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From the President's Desk



From the President's Desk

January 2018

Kathryn Rose

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year! The New Year marks the lengthening of our days, and is often a time of reflection and resolutions. I extend my sincerest wishes for a year of health, happiness, and fulfillment! Don't forget to include attending the APLA conference as one of your goals. We'd love to see you! This year we celebrate 100 years of the Atlantic Provinces Library Association in beautiful Fredericton!

APLA 2018 Conference: Libraries in ACTION bibliothèques, Fredericton, June 6-9

The Conference committee is working hard on the final details for what is sure to be an excellent annual conference at UNB's Wu Conference Centre. This year's conference is taking shape around the Truth and Reconciliation Committee's Call to Action. A few details on the conference are below. For more information, check out Jessica Larocque's contribution to this edition of the Bulletin.

Accommodations: There are two options this year, the Crown Plaza Fredericton-Beaverbrook Hotel, or on-campus UNB residences.

Keynote Speakers:



The opening keynote speaker, **Michael Ridley**, has held positions of Chief Information Officer and University Librarian at the University of Guelph, Associate University Librarian at the University of Waterloo, and Head of Systems and Technical Services at the Health Science Library at McMaster University. His areas of interest include “literacy, being literate, post-literacy, and the impact of AI on literacy.”



Sheree Fitch, our closing keynote speaker, is a well-known Canadian author and owner of Mable Murple’s Book Shoppe and Dreamery.

The Past Presidents’ opening reception will be held at the Beaverbrook Art Gallery in downtown Fredericton, and the Charlotte Street Arts Centre will host the **Merit Award Reception**. An 80’s cover band will be there for entertainment, so bring your dancing shoes!

APLA Membership

Remember that an APLA membership gets you preferred pricing at the conference, so make sure to renew! APLA offers member benefits to all library workers, so make sure to tell your colleagues!

Advocacy Update

In December, APLA addressed letters to Nova Scotia’s MLAs celebrating the work of the 11 branches of the Annapolis Valley Regional Library system. This was the first stage of the Committee’s plan to highlight Nova Scotia’s libraries this year. We received several positive responses from these MLAs. Efforts to highlight other regions of the province will be forthcoming.

Announcements

Awards & Recognitions

APLA Executive Committee

Betty Jeffery has been named Librarian Emerita by the University of Prince Edward Island – the first librarian to be so honoured. She retired from UPEI in July 2016, following a successful 38-year career. Betty was also the first librarian and the first female to serve as President of the UPEI Faculty Association, as well as the Chief Grievance Officer. She also served APLA in the roles of secretary, assistant editor of the Bulletin, member of the Memorial Awards Committee and the Library Instruction Interest Group, convener of the program committee for the 2001 annual conference, and a moderator and speaker at conferences.

Francesca Holyoke of the University of New Brunswick has been awarded the CAUT Academic Librarians' and Archivists' Distinguished Service Award. This award recognizes outstanding contributions by academic librarians and archivists and other academic staff to the advancement of the status and/or working conditions of academic librarians and archivists at Canadian universities and colleges. Francesca was the first librarian at UNB to serve as faculty association President and Grievance Committee Chair. She also served as chair of what was then CAUT's Librarians' Committee from 2008-2012.

Announcements

2018 APLA Memorial Award

Kate Stewart, Convenor, APLA Award Committee

Do you need financial assistance for study or research? The APLA Memorial Trust provides funding for projects that contribute to the development of your career and are of benefit to the library profession, through research, educational opportunity, or other appropriate endeavour. Applicants must be members of APLA. Previous applicants and winners are eligible. To apply, send a letter outlining your proposed project and estimated costs, and a copy of your curriculum vitae. Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2018.

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

For more information about the award, to submit an application, or to make a donation, please contact:

Kate Stewart
Convenor, APLA Memorial Award Committee

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Announcements

Virtual APLA/Dalhousie Chatroom Launch

Marc Harper, APLA Bulletin Co-Editor

The fall of 2017 saw the long anticipated launch of a virtual chat room accessible to APLA members and students of Dalhousie's Master of Library and Information Studies program. This chat room offers the unique opportunity for future librarians/information managers to network and interact with professionals across the Atlantic Provinces. Also, APLA members can become acquainted with future leaders in our profession.

After several test runs between group administrators in September, the forum launched and there are 63 members as of January, 2018. These consist of library & information management professionals in the Atlantic Provinces as well as Dalhousie students. In 2018, the forum hopes to add more students and, of course, more professionals.

The chat room works by having a student or a professional start a thread which can be answered by anyone in the forum. Topics of discussion can include:

- Questions from students about where to start on assignments or who to speak to regarding an initiative
- Current events in the library world
- Advertisements for upcoming events or library programming

Every question seems to have at least one person that can provide valuable insight and advice based on his or her professional experience.

