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GET INVOLVED IN CALA
Chinese American Librarians Association held its meetings, programs, and awards banquet in Chicago during the ALA Annual Conference from July 9 through 15, 2009. The awards banquet is in Phoenix Chinese Restaurant in Chinatown. ALA leaders and other dignitaries, such as President and President-Elect of IFLA, joined CALA members in the banquet. Though Jim Rettig, outgoing President of CALA, was not present due to schedule conflict, he had invited one of the CALA board members to his private events. One was in his Hilton suite, as was shown in the photos.

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GET INVOLVED IN CALA

- Expand your professional network;
- Hone your professional skills;
- Increase your leadership potential;
- Maximize your power.
A Message from CALA President

by Xudong Jin

Dear CALA Members:

With a lot of exciting news and achievements of CALA, I started my CALA presidential year in Chicago in July 2009. I would like to thank Sha Li Zhang, Immediate Past President, and other CALA former presidents for having made continuous progress and solid foundation for CALA in the previous years. My major goals as CALA President this year are:

- Strive for organizational excellence
- Make CALA a leader in global reach initiatives
- Enhance services to CALA members
- Provide educational opportunities
- Advocate for users of Chinese heritage, Chinese culture, and Chinese language

In order to reach these goals, I have done and will continue to work hard on the following issues:

CALA Committee and Taskforce Appointments

The CALA committee and taskforce appointments for the 2009-2010 were completed late September. It can be checked out at http://www.cala-web.org/node/946

I made some changes to our existing taskforces. I changed one TF to a regular committee based on a CALA Board's decision (CALA Conference Travel Grant Committee); added five new taskforces (Alire Initiative Taskforce, Review of Emerging Leaders Program Taskforce, Strategic Plan Taskforce, Taskforce on Helping Taiwanese Libraries Destroyed/Damaged by the 88 Typhoon Marakot, and Taskforce on Donations for Natural Disasters Guidelines). I accepted Incoming Vice President/President Elect Min Chou's suggestion to resume the staggered term appointment this year. Starting next year, new appointments will be only for this year's one-year term members. To do so, I worked with some of committee chairs and members to specify and clarify who serves as a one-year term and who serves as a staggered two-year term.

Although the committee appointments were late this year, the major work of committees and taskforces has been done without any delays due to related committee and taskforce chairs and members working hard. For example, the Alire Initiative Taskforce created a great proposal and budget plan and met the ALA's deadline; the Taskforce on Helping Taiwan Libraries Destroyed/Damaged by the 88 Typhoon Marakot has worked very well; Web Committee Co-Chairs Vincci Kwong and Bin Zhang have done a lot of work; and the International Relations Committee has worked on the CALA 21st Century Librarians Seminar Series. Other committees, such as Local Arrangement (Continue on p. 4)

Message from the Executive Director

by Haipeng Li

As the Executive Director, I would like to greet all of you, particularly our new members to CALA. I especially want to congratulate ourselves on much success from last year which we can build on for future development and growth of this wonderful organization.

With the success over the past years along with many exciting initiatives, CALA has won a heightened visibility nationally and internationally. The CALA 2008-2010 Strategic Plan has provided CALA good directions to follow. We have been very successful in providing exciting professional development opportunities for our members, with many of you eager to participate. Also 20% increase of our membership last year indicates the great leadership we had but also puts us in a much better position to move forward as an organization.

CALA has come to a point where much attention is needed in further professionalizing our association. With more new members joining CALA and veteran members taking on more responsibilities of chairing and serving on committees with unprecedented level of involvement and excitement, we need to make sure that our guideline are followed, policies are in place, and processes/procedures are assured. This is an important aspect of a well-managed and successful organization. I hope all CALA officers and members take some time to read our guidelines, explore new ones where needed, and make sure that they are followed.

CALA has also reached a time when we need to work together more closely as we have so many exciting and meaningful programs to sustain. The successes we have achieved in the past need to be built upon and new initiatives need to be explored. All of this needs the united attention and sustained efforts from all of us to make CALA an even stronger organization.

I am sure you all feel as I feel that we are proud to be members of this wonderful organization. We are proud to come together for a common goal to promote librarianship; we are proud to come together with a common rich cultural heritage; we are proud, grateful and blessed to have the opportunity to know each other and work together to maximize our unified voice and united efforts; and we are proud to be Chinese American librarians! (Continue on p. 6)
A Message from CALA President (Cont.)

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Committee, CALA Conference Program Committees, Membership Committee, Mentorship Program Committee, Awards Committee, Publications Committee, Finance Committee, and CALA Newsletter, JLIS Editors, OPS Editor, and so on, have also started their work. I would like to thank all the committee chairs and members.

We have very strong teams this year. With around 29 committees and taskforces and nearly 200 chairs and members appointed. I believe we can make more CALA members involved in CALA activities and events, recruit more new CALA members, develop CALA’s reputation, and achieve our goals and tasks.

CALA 21st Century Librarians Seminar Series

The CALA 21st Century Librarians Seminar Series started in July 2006 and has now expanded to many universities in China and Taiwan. In the current academic year 2009-2010, in August a team was sent to National Taiwan Normal University, two teams will go to Donghua University in Shanghai in November and Shanxi University in May 2010. A contract was signed with Yunnan Agricultural University in July 2010. These make a total of 13 teams. We will see more contracts to be signed for certain.

In the CALA 2010 Strategic Plan (approved by the CALA Board on June 10, 2007), the first major step towards reaching the goal of “Becoming a Leader in Global Reach Initiatives" is to develop a formal structure within CALA to better coordinate the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar and other training programs in China. Through more than three years of hard work and dedicated research, nearly fifty CALA members, including former ALA Presidents Barbara Ford, Jim Rettig, and Loriene Roy, joined the Series and trained and/or exchanged their experiences and knowledge with Chinese librarians.

At the CALA Annual Program, “International Outreach and Leadership: the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series Program,” in Chicago on July 12, six panelists presented different viewpoints on how to successfully create outreach programs for these Chinese libraries. In her keynote speech, Barbara Ford demonstrated the impact of the CALA Seminar Series on ALA, IFLA and librarianship. She also made five suggestions to develop the Series in the future. Guoqing Li reviewed the Series’ origin, goals, achievements, and future plans. Shuhua Liu, Anna Xiong and Hilary Davis (Hilary did not attend the Program) made an analysis report of the Series from 2006-2008. Their report analyzed the Series presenters, their topics and 145 presentations, over 900 attendees, origin of participants, feedbacks, major areas needing improvement, and future presentation topics. At the last, Mengxiong Liu gave a great Grant Seeking and Financial Support presentation.

Some of the presentation files can be viewed at: http://www.cala-web.org/node/923

The CALA 2009 Program was a big success. I would like to thank the Annual Program Committee members Suhua Fan, Li Fu, Susan Matveyeva, Zheng (John) Wang, Frank Xu, and Lisa Zhao.

Think Globally, Act Globally IMLS Grant Project

CALA is pleased to be in partnership with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, to work with the Library Society of China on the Think Globally, Act Globally IMLS grant project. The project runs from September 1, 2008 until August 30, 2010. The goals of the two-year pilot project are to enhance communication and relations between U.S. and Chinese librarians and to enrich the variety of information and services that U.S. librarians can offer their users. Thanks go to the Project Director Shuyong Jiang and CALA Team Members Haipeng Li and Sha Li Zhang for their contributions to the project.

A delegation of 10 Chinese library directors from provincial libraries in China visited the U.S. in July 2009 as planned. I was pleased to meet them and observed the great training courses at UIUC in the first week. Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, was there the second week. After 2 weeks training at UIUC, three CALA chapters, Northeast, Southern California, and Southeast Chapters, and two public libraries in Kentucky (Continue on p.7)
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and Missouri each hosted two Chinese
directors for another 2 weeks. CALA
members on these sites contributed their
time and efforts to the visitors. From
CALA Honorary Executive Director
Sally Tseng’s report of hosting two Chi-
inese directors in Southern California, I
can see how much they have done in
order to make the Chinese library direc-
tors’ visit a success.

Fifteen CALA members participated or
will participate in the three continuing
education programs professional in
China in 2009. The May and September
2009 teams led by Sha Li Zhang (May
team) and Shuyong Jiang (September
team) already have completed success-
ful programs and the November team,
led by Haipeng Li, will leave for China
soon. Three new teams will go to China
in February, April and July 2010. The
CALA International Relations Commit-
tee will send the CALA list update in-
formation. Please also visit http://
www.library.illinois.edu/China/
overview.html for details.

I would like to mention several new
Taskforces’ work below:

**CALA Alire Initiative Taskforce**

Based on ALA President Camila Alire's
message, the CALA Alire Initiative
Taskforce was established on July 22.
Under the leadership of Nancy Sun Her-
shoff and Dora Ho, in only 40 days,
they finished two documents. The pro-
ject name is Dai Dai Xiang Chuan (代
代相传/袋袋相传): Bridging Genera-
tions, A Bag at A Time. I would like to
thank them and the members Jen-Chien
Yu, Liana Zhou, and Ning Zou for their
hard and wonderful work. They met the
deadline of September 15th to submit
the proposal and budget plan for this
ALA family literacy event.

**CALA Taskforce on Helping Taiwan
Libraries Destroyed/Damaged by the
88 Typhoon Marakot**

Typhoon Morakot slammed into
China’s east coast on August 8th, just
hours after nearly 1 million people
evacuated the area. It earlier lashed
Taiwan with torrential rains that caused
the island's worst flooding in 50 years
and left hundreds missing and feared
dead. We sent a consolatory letter to the
Library Association in Taiwan on Au-
 gust 15th. In the following week, a
Taskforce on Helping Taiwan Libraries
Destroyed/Damaged by the 88 Typhoon
Marakot was established. The Co-
Chairs are Sally Tseng and Dr. Tzi-
Chung Li, with Consultant Dr. Hwa-
Wei Lee; the members are Vinci
Kwong, Shu-Hua Liu, Esther Lee,
Karen Wei, Cathy Yang, Zhixian
(George) Yi, and Shuyong Jiang.
Haipeng Li and Shuyong Jiang col-
lected donations since then. As of Oct.
15, 2009, the Taskforce has raised
US$4,955.00 and the actual
amounts received were US$4,900.09
from 32 donors. It is because PayPal
deducted fees in the amount of
US$54.91. We thank the donors for
their donations and the Taskforce for
their hard work and efforts on all the
detailed and time consuming work.

**CALA Taskforce on Donations for
Natural Disasters Guidelines**

As we have experienced, there have
been yearly natural disasters all over
the world. How will we respond to each
one? Lisa Zhao has been appointed
care of the Taskforce on Guidelines for
Donations to Natural Disasters. We
hope to receive guidelines and recom-
mendations from the Taskforce before
our Board meeting at ALA in June
2010.

**ALA Emerging Leaders Program
Taskforce**

This year we have two CALA mem-
bers, Mingyan Li and Ning Zou, se-
lected to participate in the 2010 Class of
Emerging Leaders. Congratulations to
both of them!

