled onto the Hubert-Button (past-recipient of the APLA Merit Award and seen in the framed portrait) Boardroom table.



In the photo, some guests (from left to right): Jeanne Maddix, Lynn Cormier, Ruthmary MacPherson, Claude Potvin, Nancy Cohen, Dominique Jacob and Meg Crosthwaite are taking a peak at freshly uncovered blueprints for a local public library remodelling. This small break was squeezed in between the Education Institute's audio conference "Leadership skills for rural communities" and the social Meet & Greet.



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PROVINCIAL VP'S ANNUAL REPORTS

NEW BRUNSWICK / NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK

Submitted by Nadine Goguen

May 2007 Conference / Congrès en mai 2007

I received my training wheels during the hustle and bustle of the NLLA/APLA/ CLA Conference in St-John's before the pub crawl and after visiting The Rooms. My mind whirling with dreams of seeing puffins and icebergs, neither of which I got to see, I was warmly greeted by the lovely folks that made up the APLA Executive. Needless to say, I crammed the night before, reading the handbook and then attended the OGM. I felt part of a team immediately. At the OGM, I sat next to Pat Parsons from Newfoundland who was very supportive. Thank you! And at the Executive meeting, next to someone I did not know would become the 2008 President. Thanks Donna! Your help has been so valuable during my first year.

Mon initiation a pris racine dans le tourbillon du congrès annuel à St-John's, Terre-Neuve, et ce, avant la tournée des boîtes et après la visite du musée The Rooms. Les images de macareux et d'icebergs en tête, qu'en fin de compte je n'ai pas eu l'occasion de voir, j'ai été chaudement accueilli par les têtes dirigeantes de l'exécutif de l'APLA. La veille, je consommais le manuel des membres et le lendemain, je participais à la réunion annuelle. Immédiatement, je me suis sentie faisant partie de l'équipe. À l'AGA, Pat Parsons de Terre-Neuve me tenait compagnie et se devenait naturellement une marraine. Merci! À la réunion de l'exécutif, je m'assois tout près de quelqu'un dont j'ignorais! deviendrait la Présidente en 2008. Merci Donna! Ton aide a été si précieuse pendant ma première année.

APLA Bulletin / Bulletin de nouvelles

One of my first jobs was to send a reminder by email to submit news from the libraries in the provinces. I tried widening the net by adding names to the distribution list and contacting contributors by phone. As a public services librarian working for New Brunswick Public Library Service, I regularly contributed news from our region. As V.P., I got strong support from other public services librarians in the province. Daily, we work in our regions to promote and publicize the work done in public libraries. I was able to delve into this resource of expertise and, with the help of my colleagues, better discover what was going on regionally in compiling their reports. Thank you! Also, I connected with staff working in academic libraries as well as school, government and special libraries, to receive more news. This is still a work in progress, but I am satisfied with the results thus far.

Une de mes premières tâches était d'envoyer un rappel par courriel aux contributeurs de la province à soumettre leurs nouvelles pour publication dans le Bulletin. J'ai tenté d'élargir le filet en ajoutant des noms à la liste de distribution et en contactant par téléphone des individus directement. En tant que bibliothécaire des services publics du Service des bibliothèques publiques du N.-B., je contribuais régulièrement des textes pour ma région. En tant que V.-P., j'ai eu un appui inébranlable de la part des autres bibliothécaires des services publics dans la province. Au quotidien, nous faisons la promotion et la publicité du travail accompli en bibliothèque publique. J'étais capable de puiser dans cette ressource d'habiletés et à l'aide de mes collègues, de mieux découvrir ce qui se passe dans les régions en compilant les rapports. Merci! De plus, j'ai rejoint du personnel oeuvrant dans les bibliothèques académiques, et scolaires ainsi que les bibliothèques du monde gouvernemental ou privé, afin de recevoir plus de nouvelles. J'y travaille encore, mais les résultats préliminaires sont satisfaisants.

Ex-Libris Contribution / Contribution à Ex-Libris

What an interesting surprise to be called upon by Norman Horrocks a few times a year to send in some news from our province. I enjoyed learning about this association and many more things through our emailing. Cheers Norman!

Quelle surprise joyeuse d'être sollicitée par Norman Horrocks quelques fois par année pour que je lui envoie des nouvelles de notre province. J'ai apprécié mieux connaître cette association et tous les contacts lors de notre messagerie continue. Salut Norman!

Association of Professional Librarians in New Brunswick / A.B.P.N.B.

I attended the AGM on October 12th in Fredericton and the workshop the next day entitled *Career Management for Librarians*. I very much enjoyed learning more about its members. The new President, Sarah Gladwell and I have been able to discuss our roles in the spirit of fellowship and mutual support for both associations. I very much appreciated the invitation to attend the fall meeting to better grasp the aims and objectives of this provincial association. I look forward to building more bridges between the two groups.