[The APLA/Dal virtual chat room can be joined here](#)

Announcements

2018 APLA Advocacy Award submissions now being accepted

Mathieu Lanteigne, APLA Advocacy Committee

Presented at the Banquet during the Annual Conference, the APLA Advocacy Award, valued at \$500, recognizes exemplary library promotion, advocacy, and outreach. The Awards Committee, which will consist of the APLA Advocacy Interest Group and a member of the APLA Executive, will evaluate submissions based on the following criteria:

1. Creativity and innovation as demonstrated by the originality of the project;
2. Potential for generating public visibility and support for libraries, irrespective of the kind or amount of resources employed;
3. Relevance and effectiveness illustrated by measurable objectives and subsequent evaluation methods;
4. Commitment to ongoing library promotion and advocacy.

For an example of a past winner, please have a look [here](#). To be eligible, an applicant must be a personal member of APLA residing in Atlantic Canada. Applications should be submitted by March 31 to:

Mathieu Lanteigne APLA
Advocacy Committee
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APLA Merit Award

Nominations for the 2018 APLA Merit Award are now being accepted

Suzanne van den Hoogen, APLA Past President

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

Some of the contributions that might be considered in selecting a person for this award are; leadership in library associations at the local, regional and provincial levels; contributions to the development, application and utilization of library services and library systems; significant contribution to library literature.

[Here is the list of the past recipients of the Merit Award.](#)

Nominations, including documentation of the nominee's achievements and letters of support, should be submitted by March 31, 2018 to:

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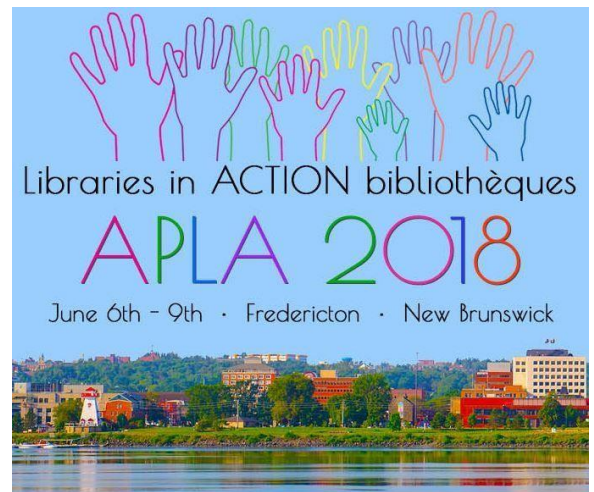
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APLA 2018 Conference, Fredericton NB, June 6-9

Jessica Larocque, Public Services Librarian, N.B. Public Library Service: York Library Region

The APLA 2018 conference organizing committee is excited to give you a sneak peek at what they have been working on for the APLA 2018 conference in Fredericton NB (June 6th9th). Visit the conference website for more information at <https://apla2018.lib.unb.ca/>



Venue

The conference will be held at the University of New Brunswick's Wu Conference Centre, which is nestled at the very top of UNB's beautiful campus. Accommodations for the conference include the options of the Crowne Plaza Fredericton-Beaverbrook Hotel in downtown Fredericton or an on-campus stay at the UNB residences.

Keynotes

The opening keynote on June 7th, will be with University of Guelph librarian, Michael Ridley. He describes his areas of interest and research as "literacy, being literate, post-literacy, and the impact of AI on literacy". These topics are delved into on his blog: [Exploring the Information Ecology](#). He has held the positions of Chief Information Officer (CIO) and Chief Librarian at Guelph; Associate University Librarian, University of Waterloo; and Head of Systems & Technical Services at the Health Sciences Library, McMaster University. Mike Ridley is the recipient of numerous career awards including distinguished service awards from the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (2015) and the Ontario Library Association (2008).

The closing keynote on June 9th, will be with Sheree Fitch, beloved Canadian author and owner of Mable Murple's Book Shoppe and Dreamery. Sheree is well known for her children's books, as well as her fiction for teens and adults. She also gives workshops on creativity, literacy education, children's and women's issues, storytelling, and narrative. You can find more about her endeavours and adventures on her website: <http://www.shereefitch.com/>

Welcome reception

The Welcome reception will be held on June 6th at the newly-expanded Beaverbrook Art Gallery in downtown Fredericton. The night will include guided tours of the art gallery, live music, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar. Don't worry, a drink ticket will be included with conference registration!

Merit Award presentation reception

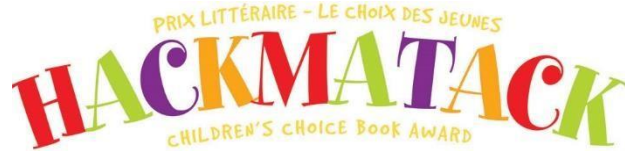
The Charlotte Street Arts Centre will be the venue for the Merit Award this year. Come and enjoy a variety of hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar, and bring your best dance moves to the floor for a performance by 80's cover band "Pretty in Pink."

Announcements

Hackmatack has a new Facebook page

Ray Fernandes, Nova Scotia Provincial Library

LIKE and FOLLOW us on [Facebook](#) and be entered to WIN a complete set (10 books) of the 2017-2018 English Fiction nominated books!



The Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Awards is back for its 19th year. The program for children in Grades 4, 5 and 6 introduces young readers from Atlantic Canada to great Canadian books and authors.