**CALA has participated in the ALA
Emerging Leaders Program and spon-
sored 2 or 3 CALA members each year
for several years. In the past, CALA
sponsored each selected Emerging
Leader $500 a year for them to attend
Midwinter and ALA. Starting this year,
we changed the amount to $1,000 a year
for each Emerging Leader to match
other sponsors (this is also required by
ALA). At the Board meeting at ALA in
July 2009, the Board proposed to review
the Program. Thus a Review of Emerg-
ing Leaders Program Taskforce was
established chaired by Qi Chen. A re-
view report and recommendations will
be submitted to the CALA Board at the
Board meeting in June 2010.

**Strategic Plan Taskforce**

Camila Alire, ALA President, recently
sent a letter regarding ALA's strategic
directions for the next five years to
2015. Therefore, a new CALA strategic
plan for the next five years, to 2015
should be established. The Chair of this
Taskforce is Liana Zhou, former CALA
President with members of senior
CALA leaders as well as young librari-
ans. I look forward to a new CALA stra-
tegic plan to be presented to the CALA
Board.

**2010 Local Arrangement Committee
in Washington D.C.**

ALA will be held in D.C. again in June
2010. A Local Arrangement Committee
was established co-chaired by Yuan Yao
and Ding Ye. The Committee has al-
ready started to plan an excellent pro-
gram and to select a good restaurant
with convenient transportation for our
Awards Banquet on Sunday, June 27,
2010.

**Chapters**

During my first few months as CALA
President, I have heard nothing but good
news from CALA chapters. New elec-
tions were completed and new Chapter
(Continue on p.7)
Dear CALA members:

According to the CALA By-laws, Article VI - Section 3 and Article VII - Section 2-5, the CALA Nominating Committee sends this message to all CALA members and invites nominations for the following positions:

- Vice President/President-Elect 2011/2012 (2nd VP 2010/2011) (one position)
- Executive Director 2010/2013 (one position)
- Treasurer 2010/2012 (one position)
- Board of Directors 2010/2013 (five positions)

Nominations and self-nominations are welcome. The online nomination form can be found at the CALA website at http://www.cala-web.org/node/549. Additionally, nominations and self-nominations can be sent directly to Sha Li Zhang, Nominating Committee Chair at slzhang@uncg.edu

All nominations and self-nominations are due by 5:00 p.m. EST., on Monday, November 16, 2009.

The Nominating Committee will review all nominations and self-nominations. The Committee will select a list of qualified candidates. The final slate of candidates will be presented to the CALA Board of Directors for an approval. The individuals on the approved slate will stand for the CALA election in Spring 2010.

All nominees must be personal members in good standing with a record of participation in the activities and functions at various levels of CALA. The CALA officers and Board members are expected to attend at least one board meeting each year. Absence for two consecutive board meetings without prior written permission from the president and executive director will result in the removal from the Board.

For questions related to nominations, please contact Sha Li Zhang, Nominating Committee Chair at slzhang@uncg.edu

Nominating Committee:
Sha Li Zhang, Chair
Qi Chen (MW Chapter)
Grace Gu (SW Chapter)
Esther Lee (NE Chapter)
Yi Liang (NCA Chapter)
Yongyi Song (SCA Chapter)
Hanrong Wang (SE Chapter)
Jing Zhong (GMA Chapter)

Message from the Executive Director (Cont.)

(Continued from p.3) For a common cause, we need to unite. Many years ago, when our forefathers arrived in this country, they faced the challenges of not only discrimination but also survival. The Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 was a shameful act by the US government and was the first law in the history of this country to ban immigration based on ethnicity and race. Reflection on the experience of Chinese Americans can help us realize that it is no easy task to get where we are today as a group. We need to cherish our history and celebrate our accomplishments. Let’s work together for the association we all love.

United we succeed, divided we fail.

CALA Executive Director
Haipeng Li
The CALA International Relations Committee is pleased to call for presenters for a new event in the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series: U.S.-China Library Forum, which will take place July 5-8, 2010 at Yunnan Agricultural University, Kunming, Yunnan Province, China.

The seminar will explore the area of information services in a networked environment. It will also address these issues: building virtual resources, application of information technology, strategy of user services, library collaboration, qualifications of library staff in a networked environment, and other related issues on resources building and services. (Please see the attached Topics of US-China Library Forum for details).

The sponsors for this coming event are: Yunnan Agricultural University and the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA).

According to the agreement with Yunnan Agricultural University, CALA will be sending a team of six experienced speakers.

Qualification of speakers:
- An ALA-accredited MLS degree or its equivalent is required;
- Must be a CALA member;
- Must have at least 6 years of post MLS professional experience in a field of librarianship in the U.S.;
- Must submit a paper related to seminar topics;
- Must have presentation skills and agree to prepare and deliver quality PowerPoint presentations in Chinese and English;
- Must be willing to work with the team and to follow directions of the team leader;
- Must be responsible for his/her own international travel expenses.

Benefit:
- Speaker may bring one relative traveling to Kunming together;
- Speakers and their relative will have their travel expenses after arriving in Kunming covered by Yunnan Agricultural University, including lodging, meals, and local transportation during the seminar period,
- Speakers and one relative will each receive ¥2,000 (Chinese Yuan) allowance from Yunnan Agricultural University,
- Opportunity presenting and exchanging ideas with other librarians and visiting local libraries,
- Accepted papers will be published in the proceedings.

To apply:
Please use the attached application form to apply. Application should be sent to both Guoqing Li (li.272@osu.edu) and Qi Chen (qchen@argosy.edu), CALA International Relations Committee Co-chairs.

The deadline for application is December 15, 2009. The selection results will be announced at the end of January, 2010.

A Message from CALA President (Cont.)

(Continued from p.5) Officers began to work. Some chapters already conducted a program. Most are planning activities. Recruiting new members is important to our organization and much work is done through chapters. To gain more members in CALA, including senior and new members, we need to initiate programs and events to recruit new members and make inactive members to renew their membership. By making progress and raising CALA’s reputation in the U.S. and abroad, we will see more new members joining CALA.

Membership Committee
I would like to mention the CALA Membership Committee before I end my presidential message. Except for the two Co-Chairs, Elaine Dong and Songqian Lu, the Membership Committee comprises of all chapter membership chairpersons. So the Committee has close relations with each chapter. The Co-Chairs have used a variety of methods to reach out and make connections with the new members and inactive members. With the committee's effort, we will see more new members recruited and inactive members become active this year. I would like to thank the committee for their tireless efforts.

At the last, I would like to thank all my colleagues, Executive Committee Members, Board Members, all the Committee and Taskforce Chairs and Members, and the Chapter Officers. Without your support, I can not do anything.

I look forward to seeing your new achievements and your continue support during my presidential year.

Xudong Jin
CALL for Donation -- Helping Taiwan Libraries Damaged/Destroyed by the 88 Typhoon Morakot, October 2009

Dear CALA Members and Friends:

There is an old saying in Chinese 人溺己溺, which translates into English as, “seeing people drown is as if I am drowning” or “I feel the pain seeing our colleagues suffer”. In the spirit of helping Taiwan libraries, CALA President Xudong Jin has appointed a Taskforce on Helping Taiwan Libraries Destroyed/Damaged by the 88 Typhoon Morakot. The goal is to raise funds to help libraries that have been destroyed or heavily damaged by the strongest winds, storms, and floods ever seen during the last 50 years.

We deeply appreciate that you are always there to support CALA’s humanitarian causes and have contributed to help librarians and libraries in disastrous areas. Your generous donations are sincerely appreciated! CALA has sent an official "Thank You Letter" and "Receipt" to each donor.

CALA is an IRS not-for-profit national association. Your donations to CALA are tax deductible. CALA continues to accept donations for the CALA Library Fund for Taiwan 88 Typhoon Morakot. We want to thank Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, for rendering his able assistance to receive donations during August to early October while the CALA Treasurer was away. We sincerely want to thank Haipeng for his time and efforts. Now that Dr. Shuyong Jiang, CALA Treasurer, has returned from her professional meetings, kindly make out your check Payable to the Order of the Chinese American Librarians Association or CALA, and send it to: Dr. Shuyong Jiang CALA Treasurer

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If it is more convenient for you to pay via PayPal, please visit our TF’s Webpage at: http://www.cala-web.org/node/939 for more information about the disaster and click on the button “Donate” that will link to CALA’s PayPal account. Because PayPal charges a fee, we would encourage you to send CALA a check for your generous donation to this worthy cause.

The news about Typhoon Morakot, as seen on TV, the Web, and in newspapers is heartbreaking. It was the strongest typhoon in 50 years and the accompanying monstrous floods ravaged the south of Taiwan. We have been communicating with Dr. Joyce Chao-chen Chen, Executive Director of the Library Association of China (Taiwan) in connection with this disaster. She sent us inventory reports on the libraries that have been totally destroyed or heavily damaged by Typhoon Morakot and the floods. We were relieved to learn that no library colleagues were injured. However, the extensive damage to and losses suffered by libraries were overwhelming.

Damages and losses to libraries are:
Among the 150 public libraries, many were heavily damaged and one public library was completely destroyed.

More than 45 schools and their libraries were heavily damaged. Among them 14 schools (Continue on p. 9)
Donation for Rebuilding Libraries affected by the Typhoon Morakot in Taiwan

Dear CALA Members,

As you know, Typhoon Morakot slammed into China's east coast last Saturday (August 8th), just hours after nearly 1 million people evacuated the area. It earlier lashed Taiwan with torrential rains that caused the island's worst flooding in 50 years and left dozens missing and feared dead.

As of Saturday, August 15th, more than 500 people have died in floods and mudslides unleashed in southern Taiwan by typhoon Morakot. It is the most severe damage to the island in half a century.

The CALA Executive Board had an online discussion during the weekend regarding the collection of donations from CALA members. The Executive Board thought we should call for donations immediately. We created a Webpage at http://www.cala-web.org/node/939 (thanks to Vincci for his quick action). We will contact the Library Association of China (Taiwan) and use the donations from CALA members to aid the Taiwan libraries and library staff who were impacted by the Typhoon Morakot.

CALA members can make donations though PayPal (currently is under construction). Personal checks can be sent to:

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The CALA Executive Board will continue to discuss the issue as needed. Thank you for your attention.

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Taiwan 88 Typhoon Morakot.
We sincerely appreciate your generous donations and loving gestures to our colleagues and libraries in Taiwan! Please encourage your colleagues and friends to help rebuild destroyed or heavily damaged libraries in Taiwan.

Thank you very much!

Sincerely yours,

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100th Anniversary Celebration of the National Library of China

I was in Beijing attending the 100th anniversary celebration of the National Library of China. NLC was established 100 years ago on Sept. 9, 1909 as the 京师图书馆. As a part of the celebration, NLC also organized a symposium on International Progress of Libraries: Global Knowledge Sharing. Participants were from many parts of the world. A good number of CALA members also attended.

While in Beijing, members of the U.S. Organizing Committee had a joint meeting with their counterpart in China (the National Library of China and the Library Society of China) to plan the 5th U.S.-China Library Conference which will be held on September 8-10, 2010. The U.S. Organizing Committee is chaired by Dr. Deanna Marcum, Associate Librarian of the Library of Congress. Other U.S. members who attended the joint meeting were Peter Young, Gary Strong, Jay Jordan, and Hwa-Wei Lee.

