Dear CALA Members:

During the past summer, CALA had conducted several successful 21st Century Librarians Seminars. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the project leaders: Xudong Jin, Haipeng Li, and Guoqing Li. This year the seminars were held in Jilin, Shanxi, and Yunnan. I had the privilege of joining the dynamic team of librarians who taught at the Yunnan Provincial Library; team members were Caroline Xiaofang Han, Jing Liu, Xudong Jin and myself. I was particularly delighted to see the enthusiasm of the participants who attended the training sessions. They had many questions regarding library services in the United States. Because of my recent team member experience, I have a better understanding of the tremendous amount of preparation required for these seminars. I applauded everyone for the hard work and efforts in this rewarding endeavor.

In August, I participated in the Library Society of Chinas Annual Conference in Lanzhou, China; this was my first trip to Northern China. The conference was a new experience for me and was very stimulating on a professional level. I was thrilled to meet many officers and librarians from the Library Society of China as well as many CALA members for the first time. Guoqing Li represented CALA on stage at the conferences general opening session. Mr. Li addressed the members of the Library Society of China in Chinese. He informed all participants about our on-going projects. I tried to attend as many workshops as possible while at the conference. All of workshop featured practical topics that were relevant to librarians in China, as well as for librarians in the United States. I got many ideas and tips from librarians who shared their research at the conference. Many of our own CALA members won awards for their research papers as well; congratulations to them!

Both of my trips to China this past summer have been rewarding to me. The acquaintances and friendships that I made over the summer are definitely worthwhile. I look forward to future opportunities in other CALA projects.

This year, I have directed several committees to work on important projects to better serve our members and to provide more opportunities for membership participation:

1) Expanding on the 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series to other regions of China:

   Thanks to Guoqing Li, who was instrumental in contacting the Dongguan Library in Southeast China. Another team of librarians will be conducting another 21st Century Librarian Training Seminar in December 2007. They will be training public librarians from the Dongguan Public Library.

2) Officers Handbook:

   The Officers Handbook is in its final stage. Members of the committee are busy editing and formatting the contents so that a prototype will be ready for the board at the Midwinter Meeting.

3) Self Assessment Study Survey:

   This year a task force is in charge of the Self Assessment Study of the association. They will conduct surveys among CALA members to determine how the association is meeting their needs. I am eager to see the results of the survey so that the executive committee can develop more participation opportunities and improve services for our members.

4) Membership Brochure:

   The Publication Committee is in the development phase of a membership brochure. The brochure will be used at conferences and chapter programs in order to provide information for new members.

   Currently, all of the committee chairs and chapter officers are busy with each of their prospective projects. I am excited to be working with all of them and I am looking forward to a prosperous year for CALA.
FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Shixing Wen

Greetings! It is very exciting to see many new members join CALA each year. For this year, with the hard work of the Membership Committee and the support from the Diversity Initiatives of the Association of Research Libraries, we have a largest group of new students members. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new members and the holiday greetings to all CALA members.

As the representative and liaison of CALA to ALA and other sister organizations, I believe the growing visibility of CALA is the rewarding outcome of many achievements, hard works and initiatives that CALA members have been doing. I would encourage CALA members to be engaged in CALA activities. I would specially invite the new members to take the advantage of the many programs and opportunities that CALA offers. One of such programs is the mentorship program, which is designed to help library school students gaining their footing in the library profession. More information about this program and other initiatives can be found on the CALA website (www.cala-web.org).

Thank you!

From The Immediate Past President
Haipeng Li

Dear CALA Board Members:

The 2006-2007 year is almost over. Looking back at what we have achieved this year, we, as an organization, can proudly say that we have accomplished a great deal! I would like to take this opportunity to express my great appreciation to the Board, the Executive Board, Committee chairs and members, all other officers, and the entire CALA membership for all of your strong support and commitment to move this organization forward in a very meaningful way! I was proud to lead this wonderful organization for the past year. Thank you all!

We have had a great deal going on this year. At the board meeting in Seattle, the CALA Board approved some important initiatives. Since then, the Board has had 5 online discussion meetings where other important issues have been discussed and approved. The following are the major highlights:

1. CALA 2010 Strategic Planning

The Strategic Planning Task Force, which included Sha Li Zhang as Chair, Mengxiong Liu, and Harriet Ying, continued to work on the CALA 2010 Strategic Planning document this year. The Board had online discussions and unanimously approved this important document on June 10 that CALA Board adopts and implements the CALA 2010 Strategic Plan as recommended by the Task Force. This document will give our organization some clear directions for the next three years, which are critically needed. Our next step is to work on an implementation plan with specific objectives to carry out the tasks outlined in the document in the next three years. This is a very good strategic move for our organization.

2. CALA Special Award for Sally Tseng

To honor our longtime dedicated member and the longest serving executive director, Sally C. Tseng, the CALA Board conducted an online meeting in May to discuss ways of how Sally could be recognized and honored. I am pleased to report that the Board unanimously approved to honor Sally with a special award to recognize and celebrate her devotion, commitment and passion for CALA for over 30 years. Congratulations to Sally, who deserves...
this wonderful award! The award will be presented to Sally at the CALA Awards Banquet on Sunday June the 24th in DC. Please come and share this exciting moment with Sally and all of us!

3. CALA Presidents Recognition Award

As I said, this year we have had great accomplishments! Two individuals have made outstanding contributions and played critical roles in making some of the important projects happen and carrying the tasks through. Xudong Jin and Guoqing Li, Co-Chairs of the International Relations Committee, have won the CALA Presidents Recognition Award this year. They have spent a great deal of time and energy to work on several projects: their leadership roles in moving the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series forward, the coordination and editing of the book entitled: Academic Libraries in the United States for the Twenty-first Century: Theories and Practices, and again the coordination on the CALA participation and delegation to the Library of Society of China annual Conference. Congratulations to Xudong and Guoqing for their dedication and commitment to CALA!

4. CALA Participation in JCLC

CALA leaders and members actively engaged in the planning and participation in the first JCLC conference in October 2006, in Dallas, Texas. As we all know, JCLC was a great success in every way and CALAs contribution was obvious. Over 30 members of CALA attended the conference and conducted presentations and poster sessions. JCLC was a financial success for the organizing associations (CALA is one of the five organizations). CALA has received $10,000 from JCLC Steering Committee, and will receive additional $17,000 at the ALA annual conference in Washington D.C. In addition, seven CALA members received JCLC traveling grants, and two prominent CALA members Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee and Ms. Sally C. Tseng were honored for their professional contributions to the field at the Conference. Liana Zhou and Linna Yu represented CALA well. We owe them a great deal for this outstanding publicity and promotion for CALA!

The CALA Board has supported the idea of cosponsoring another JCLC conference. In response to the JCLC Steering Committee, CALA has selected two representatives, Haipeng Li and Dora Ho, for the next JCLC conference, who will be participating in the discussion and planning of future conferences.

5. CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series Program

The CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series project is going very well this year. Sound planning is in place at all four hosting institutions in China, and they are:

Northeast Normal University, Changchun, Jilin Province
Shanxi Agricultural University, Taigu (near Taiyuan), Shanxi Province
Yunnan Normal University, Kunming, Yunnan Province
Yunnan Provincial Library, Kunming, Yunnan Province

16 CALA members have been selected to conduct these seminars in July of 2007, including ALA Past President Barbara Ford, our life member. The International Relations Committee, under the capable leadership of co-chairs, Xudong Jin and Guoqing Li, has done a great job in moving the project forward. My appreciation goes to all members of the IRC.

This project so far has generated much interest among our members, many of whom have offered to help to expand the project by talking to institutions they know in China. It is apparent that this project will not only promote CALAs image both within and outside CALA but also will provide great professional development opportunities to get our members involved. We already have a structure to sustain this program and it is important to evaluate it and seek new ways to further enhance...
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6. CALA Investments

CALA as an organization is getting stronger not just professionally, but also financially. We need to plan strategically and put CALA in a situation where the financial well-being of CALA is sound and strong. The Board approved that CALA take actions in investing at the Seattle Board meeting. A small group that consisted of Sally Tseng, CALA Executive Director, Maggie Wang, CALA Treasurer, Esther Lee, Finance Committee Chair, and myself, had very productive discussions since, and made a decision to have CALA invest in Vanguard mutual funds: Vanguard Value Index Fund Investor Shares (Symbol: VIVAX) and Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund (Symbol: VGTSMX) This was accomplished in late May. Please see the special report from our Treasurer, Maggie Wang.

7. Fundraising

We have made great progress this year on every front in fundraising for CALA. The PR/Fundraising Committee, the Membership Committee, the Local arrangements Committee, our Webmaster, and myself, have all been heavily involved in serious efforts in identifying and soliciting sponsors for our programs, including the awards banquet, membership directory, online advertisements, the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar program, and others. Here is an itemized account of what we have received:

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JCLC: $10,000+$17,000 = $27,000
Total: $45,275

8. Book Collaboration for CALA Members

A group of CALA members worked together and have written a book entitled: Academic Libraries in the United States for the 21st Century: Theories and Practices. This is a group effort of 12 CALA members working together under the leadership of IRC Co-chairs, Xudong Jin and Guoqing Li. The book will be published by the Beijing Library Press in June and will be used as a textbook for the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series project this year at the four hosting institutions in China. Even though technically this is not a CALA project, it does serve as a good example of getting our members involved in interesting and meaningful projects and make something happen.

9. Southeast Chapter

CALA has established a new Southeast Chapter, which was approved by the CALA Board at the Seattle Board meeting. This Chapter includes 7 states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Since the establishment of the Southeast Chapter, it has attracted quite a few new members in the region. Officers for the chapter were elected in the spring and planning for chapter programs and activities is under way.

10. Chapter Websites

Thanks to the efforts from all chapter presidents and our Webmaster, Shixing Wen, currently all chapters have completed the project of creating and updating their websites. Some chapters have done a fabulous job in designing and updating their websites with the most up to date information. This is a great service to our officers and members who are looking for local/chapter related information. I would like to encourage all of us to visit and revisit the chapter websites.

11. JLIS: CALA and NTNU Collaboration

The collaboration between CALA and National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU) on the publication of the Journal of Library and Information Science is moving forward. Since the signing of the agreement on the specific terms regarding roles and responsibilities both for CALA and NTNU, we are making progress for our work in this area. My thanks go to all parties involved, particularly to Joyce Chen, Dean of the School of Library and Information Science at National Taiwan Normal University for her great support and cooperation in this process.

12. CALA Constitution & Bylaws

Work on the revisions and amendments to the Constitution & Bylaws continued since my last report in January, and the discussion had been completed in early spring. The Constitution & Bylaws Committee, under the able leadership of Min Chou, was working diligently on completing this task. The revisions & amendments were approved by the membership in the CALA election process in the spring. I very much appreciate the committees expertise and hard work on this.

13. Life Membership Fee Reduction

Based on feedback and suggestions from our members, the Board had a discussion of whether the $400 life membership fee was too high. Report indicated that since the fee was raised to $400 a few years ago, few people joined and became life members. After some discussions, the board approved that the life membership fee be reduced from $400 to $300.

14. Task Force on Code of Ethics

CALA is a professional organization and needs to be constantly professionalized in our policies and guidelines. I have appointed
With China playing more and more a prominent role on the world stage, the need for collaboration and exchange among libraries in the US and China has become more critical. The Chinese American Librarians Association is taking the lead in the effort of collaborating with Chinese libraries, both academic and public, to promote librarianship in the two countries. Last year, the CALA Board approved the implementation of an important project which would put CALA on the world stage of libraries, the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series.