The program is a great way to get kids reading. It empowers them by giving them a say in choosing the most popular books in four reading categories:

- English fiction: [Book Uncle and Me](#)
- English non-fiction: [A Change of Heart](#)
- French fiction: [Ce jour-là, à 7h22](#)
- French non-fiction: [Les bleues de Toronto](#)

Participants read from the selected Hackmatack book (ten in each category) and cast votes for their favourites in March 2018.

Nominated authors tour the Atlantic Provinces from May 28-31, 2018. The winners of the Hackmatack Children's Choice Book Awards, determined by the children's votes, will announced at the awards ceremony on June 1, in Saint John, New Brunswick.

Don't forget to LIKE and FOLLOW the Hackmatack Facebook page, or FOLLOW them on [Twitter](#). Visit the [Hackmatack website](#) for more information about the program.



Feature Articles

Games@thelibrary 2017 Report

Juanita Lewis, Vice President, Centre Belle-Alliance. Summerside, PE.

Anytime during Games@the Library week (also known as Jeux@la bibliothèque), libraries of all types in Atlantic Canada were encouraged to host a game themed event of their choice. The 2017 edition of the event was held from Sunday, October 29 to Saturday, November 4 inclusively. These dates were chosen so that APLA's Games@the Library sponsorship could be aligned with the dates of the American Library Association's first International Games Week. Organizers hoped that the alignment of the two events would inspire intercultural programming so that clients could explore games from other countries in addition to current programming ideas including board games, Lego, indoor mini sports, and video games for example. While there does not appear to have been an increase in intercultural programming, there were some innovative gaming programs offered by libraries such as STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) experiments and ping pong.

All participants during Games@the Library week were eligible to enter their names in the grand prize draw which took place November 21, 2017. In some cases, participants chose not to complete a ballot whereas other participants had multiple ballot entries due to having participated in more than one gaming event. Therefore, the number of ballots is not an exact measure of participation. This year, there were 461 ballots submitted for the grand prize draw.

Another method of measurement of participation is to count the number of participating libraries. This year, a Grand Tally Sheet was created for libraries to complete in order to be able to submit specific information such as type of library along with the draw ballots. When the library did not submit a Grand Tally Sheet, the return address on the mailing envelope was used to categorize the library by type. This categorization process resulted in mostly public libraries having submitted ballots. A total of 33 libraries sent in ballots in 2017. This participation is similar to that of Games@the Library 2016 wherein 35 libraries submitted ballots.

Table of Types of Participating Libraries

Type of Library	# of libraries which sent ballots for Games@the Library 2016	# of libraries which sent ballots for Games@the Library 2017
Public Library	27	25
Academic Library	4	4
School Library	2	3
Special Library <i>ex: government library</i>	1	0
Other <i>ex: provincial library</i>	1	1
Grand total	35	33

Overall, in 2017, there were nearly as many participating libraries as last year and many ballots were

received from participants of games. It is possible that a shortened promotions period and the choice of a Nintendo 2 DS gaming package (in 2017) as opposed to a Samsung Galaxy Tab E Lite gaming package (in 2016) for the grand prize impacted the number of participants and somewhat reduced participation by both libraries and library clients due to the difference in popularity of each gaming technology. However, all things considered, the 2017 Games@the Library Week is believed to have been successful because the aim of this event is to show that libraries are places where people meet, learn, and have fun. That goal was met through the wide range of successful activities offered by numerous Atlantic libraries during the Games@the Library 2017.

It is important to note that many of the libraries offered more than one type of activity so it is difficult to make a table to illustrate the division of gaming events offered by libraries. The most popular activities this year were board games and table-top games. A total of six libraries offered Scrabble or Bananagrams. While five libraries offered card games, two others offered Bingo, another two offered chess. Further board games were also played on an individual basis so the entire list of board games was extensive! In contrast to the many table top games offered, more active games included Twister, wii Sports, ping pong, and a scavenger hunt. A new addition this year was STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) games which included construction experiments along the lines of block play and online Minecraft offered at two other libraries. Creative thinking was also featured via Pictionary and Win, Lose, or Draw games.



Emma Bullen was a participant in a gaming event held at the Lourdes Public Library in Newfoundland and she is the Games@the Library 2017 Grand Prize Draw winner! She won a blue Nintendo 2DS preinstalled with Mario Kart 7 and a \$50 gift card to the Nintendo eShop. There was one grand prize for all of Atlantic Canada and all participants during Games@the Library week were eligible to enter their names in the grand prize draw.

The photo of the 2017 grand prize winner is courtesy of the Lourdes Public Library staff.

Many thanks to Sabrina Rowsell at the Lourdes Public Library in Newfoundland for having discerned the prize and photographed the winner. Also, the assistance of Margaret Vail (APLA's webmaster) and Kristel-Fleuren Hunter (APLA Communications Coordinator) was appreciated in disseminating the information about Games@the Library online via the [Games@the Library website](#) as well as APLA's Listserv, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram accounts. The Games@the Library information was also submitted as a news story for APLA's 2017 fall bulletin to promote the event.