J'ai assisté à la réunion annuelle le 12 octobre à Fredericton et à l'atelier le jour suivant qui portait comme thème La gestion des carrières en bibliothèque. J'ai bien aimé mieux connaître ses membres. La nouvelle Présidente, Sarah Gladwell et moi ont pu discuter de nos rôles dans un esprit de partage et d'appui réciproque. J'ai pleinement apprécié l'invitation d'assister la réunion d'automne afin de mieux comprendre les buts et les objectifs de cette association provinciale. J'espère continuer de bâtir des ponts entre nos deux groupes.

Provincial VP series Special Event / Événement spécial – série des v.-p. provinciaux

On March 27, I hosted members and non-members to an Education Institute session followed by a social *Meet & Greet*. APLA supporters met at the Albert-Westmorland-Kent Regional Office in Moncton. Attendees suggested that this event, leading up to the Annual Conference, should be held every year. Thanks go to the regional director, Claude Potvin and the executive director, Sylvie Nadeau, for their support of my role in APLA.

Le 27 mars, j'accueillais des mordus de l'APLA lors d'une audioconférence de l'Institut d'éducation et d'un vin et fromage social. Des membres et des non-membres se sont réunis au bureau régional d'Albert-Westmorland-Kent à Moncton. Les participants ont fait la remarque qu'il serait intéressant de reprendre l'événement sur une base annuelle, juste avant le congrès annuel de l'APLA. Je tiens à remercier le directeur régional, Claude Potvin, et la directrice provinciale, Sylvie Nadeau, d'avoir appuyé mon rôle au sein de l'APLA.

Membership / Recrutement

Ruthmary MacPherson's soft voice of logic rang in my ears early on during my term. She is a wealth of information. I appreciated her advice and her support with my green-ishly new ideas. I hope to continue to make recruitment of non-professional library staff in New Brunswick, as well as a home for our French Speaking library staff, who want to feel a sense of greater belonging in this association.

La voix douce de Rosemary MacPherson et sa logique ont sonné dans le creux de mon oreille très tôt lors mon mandat. Elle est une mine d'informations. J'ai apprécié ses conseils et son appui de mes idées parfois très nouvelles ou naïves. Je souhaite continuer de faire des efforts de recrutement du personnel en bibliothèque qui ne sont pas diplômés en tant que bibliothécaires professionnels ainsi que de créer un sentiment d'appartenance au personnel de langue française qui veut faire partie intégrante de l'association.

All contacts and communications with the Executive members were very efficient and quite educational. I am still learning my craft as a librarian working for a professional association and felt privileged to make such acquaintances.

Tous les contacts et la communication avec les membres de l'exécutif ont été efficaces et très éducatifs. Je suis encore à apprendre l'art d'être bibliothécaire oeuvrant dans une association professionnelle et je me sens privilégiée d'avoir fait d'aussi belles rencontres.

NEWFOUNDLAND & LABRADOR

Submitted by Pat Parsons

Once again, efforts were concentrated on attracting new members to APLA and approaching former members to consider renewing their lapsed memberships. Various library organizations were also approached to consider institutional memberships. I had a unique opportunity to do this at the CLA/APLA Conference in St. John's in May 2007. The feedback on this dual conference was very positive and it was wonderful that APLA could share its down-east hospitality with professionals from across the country.

The APLA - *VP Series* will be happening in conjunction with the Newfoundland & Labrador Library Association Spring Conference, May 2, 2008. The importance of membership in APLA will be highlighted to over 50 provincial members registered for this event.

An informal presentation was made to professional staff of the Newfoundland Public Libraries Board at their annual fall meeting. The presentation focused on the Educational Institute and the excellent choice of web casts on current relevant topics. I shared information about an online session I attended on the topic of Facebook for Libraries. With many librarians in the public, college and university libraries heading towards retirement, it would be worthwhile for APLA to really promote this format of professional development. The younger librarians joining the workforce are so comfortable with the online venue, that the EI could play a pivotal role in their professional growth. This is especially true in our province where geographic disparity plays a detrimental role in getting librarians physically together.

Looking back over the past 12 months, I feel the challenges haven't changed that much from previous years -- trying to keep APLA visible in the library community by seeking articles for the *Bulletin* to share all the happenings; trying to boost membership and help meet the professional growth needs of our members. These are the priorities that all executive members would agree on.

I would like to thank my fellow members of the APLA Executive for their support.



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NOVA SCOTIA

Submitted by Debbie Costelo

APLA Bulletin

Like last year, I have campaigned hard with libraries in my province to submit entries for the *APLA Bulletin*. I am very pleased with the number of libraries and organizations that reported on a regular basis, as well as the range of submissions that I received (i.e. public libraries, academic, special libraries, library associations and library educational institutions).

Presentation at the NSCC Library and Information Technology Program

I was part of a panel of presenters from local, regional and national associations on October 16, 2007 that discussed the importance of joining associations, as well as provided membership information to students on the Atlantic Provinces Library Association. This year was particularly gratifying as I was able to promote the free membership campaign to students which was very popular. Door prizes were also provided for draws (i.e. APLA t-shirts and coffee mugs).