After a very successful experimental project with Yunnan University Library last year, four CALA (Chinese American Librarians Association) seminar teams this year, led by Haipeng Li, at Oberlin College and CALA Immediate Past President, Xudong Jin, at Ohio Wesleyan University and CALA Vice President/President Elect 2008-2009, and Guoqing Li, at Ohio University and Co-Chair of the CALA International Relations Committee, successfully conducted training seminars during the month of July at four institutions in China. Three hosting libraries of this year’s seminar were academic and one was a public. The goal of the project is to promote collaboration and exchange between American and Chinese libraries.

In its second year with the project, after a year-long preparation, CALA selected sixteen members, including Barbara Ford, former president of ALA and currently the Director of the Mortensen Center for International Library Programs at the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign, who participated in the seminars as presenters this year. Of the sixteen CALA presenters, twelve are academic librarians and four were public librarians or with public library background.

The seminars focused on the practical aspect of librarianship. Topics covered included a wide range of issues, from reference services to digital libraries, library consortia to virtual library services, information literacy to future of academic librarianship, among many others. More than 50 presentation sessions were conducted and over 20 discussion sessions were held. More than 300 attendees from all over China benefited from these seminars this year.

Shuyong later that day represented CALA members to receive award certificates. Three of our members (Hong Miao, Hua Yi and Shuyong) made presentations at different sessions on August 5 and 6. (Xu Jing was scheduled to do a presentation but did not make it.)

Before going to Lanzhou, I have had a chance to meet LSC General Secretary, Ms. Tang Gengshen, LSC vice Executive Director and Deputy Directory of National Library of China, Dr. Chen Li, and NLC's International Affairs Office Director, Mr. Yan Xiangdong in Beijing on July 25, and had lunch together. I introduced to them CALA’s 21st Century Librarians Seminar Series, especially the four ones we just finished earlier this summer, and presented to them our newly published book, Academic Libraries in the United States for the 21st Centuries: Theories and Practices (by the way, Beijing Library Press promoted our book at LSC conference and sold out all the
From Oct. 22-25, the 4th China-US Library Conference was held at OCLC, Dublin, Ohio. 50 delegates from China and US gathered together at OCLC for the 4th China-US Library Conference. Among the US delegates, Haipeng Li and Xudong Jin attended the conference, representing CALA; Shuyong Jiang, Guoqing Li, Haipeng Li and Haiwang Yuan from the CALA Midwest Chapter provided simultaneous interpretation at the conference.

The theme of this conference is “Cooperation among Libraries, Museums, and Archives, in China and the United States.” (http://www.oclc.org/china-us-libraries-2007/default.htm) Many leading and major players in the fields gave speeches on the cooperation among libraries, museums, and archives and digital preservation from both countries. Issues discussed include digital preservation, intellectual property and copyright, across-sector and international corporations, innovative and transitional developments in the internet environment. Participants paid special attention to possible collaborations between China and United States in digital preservation for cultural memories. It is very encouraging that the conference also provided an opportunity for CALA to promote its Twenty-first Century Librarian Seminar Series project. Haipeng Li and Xudong Jin, along with Shuyong Jiang, Guoqing Li and Haiwang Yuan, gave a power point presentation to introduce this exciting and innovative project to the audience, and their presentation was well received.

Conference participants also had a great time outside of the conference agenda, with old friends reunited and new friends made. The casual chats during the breaks and meals also inspired some good ideas for further collaborations and corporations. Participants left the conference with a consensus of moving forward with the next conference and more frequent conversation between the two countries. It is also very likely that CALA will be more involved in the planning and preparing for the future conferences.

Also CALA delegation was noticed by both Dr. Zhan and Ms. Liu Xiaqin, an Officer of Cultural Ministry, in their speeches at the Opening Ceremony. Our members made lot of friends at the conference. Many Chinese colleague expressed interests to our seminar and other programs. I feel that we have made CALA and its programs well known to the Chinese librarians and that we should start to find enough talented members who have time and funding to take part in our seminar and other programs. Finally, I would like to take this chance to thank all of you who have helped organizing this delegation and all who submitted paper and/or participated in this conference. Team work made this event a great success!

-photos provided by Guoqing Li
Highlights and important actions reported at the Board and Membership Meetings on June 23 and 24, 2007 are as follows.

Minutes

I. Haipeng Li, 2006/2007 CALA President, welcomed attendees and called the meetings to order. Attendees introduced themselves. II. Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of the January 20, 2007 CALA Board Meeting II. The Minutes are available in CALA Newsletter, no. 96 (Spring 2007), at: http://www.white-clouds.com/cala/publications/newsletter/2006Fall.pdf

III. Michael Gorman, ALA Executive Board liaison to CALA

Gorman stressed the two purposes of the ALA Executive Board’s Liaison Program:

1) to communicate concerns and issues from the ALA Executive Board to CALA, and
2) to take concerns and CALA’s ideas back to the ALA Executive Board. He asked CALA to send the ALA liaison any issues that need ALA’s attention. He said that he would soon be off the Liaison Program and that someone else will assume this responsibility. (S. Tseng’s note: Mario Gonzalez is the new ALA Executive Board Liaison to CALA beginning July 2007).

Gorman also reported on other issues that might be of interest to CALA:

1. **ALA dues increase** has enabled ALA to do more for members, e.g., added a half time position at the ALA International Office.
2. ALA is seeking input on the **ALA Website redesign**. ALA has extended its efforts by launching a new ALA Website: http://www.ilovelibraries.org. The goal of this new site is to increase ALA’s visibility and to engage members. ALA has contracted with The Metropolitan Group to develop a media-based **outreach campaign to Spanish-speaking populations**. Corporate partners would also be sought to underwrite the cost of producing and placing the advertising. Before the campaign begins, ALA will engage 20 libraries in major markets to participate in the effort locally. ALA members are encouraged to send their feedback on this project.
3. **The Cultural Communities Fund (CCF):** the American Library Association Public Programs Office established the Cultural Communities Fund, an endowment to support cultural programming in libraries. The Challenge Grant, from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), requires ALA to raise matching funds on a 3 to 1 basis through July 31, 2008. The goal of the 2007/2008 CCF fundraising is $277,000.
4. **JLCL II:** The Steering Committee of the JLCLC06 has been dissolved. Haipeng Li and Dora Ho will represent CALA in serving on JLCLCII. Haipeng has been elected co-chair of JLCLCII and is on the Steering Committee.

IV. Reports and Actions Taken by the CALA Board on June 23, 2007 and Reported at the Membership Meeting on June 24, 2007

A. Presidents Report: Haipeng Li

1. Haipeng Li, CALA President, expressed his thanks to all who have worked very hard and have supported him during his presidential year. He especially thanked Sally Tseng for her mentoring and support.
2. **JLCL II:** The Steering Committee of the JLCLC06 has been dissolved. Haipeng Li and Dora Ho will represent CALA in serving on JLCLCII. Haipeng has been elected co-chair of JLCLCII and is on the Steering Committee.
3. **Update on CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series:** 14 to 16 CALA members are going to China in July to speak at the Seminar Series. Barbara Ford, past ALA president will join one of the Seminars and will help us promote them. We have received $2,000 funding support from eBrary. Kevin Sayar, eBrary President, will go to China with us. We are working with more vendors to support this Project.

The Board approved the recommendation of the IRC for next year’s IRC to continue the effort to conduct more seminars in Mainland China, and to expand the series to Taiwan, Hong Kong, and other areas. Scopes will include academic, public and special libraries.
4. **Strategic Plan: The Board voted and approved the Strategic Plan.** CALA has accomplished a lot during the past years within and outside of the Association. We are a...
very healthy organization. The document of the Strategic Plan will
guide CALA in moving forward with long term and short term
strategic plans and goals, toward an even stronger organization
within a specific time frame and implementation schedule.

B. Executive Directors Report: Sally Tseng
1. CALA Board, Committees and Members Orientation: There
are 20 people attend the Orientation.
2. CALA Book “Bridging Cultures —Chinese American
Librarians and Their Organization: a Glance Back at the
Thirty Years of CALA, 1973-2003”. Currently, there are
approximately 20 boxes (over 300 copies) of the above CALA
Book stored at China Classics in San Diego. This book is a
must for a library’s cultural diversity collection and for the study
of Chinese American librarians and CALA. The Board approved
the following actions:
   a. Present a copy of the above book to the sponsoring
   library by the leader of each CALA 21st Century
   Librarian Seminar Series a good way to promote
   CALA;
   b. All CALA Board members and Chapter Presidents will
   help to sell the book;
   c. It will be one of the charges by the CALA President
   for the Public Relations and Fundraising Committee
to sell the CALA books.
3. REFORMA National Conference III: Sally Tseng extended
greetings from Carol Brey Casiano, ALA Past President and
Director of the El Paso Public Library. The REFORMA
Conference will be held from September 18 to 21, 2008 at El
Paso, Texas. The theme is “Bridging the Gap: Juntos @ the
Border”. Carol encourages CALA to co-sponsor the REFORMA
National Conference III and she welcomes CALA members to
submit papers and to speak at the Conference.

C. Treasurer and Finance Committees Report: Maggie Wang and
Esther Lee
1. Long Term Investments: Based on the recommendations during
the past several years of Esther Lee, Chair of the Finance
Committee, and thanks to the leadership of our President Haiping
Lis and Executive Director Sally Tsengs and our Treasurer Maggie
Wang’s hard work, CALA has invested the sum of $60,000.00 in
two Vanguard Funds. These funds include a Life Membership
Fund and the NCAPAL/Joint Conference Fund; other funds
include the CALA Scholarship Fund, the Huang Tso-Ping & Wu
Yao-Yu Scholarships and Research Grant Fund, and the Sally
Tseng Professional Development Grant Fund. In the Fall,
additional funds will be invested in Fidelity and the money
market, which will include the JCLC06 funds. The goal of
these Vanguard, Fidelity and Janus Funds is to let them grow
and generate more revenue for CALA. We should use only
the dividends and keep the principals untouched. The Board
voted to approve the recommendations of the Finance Committee (see report) and to appoint the Executive Director, Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee to monitor
the investment.

D. Constitution & Bylaws Committee: Min Chou, (Chair)
The Board voted and approved:
   a. Future recommendations of amendments to the Constitution
and Bylaws must be scrutinized to ensure necessity. All
proposed amendments must be referred to the Constitution
and Bylaws Committee for review. The Committee shall
examine relevant documents and then provide findings,
interpretations and recommendations to the Board.
   b. All proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws
should be handled and followed procedures strictly. Relevant
documentation along with compelling evidence to support
any proposed change must be submitted with proper
signatures and within the timeline as provided by the
Constitution and Bylaws.
   c. Subsequent documents (i.e. rules and procedures, handbooks
for officers and committees) must be developed by the Board
to further implement the Constitution and Bylaws.
E. Public Relations/Fundraising Committee: Wei Bender &
Linna Yu (Co-Chairs)
The Board voted to refer the Committees recommendations to
the 2007/2008 Public Relations Committee to work on them.
F. Publications Committee: Shuyong Jiang (Chair)
1. Shuyong Jiang reported on the OPS guidelines that
Publications Committee has revised and now will submit
for the Boards endorsement. It is available on the web: http://
www.cala-web.org/publications/OPS/index.htm
2. The Board endorsed the statement.

G. CALA Representatives to JCLC06: Linna Yu and Liana
Zhou
1. The Board extended its appreciation to Liana and Linna for
their hard work on the JCLC06 Steering Committee and
accepted a check from JCLC06 in the amount of $17,000.
2. The Board approved the investment of the sum, together
with other funds, in a Fidelity Fund as recommended by the
Finance Committee.