News from New Brunswick

University of New Brunswick Libraries

Jocelyne Thompson, Collections Services

Events

UNB Libraries will host a New Brunswick Bibliography Symposium at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton Campus, on Thursday, March 22, 2018. The symposium will bring together scholars, librarians, archivists, and other interested persons who are either active in the field already, or interested in undertaking bibliographic research that can contribute to building the New Brunswick record.

The keynote address at this event will be given by Peter McNally, Professor Emeritus, McGill University, and 2011 recipient of the Bibliographical Society of Canada's prestigious Tremaine Medal. Prof. McNally's address is tentatively titled, "New Brunswick's Contribution to the World of Knowledge: Collecting and Organizing the Published Record". The full-day symposium will offer a varied program of speakers on current and prospective research in New Brunswick bibliography.

Staffing

Alex Goudreau has joined the UNB Libraries' team as the new Liaison Librarian for Sciences and Health Sciences on the Saint John campus. Alex was most recently the Health Sciences Librarian for the Horizon Health Network at the Saint John Regional Hospital, a position she held for five years. Prior to working as Health Sciences Librarian, Alex spent three years working in the public library system, including over a year as Acting Library Director of the West Branch of the Saint John Free Public Library and over a year as Assistant Library Director of the Kennebecasis Public Library. Alex holds a Master of Library and Information Science degree from University of Western Ontario and an MA and BA with first class honours from UNB.

News from New Brunswick

New Brunswick Public Library Service

Kate Thompson, Head of Public Services Development

The New Brunswick Public Library Service is in the process of transitioning from the AACR2 cataloguing standard to Resource Description and Access (RDA). To help prepare staff for the change, the Head of Collections Management recently conducted a series of training presentations for frontline staff to explain how the new cataloguing rules will impact how patrons search for materials.

On December 19, 2017, Fredericton Public Library unveiled its new Biblio Bike – a mobile library pulled by a bicycle. The Biblio Bike, which will operate from late April to early October (weather dependent), will transport library materials, programming equipment, and promotional materials to various events and locations in the Fredericton community. The initiative is the first of its kind in Atlantic Canada.

News from New Brunswick

Mount Allison University Libraries & Archives

Laura Landon, Head of Access Services, Bell Library

Events

The Library hosted “Canada before Confederation: An Exhibition of Maps” from October through December 2017. The exhibit, created and curated by Mount Allison University Modern Languages & Literatures Professor Lauren Beck, featured maps depicting European and Indigenous knowledge about Canada before Confederation. An opening event featured talks by Dr. Beck along with Dan Duda, Map Librarian at Memorial University, and Chet Van Duzer, Cartographic Historian with the Library of Congress.

The Library welcomed Fine Arts/Archives intern Kevin Melanson in December. Kevin, a Mount Allison Fine Arts graduate, is working with donated material from artists Mary Pratt and Christan Nicholson.

From Jan. 15 - 29, the R.P. Bell Library will host the Canadian Jewish Experience exhibit, which uses photographs and descriptive panels to tell the story of how Jewish people have contributed to Canada over the past 150 years.

Staffing

Access Services Assistant Daryl Atkinson left his position at the end of December. Daryl began working in the library as a student assistant during his undergraduate degree, and joined as full-time staff in 2014. He was Access Services’ resident tech expert and all-around can-do guy, and we will miss him.

Jane Heys has returned to the library as a full-time Access Services Assistant. Jane served with distinction on two, year-long terms in the R.P. Bell Library. She brings with her extensive frontline experience from libraries in Ontario and New Brunswick, and we are delighted to have her back.

News from Nova Scotia

Radon Detectors Available for Borrowing

Erin Comeau, Council of Regional Librarians in Nova Scotia

Nova Scotia Provincial Library, regional libraries, and the Lung Association of Nova Scotia have partnered to make radon detectors available to people across the province. Radon is a radioactive gas that has no smell and cannot be seen. It is responsible for approximately 16% of all cases of lung cancer and it occurs in dangerous levels in some homes in Nova Scotia. The only way to know if a home has radon is to test for it. Through this partnership, fifty radon detectors have been made available for borrowing in the nine library regions in the province. Devices are being loaned for six week periods. This first in Canada lending program was made possible with funding from both the federal and provincial governments.

News from Nova Scotia

News from Dalhousie Libraries

Marlo MacKay, Communications Coordinator

Transformative Renovations for the MacRae Library

The new **Student Learning Commons on the third level of the MacRae Library** will be a space unlike any other on Dalhousie's Agricultural Campus. It will combine academic library services and bookable student collaboration spaces in an open-concept design with plenty of natural light, glass, and bright colors.

Features of the new Student Learning Commons include:

- an intercultural room
- a meditation space
- gender neutral washrooms
- hand and foot washing stations
- a self-serve café
- a bookable video conferencing room for students
- a dividable program room with capacity for up to 60 people, available to student societies, staff, and faculty
- a living wall
- an Aboriginal mural
- Dalhousie Agricultural Students' Association offices
- a variety of seating options



The Student Learning Commons is expected to open in April 2018.