Dalhousie University's School of Information Management Student Association Display

On September 7, 2007, Donna Bourne-Tyson, APLA President, and I were invited to set up an APLA display at Dalhousie's SIMSA sponsored event for new students. We joined other library associations and organizations and provided information on what APLA is about and the work the association does. Again, we promoted the free membership campaign to students which was greatly appreciated. Door prizes were also provided for draws (i.e. APLA t-shirts and coffee mugs).

CLA Library Technician Interest Group Award of Merit

Erica Smith received the 2007 *CLA Library Technician Interest Group Award of Merit* at the CLA conference in St. John's, Newfoundland at the end of May.

Community and Technical College Libraries' Outstanding College Librarian Award

Marie DeYoung, NSCC Director of Library Services and Online Learning, received the 2007 *Community and Technical College Libraries' Outstanding College Librarian Award* at the CLA conference in St. John's, Newfoundland at the end of May.

Dalhousie University School of Information Management Associated Alumni Award

Donna Bourne-Tyson, University Librarian for Mount St. Vincent University was awarded the 2007 Outstanding Alumni Award by the Dalhousie University School of Information Management Associated Alumni in the fall, 2007.

Joint Library Association Event

An Education Institute session was jointly sponsored by APLA, CASLIS Atlantic, HLA, NSALT, NSCC Library Services, NSCC Waterfront Campus and NSLA. It was followed by a tour of the NSCC Waterfront Campus, as well as a reception. There were 18 participants for the EI session, approximately 40 for the tour and 45 for the reception afterwards. It was a great event to partner on and was a robust affair due to the co-sponsorship.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Submitted by Donald Moses

APLA Conference 2008

The activity that's consumed most of my time during this reporting period has been the planning and work involved in hosting APLA's annual conference. There have been volunteers from all of Prince Edward Island's library community including the PEI Provincial Library Service, UPEI's Robertson Library, and Holland College Library Services. They have been creating an engaging and inspirational program, selecting a venue, arranging accommodations, making menu selections, contacting exhibitors, encouraging sponsorship of events and sessions, registering participants, planning social activities, working on the website and promotions, and a host of other activities. Andrea Stewart, Local Arrangements Committee Chair, and Mark Leggott, Program Committee Chair, have provided leadership and support. Their committees have been great to work with and I'd like to thank all of the volunteers for their efforts for making this conference successful. In addition, the conference website has been hosted on APLA's server and is a resource that conference committees can leverage in the future. Thanks to Stan Orlov for making this possible.

APLA Bulletin

I've continued to collect news from the Island's library community and would like to thank them for their contributions. The APLA web server crashed during this reporting period and I have assisted the editors with re-establishing the Bulletin's digital content and issues within the Open Journal System.

Provincial VP Event

On March 12, 2008 I partnered with the PEI Professional Librarians Association (PEIPLA) and hosted an Educational Institute session at Holland College. About 15 members of the library community - including public, academic, and special libraries - attended and had an opportunity to catch up at a social mixer that followed. This event provided an opportunity to reach new members, talk about the upcoming conference, and spend some time with colleagues. I'd like to thank my institution, PEIPLA, and APLA for their support.



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President's Annual Report

Submitted by Donna Bourne-Tyson

Before writing this, I looked at the President's report for the last several years, and was inspired by the things that my predecessors did during their terms and thought to mention during their reports. As the year went along, I was often mindful of the 55 presidents who have served in this role and how much APLA has gained from their contributions.

This past year was a year marked by fiscal prudence, and financial and administrative housekeeping activities. This does not make for an exciting year but it was necessary and APLA is on the road to financial well-being as a result. The Executive did a little bit of collective navel gazing, as we asked each other and our members what APLA can do most effectively, and what do our members want? We are very proud to have taken the big step of moving to an online, open access version of the *Bulletin*. This decision was born of financial exigency but the results are environmentally friendly, supported by our steadfast advertisers, noted by our sister associations across the country, and we hope embraced by APLA members. Dianne Taylor-Harding, Stacey Penney, Ruth Cordes, and the provincial Vice-Presidents did a tremendous job of handling the transition, with stellar technical support from VP PEI Donald Moses, President Jennifer Richard and APLA website administrator Stan Orlov.

In her report, President Mackey mentioned APLA members who had been honoured during her presidential year. This past year, Erica Smith received CLA's Library Technician of the Year Award; Marie De Young was awarded the Canadian Association of College and University Libraries CTCL Librarian of the Year Award; Bill Maes received the CACUL Miles Blackwell Academic Librarian of the Year Award; Trudy Amirault was awarded the NSLA Norman Horrocks Outstanding Librarian of the Year Award; Mark Leggott received the Librarian of the Year Award from the Manitoba Library Association; Norman Horrocks had an ALISE award named in his honour; and several APLA members published books including Peter Webster and Ian Colford. There are many more accomplishments to celebrate but this gives you an idea of how active and impressive APLA members are!