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CALA NEWSLETTER

By Jack Wang

The National Library of China (NLC) is celebrating its 100th birthday Wednesday. With the theme of “Pass on Civilization, Serve the Society” the centennial anniversary of the founding of NLC entails a series of activities such as exhibitions, academic conferences and story collections.

"We are commemorating the 100th birthday of NLC not merely for its extraordinary past, but more importantly for its inspiring present and bright future," Chen Li, vice library curator of NLC, told the Global Times.

During the past 100 years NLC has developed into a significant place of reading, learning and literature.

Nowadays, NLC covers a floor area of 250,000 square meters. It is the third largest national library in the world, next only to the Library of Congress in Washington DC and the Moscow National Library in Russia. NLC’s collection ranks fifth in the world. Its rare pieces include the Oracle Bones (inscriptions on animal bones and tortoise shells from the Shang Dynasty) and four specialized collections, namely, Dunhuang Manuscripts, Zhaocheng Tripitaka of the Jin Dynasty, Yongle Encyclopedia and Complete Library of the Four Branches of Literature.

However, as modern day technology advances, the library is facing new challenges. According to Zhan, the reading rate of Chinese people is dwindling year-on-year from 60.4 percent in 1999 to 54.2 percent in 2001, 51.7 percent in 2003 and 48 percent in 2005 and 2007. Many people are using the Internet and online books instead of traditional physical works.

Through the use of advanced technology, NLC is keeping up with the times by providing comprehensive and unique services for the public. In addition to the access of viewing more than 10,000 e-books compiled by NLC, readers can also enjoy reading and library services on their mobile phones and cable television channels.

Source: Global Times, September 09 2009
Participation of CALA in National Library of China’s 100th Anniversary

A group of CALA members were invited by the National Library of China to participate in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of its establishment and to attend a Symposium on “Collection Development, Research and Service on Chinese Studies”, co-sponsored by the East Asian Library, University of Pittsburgh from September 7 to 10, 2009 in Beijing, China.

CALA Board member, Director of the East Asian Library, University of Pittsburgh, Dr. Xu Hong chaired a panel by the title of “Information Service on Chinese Studies”, and CALA International Relations Committee co-chair, professor Li Guoqing presented a status report on “Chinese Studies Done by Chinese-American East Asian Studies Librarians in North America”.

Announcement
親愛的朋友，

你好！請讓我們向你介紹一個“贈書中國計劃(Books-for-China Fund)”

很多中國大學的圖書館或因多年的“閉關自守”和“政治運動”，或因經費和信息的不足，缺乏許多教學與研究所需要的書籍。我們知道，廿一世紀是我們全球華人再顯榮耀的時機，我們希望未來的華人世代是個知書達理的群體，讓它為中國，為世界做出和平，安定，繁榮的貢獻。因此，作為海外華裔的知識分子，我們現在有這個機會來補充這些欠缺。

缺書從那裡來？一個非常重要而且沒有被充分利用的書源是在北美及海外各地學人的私人藏書。這些藏書往往隨學人的退隱而流失。還有許多圖書館、出版社，和社團都有書可送。所以我们就成立了這個“贈書中國計劃”，收集私人和機構可贈的。而適合大學書館所需的書刊，不論語種、新舊、學科，送給中國的大學和研究所的圖書館。

這計畫已經由中國教育部批准，從2005年起已經送了十四個集裝箱(二十來萬冊)的書到中國。新華社、新京報、世界周刊、世界日報、僑報、青年參考，和多維時報等報刊都有報導。中國十多所大學已經拿到我們的書。還有好些大學向我們要書。所以我們必須繼續並擴大收書的範圍。

如果你願意捐書，住址接近美國東岸，請和馬大任(John T. Ma)聯繫：(Tel. 718-886-4687, Email: johntajenma@att.net)然後將書寄到

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收集大批的書籍需要費用。如果你願意捐助，請將捐款寄到信頭的地址，支票收款者請寫“Books-for-China Fund。我們會寄謝函和收據給你，作為減稅之用。本基金會是一登記有案的非營利教育組織。一切捐款均可合法減稅。

熱烈歡迎你的參與，支持和建議。謝謝！祝你快樂！健康！
Books For China Project

Dear Friend,
Ever since the latter part of the 19th century, China has been importing books from advanced Western nations.

Unfortunately after 1949, for a long period of time, domestic and international adversities often interrupted the steady flow of this process. Today university libraries in China still lack many quality books. We strongly believe that, by strengthening library collections of universities, we will help modernization of China, which in turn will promote peace and prosperity of the world.

We have established a Books-for-China Fund to collect books from private collections of scholars, retired professors, libraries, and publishing houses, and send books to university libraries in China. We accept all books at college or above levels and professional journals of high quality, regardless of their subjects, languages, and dates of publication.

Since the founding of this project in 2005, we have already sent fourteen containers of books to China. Several mass media in China have publicized this project. As the project is becoming better known, more universities are asking us for books. We must continue and expand our collecting effort.

If you live closer to the East Coast and have books to donate, please contact John T. Ma (Tel. 718-886-4687, E-mail: johntajenma@att.net) and then send the books to:

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If you live in or near southern California, please contact Mr. Herbert Y. Yen (hyyen@adelphia.net, tel.no. 805-987-7321) for information about this project.

Please make your check payable to the “Books-for-China Fund” and send it to the address on this letterhead. Many thanks indeed for your support.

Sincerely,

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LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES
THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE
LAST REPORT:
Since the midwinter report in January, representatives from the Task Force have been working with the grant steering committee and the CALA International Relations Committee on recruiting CALA members to the grant project. We are pleased to report that there has been overwhelming response from CALA members who expressed willingness to participate in the project, particularly those from public libraries.

The Task Force has also focused on the discussion of the continuation of the seminar project to keep the momentum going as it has been very successful. While the grant project focuses on public libraries, we thought it would be good to focus the seminar project on academic libraries to provide opportunities to our members in academic environments.

We are pleased to report on the progress of the following events:

1. Yunnan Higher Education Library Commission, Kunming An agreement with the Yunnan Higher Education Library Commission has been signed for a 6 year period with 3 seminars to be hosted at Yunnan Minority University, Yunnan Agricultural University, and Yunnan University of Finance every other year.

2. National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei An agreement with the National Taiwan Normal University was signed to host the 2nd seminar project in Taiwan from August 10-14, 2009. CALA speakers have been selected: Min Chou (Team Leader), Dr. Tze-chung Li, and Diana Wu. Detailed planning is underway.

3. Shanghai Donghua University, Shanghai An agreement with the Shanghai Donghua University has been signed to host the seminar from November 18-20, 2009. The call for presenter will soon be issued to the CALA listserv.

4. Shanxi University, Taiyuan Negotiation is underway with Shanxi University in Taiyuan, China. There have been some preliminary agreements on conducting the seminar in May of 2010. ALA President Camila Alire has indicated interest in participating. All still needs to be confirmed.

LIST COMMITTEE RECOMMENDA-
TIONS, IF ANY, TO THE BOARD: None.
由于许多热心的朋友和关心人士的大力帮忙，“赠书中国计划”今年已经送了六个集装箱的书到中国。自从四年前这计划开始送书到中国，总共已经送了十四箱（大概二十万册）的书给中国的大学图书馆。

今年这计划收到的书主要来自退休的教授、专家、学者、图书馆、出版社和其他的公私机构。教授中包括唐德刚、许倬云、徐中约、萨支唐、古兆中、熊玠、李志雄、何馥琦、哥伦比亚大学的丰纳（Eric Foner）和杜卡（Jacques Dutka）教授等。专家中包括谢国煦夫妇、靳羽西、曾安生、顾菊珍、黄圣仪、宋立宏等。

许多书是大学图书馆送来的。波特兰州立大学、芝加哥大学、巴鲁克（Baruch）大学、哥伦比亚大学东亚图书馆、皇后区社区大学、马歇尔学院、和佛蒙特法学院都送来大批的书。亚利桑那大学的韩彦经常替我们从那大学图书馆剔除的书里选许多对中国大学有用的书寄给我们。纽约市立几个大学的书经常由胡千里大量收集。

纽约医学研究院资源部主任贾英烈年送来大批医学的新期刊。福布斯（Forbes）杂志社减缩了它们的图书馆，送给我们175箱书。国际货币基金组织（IMF）取消了它们的书库，把全部库存的书送给我们。他们的赠书超过一个集装箱的容量，现在保存在厦门大学图书馆。

多谢旧金山的“世界日报”社，让我们在他们的停车场放了一个存书的集装箱，冯蓉利替我们代收赠书，并看管那个集装箱。今年九月她就要退休了。我真不知道应该怎样谢谢她多年来的帮忙。她已经请世界日报社的公关部经理何怡平继续帮忙我们。何经理也已经答应。以后美国西部的赠书人可以就近将书寄到那里。在德州达拉斯IBM公司的颜宇剑也已经同意资助我们。

“赠书中国计划”能够将书用集装箱运到中国是经过中国教育部批准的。教育部还成立了一个同这计划协调的小组，由教学装备处李晓明处长为负责人。教育部指定青岛的中国海洋大学图书馆为这计划的收书站，由该馆青岛国际教育交流服务部主任王雪凤负责办理通关、进口、整理、分配等工作。今年厦门大学图书馆的萧宗庆馆长要求教育部让厦门大学图书馆也成为“赠书中国计划”的收书站。教育部已经批准。最近有两个集装箱已经运到厦门大学。
“赠书中国计划”2009年年中简报

这计划送到中国去的书有两种；一种是
指定赠送某个大学的。如校友送给母校
的书。一种是没有指定的。这些书可以
让任何大学到我们的收书站去选他们需
要的书。中国有二十多个大专院校已经
收到这计划指定送给他们的书。还有许
多大学从我们的收书站选去许多其他的
书刊。从过去书刊的分发情形看起来，
中国的大学图书馆的确还需要很多西文
的书。

因为这计划不仅对于中国大学图书馆的
馆藏发展有帮助，而且对于中美文化交流
也是一种贡献，美国三位资深的图书馆
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华伟，西门斯大学陈刘钦智教授，多密
尼加荣誉教授李志钟---推荐我为“华人图
书馆员学会”2009年的突出服务奖
(CALA 2009 Distinguished Service
Award)的得奖人。该会七月间在开年会
的时候颁发给我。因为我到欧洲去了，
由李主任代收。这个奖当然是应该属于
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成功的。

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中、水秉和、吴章铨、杨旭、和杨正民
等人。我们成立了一个工作小组。后来
又增加了胡千里、瞿远根、李宝珩、和
宋安华。陈宪中在他的金印公司
(EP Expedi)里让出一个很大的房间作为存书的
仓库。有了这个仓库这计划才能开始运
作，收集赠书。他公司的工作人员和他
的儿子负责收书，并看管仓库。他们是
这计划最主要的支持者。

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大多数是退休的老人) 用自己的气力，
时间，和车子把书一包一包地从赠书人
家里搬到这计划的仓库。许多大纽约区
内的书就是这样收集起来的。有时候书
太多、太重，老人们实在搬不动，不能
不请年轻的义工帮忙。我们非常幸运，
在年轻的朋友中找到好多位热心的义
工，包括兰征、孔太和、邢达昆、黄仕
良、高文谦、马树生、王苏明、戴雄、
周谷声、余海庆、和李军等人。纽约和
附近的书大都是他们搬来的。