Enhancing the Impact of the Halifax Explosion with 3D Mapping



The Dalhousie Libraries' GIS Centre explored the geography of Halifax's past with their recreation of historic images in 2- and 3-D to mark 100 years since the Halifax Explosion. Curated by James Boxall, *From 2D to 3D: Mapping Halifax Over Time*, allows you to view streets, buildings, and other topographic features depicting the north-end of Halifax after the explosion on December 6, 1917.

The Devastation Map in 3D shows three categories of damage to buildings: blue for totally collapsed, red for burned ruins and orange for badly wrecked.

The three-dimensional image of the Halifax Explosion site was created using the original fire insurance plans from 1914. These were reformatted in ArcGIS to create building and road footprints. The maps were then 'joined' to the 'real' world, forming a database which included street addresses and building heights. The time to generate new data from the original map was two months of painstaking work by student interns Cam Robertson (MPLAN) and Shanni Bale (MREM).

The structures were then georeferenced and attached to the Devastation Map where the outlines of buildings that were either totally or partially destroyed could be seen. Once the maps were joined into one database, the GIS Centre was able to use building heights and locations to match with the full digital elevation model (DEM) which uses bare earth altitude from LiDAR Data (light detection/lasers from aircraft surveys). That gave the GIS Centre a 3D form to attach all data sources.

Other researchers added data which expanded the benefits of what was being created within the GIS Centre (e.g. information related to the Halifax Explosion Relief Commission). This project was also the GIS Centre's first Historical GIS under the rubric of providing information and data access, and knowledge translations within digital scholarship.

Additionally, the project gave students the opportunity to test new software and data formats along with historical images, maps, and recreated data. At completion, the students involved saw this effort as the beginning of a historic atlas framework for Halifax.

The exhibit wrapped up at the Dalhousie Art Gallery on December 17, but the web app can be viewed here: <https://dalspatial.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Cascade/index.html?appid=cbbdab75bf07439a97cd16408ed81920>

Celebrating 50 years at the Kellogg Library

To mark this milestone, the Dalhousie Libraries hosted a reception in the library on October 12. Thank you to friends, colleagues, students, and staff who came to help us celebrate and especially to our special guest and long-standing supporter of the Kellogg Library, Dr. Vivien Boniuk.

Dr. Boniuk traveled from New York for the occasion and delivered a speech where she talked about her passion for books, love of medicine, and appreciation of her parents' sacrifices. These sacrifices inspired Dr. Boniuk and her siblings to establish the Hyman & Rachel Boniuk Memorial Fund to support the W.K. Kellogg Health Sciences Library in 1989. A portrait of her parents still hangs in the Kellogg Library, along with a plaque in memory of them.

This year, the earnings from the fund were used to purchase 600 electronic medical books, which will benefit medical students on Dalhousie's Halifax and Saint John campuses.

Officially opened on July 14, 1967, the Kellogg Library opened along with the Tupper Building as a major Centennial project and with the assistance of a significant grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation.

More information about the history of the Kellogg Library can be found here:
<http://dal.ca.libguides.com/c.php?g=673497&p=4742825>



Student Jill Forbes addresses the crowd, detailing the Importance of the library to students.



Familiar faces from the past came out to help us Celebrate. Former Kellogg Library Heads Betty Sutherland and Patrick Ellis.



The crowd enjoying some live classical guitar music and refreshments.



Ann Barrett, Dalhousie Libraries' Associate University Librarian Scholarly Communications & Head of the Kellogg Library, donor Dr. Vivian Boniuk, and University

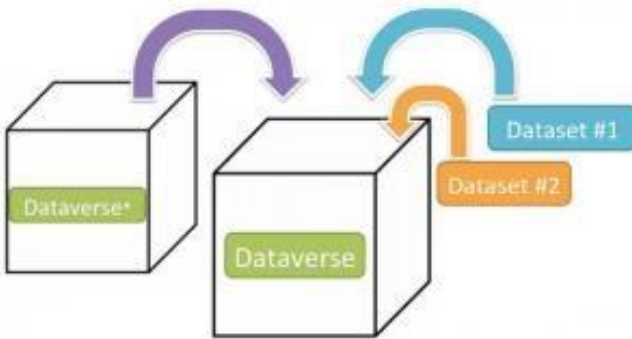
Managing your Research Data



The Dalhousie Libraries have given researchers one less thing to worry about when it comes to their datasets — we can store it for them, locally. Dataverse, the Harvard-developed open-source data repository software, has come to Dalhousie.

“As researchers, we are increasingly called upon to share the data that underlies our research — or even to publish the data as a standalone product,” says Dr. Mike Smit, Acting Associate Dean Research and associate professor in the School of Information Management. “Having a Dal Dataverse ensures every Dal researcher in every field of study has a place to deposit their data, to describe and document it, and to share it with the world. Students graduate, projects end, researchers retire — a data repository is a way to ensure the data lives on.”