**FROM THE NEWS ROOM:**

Chinese American Librarians Association Southeast Chapter
was established in April 2007. It is a newly built chapter to
fulfill CALA’s goals and to better serve the Southeast Chapters
members from seven states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia,
Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.
V. Reports of Chapter Presidents (reported at the Membership Meeting on 6/24/2007)
The following Chapter Presidents attended the Membership Meeting and made brief reports:
1. Midwest Chapter by Shuyong Jiang;
2. Northeast Chapter by Maria Fung;
3. Southwest Chapter by Jiu Kuo for Hweifen Weng.
VI. There is no Old Business.
VII. New Business
Sally Tseng congratulated Haipeng Li, CALA President, for his extraordinary effort and leadership, and the tremendous achievements effected during his presidential year. The Board moved to thank Haipeng for his leadership and fruitful accomplishments. It was so moved.

Board of Directors present: Haipeng Li, Sally Tseng, Dora Ho, Maggie Wang, Diana Wu, ShaLi Zhang, Carol Ka-Chuen Gee, Zhijia Shen, Liana Zhou, Xudong Jin, Ying Xu, Linna Yu, Priscilla C. Yu, Nancy Sun Hershoff, Ester Lee, Yongyi Song, Karen Wei, Zheng Wang
Chapter Presidents present: Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter: Cathy Yang, Midwest Chapter: Shuyong Jiang for Haiwang Yuan, Northeast Chapter: Maria Fung, Southern California Chapter: Wenwen Zhang
Committee Chairs/Co-Chairs and Representatives Other Than Board of Directors present: Min Chou, Guoqing Li, Manuel Urrizola, Shixing Wen.
Requested of Absence:
Board Members: Mengxiong Liu, Holly Yu.
Committee Chairs: Wei Bender, Jiu C. Kuo, Julia Tung, Hong Wang, Jen-chien Yu.
Guests: Michael Gorman, Ying Liu, Manuel Urrizola, Zhuo Wang

Respectfully submitted by:
Sally C. Tseng
Executive Director

CALA 2008 Election - Call for Nominations
Dear CALA Members:
On behalf of the 2007-08 CALA Nominating Committee, I like to bring to your attention to the 2008 CALA election. CALA is a dynamic organization which needs the involvement of its members. We would like to encourage you all to participate in this important process. These are the vacant positions this year:

Vice President/President Elect for 2009-2010
Treasurer 2008-2010
Five board of directors (here is the newly revised section in our bylaws): According to CALA Bylaws, Article VII, Section 2, “The number of nominees shall be between five and ten. ...The Committee shall seek the consent of each nominee prior to submission of the list. All nominees must be personal members in good standing with a record of participation in the activities and functions at various levels of the Association. All nominees are invited to attend the Board meetings... Additional nominations can be made by a petition signed by ten or more members with voting rights. The petition shall be sent to the chairperson of the Nominating Committee along with a written consent of the nominees at least sixty days before the voting deadline.”

Please send your nomination in by OCTOBER 21 to any member of the Nominating Committee. Thank you!

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CALA Board Special Online Meeting, 2007 & CALA Board Special Online Meetings III - Three Positions

Wednesday, May 9, 2007 9:17 pm

Motion: to appoint the three recommended candidates for the three positions:
Shuyong Jiang for the CALA Newsletter Editor position,
Bin Zhang for the CALA Listserv position, and
Vincci Kwong for the CALA Webmaster position. The meeting was conducted online from May 2, 2007 - May 9, 2007. The motion was passed unanimously by the CALA Board.

CALA Board Special Online Meeting IV- Honoring Sally
Thursday, May 24, 2007 11:24 am

Motion: propose to grant Sally C. Tseng a special award, the title of CALA Honorary Executive Director, to honor Sally in recognition of her outstanding contributions to CALA and in celebration of Sally’s completion of tenure of service and her leadership as the CALA Executive Director from 1999-2007. A motion of the proposal was made by Esther Lee and seconded by Yongyi Song, after which voting was conducted. The meeting was conducted from May 13-May 23, 2007, and the motion was unanimously passed on May 24, 2007.

CALA Board Special Online Meeting V - Strategic Plan
Sunday, June 10, 2007 10:47 pm

Motion: the CALA Board adopt and implement the CALA 2010 Strategic Plan as recommended by the Task Force. The motion was moved by Sally Tseng and seconded by Karen Wei. Voting was conducted from Wed. May 30, 2007 to Sunday, June 10, 2007. The motion was unanimously passed June 10, 2007.
Dear CALA Members and Friends,

My service to CALA has spanned over thirty years. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude to all of you for your encouragement and support during this time. It has been my special privilege to know you as professional leaders and I feel extremely fortunate to work with so many admirable and dedicated members. I especially want to thank Haipeng Li, CALA President and past presidents and Executive Directors, chapter presidents, board of directors, committee chairs and members, treasurers, editors of CALA publications and representatives for their dedication, hard work, contributions and strong support of me during these more than 30 years, especially during the last eight years when I served as CALA Executive Director. Many of these dedicated leaders, not only have contributed countless hours but also have donated money to accomplished numerous CALAs work. I thank all those who have played an important role and who have made significant contributions to CALA. Your abilities, professional knowledge, experience, contributions and professional integrity have exemplified what it means to be a CALA Member. Together, we shall provide the strong leadership, professionalism and services necessary to achieve CALAs goals and mission.

During the past 34 years we have witnessed the dynamic growth of CALA with its outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the profession and the community. CALA has become one of the most influential and respected national and international associations. Together we have achieved a great deal. We can attribute our many achievements, documented in the CALA Newsletters, to all members. We have all played a significant part in bringing this about because of our tireless efforts, accomplishments and unstinting contributions. It is through our consolidated efforts and hard work that we have achieved our success and visibility. Special thanks also go to my colleagues at the American Library Association and its divisions, the California Library Association, the Library Society of China, the Library Association of China in Taiwan, and many more professional associations. I appreciate the opportunities they have provided me to work for and to serve our profession. Thank you very much!

I am very delighted to share with you the highlights of CALAs achievements:

- CALAs new and life members have grown steadily every year, increasing the number of dedicated members.
- CALA has established seven regional chapters within the United States.
- Many CALA members have become councilors and officers and serve on committees for local, state, national and international associations.
- Many CALA members have actively participated at local, state, national and international conferences and training workshops as speakers or trainers.
- Many CALA members have done fine research and published papers and/or books in print and/or electronic formats.
- CALA has worked diligently on fundraising and has received strong support from donors, friends, advertisers, publishers and vendors so that we are able to award annual scholarships, grants, honoraria, and to sponsor programs.
- CALAs finance is very healthy and sound.
- Hundreds of librarians have benefited by availing themselves of CALAs various professional opportunities and have received financial support for their professional development, education and activities. CALA has played an important role in the careers of many of our members.
- CALA has organized delegations to attend international library conferences, to present papers and cultural tours.
- CALA has been instrumental in developing new programs and in creating training activities which have benefited our members and the profession at a very high level. Recently, CALA has launched successful series of “CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series Program”.
- CALA has successfully worked with other professional associations toward our common goals in the promotion of librarianship, information sharing and library cooperation. The success of the Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC) and CALA delegations to various international conferences, co-sponsorship on programs are excellent examples.
- CALA is an association that produces library leaders of tomorrow.

Let us be proud of being CALA members! As I have said often, because of CALA I have had the good fortune and privilege to know and work with you. I treasure and value the friendship, working experience and support you have given me. I am ready to hand the torch to Shixing Wen, the incoming CALA Executive Director. Let us work together continuously to build CALA as an association of credibility and integrity. As CALA members we are ambassadors in the promotion of library cooperation and information exchange between China and the US. CALA will become ever stronger through our efforts. I look forward to hearing from all of you about your activities and looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you in the future.

Executive Director’s Report:
With Thanks and Best Wishes to All
Sally C. Tseng
CALA Executive Director, 1999/2007

We have a great team. It includes administrators, educators, librarians, libraries, researchers, publishers and vendors, and our friends and supporters. These members provide the best quality service at their own institutions with dedication, enthusiasm, knowledge and experience. I want to thank the library administrators from all the institutions and libraries where there are CALA members for their strong support to professional activities and development.

The united voices of CALA and other professional library associations need to be heard unceasingly by administrators and government officials as we continue to plan for the future. Whether it is enhanced services for multilingual users or the diverse needs of our society, or enhanced networking and cooperation with other libraries, let us stress our abilities, knowledge and strengths to contribute positively to American and Chinese librarianship and communities.

We are a very proud and knowledgeable association and our leadership is needed now more than ever. We should value what we have gained and achieved. However, I encourage you not to rest on our past successes, but to continue to participate actively in all CALAs activities and to serve when and where needed. We are all inspired to volunteer to serve CALA and to help it achieve its mission and objectives actively and meaningfully.

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CALA 2010 Strategic Plan
Approved by CALA Board on June 10, 2007
&
Implementation Plan: Committee Assignments - draft
June 15, 2007

Vision Statement
CALA (Chinese American Librarians Association) will be a leading organization to provide leadership for the development, promotion, and improvement of library and information services to Chinese American librarians and American librarians through networking, communication, and professional development in the United States and abroad.

Mission Statement
CALA enhances communication among Chinese American librarians and American librarians, serves as a forum for the discussion of professional concerns and problems, and promotes the understanding and exchanges among librarians in the U.S. and abroad, with special emphasis in Asia and Pacific Rim countries.

Goal 1. Strive for Organizational Excellence
Action areas:
- Enhance CALA organizational structure to its maximum efficiency.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board, Board of Directors, and Constitution and Bylaws Committee.
- Continue collaborative activities with ALA caucuses, e.g., AILA, APALA, BCALA, REFORMA, etc.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and Public Relations and Fundraising Committee.
- Continue working with the ALA Diversity Office, OLOS, and other ALA committees on issues that have important implications to CALA.
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- Work with LLA, MLA, PLA, SLA, and other associations on issues that have important implications to CALA.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and Public Relations and Fundraising Committee.
- Continue exploring and applying technology-driven options to conduct CALA businesses, e.g., online banking, online election, virtual conferences, etc.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and Web Committee.

- Continue fundraising activities to support CALA programs and services.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board, Public Relations and Fundraising Committee, and Finance Committee.
- Enhance marketing and public relations to project a much positive image of CALA activities and accomplishments to major library media in U.S. and abroad.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and Public Relations and Fundraising Committee.

Goal 2. Become a Leader in Global Reach Initiatives
Action areas:
- Develop formal structure within CALA to coordinate the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series and other training programs in China.
  Responsibilities assigned to: International Relations Committee.
- Assist CALA members in developing sister library programs between their libraries and libraries in Asia and Pacific Rim countries.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and International Relations Committee.
- Provide information and contacts to U.S. libraries seeking for exchanging programs with libraries in Asia and Pacific Rim countries.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and International Relations Committee.
- Encourage participation in the Library Society of China’s annual conferences, i.e., increase the number of delegation, speakers, papers, and work sessions at the annual conferences.
  Responsibilities assigned to: International Relations Committee.
- Enhance ties among CALA, ALA IRC, IRRT, and ALA divisions IRCs in collaborative library activities between U.S and in Asia and Pacific Rim countries.
  Responsibilities assigned to: Executive Board and International Relations Committee.