侯文京自动义务替这计划建立了一个网
站，站名是 www.booksforchina.org。在网
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新闻或文章。新闻界对于这计划的帮忙
的确令人感激，他们的报导让我们得到
许多赠书和支持。

“人怕出名、猪怕胖”。看到这计划的新闻
报导之后，中国好些大专院校就向我们
要书。我们知道他们的确需要西书。因
为中国在1949年以后有很多年没有从西
方国家进口许多西书。中国大学从1952
年“院系调整”以后，大学成为教学机构，
没有研究工作，所需要的西书也很少。
改革开放之后，许多大学设立研究所、
需要大量增加西书。但是过去几十年所
缺的西书大都已经绝版，有钱也无法在
市上买到。许多这些绝版的书在美国退
休教授和专家的私人藏书里，在图书馆
剔除的书里，在出版社的仓库里。这些
书许多是可以送人的。如果我们有书源
的消息，又有收集的能力，可以帮忙中
国大学图书馆收到大量他们所缺的书。

当然我们收到的赠书中，许多是新的书
刊。因为书库的面积有限，许多美国图
书馆只保存书刊的电子版，送掉纸版。
有些电子版的阅读费用很高，中国大学
生恐怕很难支付那样高的费用。所以我们
就把纸版收来，送给中国，节省了中国
图书馆和读者的费用。

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体。图书馆
是最重要的的知识的宝库。大学图书馆
的馆藏发展直接影响教研工作和知识水
平的提高。中国教育水平的提高，不仅
对中国有利，而且对全世界都有利。

“赠书中国计划”虽然是一个很小、很小的
组织，人力、物力、财力都非常有限。

送给中国大学图书馆的书也仅仅是“杯水
车薪”。但是这是一件值得做的好事。世
界在迅速地进步，所需要的知识在大量
增加。所以这也是一件迫切的工作。我
们希望
(1) 有更多的人参加我们的工作，
(2) 有更多的人送书，或提供书源的信
息。
(3) 有更多的人资助我们。

“赠书中国计划”之所以有现在的成绩，完
全是许多中外朋友的支持和帮忙的结
果。我对他们由衷的感激。我希望他
们每个人都继续支持和帮忙这计划。

不过我今年“青春”已经九十。尤其希望很
快就有人愿意继续我的工作，让我能完
全退休。

2009-8-26 马大任报告
The group traveled to Beijing, Lanzhou and Xi’an and had the honor to be the guests at the National Library of China for its centennial celebration and to attend the conference, “International Progress of Libraries: Global Knowledge Sharing.” Librarians around the world including Ms. Ellen Tise, The President of IFLA, Deanna Marcum, Deputy Director of the Library of Congress, and many librarians from around the world attended the event.

In September, the “Think Globally, Act Globally, US-China Librarian Collaboration” sent another presentation team to China. The Team included members Hung-yun Chang of New York Public Library, Yuan Yao of the Library of Congress, Hai-wang Yuan of West Kentucky University and the team leader, Shuyong Ji-ang of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. Hwa-wei Lee, the Project Evaluator was also with the Team.

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After the exciting events in Beijing, the group went to Lanzhou for the US-China Exchange Program. In the three day program, the members of the team gave presentations on six topics covering various areas of librarianship from public library management, fundraising, library related laws and regulations, and library assessment and professional development. They also shared with the audience many examples to show the good practices of library services and outreach activities. The team members also visited the Gansu Library’s new storage site for the rare edition of “The Complete Library of Four Vaults” (四库全书).

The journey continued in another historical city, Xi’an, where the group had the good fortune to participate in another Centennial Celebration of a library—Shaanxi Library. It bears special meaning to all the members as the TGAG program was part of the celebration and more than 200 librarians (Continue on p.17)
from the Xi’an and surrounding areas attended the program. All the presentations were well received. The innovative and interactive approach in allowing audience to engage in discussions with the presenters created a congenial atmosphere. Participants showed great interests in learning about American libraries and how American libraries operate, and also inquired about some current issues and challenges.

Over all, it was a rewarding experience for everyone. The group worked hard and well as a team. The members of the team have had many chances to interact and exchange with Chinese librarians, they also visited some historical and cultural sites that made them feel connected to Chinese culture. They touched the waters in the Yellow River, saw the treasures of Chinese books that recorded Chinese wisdom, and sensed the thousand years of Chinese history while standing beside the Terracotta Army. The trip demonstrated that the exchange program has served the goals well of the TGAG project to encourage mutual understanding between librarians in the U.S. and China and to enhance communication between U.S. and Chinese librarians.

The team with Vice Minister Zhou Heping, Director Zhan Furui of NLC and Mr. Hu Jingpo of LSC in Xi’an.

By Shuyong Jiang, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
Jacksonville State University Hosts Two Library Directors from China

As part of the “Think Globally, Act Globally” U.S. --- China Librarian Collaboration Project, Jacksonville State University was selected to host two library directors from China. Ms. Xiaowen Wang, Deputy Director from Liaoning Provincial Library and Ms. Aiyun Wu, Deputy Director from Jilin Provincial Library, visited Jacksonville State University’s (JSU) Houston Cole Library on July 16, 2009. Discussions were set up between the Chinese directors and the Serials/Acquisition Librarian, Ms. Mary Bevis, the Head of Technical Services, Ms. Jodi Poe, and the Dean of Library Services, Mr. John-Bauer Graham. Librarians from both China and JSU shared their opinions on library issues including library services, workflow, budgets, library systems and etc.

After a library tour and question and answer sessions with selected librarians, the Chinese directors were invited to have Lunch with JSU’s President Dr. Bill Meehan, Vice President for Academic & Student Affairs Dr. Rebecca Turner, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Joe Delap, Associate Vice President for Office of Distance Education Dr. Franklin King, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences Ms. Lisa Williams and related library staff.

The Chinese directors were very impressed with both the services of Houston Cole Library and the genuine Southern hospitality. They expressed that they would love to share their American experiences with their colleagues after they went back to China.

During their stay in the Southeast, the Chinese library directors also visited Atlanta-Fulton Public Library and its branch library Auburn Avenue Research Library in the state of Georgia, and Birmingham Public Library in the state of Alabama.

Accompanying them on their trip was Ms. Hanrong Wang, Southeast Chapter immediate past President, and Mr. Lili Li, Southeast Chapter current President.

* Many thanks to Dr. Chi Wang, CALA Southeast Chapter Life member, who set up the Atlanta-Fulton Public visit.

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Visiting Jacksonville State University’s Houston Cole Library (from left to right: Hanrong Wang, Aiyun Wu, Lili Li, Xiaowen Wang, John-Bauer Graham, Rebecca Turner, Frank King, Bill Meehan, Joe Delap, Jodi Poe, Mary Bevis, Laurie Charnigo, Yingqing Tang)
As part of the Think Globally, Act Globally project, funded by an Institute of Museum and Library Services Grant (IMLS), which enabled the collaboration of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), and the Library Society of China (LSC), two public library directors from China came to New York on July 14-18, 2009, and were hosted by the Queens Library, in conjunction with the New York Public Library, the Brooklyn Public Library, and the Northeast Chapter of CALA.

The names of the two Directors were:

Mr. Liu Xiaoqing, Deputy Director, Zhejiang Provincial Library, Hangzhou, China.
Mr. Wang Huijun, Director, Foshan Library of Guangdong Province, Foshan, China.

Every day the visitors were accompanied by one or more librarians, from picking them up to seeing them off. Their chief host was Fred Gitner, Coordinator, New Americans Program/Special Services and International Relations, Queens Library.

Day one was spent in welcoming them at the Airport, giving them an orientation of New York City, and enjoying a great performance of South Pacific at the Lincoln Center’s Vivian Beaumont Theater. Esther Lee of the Queens Library and the past President of CALA/NE Chapter, together with I. I. Chu of the Queensboro Hill Community Library, were their guides.

Day two was spent at the Queens Central Library, where they met the Library Director, Tom Galante, and other department heads. Mr. Jiazhong Fang, Deputy Director of Guangzhou Library, who was in town that day, also joined the visit. Together they learned about Queens Library administration, the workings of different departments, and the diverse collections. The visitors were most impressed with the high circulation of the library system, its many free programs and services, its 61 community libraries besides the Central Library, and its use of radio frequency identification technology (RFID). They also visited also the Briarwood Community Library, which has RFID installed. The memorable lunch and dinner with a number of outstanding librarians, including the Director and COO, were hosted by the Queens Library.

Day three was spent in visiting the Mid-Manhattan Library, the humanities and social sciences research collections, housed in the Stephen A. Schwarzman Building, on Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street, and the Science, Industry, and Business Library in Manhattan.

Hung-Yun Chang of the Mid-Manhattan Library and the Treasurer of CALA, first introduced the visitors to his Chief Librarian, Beth Wladis, and following their library visits, led them to see the Statue of Liberty from the Staten Island Ferry, the Times Square area, Rockefeller Center, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, Trump Tower, the Plaza Hotel, Central Park, Wall Street, and Chinatown.

The morning of day four was spent visiting the Brooklyn Public Library under the leadership of a former CALA/NE President, Maria Fung, and her Library Director, Dionne Mack-Harvin. The visitors were most impressed with the Brooklyn Collection an archive of historical documents under the direction of Joy Holland, and the floating module under the direction of Charlene Rue, Christine Stenstrom, and Jerry Russell. In the afternoon, Mr. Liu and Mr. Wang gave an excellent PowerPoint presentation on their respective libraries at the Flushing Community Library in Queens. To the many attendees from various libraries, the two speakers were introduced by Fred Gitner and Li Sun of Rutgers University, who is the current President of CALA/NE. That program, followed by a tour of the Flushing Library, led by Paul Qiu, Assistant Manager of the Flushing Library. On the fifth day, after breakfast, Lina Ding of Brooklyn Public Library and the Vice President of CALA, saw the two directors off to China.

Thanks to the participation and hospitality of the people involved, the program was a big success. The visitors received information, and enjoyed the sights and sounds of the best in New York City. The cultural and informational exchanges were deeply appreciated by the visitors as well as by participants of the host country.
CALA-Southern California Chapter Hosted
IMLS Visiting Chinese Library Directors: Ms. Song and Dr. Wang

By Sally C. Tseng

After more than six months of countless planning, arrangements, communication and coordination with major libraries in Southern California, CALA Southern California Chapter (CALA-SCA) IMLS Hosting Committee members: Sally C. Tseng (CALA Honorary Executive Director), Maggie Wang (CALA-SCA Past President) and Ying Xu (CALA-SCA Past President) welcome two visiting Chinese library directors: Ms. Jizhen Song of Chongqing Children’s Library and Dr. Shuiqiao Wang of Yunnan Provincial Library to Southern California. This Visiting Program was part of the “Think Globally, Act Globally” Project funded by the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS). We accompanied Ms. Song and Dr. Wang to visit six libraries with notable collections and exemplary services from July 14 to 18, 2009. They are: the County of Los Angeles Public Library (CoLAPL), Lawndale Library, Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL), LAPL Chinatown Branch, the Cerritos Library, and the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library.