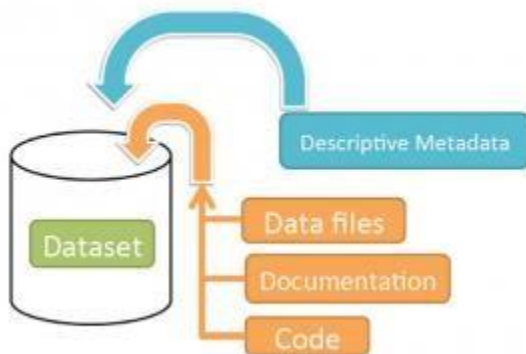
Schematic Diagram of a **Dataverse** in Dataverse 4.0



Container for your **Datasets** and/or **Dataverses***

* Dataverses can now contain other Dataverses (this replaces Collections & Subnetworks)

Schematic Diagram of a **Dataset** in Dataverse 4.0



Container for your data, documentation, and code.

Hosted by the Dalhousie Libraries, this free service allows a researcher to create and manage their own account on the Dalhousie Dataverse, and manage their own project files (dataverses within Dataverse) and datasets. “Dataverses are also the names of the individual containers that are set up in the space to hold datasets. A dataverse can be set up for an individual researcher, project, lab, or even entire department. The individual dataverse contains datasets, which include the code, documentation, and metadata that goes along with your data,” explained Sarah Stevenson, Associate University Librarian Research Services and Head of Killam Library.

Besides the obvious convenience of this service, there are other benefits:

- Sharing and discoverability of your data (open access)
- Protection against data loss by depositing in Dataverse
- Currently, the *Tri-agency Statement of Principles on Digital Data Management* states that it is expected that grant-funded research data be stored on a publicly accessible repository

More information on dataverse and related research data management (RDM) services offered by the Dalhousie Libraries is available

-here: <http://dal.ca.libguides.com/rdm/daldataverse> and

-here: <https://libraries.dal.ca/services/data-management-services.html>

Contact the Dal Libraries RDM team at data.managemet@dal.ca for more information, or get started using Dataverse: dataverse.library.dal.ca.

You can learn more about RDM on the Portage website <https://portagenetwork.ca/resource-library/>, a service provided by the Canadian Association of Research Libraries.

Digital Journal Publishing Services by the Dalhousie Libraries

Geoff Brown, Dalhousie University Libraries



The Dalhousie Libraries provide digital journal publishing services to the University community by providing access to hosted online journal software. The software we use is Open Journal Systems (OJS), a collaborative, open source software project maintained by the Public Knowledge Project.

We handle the initial set-up of journals, answer questions about how to use the software, and can make recommendations about how to implement the journal. The journal owners are responsible for publishing content, managing subscribers/readers, and customizing the design of the journal.

Some of the faculty-led, scholarly journals we host online are:

- [Canadian Journal for the Study of Adult Education](#)
- [Canadian Journal of Law and Technology](#)
- [Dionysius](#)

- [International Journal of Georesources and Environment](#)
- [Proceedings of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science \(NSIS\).](#)

The journal hosting service is also available to student journals. Some of the student journals that we host are:

- [Dalhousie Journal of Interdisciplinary Management](#)
- [Dalhousie Journal of Legal Studies](#)
- [Dalhousie Medical Journal](#)
- [Pseudo-Dionysius](#)
- [Verso: An Undergraduate Journal of Literary Criticism](#)
- [YA Hotline](#)

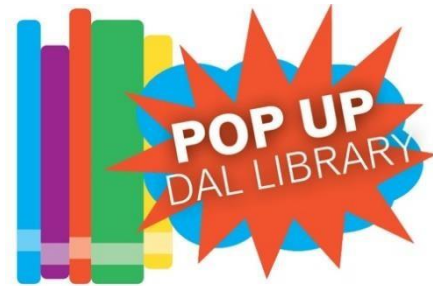
Puppy Room

The Killam Library hosted a puppy room on December 4, with thanks to volunteers from Saint John Ambulance for bringing their pooches. Many students stopped in to socialize with the dogs and take a break from studying for exams.



Pop Up Library

On November 16, we hosted a pop-up library in Shirreff Hall (a student residence) from 4–6 p.m. The pop-up library attracted lots of delighted students who borrowed from the selection of novels we brought and registered their DalCards. Many were pleasantly surprised to learn that an academic library had fiction in its collection.



Staff News

Phil Laughner is the newest staff member at the Dalhousie Libraries. For seventeen years, he was the day manager at the iconic bookstore, John W. Doull, affectionately known by many as JWD's. Phil is excited to be carrying on the family tradition of working in libraries, with his grandparents working in libraries as well as his father.

Longtime librarian Ian Colford retired this fall, after a career spanning 32 years at the Killam and Sexton Libraries. Ian is also a successful writer, having been recognized with multiple awards and nominations for his published fiction.

Very sadly, we said goodbye to Robert Higgins this fall. Robert passed away suddenly in October. He had worked at the Killam Library for seventeen years.

News from Nova Scotia

Islandora Camp

Melissa Anez, Project & Community Manager, Islandora Foundation

The Islandora Foundation invites you to join us in Halifax, NS, for Islandora Camp, taking place July 18 - 20 at Mount Saint Vincent University.

Registration is now open and Early Bird rates are available until April 1st:

<https://islandora.ca/camps/hrm2018>

Islandora is an open-source software framework designed to help institutions, organizations, and their audiences collaboratively manage and discover digital assets using a best-practices framework. Born at the University of Prince Edward Island and built on a base of Drupal, Fedora, and Solr, Islandora releases solution packs which empower users to work with data types (such as image, video, and pdf) and knowledge domains (such as Chemistry and the Digital Humanities).

