Sustainable global outreaches

With three successful CALA seminars held in Kunming (July 2008), Wuhan (October 2008), and Taiwan (November 2008), CALA is planning to conduct two more seminars in Taiwan (August 2009) and in Shanghai (November 2009), in response to positive feedbacks and continual requests from the host institutions in China and Taiwan. Since 2006, these seminars have provided CALA members with excellent professional development opportunities to exchange with, share best practices, and learn from their library colleagues in China and Taiwan.

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A Message from CALA President

by Sha Li Zhang

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Message from the Executive Director

Dear CALA Members and Friends:

I am happy to report to you that this has been an outstanding year for CALA under the capable leadership of CALA President Sha Li Zhang. CALA has made great strides on many fronts and has been able to involve many CALA members in its programs, events, and other activities both nationally and internationally.

The CALA Board has also been active this year, again thanks to the leadership of CALA President, Sha Li Zhang. Starting in July of 2008, in addition to the board meetings at ALA conferences in Anaheim, Denver and Chicago, the CALA Board has held 6 special online meetings and has made many important decisions at these meetings. The CALA Board of Directors and CALA president Sha Li Zhang should be commended for these efforts in leading CALA forward in a very efficient manner.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all CALA members for your trust in me by electing me to the CALA Executive Director position this year. I always believe in creating opportunities for our members, and in recent years, we have created many opportunities for many of our members. It’s important to get our members involved and utilize the rich pool of talents and expertise our members have. I am very much looking forward to working with many more of you in the future.

CALA Executive Director

Haipeng Li
A Message from CALA President (Cont.)

(Continued from page 1) Additionally, CALA leadership has signed agreements with Yunnan and Shanxi hosting institutions to conduct the seminars in the coming years.

CALA members have enthusiastically responded to the calls and participated in the Think Globally, Act Globally grant project funded by IMLS in U.S. and the Ministry of Culture in China. Fifteen CALA members were selected to participate in the three continuing education programs professional in China in 2009. The first team successfully completed their assignments in Beijing and Nanjing in May 2009. During the trip, Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee as the Project Evaluator, the team members (Lisa Zhao, Sha Li Zhang as Team Leader, Mengxiong Liu, Robert Fernekes, and Wenwen Zhang), and Susan Schnuer as Co-PI, met with the librarians at the National Library of China, Nanjing Normal University Library, and Nanjing Library, gave presentations on the topics of public library services, administration, legal issues, and assessment, exchanged ideas, shared the best practices, and visited libraries. It was an excellent learning opportunity for the team members. In July 2009, three CALA chapters (Northeast, Southern California, and Southeast) and two public libraries in Kentucky and Missouri will host a delegation of ten library directors from the provincial libraries in China. The CALA members on these sites will contribute their time, provide hospitality, and work out logistics to make the visits of the delegation a pleasant experience.

Increased membership

Recruiting new CALA members and keeping them in the association has been a challenge task. The Membership Committee, chaired by Songqian Lu and Elaine Dong, walked the walk and took actions with the committee members this year. They used a variety of methods to reach out and make connections with the new members and inactive members. As it is listed on the committee’s report, between July 2008 and June 2009, 82 new members joined CALA, with 142 renewal members and 11 new life members. As of this writing, the number of active CALA members is 431, the largest in CALA history. The two co-chairs and the committee members are to be commended for their hard work and tireless efforts in achieving this excellent outcome, despite the tough economic climate facing the nation.

Timely CALA Travel Grants

Led by Mengxiong Liu, the CALA Conference Travel Grant Ad Hoc Committee issued a call for applications to the Travel Grant which was designed to support CALA members in their professional development activities. Due to the committee’s timely efforts since the ALA Midwinter Meeting, the review process is on schedules. The selected CALA members will receive the $500 grant to assist in their participations in the coming ALA Annual Conference.

Genuine support to the 5.12 Earthquakes victims

As of June 2009, CALA raised more than $20,000 in supporting the library staff and libraries affected by the massive earthquakes happened in May 2009 in Sichuan Province and the surrounding regions in China. It was the largest fundraising efforts in CALA history. Led by Sally C. Tseng, CALA Honorary Executive Director, the CALA Taskforce on Rebuilding Libraries in 512 Earthquake Areas in China has had ongoing communications with the Library Society of China (LSC) who is assisting in distributing the CALA donations to the library staff affected by the earthquakes. In January 2009, LSC officials went to Sichuan Province and distributed the donations in person to more than 30 library staff who were injured and lost personal properties in the earthquakes, including $2,000 to the family of a killed library staff and $3,000 to cover medical expenses for Ms. Li Chun, Library Director of Beichuan County which was totally destroyed by the earthquakes. Ms. Li was buried under rubbers of the damaged library for 75 hours before being rescued. Additional CALA donations will be distributed through LSC soon to help the newly-built libraries in these affected regions to purchase library materials.

NLC’s 100th Anniversary celebration

This year is marking the 100th anniversary for the National Library of China (NLC) in Beijing, China.
The ALA 2010 Nominating Committee is soliciting nominees to run on the 2010 spring ballot for the offices of ALA President-elect, ALA Treasurer and Councilor-at-large.

The Nominating Committee will select two candidates to run for President-elect, two candidates for Treasurer, and no fewer than 50 candidates for the 33 at-large Council seats to be filled in the 2010 spring election.

The President-elect will serve a three-year term: as President-elect in 2010-2011, as President in 2011-2012, and as Immediate Past President in 2012-2013. The Treasurer will serve a three-year term, beginning after the 2010 ALA Annual Conference and ending at the adjournment of the 2013 Annual Conference. The Councilors-at-large will serve three-year terms, beginning after the 2010 ALA Annual Conference and ending at the adjournment of the 2013 Annual Conference.