CALA is a partner of this 2009 IMLS Grant Project. As a Chapter, we wanted to ensure that Ms. Song and Dr. Wang would benefit from receiving rich information resources and had the opportunities to introduce Chinese libraries to American colleagues.

Visiting highlights included: Ms. Song and Dr. Wang visited, observed and received first-hand information on library operations and services of major public libraries in the Los Angeles area that were serving diverse communities.

We met with library directors, managers, and department heads to discuss their roles and responsibilities -- shared information of each library’s administration, management, organization, policies, staff hiring and evaluation procedures, services, technology applications, and together with their unique library architectural design, and many more. There were lively discussions among Ms. Song, Dr. Wang and library directors and those present.

Each library provided a very informative guided tour, to look at the uniqueness of their notable collections, services, online catalogs and databases, and to observe the use of these public libraries. We were especially honored that directors from several libraries personally provided the guided tours during their busy schedules. Their warm welcome and hospitalities were deeply appreciated.

We were invited to attend the Board of Library Commissioners Meeting at the Los Angeles Public Library. The Library Board is a new concept to the Chinese library directors. Ms. Song and Dr. Wang were very interested in this library management structure and they told us that they would bring this structure back to China.

Ms. Song and Dr. Wang were invited to speak at the LAPL Thursdays@Central program and at the County of Los Angeles Public Library Headquarters on July 16 and 17 respectively.

Sally Tseng’s hard work in preparing PowerPoint presentations for them: the presentations included introductions to Chinese libraries, public libraries, their administration, management, organizations, collections, statistics, services, rules and regulations, the National Cultural Information Resources Sharing Project, assessment of public libraries, the Chongqing Library, and Yunnan Provincial Library, etc. The audiences were deeply impressed by the library buildings, organizations, services, evaluation systems and projects of the Chinese public libraries. These presentations provided great opportunities to exchange information about library operations between China and the United States.

Considering the limited time Ms. Song and Dr. Wang had in visiting these large libraries, we (Continue on p. 21)
(Continued from p. 20) also requested each library to prepare packages of handouts, including CDs and other items on library services. We expect they will share these resources with Chinese librarians at home.

In addition to the resourceful handouts, we were especially impressed by the department heads at the County of Los Angeles Public Library system for their well prepared PowerPoint presentations on their services of Children and Youth, Emergent Literacy, Teen and Young Adults, and Teens Services. They were very generous in allowing us to download their PowerPoint presentations for Ms. Song and Dr. Wang.

Ms. Song and Dr. Wang were very impressed with these library systems, histories, beautiful architectures, interior designs and displays, their general and special collections, facilities, public and technical services, their strong commitments to excellence in user services, implementation of innovative programs to serve children, teens and adults as well as the library directors’ leadership in staff development, training and advancement. They told us that they greatly enjoyed the visits and learned much from each library which will be very helpful in their work. They will take the information and the valuable handouts back to China to share with their colleagues. They stated that libraries in China will greatly benefit from what they had learned from these libraries. At the end of the tour, Ms. Song and Dr. Wang expressed their sincere appreciation toward all the libraries, the library directors and their staff participated in this IMLS Chinese Library Directors Visiting Program. They also expressed their heartfelt appreciation to the CALA-SCA Hosting Committee.

The visit was exceptionally informative, productive and successful – exceeded our expectation! We are inspired by each library’s effective and quality services for the diverse community. We see good results for our hard work and Ms. Song and Dr. Wang had a great experience.

Acknowledgements:
CALA-SCA would like to thank IMLS for granting this Project. We sincerely appreciate all the library directors, administrators, department heads, library managers and staff for arranging and organizing very informative meetings, discussions, guided tours, warm welcome and hospitality. We thank them for their enthusiastic support in hosting these visits, for their well planned schedules, efficiency, effectiveness and leadership in making these fruitful and successful visits! We would like to especially thank all IMLS Grant partners who had worked very hard to contribute to the success of these visits. Special thanks to the leaders at the China Ministry of Culture, the Library Society of China, the Chinese American Librarians Association, the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, and to Dr. Shuyong Jiang, Haipeng Li, and Dr. ShaLi Zhang for their able assistance.

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Don Buckley, Anne Connor, Martin Gomez, Robert Seal, Margaret Donnellan Todd, Helen Tsai, Sally Tseng, Kuang Pei Tu, Maggie Wang, Ying Xu for their thoughtful arrangements, coordination, and preparing handouts for us; to Debbie Anderson, Pam Broussard, Tina Carwile, Barbara Cus-ten, Dan Golden, Dora Ho, Fred Hungerford, Terri Maguire, Melissa McCollum, David Mill, Jocelyn Mullen, Sophia Wang, Beth Wilson, and other colleagues at these 6 libraries, for the part they played in making these visits so successful. I would like to thank Jeanny Chan, Julia Chang, Wenwen Zhang for their excellent translations of the conversation into Chinese for our visitors which greatly enhanced their understanding of the discussions. All the above colleagues had worked very hard to contribute to the success of these visits and had done a Great Job! Thank you very much!
Achievements of CALA Members

Launched in 1991, the nominee of the CALA President’s Recognition Award is nominated by the current CALA President. This Award is intended to recognize and to honor an individual, group or organization who possesses a philosophy of dedication, quality of service, and professional integrity for his/her/their significant contributions to the library community that have shown leadership in one of the many areas of great importance to the mission and goals of CALA. Significant contributions and services to the advancement of Chinese-American librarianship shall receive special consideration from the Awards Committee.

Sha Li Zhang, CALA President in 2008-2009, nominated Ms. Barbara Ford and Mr. Haipeng Li as the recipients for the 2009 CALA President’s Recognition Award. The nominations were endorsed and approved by the CALA Board of Directors, the governing body of CALA. The press release was issued at http://cala-web.org/node/911.

On July 12, 2009, at the CALA Awards Banquet held during the ALA 2009 Annual Conference in Chicago, the awards were presented by Sha Li Zhang to Ms. Barbara Ford and Mr. Haipeng Li. The following are their acceptance speeches.

From Ms. Barbara Ford -

It is an honor to receive the 2009 CALA President's Recognition Award along with Haipeng Li. Working with organizations like CALA has been one of the highlights of my professional career.

As president of the American Library Association from 1997-1998, we focused on the international activities of our profession and association. In 2003, I began working with the Mortenson Center for International Library programs at the University of Illinois and have the privilege of working with librarians from around the world daily.

In 2007, I participated in the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar in Kunming City. In 2008, I was pleased to be involved with others in preparing an IMLS and Chinese Ministry of Culture funded project for public librarians. As part of the Think Globally, Act Globally grant, in 2009 we welcomed the first group of librarians from China to the Mortenson Center.

I look forward to continuing to work with CALA and other library associations and librarians as we promote international education and understanding. I want to thank you all for the work you do through CALA to support training programs in China and other global reach initiatives. Thank you again for this honor.

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Professor Wenxian Zhang

Professor Wenxian Zhang, CALA life member and Head of Archives & Special Collections at Rollins College, has recently published the Biographical Dictionary of New Chinese Entrepreneurs and Business Leaders along with colleague Dr. Ilan Alon (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2009: http://www.eelgar.co.uk/Bookentry_Main.lasso?id=12957). Several CALA members are among the contributors of the book. Experts have claimed it as a vade mecum and a reference work for all students and practitioners, filling a major gap that experts had identified.

In addition, Wenxian has discovered a rare Florida manuscript in the Rollins Archives and collaborated with English Professor Maurice O’Sullivan to publish A Trip To Florida For Health and Sport: The lost 1855 novel of Cyrus Parkhurst Condit (Florida Historical Society Press, 2009: https://www.floridabooks.net/catalog/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=861).

Dr. Dorothy In-Ian Wang Li

Dorothy In-Ian Wang Li organized the China-US Intellectual Property Forum held on Thursday, September 3, 2009 at the John Marshall Law School. Over 100 IP experts, scholars, and lawyers attended.

In an interview with Xinhua, Dr. Dorothy Li, Asian Alliance co-director at the John Marshall Law School and winner of the 2007 Friendship Award from the Chinese government, said the U.S.-China IP cooperation has made tremendous progress over the last 15 years. Taking the establishment of the Chinese Intellectual Property Resource Center at John Marshall Law School for example, Li said such cooperation will deepen American scholars’ understanding of the current status and laws of China’s intellectual property protection.

Reports Xinhua, the Intellectual Property China’s intellectual protection (IP) system has undergone rapid development.

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From Mr. Haipeng Li –

I am deeply humbled by this wonderful award and it is a great honor to receive the award. I feel fortunate to be associated with an organization that is exciting, dynamic, and inviting. In recent years, CALA has positioned itself in a way that many organizations are not able to do, to be a leader in the library world both nationally and internationally. I have had the honor of working with our capable, outstanding, and visionary president, Sha Li Zhang, and our wonderful Board of Directors this past year. We have had many things accomplished under Sha Li’s leadership.

I want to repeat that I always believe in creating opportunities, for ourselves and for others. We have done much of that in recent years, but we need to do more. We need to get everyone of our members, including those sitting here in this room, involved; providing them with an opportunity where they can feel a sense of belonging, a way to contribute, and an opportunity to grow.

I would like to thank our president, Sha Li Zhang, for a job so well done, and for this wonderful award. Thank you!

Contributed by Sha Li Zhang

Sha Li Zhang, CALA President in 2008-2009, and Dr. Mark Winston, presented the 2009 CALA President’s Recognition Award to Mr. Haipeng Li at the CALA Award Banquet on July 12, 2009.
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News of Judy Jeng

Judy Jeng is now a full-time faculty at Clarion University of Pennsylvania. She will present a paper on “Two digital initiatives: New Jersey Digital Highway and NJVid” at the 2009 International Conference of Digital Archives and Digital Humanities. Judy is currently the Chair of New Jersey Chapter of the American Society for Information Science and Technology. She is now serving on the IFLA Acquisitions and Collection Development Committee, for the term 2009-2013. In addition, Judy completed a recent book chapter:


Promotion of Dr. Shuyong Jiang

Congratulations to Dr. Shuyong Jiang’s promotion to Associate Professor of Library Administration at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We are all very proud of her hard work and contribution to CALA. She has played a major role as the PI (Principal Investigator) for the IMLS Grant project, “Think Globally, Act Globally US-China Librarian Collaboration” of which CALA has been actively involved.

Satia Orange’s Retirement

On the occasion of Satia Orange’s retirement, the Chinese American Librarians Association’s Board of Directors unanimously endorsed this tribute to Ms. Satia Orange, Director of ALA’s Office of Library Outreach Services, for her significant contributions, accomplishments, and inspiration in promoting diversity, advocating for library services to users with multicultural backgrounds, and bringing all caucuses together in one voice.