FROM THE NEWS ROOM:

CALA is sending another delegation to China for its 21st Century Library Seminar

A 3-member team will be in Guangdong, China in 20-21 Dec. 2007 to participate and present at the SINO-US 21st Century Library and Librarian Pragmatic Seminar. The project is co-sponsored by Dongguan Public Library and CALA as a part of the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series. The team consist of CALA member Jing Liao from University of Illinois and Lili Li from Georgia Southern University. The International Relation Committee (IRC) is very delighted to announce that the ALA president Dr. Lorien Roy will join the team as a member. The sincere thank goes to Guoqing Li for his efforts to arrange the event and other associated activities. For future events of CALAs seminar series, please go to the IRC web page:
http://uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/project/workshop.shtml
a Task Force to examine the issue of professional code of ethics. The Task Force has three capable members, Shixing Wen as Chair, Min Chou and Harriet Ying. The charge of this Task Force is to review the ALA code of ethics and come up with a recommendation for the Board to consider and adopt based on CALAs needs.

My special thanks go to Shixing Wen, who has ably served in all three positions as the Newsletter Editor, the Litserv Administrator and the Webmaster, among others, for the past several years. His contributions to CALA are very much appreciated!

All committees have been working hard this year to accomplish their respective tasks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved for their dedication and commitment. This is an exciting time for CALA. Thanks to the efforts of past and current leaders of CALA, our organization has become more visible than ever both on the national and international arenas. I am proud to let you know that this year, three former ALA presidents have joined us and become CALA members, including one who has become a CALA life member!

I have said this many times before and will say it again here: if we work together, we can make great things happen!
• Chapter presidents are board members during their terms of office. They represent the chapter at board meetings, and they have to be there in person to act on behalf of their chapters. (Article V, Section 1 / 2 of the Constitution)

• Board meeting and vote are subject to quorum requirement. The bar has been raised --all board members-- must make all efforts to attend meetings and to stay till the end. Absence, lateness, and early departure from meetings could affect business transaction of the Board. Board members must be present to vote. (Article III / 2 of the Bylaws)

• Incoming vice president/president elect is a non-voting member of the Executive Committee (Article V, Section 4 of the Constitution)

This year, as charged by President Haipeng Li to review the Constitution and Bylaws to address issues such as voting procedures and chapter establishment as well as to incorporate proposed changes made by previous committees over several years, the Committee worked very hard to develop a variety of proposals for the Board and its Executive Committee to review, and also prepared drafts for Board discussions. At its meeting on January 20, 2007, the proposed amendments were approved by the Board. In spring 2007, a membership ratification vote was conducted in conjunction with the election of officers, the revision and amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws were overwhelmingly approved by CALA membership.

As per Article IV, Section 9 / 3 of the Bylaws, the chairperson of Committee, “with the help of the Committee members, shall review the Associations Constitution and Bylaws and make recommendations to the Board for amendments, and make sure that the Associations business is conducted as prescribed in the Constitution and Bylaws.” In carrying out the standing charges, the Committee has accomplished the tasks below:

Following the ratification vote, the Committee first prepared an official copy of the newly revised and amended Constitution and Bylaws for the Association, and then developed a list to highlight changes in effect in the revised and amended Constitution and Bylaws. The list of highlighted changes (attached) was sent to all elected and appointed CALA officers through the current and incoming presidents and executive directors so that it would be easier for officers to be aware of those changes while reviewing the documents.

Upon thorough review of the Constitution and Bylaws, the Committee would recommend some editorial amendments to the Bylaws to correct a few typographical errors, and an oversight regarding nomination of vice presidents (attached). The recommended amendments have been submitted to the Board for action at its meeting in June 2007. Upon Board approval, the amendments shall be ratified by CALA members, as recommended the following to the Board:

• Future recommendations of amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws must be scrutinized to make sure they are absolutely necessary. Unless otherwise directed by the Board, all proposed amendments must be referred to the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for review. The Committee shall examine relevant documents and then provide findings, interpretations, and recommendations to the Board.

• All proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws should be handled in a timely fashion, and procedures should be strictly followed. Relevant documentation along with compelling evidence to support any proposed change must be submitted with proper signatures and within the timeline as provided by the Constitution and Bylaws.

• Subsequent documents (i.e. rules and procedures, handbooks for officers and committees) must be developed by the Board to further implement the Constitution and Bylaws. The chairperson would like to take this opportunity to thank every member of the Committee for a wonderful year in working together to make great progress in the area of our responsibilities. Also, it would be totally remiss of me if I fail to thank CALA President Haipeng Li, Executive Director Sally Tseng, the Board and its Executive Committee for their effective leadership, encouragement, support, and above all, their commitment to move CALA forward as a professional association which have made all our efforts and hard work worthwhile. Although nothing is perfect, we have all strived towards the goal. Respectfully submitted,

Min Zhou
Chairperson of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee
There were 20 candidates nominated for the Board of Directors but 5 declined, which left 15 candidates for 5 spots. According to the Bylaws Article III, Section 2, “The number of nominees for Board members shall be between five and ten.” Therefore, we asked nominees to volunteer to withdraw before the Committee deliberate to only keep the top most qualified candidates. 4 candidates voluntarily withdrew, which left 11 candidates.

The slate of 11 candidates for the Board of Directors was approved at the midwinter board meeting as a special case. The annual election took place in March and here is the election result:

Executive Director (2007-2010) - Shixing Wen, MW chapter
VP/President Elect 2008 - Xudong Jin, MW chapter

Board of Directors:
NE - Min Chou
MW - Liana Zhou,
MW - Shuyong Jiang to replace Xudong Jin for his remaining term
CA-S - Amy Tsiang
SW - Jiun Kuo
Z - Zhijia Shen

The following issues need to be addressed:
1) Guidelines and a template have been developed by the Nomination Committee to help candidates in submitting their biographical sketches and personal statements. This is included in the report for the midwinter board meeting. It is especially important to use these guidelines for the first-time candidates. The guidelines and template need to be approved by the board so they can be mounted to CALA website.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS,
1. Agenda item #1: Revision of Bylaws Article III, Section 2
We strongly recommend revising Bylaws Article III, Section 2 to read “The number of nominees for Board members shall be not fewer than ten.” This will be inline with the ALA bylaws. The ratio will be 2:1, i.e. two nominees for one Board of Director position. If we allow having five nominees, it will be like an appointment not an election. See details at (http://www.ala.org/ala/ourassociation/governingdocs/consbylaws/nomelect.htm, retrieved 1-12-2007)

   Article III. Nominations and Elections (from ALA website)
   Sec. 1
   “Such committee shall nominate annually not fewer than sixty-six candidates for thirty-three members-at-large of the Council for three-year terms. Every third year there shall be not fewer than sixty-eight candidates for thirty-four members-at-large of the Council for three year terms. The position of the candidates on the ballot shall be determined by lot conducted by the Nominating Committee.”

2. Agenda item #2: Should there be term limitation?
Rationale:
According to CALA constitution and bylaws, there are term limitations for Executive Board members, committee chairs and members, and other positions both elected and appointed, but there are no term limitations for Board of Director. CALA is growing bigger and there are more junior members eager to serve. With term limitations, it will open up positions for junior or less-experienced members to participate and get involved at national level, especially for those who are already active at the chapter level.
With the open “Call for Nomination”, it drew a large number of well-qualified candidates. This year there were 20 nominees and 95% of them were well qualified with long-time commitment with CALA either at the chapter or national level. It was extremely challenging for the committee to only pick 10 candidates. The Board kindly approved all 11 candidates at its midwinter meeting. To make the job easier for future Nomination Committee, we strongly recommend setting term limitation for the Board of Director just like the rest of CALA elected officers and appointed positions.
Feedback from participants was overwhelmingly positive at all four sites. Particularly noted in the evaluations were the lively presentations, enthusiastic discussions and new ideas and practices in academic librarianship. Participants very much appreciated the opportunity for exchanging ideas on librarianship with Chinese American librarians, and the efforts of CALA and its members who devoted time to this meaningful and important project.

Many representatives from other library institutions in China that were present at this year’s seminars expressed interest and requested that more similar projects be conducted, if possible, at other locations in China. Since the CALA Board has approved this project to be an ongoing CALA event, we expect more projects of this kind to take place every year.

If anyone is interested in getting involved or more information on the project, please contact: Haipeng Li at haipeng.li@oberlin.edu. For more information about this year’s projects, please go to: http://tigger.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/project/2007/2007.shtml

Thank you.
CALA has had an exciting year of 2006/07! It is moving into some very positive directions with new initiatives and sound planning. Here are some of the highlights for CALA events this year.

**CALA Events During ALA 2007 Annual Program:**
CALA will have two major public events (details can be found at CALA web site: http://www.cala-web.org/):
1. CALA Annual Program at Grand Hyatt Washington (HYATT, Co-HQ), Constitution C-E: "Librarianship Of The 21st Century: Developing Solutions to New Challenges at the Global, National and Local Levels", June 24, 2007 (Sunday), 1:30 - 3:30 pm.
2. CALA 2007 Awards Banquet at: (Ticketed event) Location: Hunan Dynasty, 215 Pennsylvania Ave., S.E., Washington, DC

These two events promise to be exciting and we welcome everyone to participate.

**CALA 21st Librarian Seminar Series Project:**
After CALA successfully conducted the seminar project at Yunnan University in China last July as its pilot project, (which has been reported by the ALA International Relationship Round Table publication “International Lead” at http://www.ala.org/ala/irrt/intlleads/leadsarchive/200612.pdf(P.2), the CALA “21st Century Librarian Seminar Series” this year has been expanded and is moving forward with full speed. The project is designed to promote international exchange and mutual understanding between library and information professionals, and also to create professional development opportunities for CALA members. This July CALA is going to send four delegations to four different institutions in China to conduct seminars in various topics with Chinese librarians. The four institutions are:
1. Northeast Normal Univ. in Changchun, Jinlin Province
2. Shanxi Agriculture University, Taiyu, Shanxi Province
3. The Yunnan Normal University, Kunming, Yunnan Province
4. The Yunnan Public Library, Kunming, Yunnan Province
CALA selected presenters based on the established standards to ensure the quality of the seminars. Details can be found from CALA web site: http://uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/project/workshop.shtml

**CALA’s Contributions to JCLC:**
CALA leaders and members actively engaged in the planning and participation in the first JCLC conference in October 2006, in Dallas, Texas. As we all know, JCLC was a great success in every way and CALA’s contribution was obvious. Over 30 members of CALA attended the conference and conducted presentations and poster sessions.

JCLC Steering Committee met twice during the ALA’s Midwinter Meeting in Seattle in January of 2007. Both CALA Representatives attended the two meetings; Linna as the Chair of the Publicity Committee and Liana as Chair of the Awards Committee. The Steering Committee shared reactions and reflections of the Conference held Dallas in Texas in Oct of 2006. All reports from the attendees and vendors were positive and encouraging. The Committee had decided to conduct a survey of the five caucus evaluations of the Conference.

The Dallas Conference was a financial success. While there were still expenses to be paid, the Steering Committee, based on the available accounting report, decide to equally distribute $10,000 as the conference revenue to each of the five organizing association. As a result, in February of 2007, CALA had received a $10,000 from JCLC.

Under the leadership of Haipeng Li, Sally Tseng and the CALA Executive Board, a separate CD account was established to receive and maintain such JCLC funds. This JCLC fund should be separated from other CALA accounts and it will be entirely up to the CALA Board to determine its appropriate uses.

The Steering Committee agreed that thank-you letters being written to appropriate individuals or organizations including those of ALA staffers and officers who have made exceptional contributions to the success of the first JCLC.

It was also decided that the Steering Committee to meet at ALAs annual conference in 2007 to wrap up the work associated with the Dallas JCLC.