President Groen commented when he began his term that it was great to put faces to names at the conference, and that was certainly the case for me this year; we have over 400 members and it was so great to meet everyone at the conference in St. John's. This past year the Executive ensured that one of us was in attendance at each provincial association conference, to bring greetings from APLA, to discuss the new joint membership initiatives, and to solicit feedback from other APLA members whenever possible. Thanks to the provincial Vice-Presidents for representing APLA at those events, amongst their many duties. Speaking of conferences, I would like to recognize and thank Conference Co-Chairs Mark Leggott and Andrea Stewart, the members of the Program and Local Arrangements committees, and all of the other volunteers who have worked to bring us an amazing conference in Charlottetown for May 2008.


What does the President do, specifically? Many things are done as part of the Executive team, and everything is vetted by the Executive. The long version is in the Procedures Manual, but to sum up the activities fall into four categories: advocacy, meetings and committees, events, and communications. In terms of advocacy, we wrote a submission for Canada Council on the Arts consultation in June with assistance from Susan McLean and CAPL, and wrote to support the Book Rate bill (referred to in correspondence section) in July. We supported petitions and online lobbying efforts to prevent the shutdown of the Canadian Health Network and the ETS Art Transportation Service. We monitored activities related to proposed copyright legislation. We liaised with CLA in all cases to ensure a consistent message was being sent.

Under the meetings and committees category, the president sits *ex officio* on all committees and I did my best to attend as many as possible, to get the holistic overview of APLA activities. At the beginning of the year, in June, I met several times with our new APLA treasurer Penny Logan and TD Bank representative to transfer signing authorities, sort out a few banking issues, set up online access, etc. There is always more involved in association banking than one would expect, and Penny has done a great job nailing down a few previously puzzling things. I attended teleconference meetings for the APLA / NSLA Continuing Education Standing Committee, helped to set up EI sessions and convened two of them. With Vice-President Su Cleyle, I attended The Partnership Retreat at OLA in August and January, and co-wrote an article about The Partnership which will appear in the next issue of CLA's *Felicitier*. During the fall I participated as content creator and copy-editor on the ad hoc Partnership committee creating the Career Center website, which is soon to be launched. I met with NSLA President Lynne Sommers, NLLA President Dan Duda and NBLA President Sarah Gladwell via e-mail and telephone to discuss discounted registration offers for joint memberships. Only NSLA's is implemented so far but the others are being considered.

Some events attended as APLA President included Norman Horrocks' birthday reception at Dalhousie's School of Information Management (brought greetings on APLA's behalf); the NSLA conference in September in Antigonish; the HLA AGM in June in Halifax; appeared on ASN Six O'clock News to talk about Facebook & Second Life (introduced as APLA president); the CLA Open House in Ottawa in September; presented paper on millennial students and academic libraries at GTEC conference in Ottawa in October (introduced as APLA president); Information Without Borders Conference in Halifax in March (APLA sponsored this event); the OLA Conference in Toronto in January (generously funded by OLA); attended tribute event for Larry Moore; the APLA / HLA / CASLIS / NSALT/ NSCC event at NSCC, successfully organized by Debbie Costelo in March; and spoke at Dal SIM Brown Bag Lunch event about attending conferences in March.

In a year when we couldn't spend a lot of money, one thing we thought we could do for the members was improve communications. While the jury is still out, we at least increased the frequency of communications this year, by sending out weekly EI e-mails to the membership; posting briefs on the listserv and creating a new Facebook group thanks to Gillian Byrne. Also thanks to Gillian and Vice-President Membership Ruthmary Macpherson, we started offering free student memberships and began a new program "bring in 3 new members and get a free membership". Read all about it in Ruthmary's report! We ran two new draws, one for tickets to see J.K. Rowling in Toronto, thanks to The Partnership and OLA, which was won by Kristina Holman, Saint Mary's University and Johanne Jacob, Région de Bibliothèques du Haut-Saint-Jean Library Region, and one for registration to attend the Information Without Borders conference in Halifax, which was awarded to Susan Cameron, St. Francis Xavier University.

Last year President Douthwright took time in his report to wish me all the best as incoming President, and in turn I would like to extend my best wishes to incoming President Su Cleyle. It has been a great pleasure working with Ivan and Su this past year and we will miss Ivan next year when he steps off the Executive. I look forward to serving on the Executive with President Cleyle at the helm, and APLA members will see exciting things during her presidential year. We are saying goodbye to Vice-President for Nova Scotia Debbie Costelo, Vice-President for Newfoundland & Labrador Pat Parsons, Secretary Collette Saunders, Bulletin Advertising Editor Ruth Cordes, Communications Committee Chair Gillian Byrne, and Continuing Education Committee Chair Sue Adams. Thank you for your outstanding service to the Executive and to APLA! And thank you to all APLA members for affording me the privilege of serving as President for 2007 – 2008.



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Annual Report for the VP of Membership

Membership Report April 2008

Institutional Members		
	April 2008	April 2007
NB	5	9
NL	1	2
NS	13	11
PE	1	1
Other	2	2
Total	22	25

Personal Members		
	April 2008	April 2007
NB	84	87
NL	30	25
NS	165	102
PE	14	16
Other	21	16
Total	314	246

Life/Honourary Life Members		
	April 2008	April 2007
	27	25

Student Members	
	74



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VP/President Elect's Annual Report

Submitted by Susan Cleyle

It was a pleasure to be asked to serve APLA as VP/President Elect. I have spent the last year coming up to speed on the ways of "APLA." It has been a challenge but also very interesting. I am extremely pleased and proud of the many initiatives undertaken by the APLA Executive on your behalf and it has been a real pleasure to work with this group. In particular, it has been wonderful to work with Donna Bourne-Tyson who has served APLA tirelessly for the past year and has done so many wonderful things.