On July 11, 2009 in Chicago, the following poem was written by Liana Zhou and read at Satia’s Reception Party:

We Know You, Satia
We know you, Satia
Before we meet you
Your name is an invitation
To all of us from near and far,
of various associations

We know you, Satia
While we meet you
Your smile melts all self-doubts
Your encouragement dissolves all hesitation

We know you, Satia
After we know you
Your heart touches ours
Your mind sharpens ours

It is with such a vision of yours
That we can
That we can overcome all the self doubts
Inaction
Hesitation
Your hands peel off the
Blinding layer that blinds

You see us
And we see you

We know you, Satia
TWU Doctoral Student Receives Fellowship From International Honor Society

June 12, 2009 — DENTON — Zhixian (George) Yi, a Texas Woman’s University Ph.D. candidate in library sciences, is one of only four graduate students in the U.S. selected to receive a 2009 Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship from Beta Phi Mu, the international library and information studies honor society.

According to Beta Phi Mu, the Garfield Fellowship is given annually to library and information science doctoral students to complete their dissertations and carries a cash stipend of $3,000. “I am grateful for these funds that will allow me to have the means to devote the necessary time to my dissertation research and writing,” Mr. Yi said. “It also is a tremendous honor to receive recognition for my work from my peers and those I admire in the library profession.”

Mr. Yi expects to receive his Ph.D. from TWU in December and his dissertation topic is “The Management of Change in the Information Age – Approaches of Academic Library Directors in the U.S.” He has published extensively and presented at numerous national and international conferences, including at the Shanghai International Library Forum in China in 2006. He received his master’s in library science from Southern Connecticut State University and his master’s in English Language and Literature from Central South University in Hunan Province, China.

Beta Phi Mu was founded in 1948 by a group of leading library and information professionals and educators to recognize and encourage scholastic achievement among library and information studies students. For more information, visit www.beta-phi-mu.org.

Tze-chung Li

Tze-chung Li attended and delivered a paper at the reunification forum August 8, 2009 at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago. The conference was sponsored by the One China Committee, the Chinese American Alliance for China’s Peaceful Reunification, and the Association for the Promotion of Unification of China, with the Asian Alliance, The John Marshall Law School, as supporting sponsor.

The central theme of the conference was One China, One Dream. Speakers included Chun-ping Xiu (Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, Zhang Rui (State Council Taiwan Affairs Bureau), George Anastaplo (Professor, Loyola University School of Law), Russ M. Miller (Chairman, Performance Institute), Mr. Hunter Huang (Founder, Association for Peaceful Reunification, DC), Tieh-lin Yin (Founding President, Institute of Sino Strategic Studies), You-yuh Kuo (Professor, Ball State University), Tze-chung Li (President, One China Committee) and Yong-gao Wang, (President, Chinese American Alliance for China’s Peaceful Reunification). Tze-chung Li delivered a paper on the legal status of Taiwan.

Mingyan Li and Ning Zou Selected by the ALA Emerging Leaders Program

Kudos to Mingyan Li and Ning Zou, who were recently selected as the 2010 ALA Emerging Leader Program. Ning also was awarded $1000 from CALA in support of her participation in the program. Ning is instruction coordinator at Dominican University Rebecca Crown Library, a lifetime member to CALA and the vice president/president elect of CALA MW chapter. Attached is a photo in front of her office.
I would like to thank the CALA Conference Travel Grant Committee for the contribution towards my travel costs, which enabled me to attend the 2009 ALA Annual Conference in Chicago, held from July 10-July 13.

During the conference I attended CALA’s Board meeting III and Board meeting I as a board member. At “Think Globally Act Globally” seminar I learned about how a presentation team to China was created and selected. I chaired the 2009 Affiliates booth 3429 as a volunteer on July 11. On the same day, I also attended the CALA 2009 Annual program and membership meeting. On July 12, I went to the CALA 2009 Annual Awards Banquet. During my time there I was also able to attend the Midwest Chapter’s annual conference, which I thoroughly enjoyed. Among the CALA activities, I joined the LITA interesting group to discuss “Top Technology Trends” and attended the reception of Asian Pacific American Librarians Association.

This year’s CALA Annual Program was entitled “International Outreach and Leadership: The CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series Program”. Barbara Ford brought her perspective to CALA by discussing with us about how to take a leading role of librarianship between the United States and China. Anna Xiong and Shu Hua Liu presented “Review and Analysis of (CALA) Twenty-First Century Seminar Series 2006-2008”, an in-depth research of successful collaboration program between U. S. and Chinese librarians. Mengxiong Liu shared her excellent experience of working in Uruguay as a Fulbright exchange librarian. The Midwest Chapter successfully hosted a program during the ALA Conference. Hong Xu and Liana Zhou both presented their great efforts to support and help rebuild libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China.

Attending this conference was a wonderfully positive experience. I got the chance to interact with many CALA Board members and Chinese librarians who shared common interests with me and sparked new ideas with me to contribute to CALA. Once again I would like to express my deepest thanks to CALA for supporting me in this excellent experience.

On Sunday July 12th, I represented CALA by participating in a panel discussion at the Annual ALA Conference in Chicago. Titled “Information Technology and Communities of Color: Issues and Opportunities in a Global Context,” the program was organized and moderated by Julius C. Jefferson, Jr., from the Library of Congress.

The four panelists, including myself were:
- AILA (American Indian Library Association): Janice Kowemy, Laguna Library Director
- APALA (Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association): Sarah H. Jeong, Research & Instruction Librarian
- Science, Z. Smith Reynolds Library, Wake Forest University
- BCALA (Black Caucus of the American Library Association): Dr. Sheri Anita Massey, University of Maryland, College of Information Studies
- REFORMA (National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and Spanish Speaking): Richard Chabran, Adjunct Lecturer, School of Information Resources and Library Science, University of Arizona, Tucson

We discussed access to and use of information technology in traditionally under-served minority communities. The panelists received positive feedback and excellent follow-up questions.

Win Shih
University at Albany
State University of New York
I am grateful for the generous support of the CALA Conference Travel Grant for my participation in the professional activities at the ALA annual conference and also the CALA annual program and board meetings in July 2009 in Chicago, Illinois. Highlighted below is a brief report of some of my activities during the ALA/CALA conferences.

CALA has made tremendous achievements in recent years. As a board member, I attended two board meetings on Saturday, July 11, 2009 and Monday, July 13, 2009 where the board reviewed the recent developments and future plans to carry out CALA’s mission defining 2010 strategic goals that are aimed at taking a leadership role in the development of librarianship, both nationally and internationally, as well as offering its members many professional development opportunities. I also attended the CALA membership meeting and the annual program. I listened to informative committee and officer reports and engaging discussions, and I was excited to hear the remarkable achievements that CALA has made in the past year.

As chair of the CALA JLIS (Journal of Library and Information Science) Editorial Board, I convened an editorial board meeting and presented an overview of the current state of the JLIS. Strategies for the journal’s future development were discussed. The JLIS has provided an outlet for CALA members to publish peer-reviewed articles. Moreover, the CALA 2010 Strategic Plan has identified the JLIS as a means to provide educational and professional development opportunities for librarians in CALA and beyond. I am extremely honored to have this opportunity to work with the editorial board to play a leadership role to benefit CALA members in their scholarly achievements, and help CALA reach a new height as a professional organization.

It was the first time I signed up for the ALA affiliate booth at the exhibit hall on behalf of CALA this year, and the experience was both exciting and rewarding. It was a great opportunity to talk to ALA conference attendees and visitors about what CALA (as an ALA affiliate) can offer and the many professional development opportunities with CALA. Many visitors glanced through sample issues of JLIS on display there, and were very much interested in the publication opportunities with the journal. I also recruited members for CALA at the booth.

I participated in the assembly of the OLOS Advisory Committee and its subcommittees on Friday, July 10, 2009 for an afternoon of sharing, networking and future program planning. I also attended many conference events where I networked a lot, including some events that I attended on behalf of CALA. I had the opportunities to meet and greet the leaders from ALA ethnic caucuses and we were very pleased to see the result of the joint efforts of the caucuses to address the issue of diversity, the impact of the first JCLC (Joint Conference of Libraries of Color), the success of the joint mini-conferences held in the Northeast region, and the excitement of the planning for the 2011 JCLC II.

These experiences have benefited me and will continue to benefit me as I strive for professional development as an academic librarian. The experiences have also broadened my vision, which, in turn, will be translated into my professional services to library organizations in general, and to CALA in particular.

Achievements of CALA Members

By Min Chou
Board of Directors present: Sha Li Zhang, Haipeng Li, Qi Chen, Min Chou, Nancy Sun Hershoff, Dora Ho, Shuyong Jiang, Xudong Jin, Vincci Kwong, Esther Lee, Yi Liang, Zhijia Shen, Amy Tsang, Hanrong Wang, Karen Wei, Hong Xu, Jen-chien Yu, Haiwang Yuan, Liana Zhou.

Absence Requested & Approved: Dajin Sun, Jiun Kuo, Yongyi Song, Bin Zhang, Grace Gu, Jing Zhong

Absent: Zheng Wang

Guests: Mengxiang Liu, Suhua Fan, Maria Fung, Miao Hong, Guoqin Li, Maggie Wang, Lisa Zhao, Manual Urriolza, Mary Jo Venetis, Patty Wong, Mario Gonzales

I. Sha Li Zhang called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm Sha Li welcomed everyone and greeted the guests. The meeting started with self introductions.

II. Approval of Agenda

Haipeng amended the agenda by adding the following:


c. Correction on G. Finance Committee, b. Earthquake Funs of $10,400 instead of $10,800; add e. to authorize the treasurer to take actions immediately; under 2, numbering should be a.b.c.

Agenda was amended. Nancy Hershoff made the motion, seconded by Lisa Zhao. Vote was conducted and approval was unanimous.

Haipeng also thanked all chairs of committees, taskforces, for sending in reports. Only one report was not in (Northern California Chapter report).

III. ALA Exe. Board liaison.

Mario Gonzales, offered a report on the development of ALA. Mario indicated he was here to report but also to seek feedback to report back to ALA. He reported that this year ALA membership had decreased from 65,000 to 63,000 (he was appalled and excited to hear that CALA membership this year had increased by 20%). ALA is also targeting student members to seek new blood into the organization.

ALA's new initiative with Camila Alire is advocacy, which will involve all caucus organizations (Patty will talk about this). ALA is also working to make sure that libraries is getting a portion of the stimulus bill. If interested, please go to ala.org/knowyourstimulus.

ALA is also facing budget impact and has decided on a 1 week long furlough days. Another task ALA is working on is its next strategic plan and is seeking input from all divisions and affiliations. Mario indicated this is his last CALA Board meeting as the ALA Exe. Board liaison. He has enjoyed this role and wished to thank the CALA board for his participation.

IV. Camila Alire's Initiative:

Patty Wong and Mary Jo Venetis came to talk to the CALA Board about ALA Presidential Initiative: Libraries: the Heart of All Communities. They gave an overview of the initiative and went on to ask all 5 caucuses to get involved. Camila allocated $3,000 for each caucus to take on this project, but each caucus will need to submit a proposal, which is due on Sept. 15, 2009. CALA Board approved to authorize the president to appoint a task force to work on this.

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Min commented in future meeting minutes for absences, we should use "absence requested & approved" instead of simply "absences requested" which we thought was a good way of recording and duly noted. Zhijia Shen moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Dora Ho. Approval was unanimous.

VI. President's Report

Sha Li reported on the activities for the past year (please see her report on the CALA website). Some of the highlights for the year include the CALA travel grants, increased membership, members' participation in the IMLS grant project and the seminar series, among many others.