2. JCLC Steering Committee Meetings During the ALAs Annual in Washington, D.C.

More good news came in spring of 2007; the JCLC has generated more revenues and the Steering Committee members voted to further distribute another $17,000 to each of the five organizations. CALA will receive its share of $17,000 during the ALA annual conference in Washington D.C.

Please note that there will be two meetings. We would encourage those who are interested in volunteering their services to JCLCII consider attending the meetings. Or let your interest known to your CALA JCLC reps.

JCLC I: Thursday, June 21, 2007 (6:00 PM - 10:00 PM)  
Grand Hyatt Washington Congressional Suite. 1000 H Street NW. Washington DC 20001

JCLC II Monday, June 25, 2007 (8:30 AM - 10 AM)  
Grand Hyatt Washington, Congressional Suite. 1000 H Street NW. Washington, DC 20001

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1) New Members Drive
Thanks to the great efforts made by CALA members from all chapters, we have recruited 52 new members since 1/5/2007, including 8 new life members (we’ve recruited a total of 90 new members in the past year, including 10 new life members). The committee wishes to thank the local chapters for their recruitment efforts.

2) Life Membership Promotion Program/Life Membership fee change
The Board approved at Midwinter a Life Membership promotion program which offered a reduced life membership fee of $300 during a special promotional period 2/1/2007-6/30/2007. Later in April, An amendment to Article I, Section 1/5 of the Bylaws to change the life membership fee to $300.00 was approved by the membership at the General Election.

3) Print Directory
The Executive Board approved the proposal of using a Chicago printer (Accutekgraphics) for the print directory project this year. 500 copies were printed and they will be mailed out to our current and life members soon after the ALA Annual Conference. The committee also worked with the Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee to solicit vendor advertisements to help offset the printing costs. Thanks to the Public Relations/Fund Raising Committees hard work, $6,950 was raised this year!

4) Online Directory
No significant progress made so far. The committee shall continue working with the Web Committee post-ALA.

5) Membership Database
The importance of correct coding of the current and life members is particularly evident during the time of election and appointment of CALA committee members. The Chapter member lists were distributed to committee members. Each member then worked

with their respective chapter officers to recruit new members, encourage renewals, and contact inactive members to verify their status and to invite their returns.

Thanks to all committee members, the chapter officers, and all members, we were able to comprehensively update the membership information and recruit back quite a few long-time inactive members.

A major editing project to re-code the California Chapter members into North & South California Chapters was completed. As soon as the new Southeast Chapter was created, we undertook and completed another re-coding project.

6) Officers Handbook
The committee worked with Officers Handbook Taskforce to compile related documents and committee policies and procedures.

7) “Opt-out” option
It was requested and approved by the Board during Midwinter to provide our members to opt-out of having their home address/phone number listed in the print directory.

After further discussions with the committee members and the Board, it was felt that, as time was drawing close to the printing of the directory, and this project would be quite time-consuming and require copious record-keeping, it would be more effective to start the project post-ALA Annual Conference.

RECOMMENDATIONS
If we should decide to use Accutek as our directory printer for next year and/or the years to come, we strongly recommend appointing a member from the Chicago area on the Membership Committee. Having a local contact person will help with printer communication & project coordination tremendously.
On August 31, 2006, the Mentorship Committee received charges from President Haipeng Li to:

1. keep a sound record of any business conducted this year;
2. make a tentative timeline which indicates, where necessary, the various steps of tasks which need to be accomplished;
3. come up with a sound plan to continue and ensure the success of the Mentorship Program;
4. explore options to further enhance and improve the program.

Subsequently, the Mentorship Committee first reviewed the documents and resources on the Committee website (http://www.cala-web.org/mentorship). Based on the previous Committee reports that the Forum was not used much, it has been removed. In its place, a new category called “Resources” was created, which include Program announcements to library schools and the CALA listserv as well as a List of Library Schools in North America and their email addresses. Each committee member has taken a portion of the email list to verify their currency before the Program announcement was sent out.

The following timeline was adopted by the Committee:

- **9/14/2006** Updated the Mentorship Program website
- **9/18/2006** Send the announcement to the CALA listserv
- **9/22/2006** Send the announcement to library schools
- **10/2-6/2006** Match mentees and mentors
- **10/9/2006** Inform mentees and mentors
- **6/1/2007** Receive Program evaluation from participants

This year, in order to reach out to the next generation of Chinese-American librarians, we have opened the CALA Mentorship Program to all library school students of Chinese heritage and emailed the Program announcement to each library school in North America. We have also sent the Program announcement to library schools and the CALA listserv. In the Program, of which 14 are students from 11 library schools (Catholic University of America, Florida State University, Indiana University, Long Island University, Rutgers University, San Jose State University, University of Denver, University of Maryland, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, University of North Texas, and University of South Florida) and 6 junior librarians. 5 veteran CALA members (Dora Ho, Haipeng Li, George Teoh, Angela Yang, and Lisa Zhao) have volunteered to serve as mentors. And we have recruited 14 mentors as needs grew.

Here we'd like to express our heartfelt thanks to all those mentors who have honored our request (Xi Chen, Min Chou, Judy Jeng, Xudong Jin, Jian Liu, Mengxiong Liu, Hong Miao, Junlin Pan, Lian Ruan, Fu Yuan Schuttringer, Yongyi Song, Diana Wu, Yunshan Ye, Sha Li Zhang) and willingly contributed their time to provide guidance to our library school students and junior librarians.

This year, we have kept our Program enrollment open. Our latest mentee, a junior librarian, joined the CALA Mentorship Program on December 8.

This year, we have also asked our mentors to initiate contact first and encourage the mentees to ask questions. Diana Wu and Sha Li Zhang have respectively arranged a face-to-face meeting with their mentees.

Angela Yang has been providing mentorship to 3 mentees, including a junior librarian she herself recruited during a conference. Sha Li Zhang has recruited a library school student herself and been mentoring 2 mentees.

CALA Mentorship Program is a joint venture of all our mentors and mentees. It is our sincere hope that all participants will find it worthwhile and beneficial.

### WELCOME NEW LIFE MEMBERS AND NEW MEMBERS

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**For more details about the members, please refer to the Mentorship Program website.**
SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES:
The Best Book Award ad hoc Committee was formed in June, 2005. The main activities of this Committee are listed in two sections:

A. Before the ALA Midwinter Conference 2006, the Committee activities included:

1. Opened Yahoo Best Chinese New Books Discussion Group for seven members.
2. Our objective: Every member will participate in all activities. Award selection was assigned to two subgroups:
   (1) Adult Group: Julia Tung e-mailed all members when new nominations were submitted; nominated books were either purchased through dealers or borrowed from members or local libraries; and members were asked to submit and discuss reviews as well as raise and resolve other, relevant issues.
   (2) Young Readers Group: Warren Wright will pay more attention to finding sources and nominating titles for the juvenile and young adult books as well as adult books. Warren Wright also made an effort to review more of these books.
3. We adopted last year’s four documents and made minor changes and submitted then to the CALA Board Meeting for Approval. The four documents are:

   CALA Annual Best Book Award Guidelines,
   General Criteria of 2005 CALA Best Book Award for Adult Works,
   General Criteria of 2005 CALA Best Award for Young Readers Works,
   Best New Book Award: Nomination Form.
4. The Board of CALA approved the new Committee Guidelines.
5. A Book talk by Emily Wu and Belle Yang: Susana Liu, MengXing Liu, Diana Wu (with Julia Tung’s recommendation) held a book talk. The two authors were invited by San Jose State University and presented their personal works at King Library on Oct. 28, 2006. Ruth Kofer, SJSLibrary Dean presented an opening speech for the program. Photos are available in the CALA file.
6. The report to Mid-winter CALA Meeting: the Committee was able to collect 7 titles for adult, 5 titles for children and young adults. We were able to review more than half of the titles.

B. Committee members collected nominations, then acquired and reviewed assigned books. The Committee received nine nomination forms for the adult category, and nine nomination forms for the juvenile category. After verification, review, critiquing, and discussing these works, the final list, dated April 30, includes five adult and six juvenile candidates:

ADULT NOMINATED TITLES:

CHILDREN’S NOMINATED TITLES:

A final ballot was sent to members on April 10, 2007, with the results finalized on April 30, 2007.

CALA BEST CHINESE NEW BOOK AWARD 2006:
ADULT AWARD:
Fiction: Banquet Bug;
Non-Fiction: Feather in the storm: (Note: Englemann as editor).
Honorary mention: Daughter of the Yellow River

JUVENILE ILLUSTRATED:
Honorary mention: (1) One year in Beijing; (2) Good fortune: my journey to Gold Mountain.

We did not receive any nominations for Chinese language books.

NOTE:
One year in Beijing is a translation from Chinese to English:
Warren commented: One year in Beijing is wonderful. It introduces modern middle class Chinese lifestyle and customs. There is even Santa Claus and “Silent Night” in December in Beijing. It is written at a lower elementary school level, but is a good overview of traditional Chinese culture with some influences of Western culture.
We included this work in the Nominated list with the consent from Sally Tseng, Executive Director, CALA. After qualified by voting of our members, we are submitting this title for the final approval.

REGUARDING SELECTION FOR AWARD GUIDELINE:
The following suggestions are from our members:
(1) The qualification of a work should strictly follow the CALA guidelines of the year.
(2) Members of the Committee must agree to read, and contribute opinions for as many nominated books assigned as possible. Members must read all e-mails about reviews, debates, critiques, correspondence, etc. regarding those titles.
(3) It would be encouraging if the ad hoc Committee will be installed as a regular Committee.
(4) We should find more books about modern life in China and Chinese-American life in the United States. English translations of books originally in Chinese may be considered.
(5) The Committee should include more members from public libraries, school libraries, special libraries, etc.
(6) Publishers should be contacted to send books to all committee members so there is less of a burden on members to search for and obtain books.
(7) Since there are many juvenile pictorial books on China and Chinese-Americans, a Children’s Award should be added to the other two.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF AWARD TITLES**

**Banquet bug**
From the publisher Hyperion:
Geling Yan captivates readers once more in her breakthrough novel. This is the fantastical tale of Dan Dong, an unemployed factory worker whose life takes a series of unexpected twists after he discovers that, by posing as a journalist, he can eat exquisite gourmet meals for free at state-sponsored banquets. But the secrets he overhears at these events eventually lead Dan down a twisted, intrigue-laden path, and his subterfuge and his real identity become harder and harder to separate. When he becomes privy to a scandal that runs from the depths of society to its highest rungs, Dan must find a way to uncover the corruption — without revealing the dangerous truth about himself.

**American born Chinese**
The three tales of the Monkey King, Danny, a Chinese-American student who falls in love with an all-American Caucasian girl, and the yearly visit of a relative of Danny’s who exhibits the worst Chinese stereotypes are combined in this graphic novel that was a National Book Award Finalist in 2006.

**Feather in the storm**
From the publisher Pantheon:
Told from a child’s and young girl’s point of view, Wu’s spellbinding account, which spans nineteen years of growing up during the chaos of China’s Great Leap Forward and Cultural Revolution, opens on her third birthday as she meets her father for the first time in a concentration camp.

**Daughter of Yellow River**
From the publisher Image Global Impact:
Diana Lu recalls her rise from an impoverished girl growing up in Communist China during the Cultural Revolution of the 1960s and 1970s, to becoming a strong pioneer in the fiber optics industry. As the youngest female executive in the field in China, she went on to become a multi-millionaire entrepreneur in America. Her memoir also offers dozens of principles on how one can live a vibrant and fulfilling life, and forge ahead with a successful career.