I attended two Partnership meetings with President Bourne-Tyson generously sponsored by the Ontario Library Association. These meetings have resulted in some wonderful new services for all members including the Education Institute, the Partnership Journal and Job Board and Career Centre. It has been a real pleasure to bring the interests of APLA to this table and to discuss the possibilities of new member benefits. To that end, I sit on the Sub-Committee for certification which is looking at the possibility of a process where librarians can gain recognition for professional development through the Partnership. This is a terrific initiative and, while there is not much to report, stay tuned.

As VP/President Elect I have worked to stay in communication with the Interest Groups and work on the Committees assigned. This is a large group and covers such diverse topics. It is my hope that next year during my Presidency, I and the Executive can work to find new ways to support the Interest Groups and Committees and provide them with opportunities for their members. Of course, finances often drive this kind of support but I remain hopeful that we will find new and creative ways to provide real value for the members and to encourage more Atlantic Provinces librarians to get involved.

As the transition from VP/President Elect looms, I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank all the members of the APLA Executive for their hard work and commitment to the profession. I look forward to the year ahead!

Annual Reports of Committees and Interest Groups

APLA Representative to the CLA Copyright Working Group

Jane Duffy, Associate University Librarian at Dalhousie University, will be the new APLA representative for the CLA Copyright Working Group.

Jane has a long-standing interest in copyright matters. This has increased dramatically in recent years, in relation to her work with academic library service providers and others in Web-based document delivery, reserve and other access services.

Thanks for volunteering for this important committee, Jane!

CLA's Copyright Working Group has two basic roles: to monitor legislation, court cases and policy developments in copyright that might impact library operations or values (i.e. access to information); and to provide information and advice to the library community on copyright in the library milieu. This includes a session at the CLA Conference and sometimes a pre-Conference workshop.

The Group does most of its work by listserv. It does conference calls a few times each year, and Working Group members who are at the CLA Conference usually have a meeting.

Access to Government Information Interest Group (AGIIG)

It has been relatively quiet year for the Interest Group. However, things might heat up as budget cuts, especially to science-based services and programs, by Canada's self-styled "new government" begin to affect not just access to information but the very existence of that information. For the moment in the Atlantic Region, our full and select depository libraries continue to enjoy an improved distribution model from the federal government's Depository Services Program (DSP). While this has been a positive development, the DSP's acquisition record falls short as significant federal publications still manage to 'miss' the 'pink list.' In this respect, one of the Program's weaknesses, particularly where print publications are concerned, continues to be the belief among some federal departments and agencies that publishing on the web lessens their responsibility to distribute through the DSP.

By way of contrast, another federal program, the Data Liberation Initiative (DLI), continues to make Statistics Canada's data resources available to post secondary institutions across the country. In collaboration with Canada's universities and a number of colleges, the DLI continues to develop data retrieval and statistics expertise in librarians and support staff in academe. The Agency also provides resources for regional training workshops and maintains a very active listserv. The success of DLI can be measured by the growth in the number of participating institutions and by the exponential increase in research results based on Statscan's surveys.

In other jurisdictions, especially in the United States, restrictive dissemination practices related to national security have carried over into energy, the environment and other areas subject to the Freedom of Information Act. These cases in turn have led to a host of legal challenges many of which are documented and archived by the Federation of American Scientists (FAS) Project on Government Secrecy, 'Secrecy News' at <www.fas.org>. As for the European Communities' publication presence in Canada, their former documentation and reference centres in Canada, mostly located in university libraries, continue to receive a dribble of material as access to European Union documentation is almost entirely web dependent and disturbingly complex. At the Atlantic regional level, access to provincial government information is still variable, even where depository programs exist, and departmental libraries are still being closed or downsized.

While AGIIG members saw some limited improvement in access to government information, the trend has not been positive and the years ahead do not look all that promising. That being said, and mild pessimism aside, I would issue a reminder that while most AGIIG members are librarians and library technicians/assistants working in university, government and special libraries in the Atlantic Region, any APLA member is welcome, and indeed encouraged to join the Interest Group.

Submitted by John Neilson

Continuing Education Interest Group

This was a year of experimentation for the Continuing Education Interest Group. Since last year's OGM, we have spent time exploring the usefulness of our Ning Community and, ultimately, learned that the interest simply wasn't there – a valuable lesson, to be sure!

While this may have initially been disappointing, the positive slant is that the book reviews in the *APLA Bulletin* have been very well received. We hope to continue contributing them during the coming year and to eventually have enough books and reviewers to support a review in every issue. While we have so far limited the reviews to books, we are also hoping to be able to expand to reviewing some of the Education Institute teleconferences as the opportunity presents itself.