Emerging leaders: One issue which needs attention is the CALA's participation in the Emerging Leaders Program, which requires CALA to support CALA's nominations with $1,000 each year for each nomination. We discussed whether we would want to continue to support two emerging leaders as opposed to one. The general feeling is that this is a good program for CALA to be involved in and we should continue with two nominations each year. The Board then approved to continue to support two each year and to authorize the president to form a taskforce to evaluate the program to see how involved these emerging leaders are after they finish the program.

Min Chou made the motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Dora Ho. Approval was unanimous.

Think Globally Act Globally report: Karen Wei reported on the IMLS grant project, indicating that things were moving forward nicely. Ten library directors were here atALA and met most of us. They would be going out to various locations after ALA to hosting institutions, some of whom are CALA members and chapters. Three CALA teams are also going to China this year (one already happened in May); all presenters have been selected. Three more will be going next year in Feb. April and July. CALA members are encouraged to apply.

Satia's Tribute: Satia Orange has been ALA's liaison to the five ethnic caucuses and has been a tremendous resource to CALA. Satia is retiring and her party is tonight. CALA is on the agenda for honor her at 9:30 pm. We feel we are grateful to Satia for all she has done for CALA. Liana Zhou has written a poem to honor her at the reception. Sha Li asked the (Continue on p. 30)
CALA Board Meetings

CALA Board (2009-2010) Meeting I Minutes
7-13-09 Monday 8:00-10:00 a.m.
Hyatt Regency Chicago Columbus Hall C/D
ALA 2009 Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

Board of Directors present: Xudong Jin, Haipeng Li, Sha Li Zhang, Min Chou, Vincen Kwong, Yi Liang, Zhihua Shen, Amy Tsang, Karen Wei, Hong Xu, Jen-chien Yu, Lianna Zhou, Maria Fung, Hong Miao, Manuel Urrizola.

Absent Requested & Approved: Dajin Sun, Jian Kuo, Bin Zhang, Shuyong Jiang, Lisa Zhao, Haiwang Yuan, Yongyi Song. Absent: Li Li, Li Sun, Ding Ye, Zhixian (George) Yi.

Guests: Guoqing Li

I. Absence Requested & Approved

Sha Li Zhang called the meeting to order at 8:30 am. Sha Li welcomed everyone and started the transition process of the CALA presidency. She passed on the torch to Xu-dong who thus officially became the CALA president 2009-2010. Xudong then took over the presiding over the meeting.

II. Self introductions of Board members were conducted.

III. Approval of Agenda

Haipeng amended the agenda by moving the unfinished business from the last Board meeting to an earlier item to become IV, adding an action item of changing the Ad Hoc Travel Grant Committee to a standing committee. Motion was made by Manuel Urrizola and seconded by Min Chou. Approval was unanimous.

IV. Unfinished/Old Business

IX. B. Best Book Award Committee

recommendaions come from the Exe.
Committee other than the Best Book Committee. Discussion around the value of the work done by the committee, the process of nominations, and procedures of contacting nominees were discussed. The Board recognized the hard work by the committee, but it has been a real problem of contacting the nominees and giving out the awards. In general the nominees/recipients never come to the Award banquet to receive the awards. Each year, plaques are made for them but no one comes to receive them. Logistically it has also become an issue as it costs money to buy books to review and make the plaques, and takes efforts to bring them to the banquet, and then take them back as no one at the banquet was there to receive them. Suggestions include the committee focusing on emerging authors, exploring various categories, or limiting to CALA members. Min Chou expressed concerns of limiting the best book award to CALA members only. The Board felt that all the recommendations were worth exploring and would like to have the committee next year to work on them. Liana moved that the Board approve the suspension of the nomination process for next year, having the committee review current practice and procedures and submit the final report to the Board for consideration. The motion was seconded by Amy Tsang. All approved except Min Chou who abstained.

IX. F. Constitution & Bylaws Committee

The Committee recommends that only formal concerns with proper documentation brought to the attention of the comm. be reviewed and acted on, with possible solutions to the Board for for consideration; and referring issues relating to uncontested elections to the Nominating Committee through the President. Discussions were held and voting was conducted. Approval was unanimous.

IX. G. Finance Committee

An amendment was made to add item e. Take actions immediately to section 1. Therefore the action items from the committee are:

1. In regards to the bank accounts of over $74,638.91, bearing less than 1% interest, and the stock market is very volatile, the Committee recommends the Treasurer to find a neighborhood bank with a high FDIC -insured CD yield for a year (e.g., 2.50% at the First American International Bank for a year, or check with Bankrate.com) and:
   a. Leave $20,000.00 in the bank for daily operations.
   b. Let the China Earthquake Fund of $10,800.00 be distributed to China by its operation.
2. That means:
   a. Leave the six investment accounts alone (five in Vanguard and one in Janus), so that those funds will rise with the stock market.
   b. Deposit the remaining $32,812.60 plus the newly raised sum of $7,750.00 (once all received) to two new CDs for a little more interest.
3. Authorize chapters to give each new member a copy of the book as an incentive and a benefit as a new member but also as a recruitment tool. The Board thought it was a good idea. Voting was conducted and the motion passed.

IX. N. Publications Committee

Action Items:
1. The Publications Committee (2009-2010) should work closely with the OPS Editor-in-Chief on the recommendation of one OPS editor when the term of David Hickey ends in June 2010; 2. Continue the project, “Spotlight on CALA Members”; 3. Review the new CALA Web site and make recommendations for improvements to the Web Committee.

All three items are approved by the Board. The next item came from the Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter regarding the CALA 30 year commemorative book.

4. Authorize chapters to give each new member a copy of the book as an incentive and a benefit as a new member but also as a recruitment tool. The Board thought it was a good idea. Voting was conducted and the motion was approved.

X. B. Organizational Manuals Taskforce

recommendations:
1. The Board reviews the six documents completed by the Organizational Manual (Continue on p. 31)
Special Meeting on CALA Travel Grant Guidelines.

The special online meeting for the CALA Board of Directors, was conducted from Feb. 11-25, 2009. Sha Li Zhang, president of CALA, presided over the meeting and provided the context for the issue at hand: "I am now calling a special online meeting to discuss and vote for the CALA Travel Grant Guidelines developed by the CALA Travel Grant Guidelines Taskforce chaired by Mengxiang Liu. The duration of this special online meeting is from February 11 through 25, 2009. The urgency for this online meeting is that the Task Force needs to take actions if we want to start offering grants, particularly for ALA Annual Conference in Chicago in July 2009.

At the ALA Annual Conference in Anaheim in June 2008, the CALA Board of Directors voted unanimously for the recommendation from the CALA Finance Committee to establish the CALA Travel Grants. I appointed the taskforce in fall 2008 to develop the guidelines so that we could implement this action item. At the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Denver in January 2009, Mengxiang presented the guidelines. The Board suggested several revisions.

Given the current economic climate, the Board's discussion was around whether we would have the fund to give out four grants each year or the same person could apply every year. An amendment was made to refer the guidelines back to the taskforce to incorporate wording such as "subject to the availability of funds," and to further discuss the frequency by which an applicant can apply to the funding.

Now you have the revised documents. Please review the guidelines and application forms and offer comments. Then I will call for a motion on the documents. Both the guidelines and the application form were attached in the email that Sha Li sent out. Several board members commented on the revised guidelines and expressed appreciation to Mengxiang and her committee for the quick action and sufficiently addressing the two issues raised at the Board meeting in Denver.

After some discussions, revisions were recommended and made by Min Chou and Dajin Sun. Because the deadline was approaching, Sha Li suggested that the meeting be extended to Friday Feb. 27th. It was agreed. Further discussion was held.


Voting was conducted at 12:25 pm Feb. 26, 2009 and here is the result declared by Sha Li:

Many thanks for your active participation in the special online meeting from February 11 through 27, 2009. The amended CALA Conference Travel Grant Guidelines was moved by Amy Tsiang and was seconded by Shuyong Jiang and Bin Zhang. The amended guidelines were approved by a majority of the board members through online votes. Therefore, the motion carries and the special online meeting adjourns.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm on Feb. 27, 2009. Sha Li thanked all board members for their participation in this process.

Respectfully submitted
Haipeng Li
CALA Interim Executive Director
February 27, 2009

Board meeting 7/11/09
(Continued from p.28) Board to endorse such tribute. Zhijia Shen moved to make the endorsement and Amy Tsiang seconded it. Voting was carried and approval was unanimous. Liana Zhou announced that Sally Tseng shipped the book to her on the Sichuang earthquake which is available for purchasing. Proceeds will go to support the earthquake efforts. It's 9:20 pm and we need to adjourn in order to participate in Satia's reception. Qi Chen moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Karen Wei. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Haipeng Li
7-21-09
Meeting V 4-20-2009

Special Meeting V from April 16 through 30, 2009 to review the recommendations from the CALA Publications Committee and vote for the committee's recommendations.

The three-year term of the current Editor-in-Chief of the CALA Occasional Paper Series (OPS) and its editorial board will be expired at the end of the ALA Annual to be held in July 2009 in Chicago. To help a smooth transition for this important position, ample time is needed for the outgoing editor-in-chief and the incoming editor-in-chief for the transition. Therefore, we need to take a prompt action on this matter.

The Committee recommended Bao Xueming as the next OPS Editor-in-Chief starting July 2009, for a three-year term. The committee also recommended the OPS Editorial Board members: Lois Mai Chan, Manuel Urrizola, and Ingrid Hsich-Yee for a 3-year term (2009-2012), and Xiaoli Fang and Chihfen P. Lin for a 2-year term (2009-2011).

The special online meeting IV, 2009, for the CALA Board of Directors, was conducted from April 16 through 30, 2009. Sha Li Zhang, President of CALA, called the meeting to order online, presided over the meeting and led the voting process. Voting was conducted on April 20th, 2009 and completed on April 30th, 2009. As this was a motion from the Publications Committee, no second will be needed. Voting was called on the 20th, 21 Yes votes were received which represented a majority. Therefore the recommendations for the OPS editors were approved and appointed. Voting was completed on April 30, 2009.

Respectfully submitted
Haipeng Li
CALA Interim Executive Director
April 30, 2009

Meeting VI 5-12-2009

Special Meeting from May 12 through 26, 2009 to review the recommendation from the CALA Awards Committee and vote for the recommendation from the Committee that Mr. John Ma be the recipient for the 2009 CALA Distinguished Services Award.

CALA President Sha Li Zhang called for the meeting online at 4:22 pm., May 12, 2009. She called for voting at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, May 14, 2009. Voting started on May 14th, through May 22, 2009. 20 votes were cast and all were YES votes. Sha Li declared on May 22, 2009 that voting was over and that the recommendation from the CALA Awards Committee that Mr. John Ma be the recipient for the 2009 CALA Distinguished Services Award was approved by the Board. The special online meeting ended on May 22, 2009.

Respectfully submitted
Haipeng Li
CALA Interim Executive Director
May 22, 2009

Meeting VII 6-17, 2009

A CALA Board of Directors Special Online Meeting on June 17 through 26, 2009 was called by Sha Li Zhang, CALA President, to review the recommendations from the CALA Awards Committee and vote for the recommendations from the Committee that Ms. Barbara Ford and Mr. Haipeng Li be the recipients for the 2009 CALA President's Recognition Award.