Islandora Camp is a three-day event consisting of two days of conference-style sessions and one day of hands-on training led by expert instructors from the Islandora community.

We hope you can join us!

The Islandora Team

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News from Nova Scotia

News from Cape Breton Regional Library

Tara MacNeil, Cape Breton Regional Library, Programs

Winter Sports Equipment at the Library

Libraries in Cape Breton and Victoria counties are embracing the outdoors again this winter with our winter sports equipment loan program.

Thanks to a grant from the Central Cape Breton Community Health Board, the Library was able to purchase snowshoes and poles that can be loaned out with a library card to individuals and families in the Cape Breton Regional Municipality at no cost (*the same grant helped us purchase tennis rackets to loan out too!*)

The Victoria County Active Gear Loan Program offers a wider variety of winter equipment including: snowshoes with poles (children's to adult sizes), cross-country skis, boots (children's to adult sizes), poles, ice traction cleats, and walking poles to library users who visit the Baddeck and Ingonish library branches and the Victoria Co. Bookmobile.



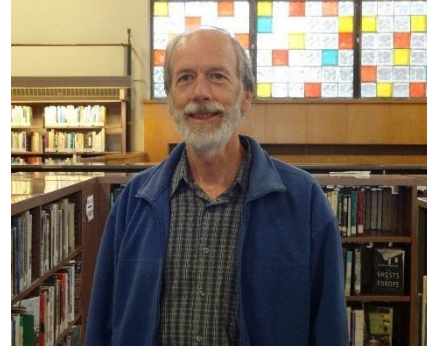
The Victoria Co. Active Gear Program is in partnership with Naturally Active Victoria County, Nova Scotia Communities, Culture and Heritage, and Cape Breton Regional Library. Many comments from library users from Victoria Co.

who borrowed winter equipment in 2017 highlight the positive spin from this loan program;

- *"(I've) always wanted to try skiing or snowshoeing, but had been reluctant to invest in the equipment in case I didn't end up not liking the sport"*
- *"This has really changed how I feel about winter. I'm loving it. And if this program hadn't existed, I never would have tried skiing"*

Cape Breton Regional Library Storyteller in Residence Ronald Labelle reappointed for a second term

The Library enjoyed hosting Ronald Labelle as our Storyteller-in-Residence for a two year term (July 2015-July 2017) and are pleased to announce that he'll be staying on for a second term. Ronald has participated in various library events during his first term and is always ready to share a story or two to fit the occasion. A few of these events include; "Telling Folktales" workshops, Haunted Tales, Remembering School



Days, a March Break program for youth "Create an ending to a traditional folktale", storytelling for Lumière, and even an "Enchanted Woods" tale told while walking on the Baille Ard Nature Trail. Ronald was also an important contributor to our inaugural *Ile of Storytelling Festival* in March 2017 – offering his experience in the planning, organizing, hosting, and of course, storytelling at this festival. We are looking forward to more from Ronald Labelle!

150 Library Makers Workshops in CBRL

Thanks to a generous grant from the Department of Communities Culture and Heritage (CCH)'s *Forward Fund*, Nova Scotia's Libraries were able to celebrate learning, crafting, and making in our libraries by offering more great programs and workshops with local artists, crafters, creators, and innovators. A few of the free, hands-on workshops that were offered in Cape Breton Regional Library branches included: rughooking, archival box making, jewellery making, beginner painting, silk screen painting, hapa zome, altered book art, perspective sketching, and more fun programs for children and youth.

Hats off to Laura Emery (Chief Librarian, Eastern Counties Regional Library) for her 150 Library Makers vision and all her efforts in making the project happen!



Left to right: Completing archival boxes, group photo with finished scarves, working on a rughooking project.

News from Nova Scotia

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Nova Scotia Division Launches New Library Toolkit

Ray Fernandes, Nova Scotia Provincial Library

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award – Nova Scotia Division, has launched "Open Award Centers" in the province. Libraries in Nova Scotia can now deliver the Award Program through the Open Award Centre Model with the "Library Toolkit". It requires minimal staff time commitment and engages with youth between 14 and 24 years old.



This internationally recognized Award program has over 50,000 participants in Canada and seeks to develop active, engaged citizens through a balanced program in 4 ways: learning a skill, being physically active, giving back to the community, and reconnecting with the wilderness.

As an Open Award Centre, libraries can help independent participants who do not have their own Award Unit and Award Leaders achieve their Awards. Training and support for staff member(s) or library volunteer(s) is provided free of charge by the Nova Scotia Division Office.

For more information, please contact the Nova Scotia Division Office at novascotia@dukeofed.org

News from Prince Edward Island

Robertson Library – January 2018 Update

Donald Moses, Interim University Librarian, Robertson Library

Staffing

Robertson Library welcomed two new library staff members during the fall of 2017.



Judith MacNeil began her role as a cataloguing technician in late November.

Leo Yeo joined us in early December and provides computer desktop and technical support for Library staff and users.