Heather Berringer

Groupe d'intérêt francophone

Puisque le congrès de l'APLA de 2007 a eu lieu conjointement avec ceux de la CLA et de la NLLA, les activités du groupe d'intérêt francophone ont été plutôt limitées en 2007-2008. À chaque année, le groupe d'intérêt francophone veille à offrir au moins une communication en français au congrès annuel de l'APLA, mais ce ne fut pas possible en 2007.

Néanmoins, plusieurs membres francophones se sont rencontrés le 27 mars 2008, à l'invitation de la vice-présidente du Nouveau-Brunswick Nadine Goguen. Après avoir participé à une conférence téléphonique de l'Education Institute, les gens ont pu socialiser lors d'une réception au bureau de la Région de bibliothèques Albert-Westmorland-Kent.

Le congrès de 2008 à Charlottetown sera une autre occasion de se rencontrer et d'échanger autour des sujets qui nous préoccupent. Au plaisir de vous y voir!

Chantale Bellemare

Information Literacy Interest Group

Several members of our Interest Group are doing some really interesting and innovative projects using the emerging technologies to promote their information literacy initiatives. The focus for this year was to feature our own librarians. First up were Shelley Gullikson with "The Art of Noise," and Tanja Harrison with "Takin' it to the Web." Their projects appeared in the last printed issue of the *APLA Bulletin*, 70 (5), in an article called "Information Literacy – Reaching a wider Audience with Audio & Animation" (pp. 26-28). We will build on this topic and sneak behind the scenes at the annual conference with a joint presentation called, "Information Literacy with Audio, Animation and Avatars." This presentation will feature more librarians from the Atlantic Provinces, talking about their own projects.

We will hold our informal annual meeting while we are gathered together in Charlottetown. This will be a dinner event, to be held on Friday evening (following the OGM, Part 1).

Gwendolyn MacNairn

Continuing Education Committee

Members: Sue Adams, Trudy Amirault, Heather Berringer, Donna Bourne-Tyson, Su Cleyle, Michael Colborne, Jane Duffy, Mary Landry, Trish LeBlanc
Convenor: Sue Adams

The main focus of the Continuing Education Committee is to develop content from the Atlantic region for the Partnership's Education Institute, and to promote EI sessions. A joint effort of APLA and NSLA, this year's enthusiastic committee held six teleconferences during which we brainstormed ideas and possible presenters. Members of the Committee also volunteered as convenors for each of our programs.

For the fall 2007 calendar we developed 6 sessions, with topics as diverse as gaming, reader-centred services in public libraries, early literacy, bibliomining, généalogie acadienne and Second Life. For spring 2008 our sessions covered ergonomics, programming for culturally diverse communities, Library 2.0, open source software, information literacy and Acadian genealogy (offered this time in English). The range of talent, expertise and creativity in our region is truly impressive, and the Committee sincerely appreciated the effort of all this year's presenters.

Publicity via the APLA Bulletin and listserv, as well as targeted e-mails and group presentations reached most of our members throughout the year. APLA's innovative Vice-Presidents' series is a new and creative way to promote participation in Education Institute sessions, with refreshments and local speakers rounding out an EI presentation with extra learning and social time.

Through representation on the Partnership's National Continuing Education Committee, our Committee is able to stay in touch with the latest developments at the country-wide level. In the next year, look for possible certification options for some programs.

As always, all APLA members are warmly encouraged to suggest topics for new sessions!

Proposed Budget for 2008-09

As the only monetary expense for this committee is telecommunication costs, the Continuing Education Committee respectfully submits the following budget.

2007-08 St.FX paid approximately \$750 for six teleconferences.

Total Budget required for 2008-09: \$75

Memorial Awards Committee

The members of the 2007-2008 APLA Memorial Awards Committee are: Erin Alcock (Memorial University), Lesley Carruthers (Nova Scotia Eastern Counties Regional Library), Judy Dunn (University of Toronto), Tanja Harrison (Acadia University), and Ann Smith (Acadia University).

Several messages promoting the award were sent over the APLA listserv. A call for applications also appeared in all issues of the *APLA Bulletin* throughout the year. In addition to soliciting applications, members raised the issue of becoming more active in seeking donations to the trust, the annual interest of which funds the award. Donors help preserve the integrity of the award as their contributions are received in honour of past members. Several ideas were suggested, including setting up an information table to accept donations at upcoming APLA conferences. Another idea was to include a list of donors with

the call for submissions advertisement in the *APLA Bulletin*. Committee members agree that this is an important initiative to pursue and other ideas from members are welcome. Remember that donations to the APLA Memorial Trust and Awards fund are charitable and eligible for tax receipts.

Two applications were received prior to the 2008 deadline. The committee met via conference call on April 1, 2008 to deliberate the proposals and the Executive approved the committee's recommendation on April 4th via email. On behalf of the committee, it is my pleasure to announce that the winner of the 2008 APLA Memorial Award is Diane Buhay of the University of New Brunswick (Saint John) for her project "How the Library of the Natural History of Society of New Brunswick (1862-1932) based in Saint John Supported Early Scientific Research". The committee noted that Diane has an impressive publishing record, and that her unique experience positions her well to conduct such a project.