**Good fortune: my journey to Gold Mountain**
*Good fortune* is a realistic account of immigration from China to the United States in the early-twentieth century. The author describes her family’s life in Chinatown and the trouble and danger of being an immigrant in the US. The book includes information on the history role of Angel Island and the Chinese Exclusion Act.

**One year in Beijing**
From Grace Lin’s website:
Ling Ling is eight years old and lives in Beijing, China. Come along as she takes you on a year-long journey through her life. Ling Ling’s personal accounts tell about Chinese culture and destinations, holidays and festivals, school and family life, and more. The month-by-month, journal-style format makes it easy for young readers to relate to Ling Ling’s experiences and feelings. Children will learn about life in Beijing and gain an understanding of China’s rich cultural history, through simple storytelling and the eyes of an eight year old. Illustrated by Grace Lin and written by Xiaohang Wang, this picture book is the first of its kind to introduce children to life in a big city in modern China.
Here are some recommendations:
1. Add an option for members to access the membership directory online.
2. Create advocacy opportunities through interviewing current and/or retired members, to raise and highlight the visibility of CALA. These case studies or testimonies can be made available at CALA Web site, newsletter and/or membership directory.
3. Work with various listserv (such as eastlib?) for cross posting, and to promote the awareness of and about CALA.
4. Package CALA literatures (such as brochure, membership application, and donation form) so all the core information about CALA is in one set for handouts when talk to vendors for fund raising and/or to recruit new members.
5. Create CALA's visibility by exhibiting at national conferences (such as ALA Midwinter and/or ALA)
6. Introduce CALA to “non-professional” “non-traditional” personnel and groups.
7. Use email, listserv, RSS, discussion grog, or other cost-effective communication channels to keep members informed and in touch, on critical issues, current awareness, trends, programs, scholarships, etc. in regional, national and international levels. Make it a true community!

Appendix: A list of vendors that have placed ad at CALA Membership Directory 2007/2008 issue:

- Bai Seng USA
- China Books & Pub
- Chung-Hwa Book
- Eastwind Bkstore -GoodSuper.com
- Nan Hai
- New York Chiou Fushing
- OCLC, Inc
- Oriental Books & Stationery
- Pan-Asian
- Sino-American Bookstore
- Soyodo Bookstore
- Starmark Int’l
- Transmission Books & Micro
- Tsai Fong Books
- WJ Bookstore
- Wordpedia.com
- World Video

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4. Sent Call for Papers
An announcement was made on CALA listserv to call for papers in March 2007.

5. Invitation to submit
Judy has contacted the keynote speakers at 2006 CALA program. She has also informally invited submissions. There has been no submission thus far to CALA members.

Actions needed:
• We need to discuss if prospective authors should be limited to CALA members.
• We need to know additional channels of posting call for papers.
• We need to update Constitutions and Bylaws to reflect the existence of OPS. For example, OPS is omitted in Constitution Article VI, Section 2.

Submitted by Judy Jeng, Ph.D.
CALA OPS Editor-in-Chief
May 30, 2007
Some Publications by CALA Members in 2007:

Books:

Articles, Chapters, and Presentations:


The Publications Committee (PC) for 2006-2007 worked very hard on two major tasks: JLIS and OPS. PC discussed issues regarding the collaboration CALA and National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU) for the JLIS and made recommendation to the president and CALA Board to communicate with JLIS to re-enforce the arrangement made in 2005 and if possible, CALA should pursue a meeting (web conference call/email) with Chinese editorial board, and to have an agreement signed with NTNU on the collaboration. The Recommendation was made to the Board on October 20, 2006.

After the JLIS discussion, PC moved on to OPS related tasks. First PC reviewed the candidates for assistant editors and made recommendation to the Board at its Midwinter meeting. The Board has approved the appointed all three assistant editors PC recommended. PC also recommended two additional editorial board members after the Midwinter to the President for appointment.

PC has reviewed and revised the guidelines for CALA Occasional Paper Series. PC identified some issues overlooked in the draft OPS documents, such as the eligibilities and qualifications, and some practical issues regarding OPS, such as the format, frequency, and length as well.

PC focused its discussion on the possible models for OPS and examined three scenarios how OPS may work in CALA. The first scenario is that of JLIS. The English editor reports directly to the Board and president, and the work relation between the PC and JLIS (English side) is through the Editor serving on PC as an *ex officio* and the chair of PC serving on JLIS as an *ex officio*. I think it works well for JLIS as JLIS is not entirely a CALA publication and it involves NTNU, it is more efficient that English Editor and the editorial board to work directly with NTNU and reports to the Board/president. Whenever it is necessary, Board and president can assign tasks to PC and PC can make recommendations on issues relevant to JLIS, as we did for the agreement.

The second scenario is that of LAMA OPS, in which the OPS editorial is only a subcommittee of PC, editorial board members are PC members, and all the decisions are made at the PC level including what to publish and then approved by the Board.

The third is somewhere between the above two, it is not completely within the PC, but not completely outside PC either. And I believe this is the model we are trying to use for the CALA OPS. The link between the editorial and PC is through the editor-in-chief who reports to PC and serves on PC as an *ex officio*. Although PC should always be informed but editor-in-chief and the editorial board is responsible for what to publish. PC members had the consensus and agreed that this is more suitable model for CALA OPS, as it define the work relation of PC and OPS within the CALA organizations and also gives the OPS editors flexibility on contents of OPS.

PC proposed an editorial board structure that may fit the model it decide to use. The OPS editorial board will have 5 members including the editor-in-chief. The number of the editorial board should not be more than 6. Two assistant editors for manuscripts with each serve three years and they should be appointed in different terms. PC noted that OPS is a CALA publication which means it is of its members, by its members and for its members. This means the important decisions about OPS have to be made by the CALA Board through the channel of PC.

The relation between PC and OPS also was clarified. PC is the overseeing body responsible for policies and guidelines, and OPS implement PC’s policies by produce quality OPS. In specific: PC will make decisions on the structure of the OPS editorial board and make recommendations of candidates; OPS board will have the flexibility of what to publish; editor-in-chief report to PC and PC chair serve as *ex officio* of OPS board. OPS has began its work to recruit publications (please see the appended OPS report submitted by Judy Jeng).

In regards to Bylaws modification to reflect the new development of the OPS, a PC member noted that the Board should take such action to amend the Bylaws only when there is substantial evidence of the publication, and that when OPS reach its maturity. At meanwhile, “The Publications Committee has the responsibility to fully develop this publication project, as provided by Article IV, Section 9/9 of the Bylaws: The chairperson of the Publications Committee, “with the help of the Committee members, shall handle publication projects of the Association as prescribed by the Board and shall recommend to the Board any changes or improvements in the overall publication program and policies of the Association.”

In addition to the JLIS and OPS, PC has also talked some special projects.

First of all, I thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve CALA in this capacity. The following is a report of our major accomplishments:

1. **Formed the Inaugural Editorial Board**
   - The Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Judy Jeng, was appointed by the CALA Board of Directors in June 2006.
   - The Assistant Editor for Manuscripts, Mr. Manuel Urrizola, was appointed by the CALA Board of Directors in January 2007. Mr. David Hickey was also appointed to this position pending on his membership status.
   - The Assistant Editor for Production, Ms. Xiaoli Fang, was appointed by the CALA Board of Directors in January 2007.

2. **Updated the CALA OPS Editorial Statement**
   The inaugural editorial board discussed the Editorial Statement and made revisions based on the recommendations from the CALA Publications Committee. The updated version is posted on CALA web site.

3. **Recommended the format, language, and frequency of OPS**
   Recommendations have been forwarded on February 27, 2007 to CALA President and CALA Publications Committee for discussion (see attached).
LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE:

Due to the discussions between CALA and NTNU regarding the agreement about JLIS, our committee work was suspended between summer of 2006 and March 2007. We therefore did not provide any English articles to JLIS for the April 2007.

Thanks to the strong leadership of CALA president, executive director, board, and the publications committee, the JLIS and NTNU completed the signing of the “Collaboration Agreement between the National Taiwan Normal University and the Chinese American Librarians Association on the sponsorship of the publication of the Journal of Library and Information Science” in February 2007. The agreement has in its Appendix 2 the Guidelines and Procedures of the CALA JLIS Editorial Committee. By including it in an appendix to the agreement, CALA makes our committee guidelines and procedures official, which was proposed by our committee after extensive discussions among our committee members. On February 26, CALA president instructed our committee to resume normal editorial work.

In April 2007, Zhijia visited National Taiwan Normal University and had a productive meeting with Professors Hsiao-Tieh Pu and Jiann-Cheng Shieh. They reconfirmed about the division of the editorial work between Shida and CALA based on the CALA and NTNU agreement that NTNU will be fully responsible for the recruitment and editing of all Chinese articles, while CALA Editorial Committee will be fully responsible for English articles. Prof. Hsiao-tieh Pu informed Zhijia that the April 2007 issue would be late because of the change of the editorial group at NTNU.

In May, the CALA JLIS Editorial Committee sent out a call for papers to CALA members via CALA listserv and other venues. We are working on recruiting articles for the October issue and the theme will be on “moving toward electronic collections and services.”

Zhijia Shen, Ph.D. (chair)
CALA JLIS Editorial Committee and JLIS English Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The Journal of Library and Information Science (JLIS) is inviting submission of papers. If you have an article on library related subjects and are interested in publishing, please submit the manuscript to me (Zhijia Shen, email: zhijia@u.washington.edu) via email attachment. JLIS is a peer-reviewed and bilingual (English and Chinese) scholarly journal focusing on library and information science. It publishes twice a year in April and October. For English papers to be published in the April issue, it is preferred that you submit your manuscript by December 31; for the October issue, please submit by June 30.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. The following is the guidelines for contributors for your reference, which is also available at CALA website http://www.cala-web.org/, under Publications-Journal of Library and Information Science.

Thank you for your attention.

Zhijia Shen,
CALA JLIS Editor

Call for Submission

Dear Colleagues,

The CALA Board of Directors approved a proposal presented by the 2005 CALA Publications Committee (Chaired by Hai-peng Li) to establish a publication called Occasional Paper Series (OPS) at its Board meeting held in June 2005 at the ALA Annual Conference in Chicago. This publication intends to provide opportunities for CALA members to get their research findings and best practices published and to grow in the library profession. The CALA Publications Committee is assuming responsibilities to publish initial issues of OPS in 2006.

You are all cordially invited to submit papers on any aspect of librarianship. The manuscripts should be sent to Judy Jeng, editor of CALA OPS, at jjeng@njcu.edu. For detailed submission information, please check Occasional Paper Series Editorial Statement.
SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE LAST REPORT:

- Prepared brochure for Annual Program
- Keep in contact with speakers

Local Arrangement Committee Report for
CALA 2007 Annual Award Banquet
June 24, 2007, Washington, DC


1.1 The Local Arrangement Committee (LAC) was formed between late September and early October 2006.
1.2 Beginning from September to December 2006, LAC has accomplished the following lists of tasks:
   1.2.1 After a long search and careful consideration, Hunan Dynasty was chosen mainly because it was next to the Library of Congress Madison Building, which would be easier for attendees to locate. Several factors were taken into consideration in the restaurant selection process, such as transportation, service quality, reputation, capacity, affordability, sanity, menu, facility, and willingness to cooperate.
   1.2.2 Yao Yuan would serve as the contact person for the banquet registration unless the national executive board decides otherwise.
1.3 LAC Meeting
   1.3.1 October 20, 2006 - The first LAC meeting was held at noon, in the Asian Division Conference Room. The following issues were discussed: fund-raising strategies and approaches and entertaining program planning. Tasks were assigned among the committee members in order to ensure the steady progress.