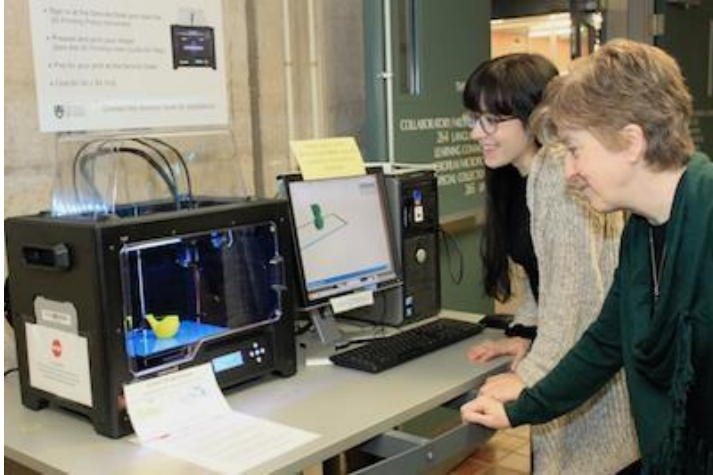
We were saddened to learn of the passing of UPEI Founder and retired librarian Franklin (Frank) Pigot. Frank was the first Prince Edward Island Collection Librarian at UPEI. He began building a collection of PEI-related material in the early 1970s and also developed the University Archives. Frank spent his career expanding, describing, and curating incredible collections that our students, faculty, and the wider Island community continue to use, appreciate, and benefit from. Frank's legacy can also be felt in the development of our digital collections, many of which are built on the collections Frank developed. Read more about Frank Pigot's contributions [in an article prepared by Simon Lloyd](#), University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian.

Services

3D Printing

We officially launched our 3D printing service on November 7th. Keltie MacPhail provided training sessions for Library staff followed by several workshops open to the campus. Printing during November was brisk (we offered free printing for the first two weeks) and continued to see use during December.

Our policies, user guide, and FAQs are [available here](#).



Hanna Cochrane (student) and Judith MacNeil (staff) get ready to remove a printed object.

Library Outreach Activities and Events

Open Access Week - October 22-28, 2017

We celebrated and promoted open access week with a number of events. Librarians presented on topics related to open access and copyright, open education resources, and how to avoid predatory publishers. Rosie Le Faive also hosted a Wikipedia Edit-A-Thon, part of the [Music and Belonging Wikipedia Project](#), to improve existing PEI-related music and artist articles or to create new articles. CBC [covered the story here](#).

Charlottetown Guardian World War monthly series



Simon Lloyd, University Archivist and Special Collections Librarian, has been authoring a monthly series of lookbacks at the First World War for the [Charlottetown Guardian](#). The articles draw on the historic issues of *The Guardian* available online at [islandnewspapers.ca](#).

**Spooktacular Tales
@ Robertson**

Library

To celebrate Halloween, Robertson Library hosted an evening of ghost stories, eerie tales, songs, and legends from UPEI (is there a ghost in Dalton Hall?), PEI, and beyond. Library staff Leo Cheverie, Simon Lloyd, Yolanda Hood, Kim Mears, and Sarah Fisher shared and read stories and participants shared their own ghost stories.



Halloween also brought out some great staff costumes.



Stress-free Zone / Pajama Party

Robertson Library launched their stress-free zone during the exam period with a pajama party. The party included snacks, a photo booth, maker-type activities, yoga and stretching, palm reading, tarot reading, therapeutic touch, and dancing. The stress free zone was a popular place for students to relax during exams.



Students enjoying the Stress Free Zone

Digital Collections

The Systems and Digitization team has been working on a significant migration of our legacy digital collections to the latest Islandora framework including the IslandLives community histories and documents, IslandVoices audio recordings, IslandImagined maps and many other collections. Stay tuned.

We often don't know who is looking at our collections, but we had a note from *New York Times* best selling author Diane Setterfield ("The Thirteenth Tale"). She shared her enjoyment of the BookLives project on FaceBook:

I've just spent a very happy time browsing your website and really didn't want to come away! The lives that are present inside a book, pressed between the pages... I've often had the impulse to know about the person who read a book before me, felt the wish to have a conversation with them about it, but you have gone one step further. What stories you tell by doing that! Congratulations... what you and your colleagues are doing there is very special. Read more about the BookLives project - <http://booklives.ca>

Healthy Eating/Living Presentations

Dietitian Katelyn MacLean, from Atlantic Superstore, and Jacob Smith – Executive Director of the Eastern Region Sport & Recreation Council - gave presentations to students in our libraries in Morell, Georgetown, and Mount Stewart. Presentations occurred throughout the month of November.



Library Card Initiatives – Early Learning Centres and Kindergarten Classes

This fall, the PEI Public Library Service partnered with the Department of Education and the Early Childhood Development division. This partnership provided the opportunity to get a public library card to all children who attend an Early Years Centre in PEI as well as to students enrolled in a kindergarten class.

French Author Tour

This fall, French author Diane Carmel Léger toured the six francophone regions of the Province. Léger visited students within the PEI Public Library Service's three French libraries and in schools throughout the French School Board.