The online meeting started on June 17 to review the Committee's recommendations, the President's nominations, and the nominees' curriculum vitas. The Board members were then asked to cast their votes on June 19, 2009. By June 26, 2009, 22 Board of Directors voted YES on the recommendations. Therefore, the Awards Committee's recommendations of Ms. Barbara Ford and Mr. Haipeng Li being the recipients for the 2009 CALA President's Recognition Award were approved. Sha Li Zhang declared adjourn of the special online meeting at 5:00 p.m. (EST), June 26, 2009. Submitted by Sha Li Zhang (Haipeng Li was excluded from this special online meeting)

Respectfully submitted
Haipeng Li
CALA Interim Executive Director
June 28, 2009
Best Book Award Committee

MEMBER ROSTER:
Julia Tung (Co-Chair), Miao Jin (Co-Chair), Warren W. Wright, Liu Wen-Ling, Karen Wei, Hong Cheng, Lan Shen.

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SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES:
The Best Book Award ad hoc Committee was formed in June, 2005. It became a regular committee in 2008. The main activities of this Committee are listed in two sections:

A. During the 2008-2009 term, the Committee activities included:
1. Opened a BestNewChineseNewBookAward2008 Yahoo Group for members.
2. Our objective: Every member will participate in all activities. Award selection was assigned to three subgroups:
   (1) Adult Group: Julia Tung submitted many new nominations; nominated books were purchased through dealers, borrowed from members or local libraries, or sent from publishers. Members were asked to submit nominations as well as raise and resolve other relevant issues.
   (2) Young Readers and Children Group: Warren Wright found sources and nominated titles for the juvenile and children's books.
3. We reviewed last year's documents and made minor changes. The documents used this year are:
   2008-2009 CALA Annual Best Book Award Guidelines, CALA Best Book Award Nomination Form.
4. The Committee was able to collect 8 titles for Non-fiction, 6 titles for adult, 4 titles for young adults and 2 titles for children.
   B. Committee members submitted nominations, and then voted on one for each category.

CALA Best Book Award Nominations 2008-2009:

Adult:
Non-Fiction:
Author: Hao Jiang Tian
Title: Along the roaring river.
Subtitle: my wild ride from Mao to the Met.
Author: T. June Li
Title: Another world lies beyond
Subtitle: Creating Liu Fang Yuan, the Huntington's Chinese Garden.
Author: Li-young Li
Title: Behind my eyes/Li-young Li. (poetry).
Author: Charles N. Li
Title: The bitter sea
Subtitle: Coming of age in China before Mao.
Author: Ha Jin
Title: The writer as migrant
Author: Leo Ou-fan Lee
Title: City between worlds
Subtitle: My Hong Kong.
Author: Chiou-ling Yeh
Title: Making an American festival
Subtitle: Chinese New Year in San Francisco's Chinatown.
Author: Guoqi Xu and William C. Kirby
Title: Olympic dreams
Author: Lynn Pan
Title: Shanghai style
Subtitle: Art and Design Between the Wars.

Fiction:
Author: Fae Myenne Ng
Title: Steer toward rock
Author: Francie Lin
Title: The Foreigner
Author: Ginny Gong
Title: From ironing board to corporate board
Subtitle: My Chinese laundry experience in America.
Author: Mingmei Yip
Title: Peach blossom pavilion
Author: Camy Tang
Title: Single sashimi
Author: Henry Chang
Title: Year of the dog

Juvenile Award:
Author: Laurence Yep
Title: Dragon Road
Author: Kim Wong Keltner
Title: I want candy
Author: Morying Li
Title: Snow Falling in Spring
Subtitle: Coming of Age in China during the Cultural Revolution.
Author: Da Chen
Title: Sword/
Subtitle: Jian (Chinese)

Children's Award:
Author: Icy Smith
Title: Mei Ling in China City
Author: Grace Lin
Bringing in the New Year
CALA Best Book Award Winners:

Adult Non-Fiction: *The writer as migrant*

Adult Fiction: *Steer toward rock*

Juvenile Award: *Dragon Road*

Children's Award: *Mei Ling in China City*

**The writer as migrant**

Ha Jin's journey raises rich and fascinating questions about language, migration, and the place of literature in a rapidly globalizing world—questions that take center stage in *The Writer as Migrant*, his first work of nonfiction. Consisting of three interconnected essays, this book sets Ha Jin's own work and life alongside those of other literary exiles, creating a conversation across cultures and between eras. He employs the cases of Alexander Solzhenitsyn and Chinese novelist Lin Yutang to illustrate the obligation a writer feels to the land of his birth, while Joseph Conrad and Vladimir Nabokov—who, like Ha Jin, adopted English for their writing—are enlisted to explore a migrant author's conscious choice of a literary language. A final essay draws on V. S. Naipaul and Milan Kundera to consider the ways in which our era of perpetual change forces a migrant writer to reconceptualize the very idea of home. Throughout, Jin brings other celebrated writers into the conversation as well, including W. G. Sebald, C. P. Cavafy, and Salman Rushdie—refracting and refining the very idea of a literature of migration. [http://www.press.uchicago.edu/presssite/metadata.epl?mode=synopsis&bookkey=320675](http://www.press.uchicago.edu/presssite/metadata.epl?mode=synopsis&bookkey=320675)

**Steer Toward Rock**

*Steer Toward Rock*, Fae Myenne Ng's heartbreaking novel of unrequited love, tells the story of the only bachelor butcher at the Universal Market in San Francisco. Jack Moon Szeto—that was the name he bought, the name he made his life by—serves the lonely grass widows whose absentee husbands work the farmlands in the Central Valley. A man who knows that the body is the only truth, Jack attends to more than just their weekly orders of lamb or beef. Not since *Bone*, Fae Myenne Ng's highly praised debut novel, has a work so eloquently revealed the complex loyalties of Chinese America. *Steer Toward Rock* is the story of a man who chooses love over the law, illuminating a part of U.S. history few are aware of, but one that has had echoing effects for generations. [http://www.hyperionbooks.com/titlepage.asp?ISBN=0786860979&SUBJECT=Fiction](http://www.hyperionbooks.com/titlepage.asp?ISBN=0786860979&SUBJECT=Fiction)

**Dragon Road**

Best friends Cal and Barney are down and out in Chinatown. In the America of 1939, they are trapped by invisible barriers created by racial prejudice. With no jobs and no real homes, it's only their wizardry with a basketball that's let them survive this long. That same skill suddenly flings a door open to fame and fortune when a professional basketball team, the Dragons, invites them to join the team. Soon they're barnstorming across America and taking on all comers—from local amateurs to other professional teams like the Harlem Globetrotters. Inspired by the pioneering professional Chinese American basketball team the Hong Wah Kues, Newbery Honor author Laurence Yep re-creates a colorful era of barnstorming basketball and leads readers through the heartache and glory of the dragon road. [http://www.harpercollinschildrens.com/HarperChildrens/Kids/BookDetail.aspx?isbn13=9780060275204](http://www.harpercollinschildrens.com/HarperChildrens/Kids/BookDetail.aspx?isbn13=9780060275204)

**Mei Ling in China City**

Based on a true story of events during World War II in Los Angeles China City, a 12-year-old Chinese American girl named Mei Ling Lee loses her best friend Yayeko Akiyama when she and her family were interned in the Manzanar War Relocation Center. By writing letters to each other, both young girls recount their painful separation and their lives in China City and Manzanar. The vivid watercolor paintings warmly portray the real scenes of the forgotten China City in Los Angeles and Manzanar. This unprecedented children's book depicts the hardships and cross-cultural experiences of Americans of Chinese and Japanese ancestry during the war years. Close to 50 never-before-published paintings and historical photographs of China City are presented for the first time. [http://](http://)
Awards Committee

Date: June 14, 2009
Member Roster:
Cathy Yang (Chair)
Wen-Ying Lu
Katherine Sun
Jiaxun Wu
George Zhixian Yi

Is this an interim or annual report?: Annual report
List significant activities the committee has done since last report:
Since we posted "Call for Nominations for CALA Distinguished Award" on Jan. 3, 2009, the Committee has accomplished the following:
(1) Drafted and finished document "Guidelines for CALA's President's Recognition Award"; Submitted on 2/15/09
(2) Revised and updated "Awards Committee" document, and submitted on 4/27/09
(3) Selected and recommended a recipient for the "CALA Distinguished Service Award" by reviewing and evaluating nomination documentations from May 1.
(4) Presented recommendation of Prof. John T. Ma as the recipient to the President and the Executive Director on May 12, 2009.
(5) After receiving the President's notice of the Board's approval of our recommendation, sent congratulations letter to Prof. Ma on May 26, 2009.
(6) Worked on a public announcement on this award result, on May 27.
(7) Announced the name of the award recipient in the CALA listserv, website and Newsletter via Bin Zhang, Vincci Kwong, and Priscilla Yu between May 28-29.
(8) Accepted President Zhang's nomination of Barbara S. Ford and Haipeng Li as President's Recognition Award recipients, after reviewing and evaluating their qualifications in accordance with the criteria set up in the Guidelines.
(9) Notified our decision of the above awards to the President on June 11, 2009.
(10) Requested the Executive Director Haipeng Li to prepare Plaque and certificate for the award recipients.

List committee recommendations, if any, to the Board:
(1) Recommendation of the recipient of the CALA Distinguished Award
(2) Awards Committee document
(3) Guidelines for CALA's President's Recognition Award

Mentorship Program Committee

Date: June 14, 2009
Member Roster:
Wenwen Zhang (Chair)
Jason Alston
Nora Chen
Sun Li
Zao Liu
Eve Alison Nyren
Lian Ruan

Is this an interim or annual report?: Annual report
List significant activities the committee has done since last report:
This is an addition to the Interim report.
Actively recruited mentors and mentees for the Mentorship Program.
• In October 2008, the Committee posted a Mentorship Program announcement on the CALA website.
• In January, the Committee announced the Mentorship Program via CALA Listserv.
• Committee Member Zao Liu contacted a colleague of her in person and recruited her as a mentor.
Successfully grouped 13 pairs of mentors and mentees. We totally received 18 mentee applications from October 2008 to May 2009. With efforts of the entire committee, 13 mentees have been connected to a mentor. Many thanks to experienced librarians and devoted CALA members Haipeng Li, Win Shih, Guoying Liu, Qian Liu, Allan Cho and Yue Shu who generously served as a mentor to one to three mentees and shared their experience with them.
Closely monitored the mentoring program. All committee members served as a coordinator for one to two groups and communicated with the mentors and mentees.
Revised the CALA Mentoring Program Committee Guidelines. Committee Chair Wenwen Zhang amended the CALA Mentoring Program Committee Guidelines and Procedures, with review and approval by the CALA current President ShaLi Zhang.
Recruited 4 members to the CALA. Four mentee applicants, who were previously not a CALA member, joined CALA.
Started recruiting mentees for each 2009 Scholarship Award Recipient.

List committee recommendations, if any, to the Board: None.
# ALA Membership Application FORM

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