   1.3.2 March 3, 2007  The second LAC meeting was held at noon at the Far East Restaurant in Rockville, MD. The following agenda items were discussed:
   1.3.2.1 Entertainment program: We recommended that Yao Yuan be the sole banquet MC. The reasons are: 1) He was very experienced in handling this type of tasks in both English and Chinese and therefore can easily bring up the atmosphere; 2) Yao has been involved in the entertainment program arrangement and therefore is familiar enough to host the banquet and handle unexpected situations once the program is in process; 3) It doesn’t seem very appealing to have two male MCs; 4) a local MC is better since the banquet is in Washington, DC and Yao can easily introduce this area in an entertaining manner and answer questions attendees may have related to DC.
   1.3.2.2 Microphone - we will confirm with Hunan to make sure that they have it prior to the event. Yao Yuan has kindly agreed to provide a backup set in case Hunan fails to provide it.
   1.3.2.3 We will measure the limited space at Hunan and provide the HQ that piece of information for them to reconsider the feasibility of the dance program.
   1.3.2.4 Printing brochure:
   1.3.2.4.1 We provided Rita a list of the sponsors to include in the brochure. Following is the list.

Sally was deeply honored and touched by the surprises she received at the CALA Awards Banquet. She extended her sincere appreciation to President Li and the hundred of contributors in the scrapbook which was artistically compiled by Shuyong Jiang, Chair of the Publications Committee. Sally said, "Thanks a million! I'll treasure this very special honor and will continue to do my best for CALA and Chinese American librarianship! I wish my friends in CALA for their continuing success!"
Time: 1:30 3:30 p.m.
Date: Sunday, June 29, 2008
Location: TBA, Anaheim, California

Tentative title: Global Outreach: A U.S. China Experience

Abstract (a draft):
With fast approaching dates of 2008 Olympic Games to be held in Beijing and a continuously rising economy, China has become a buzzword in the media nowadays. But how much do we know about library services to users in China? Are they kept pace with the fast-growth in other sectors in China? What opportunities are available for possible collaboration between U.S. and Chinese libraries? This program presents U.S. librarians who have had first-hand experience in working with the library community and librarians in China. The panelists will share their experiences in working with their counterparts in China and helping them advocate user-centered library services, free access to library materials, and intellectual freedom in a technology-driven environment. Specifically, the panelists will present several successful outreach programs to Chinese libraries, including:

- Four China-U.S. Library conferences since 1996 that have had policy influence effects on China’s libraries;
- CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series that helped the librarians in China learn the best practices of librarianship;
- Ongoing collaboration between CALA and Chinese academic libraries;
- US librarians personal account of a 33-day exchange program at the Shanghai Public Library,
- The Chinese Summer Program at UIUC.

The audience will have opportunities to ask questions, get additional information on these projects, and plan action items for their own libraries.

Possible speaker and panels:
Keynote speaker:
Beverly Lynch (UCLA) on China-U.S. Library Conference

Panels:
Haipeng Li (CALA) on CALA efforts in organizing library seminars
Trisha Davis (OSU) on an exchange program
Zhu Qiang, Peking University, Beijing, China
Lian Ruan (UIUC) on summer seminars

Possible co-sponsors: (in a name-only capacity)
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CALA 2007 Distinguished Service Award
Date: Mon, 21 May 2007 09:21:43 -0700

Each year the Chinese American Librarians Association confers the CALA Distinguished Service Award to honor and recognize an individual who has distinguished him/herself for providing outstanding service to the profession of librarianship. This year, the Awards Committee unanimously selected Dr. Sha Li Zhang as the recipient for the 2007 Distinguished Service Award.

The Committee would like to highlight Dr. Zhang’s major contributions to librarianship, library and information science, and our professional organizations at the local, national and international levels.

Dr. Zhang has consistently demonstrated outstanding leadership ability in her 20 years of experience working at several prominent academic libraries. As a library administrator, she has made significant contributions to improve the libraries services through the use of emerging technologies, effective workflow, effective staff training, system migrations, and development of visionary strategic plan. Dr. Zhang is highly praised and enthusiastically recommended by her Deans and colleagues of the libraries she has worked and is working for.

Dr. Zhang has demonstrated her strong leadership and outstanding service in and beyond CALA. She has worked loyally and enthusiastically in CALA, serving in a number of offices such as Board of Directors, Chair of Publication Committee, Chair of Scholarship Committee, Co-chair of Award Committee, Chair of Constitution and Bylaw Committee, and Chair of International Relation Committee. Dr. Zhang also chaired and served on numerous committees on ALA, ACRL, ALCTS and IRRT. She was elected to the prestigious position as ALA Councilor, and appointed by ALA President to several important committees. Recently, she has obtained IFLA appointment to the Acquisitions representing ALA and the ALCTS. In addition to her national and international level of activism, her services in leadership positions in both regional and state library associations make her a great credit to our profession.

Dr. Zhang has an impressive and distinctive record of scholarship and research. She has published over 40 peer-reviewed articles in C&RL, JAL, LCAT and other highly reputable academic journals. Her publications have brought many new ideas to professional literature. She is also a frequent speaker at regional, national and international conferences and academic institutions.

In sum, Dr. Zhang has established herself as a role model for librarians, especially the Chinese-American librarians. She is a competent and vibrant library administrator, researcher, writer, and speaker. It is the Committees great honor to present the CALA Distinguished Service Award to such a dedicated colleague.

The 2007 Award Committee:
Yongyi Song, Chair
Denise Kwan, Member
Ying Xu, Member

Y. Diana Wu Receives an Emerald Research Grant Award

Y. Diana Wu, reference and instruction librarian, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, San Jose State University (Calif.), is a recipient of one the 2007 Emerald Research Grant Awards, administered by the Business Reference and Services Section (BRASS), a section of the Reference and Users Services Association (RUSA). This is one of two $5,000 cash awards donated by Emerald Group Publishing Limited to an ALA member seeking support to conduct research in business librarianship.
CALA President, Haipeng Li, charged the Committee to:
1. Keep a sound record of any business conducted;
2. Make a timeline which indicates the various steps of tasks to be accomplished; and,
3. Complete the process of the selection of scholarship recipients.

Thanks to the hard work of the Committee members with the guidance of Haipeng Li, CALA President, and Sally Tseng, Executive Director, and with the assistance of Shixing Wen, CALA Webmaster, I am able to report that all of the above charges have been successfully accomplished. Following is a chronology of the tasks of the Committee:

**July through September, 2006**
The National Library of Medicine, through the efforts of Ms. Cassandra Allen, provided funds for numerous scholarships to attend the 1st Joint Conference of Librarians of Color held in Dallas, Texas, on October 12-15, 2006. In July of 2006, Lian Zhou, Chair the JCLC Awards and Scholarships Committee, forwarded to me, Manuel Urrizola, Chair of the CALA Scholarship Committee, the nominations of CALA members for the above NLM scholarships. The members of the CALA Scholarship Committee reviewed the nominations and sent our recommendations to Liana Zhou, Chair of the JCLC Awards and Scholarships Committee. On Sept. 12, 2006, Liana Zhou, Chair of the JCLC Awards and Scholarships Committee, announced the seven CALA recipients of the $1000 scholarships: Minjie Chen, Esther Lee, Shu Liu, Cecilia Poon, Lian Ruan, Helen Wang, and Maggie Wang. **12 midnight Pacific Time, March 15, 2007**
This was the deadline for all applications and reference material submissions.

**March-April, 2007**
Committee members reviewed all applications that were complete and selected four recipients, one for each scholarship.

**April-May, 2007**
Committee submitted recommendations to CALA President and CALA Executive Director.
Chair informed each recipient of her/his award.
Chair thanked all applicants.
Announcement of scholarship recipients was posted on CALA website and via the CALA listserv.

**September through October, 2006**
Committee members updated and extensively revised scholarship documents and drafted announcement/news release. Chief revision involved moving toward electronic applications and letters as much as possible.

**November 2006**
Revised documents and announcement posted on CALA website by CALA Webmaster, Shixing Wen.
The Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) announced the availability of the 2007 CALA Scholarships:
- **The CALA Scholarship of Library and Information Science** ($1000)
- **The C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship** ($500)
- **The Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship** ($500)
- **The Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship (USA)** ($200)

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The CALA Scholarship of Library and Information Science $1000

Ms. Lian Lauren Sin is the winner of the 2007 CALA Scholarship of Library and Information Science. Ms. Sin is currently pursuing her Master’s degree in Library and Information Science at the School of Library and Information Science, University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). She has gained many experiences by working at different libraries while taking courses on Library and Information Science. Her supervisors from the libraries at which she has worked have all praised her accomplishments. In the reference letter, Marya Zoller, Head of Library Operation at Hawaii State Library, writes that “[s]he has a strong background in computer technology as her area of interest. She has a very energetic, and highly intelligent” and having “exceptional professional experience in web design and management. Professor Lee Shiflett, chair of the Department of Library & Information Studies at University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG). With her background in engineering and computer science, Ms. Sun is currently focusing on information technology as her area of interest. She has a very impressive academic record and excellent professional experience in web design and management. Professor Lee Shiflett, chair of the Department of Library & Information Studies at UNCG, has a high opinion of her, praising her for being “committed, energetic, and highly intelligent” and having “exceptional professional potential.” Professor Anthony Chow of LIS School of UNCG commends her for having “an excellent blend of intelligence and outstanding work ethic” and being a responsible and productive “top notch student.” Sha Li Zhang, assistant director for Collection and Technical Services at UNCG, describes her as “a very responsible and true professional” whom the library profession needs in order to “move forward.” Ms. Sun will use the C.C. Seeto Conference Travel Scholarship to attend the 2007 ALA Annual Conference in Washington D.C.

The C.C. Seeto Conference Travel Scholarship $500

Katherine Yanqing Sun

Katherine Yanqing Sun is awarded the C.C. Seeto Conference Travel Scholarship for 2007. Ms. Sun is pursuing her masters degree in the School of Library & Information Studies at University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG). With her background in engineering and computer science, she has a strong background in computer technology as her area of interest. She has a very energetic, and highly intelligent” and having “exceptional professional experience in web design and management. Professor Lee Shiflett, chair of the Department of Library & Information Studies at UNCG, has a high opinion of her, praising her for being “committed, energetic, and highly intelligent” and having “exceptional professional potential.” Professor Anthony Chow of LIS School of UNCG commends her for having “an excellent blend of intelligence and outstanding work ethic” and being a responsible and productive “top notch student.” Sha Li Zhang, assistant director for Collection and Technical Services at UNCG, describes her as “a very responsible and true professional” whom the library profession needs in order to “move forward.” Ms. Sun will use the C.C. Seeto Conference Travel Scholarship to attend the 2007 ALA Annual Conference in Washington D.C.

The Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship $500

Yi Ren

Yi Ren is the recipient of the 2007 Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship. She is also a graduate student for the MLIS degree in the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Ms. Ren is an outstanding student with excellent coursework and has a strong background in computer knowledge. She used to be the graduate assistant charged with maintaining the job listing. Currently, she is an intern in the East Asian Collection of the Duke University Library. Just like her professor described, Ms. Ren is an articulate, charming, personable, and extremely competent person. As Ms. Ren mentioned in her personal statement, she hopes that in the near future, she will use her skills and abilities to promote and accelerate the construction of Chinese libraries. This scholarship will help her in achieving her goal.

The Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship (USA) $200

Xiaoai Ren

Xiaoai Ren, a Ph.D. student in Information Science at the University at Albany, State University of New York, is the recipient of the 2007 Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship. Xiaoai received an M.S. in Information Science at Peking University, China, and a B.A. in Library Science from the Dept. of Library and Information Science, Northwest University, Xian, China. Professor Deborah Lines Anderson of the University at Albany strongly recommended Xiaoai for the scholarship and praised Xiaoai for her research skills and ability to collaborate well on research projects. In addition, Xiaoai has been the graduate assistant for Professor Andersons masters level statistics class where Xiaoai “… tutors students, grades problem sets, holds Q and A sections, and generally oversees the working of a class with 30 students.” Xiaoai has chosen to “… do her thesis work in the area of comparative international information policy.”

At least three of the four recipients plan to attend the 2007 CALA Banquet at the ALA Annual Conference in June. We look forward to honoring and meeting each one. The Committee would like to express their appreciation to CALA President Haipeng Li, Executive Director Sally Tseng, Webmaster Shixing Wen, all of the Directors of the Board, and the donors for their support and guidance. The Chair would like to thank again all the members of the Committee for their diligence and perseverance they really worked long and hard and met every deadline.

Announcement/news release forwarded by Chair to all ALA accredited library schools in the US and Canada.

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Chair sent out to ALA accredited library schools a follow-up reminder about applications.

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These scholarships were open to full-time students of Chinese heritage currently enrolled in an ALA-accredited master’s or doctoral program of library and information science at an institution of higher education in North America.
CONGRATULATIONS TO:

XUDONG JIN & GUOQING LI
for the 2007 CALA President's Recognition Award!

Anthony (Tony) Lin won the 2007 ALA-RUSA Brass Student Travel Award sponsored by Thomas Financial

Lan Shen is one of the winners of 2007 EBSCO/ALA Conference Sponsorship

MICHAEL GORMAN

has just been awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of the Thames Valley.

Joanne She is a Recipient of The Attorney General Annual Award

At the Attorney General’s 55th Annual Award Ceremony, Joanne She was one of the award recipients for her outstanding contributions on the digital project. Previously, she received a JMD Special Commendation Award from the Assistant Attorney General for Justice Management Division in 2004, and a Spot Award from the Deputy Attorney General in 2003.

Mr. Peter D. Keisler, U.S. Acting Attorney General said: “The attorney General Annual Awards Ceremony is an opportunity to pause and thank some who have worked especially hard and who have achieved results on behalf of the American people... The Attorney General’s Awards are the highest honors granted by the Department of Justice. They recognize the exemplary efforts made by the award recipients and convey the Department’s deepest appreciation for their hard work devotion and skill.”

Nancy Sun Hershoff was a recipient of the SEFLIN (Southeast Florida Library Information Network) Vista Award, in recognition of her distinguished service in furthering library cooperation.

JANET C. LU

a long time CALA member and CALA Nebraska contact person has been selected from a field of candidates to receive YWCA Lincoln, Nebraska’s 2007 Tribute to Women Award. This award is given each year to Lincoln women who work to follow YWCA’s commitment to empower women and eliminate racism (there are 5 winner this year). They are being recognized for their outstanding work in this area. The recipients of this award were honored at the 27th annual YWCA Tribute to Women luncheon Friday, Oct. 26th.

Janet Lu was also honored by the Nebraska Wesleyan University Women’s Commission on Nov. 27 for her many accomplishments.

2007 American Library Association 100 Emerging Leaders
Yan Han
Anchi Hoh
Su Yu
The Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter (GMAC) had a very productive year during 2006-2007. Most of our board members were also assigned by President Li Haipeng to sit on the 2007 Local Arrangement Committee. These LAC members from our chapter were Cathy Yang, Anchi Hoh, Yao Yuan, Rita Lewi, and Jing Zhong. Under the guidance and with assistance from Haipeng, Sally, Dora and Maggie, we have been busy coordinating and working toward a successful Award Banquet for 2007 as the host chapter.

With great help and co-sponsorship from the Library of Congress Asian American Association, our chapter organized a successful Chinese Lunar Year Luncheon on Feb. 22, 2007. There were about 100 attendees comprised of members, LC colleagues and friends. Our chapter’s 2007 Annual Membership Meeting was held on April 25, 2007 at the Library of Congress. We were honored to have Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee, Chief of the Asian Division of the Library of Congress as our keynote speaker. He gave a speech titled, “Asian Collections in the Digital Age at the Library of Congress”. Dr. Lee’s presentation received high praise from a crowded audience about 100. Many afterwards requested a copy of his entire speech.

Membership Drive

The Board of this newly founded Chapter launched a successful membership recruitment drive under the leadership of Membership Chair Yongyi Song. Through the efforts and hard work we have seen an excellent growth: seven new members joined our Chapter and three members — Manuel Urrizola, Wenwen Zhang and Xiwen Zhang — became life-members this year. There were 53 members in the Chapter when it was established in July 2006, and now we have 60 in total. This is an increase by 13.2% in less than one year!

MW ESTABLISHING STUDENT TRAVEL FUND

In recent years, the MW Chapter has established a Student Travel Fund to encourage and support student members to attend the annual program. Many students have benefited by it. This year, Haipeng Li and Xudong Jin each donated $200 for the fund. Their good deeds were followed by the Chapters treasurer Bender Wei with another $100 along with the additional donations from Shuyong Jiang, Haiwang Yuan, Qi Chen and Lisa Zhao. The MW Chapter once again was able to support the student member who gave a presentation at the annual program. As the condition of the funding, student members are asked to give feedback about their experience of the meeting. In addition, by accepting the travel fund, the student members also agree to serve on a committee for the following year. It was proved to be a rewarding experience for student members, as the recipient for this years student travel fund, Si-qi Chin, put it: “I obtained fruitful feedback from the participants. Such process helped me review and reflect upon my current work…I would highly encourage Chinese library science students to participate this annual event and take a role in program committee. It is a unique opportunity to learn event planning, practice presenting skills, and networking with many leading Chinese librarian in Mid-West U.S” MW will continue to expand this fund and continue to provide support to student and new members.
CALA-NCA has been working on the new committee election for 2007-2008. The election committee was formed in May 2007. The members of the election committee are: Fang Gu, Diana Wu and Mengxiong Liu. Diana Wu and Fang Gu contacted some individual CALA members located in the north California to encourage them for nominations or self-nominations for the new committee. The email of announcing the election was sent in May. Fang Gu created the online election form (`http://library.csus.edu/libemp/guf/nca/`) and sent it to all the chapter members for online voting on June 7, 2007. The online election form was posted on the CALA-NCA Web Site as well. The new CALA NCA committee of 2007-2008 will be established by the end of July 2007.

### Southeast Chapter

Below is a report which summarizes Southeast Chapter activities since setting up as a new chapter on April 1, 2007:

1) **Membership**

There are twenty-one members in Southeast Chapter, including one new member, and one new life member. Setting up “State Contact Person” for each state is under consideration for better communication between members and for member recruitment results.

2) **New Web Site**

The Chapters new Web Site has been created, and can be accessed at: [http://www.cala-web.org/chapters/Southeast/index.htm](http://www.cala-web.org/chapters/Southeast/index.htm)

3) **Annual Activity Consideration**

The Chapter has surveyed the members for Annual Activity for suggestions. Webminar could be possible choice. Further discussions are underway for details of Annual Activity between officers and members.

### North East Chapter

MEET THE CHINESE-AMERICAN AUTHORS

On June 2, 2007, CALA Northeast Chapter Board organized an event: **Facets of the Chinese Culture Meet the Chinese-American Authors** at the Chatham Square Branch Library, New York Public Library. Four Chinese-American authors attend the event and gave talks.

Speakers and topics:

- **Speaker 1: Hanson Chan**, writer of Chinese novels and screenplays.  
  **Topic:** The historical background of Hua Hu series. The series includes two books Book 1 - “The Forbidden Scripture” and Book 2 - “The Thunder Spell”. The series is available in both Chinese and English.

- **Speaker 2: Professor Janey Chao**, librarian and Head of Cataloging at Baruch College, the City University of New York.  
  **Topic:** From Silk Road to the Yee Family of Arabic Origin. Professor Chao talked about the Arabic origin of her mothers family, and what she had done in the fields of Asian Studies and Chinese Genealogies. She also performed three belly dances for the audience.

- **Speaker 3: Doctor Renqiu Yu**, Professor of History and Director of Asian studies Program at Purchase College, State University of New York.
  **Topic:** An introduction to Qing Ke, his newest novel published by Peoples Literary Publishing Company in Beijing, 2007.

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Chinese American Librarians Association, Northern California Chapter

**華人圖書館員協會北加州分會**

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Social Gatherings

There were two social gatherings for members in Houston area on December 2006 and March 2007. These were good chances for new and old members to get together and put faces to the email contacts. We had fun talking about our life in general and share some experience in our profession also. Thanks to the effort of Klairon Tang, the immediate past president, many retired members came to join us and talk to old friends.

Update of chapter information in CALA Webpage

Working with CALA webpage webmaster, Shixing Wen, the information for Southwest Chapter was updated. Now there is a complete list of officers serving Southwest chapter from years past and the detail of our programs held annually in the TLA conferences. More information is planned to add to the web page to showcase some of the Asian services available in Southwest areas.

FROM THE NEWS ROOM:

New CALA Website Prototype

Dear CALA members and friends,

The current CALA website was first created in 1995, since then there has not been any major change to the interface of our website. In the past few years, new technologies have evolved rapidly, it maybe a good time for us to redesign our website right now in order to improve access and navigation.

As the first phase of our “renovation”, our focus will be on the user interface and navigation. In this phase we will not make dramatic changes to the structure of the web site.

Below are two possible redesign options for your consideration. Notice that the new design is only implemented for the front page during the redesign process, no subsequent pages is being changed.

Design 1: http://76.163.60.251/index.php
Design 2: http://76.163.60.248/index.php

As the user of our website, your suggestion and comment is very valuable to us. If you have any preference, suggestion or comments related to the new designs, please feel free to send it to webteam@cala-web.org. We appreciate if you send in your suggestion/comment by November 4, 2007. Thank you!

CALA Web Committee.

The CALA 2008 Midwinter Board meeting will be held on January 12, 2008 (Saturday) from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Pennsylvania Convention Center (PCC), Room 107A in Philadelphia.
Three CALA members presented papers at the conference, *The Academic Librarians: Dinosaur or Phoenix? Die or Fly in Library Change Management*, held on April 11-12, 2007, at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong. The main themes of the conference included the following timely topics:

1. General pressures on us in the academic world;
2. How we organize internally to respond to those pressures;
3. How we sustain our response;
4. How we get the right staff to do all this.

Jia Mi, Electronic Resources Librarian at the College of New Jersey Library, presented a paper, “Revitalizing the Library OPAC: Challenges faced by academic librarians.”

Dr. Sha Li Zhang, Assistant Director for Collections and Technical Services at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, presented a paper, “Favorable library / organization support of job-related training at University Libraries: Perceptions from support staff.”

Mr. Fu Zhuo, Library Instruction Coordinator at the University of Missouri at Kansas City, presented a paper, “Engaging in campus learning and research activities: academic librarians catching up with new subject knowledge and information technology skills.”

In addition to presenting the papers, they had opportunities to visit the campus and libraries at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, met with library colleagues from other parts of the world, and gained insight and different perspectives from other sessions presented at the conference.
CALA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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|Life ($300) | 荣誉会员 (免费) | 机构会员 ($100) | 联属会员 ($100) | (请圈选) |

注意：会员费涵盖整个日历年，从1月1日到12月31日。新生会员在年度会员会期间加入或之后，有权缴纳剩余年度的一半会员费。用美元核算的费用或从美国银行的等值。

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