The other submission proposed to continue the digitization of the APLA Archive collection, currently housed at Acadia University. Although the committee felt it could not fund the project at this time through the Memorial Trust, members were unanimous in expressing the importance of the project. We hope that the APLA Executive will consider assistance when possible in moving this project forward in the future.

We thank all applicants for their interest in this year's award. I would like to thank the members of the APLA Memorial Awards Committee for their contributions throughout the selection process. Thank you to Ann Smith for her four years of service; I too will be stepping down from the committee after four years. Many thanks to Lesley Carruthers and Judy Dunn for agreeing to continue for another year, as well to Erin Alcock who has agreed to convene the committee. If anyone is interested in becoming a member now or in the future, please contact Erin at ekalcock@mun.ca.

Respectfully submitted,
Tanja Harrison



Atlantic Provinces Library Association
Charlottetown, PE
May 9th, 2008
Annual Report 2008
By Laurette Mackey

In four months, delegates, volunteers, speakers, presenters and exhibitors will gather together at the Quebec City Convention Centre to share ideas and ideals regarding library service, innovation and development. Come and join us at the World Library and Information Congress also known as IFLA 2008.

As your representative on the National Advisory Committee, I attended meetings in Ottawa April 2, May 24, November 1 2007 and February 14 2008.

As a member of the Volunteers subcommittee, I attended meetings in Quebec City and Montreal March 23, June 15, October 31 2007 as well as January 25 and February 22 2008. Diane Polnicky and I also sorted all the volunteer applications and assigned preliminary tasks.

In August, a number of Canadian delegates including myself attended the 2007 Conference in Durban, South Africa and were present at the IFLA booth to promote IFLA 2008.

On March 25 2008, I attended a CLA Montreal chapter sponsored event on IFLA 2008. Le salon des bibliothécaires is an informal gathering of interested people who meet to discuss issues. Suzanne Payette, James Turner, Pat Riva and I met with future delegates, presenters and volunteers. Our experiences are varied but the enthusiasm is building.

32nd Annual Conference of the Canadian Health Libraries Association / Association des bibliothèques de la santé du Canada (CHLA/ABSC)

Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada
May 26-May 30, 2008

Vibrant Halifax combines living history and cosmopolitan flair with a maritime tang. Join us in one of Canada's most unforgettable cities for a conference that promises to be inspiring and enriching. Our programme boasts a roster of distinguished invited speakers from around the world:

- Mr. Andrew Booth, Director of Information Resources and Reader in Evidence Based Information Practice, University of Sheffield, England will deliver the opening keynote address on evidence based librarianship.
- Dr. Ronald D. Stewart, OC, MD, FRCPC, DSc, Director of the Medical Humanities Program at Dalhousie University in Halifax will speak on humanities in medicine.
- Benoit Thirion, Manager of the Medical Library of the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Rouen, will talk about "CISMeF: Catalogue and Index of French Language Health Resources"
- Anne Kilfoil, Region Director of Organizational Learning, Atlantic Health Sciences Corporation, NB will speak on "Transitioning through Change."
- Our closing keynote speaker is Dr. Stephen Choi, MD, FRCPC, an emergency physician at the Ottawa Hospital. Dr. Choi was deputy editor of the *Canadian Medical Association Journal* from 2003 to 2006. He is currently co-editor of *Open Medicine*.

We are also offering an interesting smorgasbord of continuing education opportunities, contributed papers and posters. And don't miss out on the social scene! The opening reception is being held at the Citadel, one of the most heavily visited historic sites in Canada. The conference banquet features a lobster dinner at Pier 21 on Halifax's lively waterfront. Pier 21, now a National Historic Site, served as the main point of entry for immigrants to this country for many decades. As a museum, it has recently been dubbed one of the "Seven Wonders of Canada."

Why not extend your stay beyond the conference and explore the pristine, natural beauty and diverse cultural activities of all three Maritime Provinces!

Registration is now open. For more details visit our conference website at <<http://www.chla-absc.ca/2008/>>.

Tim Ruggles, Chair,
Publicity Committee, CHLA/ABSC 2008 Planning Committee

WILU 37
Information Literacy *UNCORKED*
La culture de l'information débouchée
Kelowna, British Columbia
May 14 – 16, 2008



We are excited about the conference program that we have put together. In addition to that, I would like mention the opportunities we are providing to sample some of the wine produced locally in one of Canada's fastest growing viticulture areas. Add to that, the magnificent views of the Okanagan Valley and this becomes a combination that is sure to entice you.

Our keynote speaker is John Willinsky, author of *The Access Principle*. John is an avid supporter of libraries and an entertaining speaker.

For more information, please check out the conference website at:
www.library.ubc.ca/wilu2008/

I hope you'll join us for an exciting and energetic conference.

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CLA Conference 2008 - May 21 – 24, Vancouver, BC

[Libraries and Publishing 3.0: Connecting Authors to Readers in the Digital Age](#)

"A conference to explore almost everything you want to know about publishing and libraries in today's world of changing cultures, technologies, economics, and literacies."

The [Conference website](#) has been updated with exciting new information for you to peruse and help you customize your conference experience:

- [PRELIMINARY PROGRAM](#) is part of this issue of *Felicitator* and can be viewed here on the website.
- [REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!](#) Register online or download the forms
- [KEYNOTE SPEAKERS](#) are Alberto Manguel and Rowland Lorimer, and Wendy Morton will be on-site with her "Random Acts of Poetry."
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Gain valuable insights into the broader cultural, national and corporate contexts of which we are a part, and come away with new professional perspectives on the ecology of reading and the inexorable flux of the cultural record ... Alvin Schrader, CLA President

Canadian Learning Commons Conference - Build on Success in the Learning Commons!

Registration is now open for the 3rd annual Canadian Learning Commons Conference, to be held in Fredericton N.B. June 8-10, 2008. Please visit our web site: <http://www.lib.unb.ca/CLCC3/>

Our program attempts to include many perspectives in the Learning Commons framework, from on-the-ground participants like libraries, information technology services, writing centres, accessibility services, to those with a broader scope, like university administrators, community college educators, and those who gather student feedback in satisfaction surveys on all aspects of higher education. We also hope to cast light on the likeliest next steps for "Learning Commons" enterprises, with sessions on how to keep the physical space of the Commons fresh and responsive to student needs, and how to create and maintain a Learning Commons environment in social networking spaces.

The pre-conference workshop will be given by Steve Hiller, Director of Assessment and Planning, at the University of Washington Libraries in Seattle, Washington. This half-day workshop will review practical approaches to assessment that can be applied successfully in different library settings and organizational structures. Examples will be drawn from different types of libraries and show how libraries can effectively demonstrate and document the value they add to their communities.

Participation is limited to 50, and will be reserved for conference delegates until May 01.

Keynote speaker, Richard Sweeney, University Librarian at the New Jersey Institute of Technology, will discuss what research says about Millennials and their communication, consumer, and learning preferences, as well as their behaviours and attitudes. Following this discussion, Richard will conduct a live focus group with 12 to 14 local Millennials to prove or disprove the research. The audience will also have the opportunity to ask the Millennials questions.

Conference sessions will offer a blend of panel discussions, formal presentations and idea swaps on significant aspects of Learning Commons enterprises, with an emphasis on maintaining the momentum and success of the Learning Commons approach.

We look forward to seeing you here, in June!

Diane Buhay
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Evidence Based Library and Information Practice

The journal, *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice*, seeks papers on all areas of EBL/EBLIP including, but not limited to:

- ✚ EBL application
- ✚ Qualitative and quantitative research
- ✚ Management and administrative issues related to EBP
- ✚ Research tools (statistics, data collection methods, etc.)
- ✚ Research education in library schools
- ✚ Collaborations with other disciplines
- ✚ Evidence based practice from other disciplines applicable to EBL
- ✚ Harnessing evidence to support new innovations
- ✚ Developing and applying evidence based tools

Papers may be submitted to the following sections:

1. Research Articles (peer reviewed, original research)
2. Commentaries (non-peer reviewed, opinion-based)

Submission deadlines for 2008:

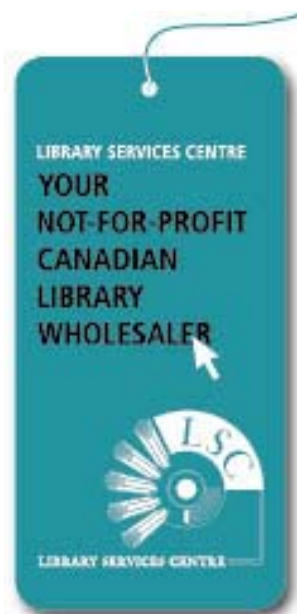
June 1st (for September 15th issue)

September 1st (for December 15th issue)

December 1st (for March 15th, 2009 issue)

Further information regarding author guidelines and the online submission process can be found on the Submission section of the EBLIP website :

<http://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/index>.



Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science

I recently have taken on the Editorship of the Canadian Journal of Information and Library Science / La Revue canadienne des sciences de l'information et de bibliothéconomie. The Journal is published by the Canadian Association for Information Science through the University of Toronto Press, and contributes to the advancement of information and library science by serving as a forum for discussion of theory and research. The journal is concerned with research findings, understanding of issues in the field, information practices of individuals and groups, and understanding of the history, economics, and technology of information or library systems and services. Although the Journal has not been published regularly for the past two years, I am delighted to announce that volume 29, issue 4 is expected to be in print very soon. Volumes 30 and 31 will be out by year's end, as well. We're catching up, and moving forward.

With the Journal rapidly getting back on track, I am inviting submissions in either English or French, from academics, students, and practitioners in the field. Instructions for contributors are outlined in the Submission Guidelines (<http://www.caais-acsi.ca/journal/guidelines.htm>).

If you have any questions, or would like your manuscript considered for publication in the Journal, please get in touch!

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