The ALA President, Treasurer and Councilors also serve in corresponding roles in the ALA-Allied Professional Association [ALA-APA]. Individuals considering ALA-APA office are encouraged to consult with their employer regarding any restrictions regarding lobbying activities or service on the governing body of a 501(c)6 organization. Members who wish to make nominations should submit the following information: nominee name; present position; institution; address; telephone; fax; and e-mail address. Self-nominations are encouraged.

All potential nominees must complete the Potential Candidate Biographical Form available at https://cs.al.org/potentialcandidates/, beginning June 1. Nominations and forms must be received no later than August 15, 2009.

Nominations may be sent to any member of the 2010 Nominating Committee. Committee members are:
- Nancy Allen, Chair, Dean and Director, University of Denver, Penrose Library. E-mail: nancy.allen@du.edu.
- Kathleen E. Bethel, African American Studies Librarian, Northwestern University. E-mail: kbethel@northwestern.edu.
- Wayne Bivens-Tatum, Librarian, Princeton University Libraries. E-mail: rbivens@princeton.edu.
- Sarah I. Flowers, Morgan Hill, CA. E-mail: sarahflowers@charter.net.
- G. Victor Johnson, President, Board of Library Trustees, Arlington Heights Memorial Library, Arlington Heights, IL. E-mail: gvicjohnson@sbcglobal.net.
- Haipeng Li, Reference Librarian/Outreach Coordinator, Oberlin (OH) College. haipeng.li@oberlin.edu.
- Patricia Montiel Overall, Assistant Professor, University of Arizona, Tuscon, AZ. E-mail: overall@u.arizona.edu.
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- Kathryn M. Toon, Hawkins, TX. E-mail: kmtoon@juno.com.

To encourage diversity and leadership development, the Committee will refrain from nominating any current Councilors for election to another term. However, the Committee encourages all current Councilors who wish to continue their service to the Association to file as petition candidates. Petitions will be available from Lois Ann Gregory-Wood, Council Secretariat, ALA, 50 E. Huron, Chicago, IL 60611, Email: lgregory@ala.org, or during the 2009 Annual Conference or 2010 Midwinter Meeting. Petitions require 25 signatures for names to be included on the 2010 ballot.

A Message from CALA President (Cont.)

(Continued from page 2) The Library has launched a series of celebration activities since February 2009. CALA leadership sent a congratulatory letter and a gift to NLC to congratulate the Library’s leadership role as an intellectual hub in China to collect, organize, preserve, and provide access to recorded knowledge and cultural heritage to millions of citizens in China. Several CALA members, for instance, Dr. Hwa-Wei Lee and Mr. Gary Strong, will be participating in a celebration event to be held in September 2009.

2008-2009 CALA Awards recipients
The CALA Awards Committee recommended Professor John Ma to receive the CALA Distinguished Services Award. The Committee also reviewed and recommended the nominations from CALA President that Ms. Barbara Ford and Mr. Haipeng Li be the recipients of the CALA President’s Recognition Award. The recommendations were overwhelmingly approved by the CALA Board of Directors. Congratulations, Professor Ma, Ms. Ford, and Mr. Li, for receiving the awards this year.

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Again, it has been a wonderful year for being able to work with many CALA members and for representing CALA on several occasions. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the chairs and co-chairs of the committees and task forces, and the members for their time, hard work, and accomplishments during the 2008 - 2009 year. I genuinely appreciate the advice, suggestions, support, and encouragements from CALA members, colleagues, and friends. Being a CALA President is a great honor once in life. I hope that my services on this position met the expectations of an elected official and my efforts helped move forward toward CALA’s goals. Xudong Jin, CALA President-Elect, will take the touch after the ALA Annual. Let us continue to get involved, show support, take actions, and move CALA to the next level.
Dear CALA Members:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our members who took time to vote for the 2009 CALA Election. Your active participation and service to the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) are very much appreciated.

According to the CALA Constitutions, Article VI, Section 1, the nominees who receive the largest number of votes for any offices shall be elected.

Congratulations to the following winners on being elected to CALA officers in 2009. Their names, titles and terms are:

Min Chou, Vice-President/President-Elect (2010/2011),

Haipeng Li, Executive Director (2009/2010),

Maria Fung, Hong Miao, Manuel Urrizola, Karen Wei and Lisa Zhao (in alphabetical order by last name), 5 new Board of Directors for 2009/2010-2011/2012; and

Yi Liang, Board of Director for 2009/2010-2010/2011 to fill Min Chou’s vacant two-year term for the Board.

The elected officers will officially assume their positions on Monday, July 13, 2009 at the 2009/2010 CALA 1st Board Meeting during ALA Annual Conference in Chicago.

CALA has many devoted and talented members. We would like to encourage members who are interested to serve CALA and those candidates who have not been elected this year to run in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the 2009 Election Ad Hoc Committees members: Bin Zhang, Vincci Kwong, Ying Xu, and Xiwen Zhang for their hard work and time, especially Bin for his expertise and tireless efforts on the electronic voting process. Special thanks also go to Dr. ShaLi Zhang, CALA President, for her leadership and assistance, Elaine Dong and Songqian Lu, Co-Chairs of the Membership Committee for their timely updates on new and renewal members for and during the election. Your contributions to CALA are deeply appreciated.

Respectfully submitted by,

2009 CALA Election Ad hoc Committees:

2009 CALA Election Ad hoc Committee for e-Balloots

Bin Zhang, Board of Director

Vincci Kwong, Board of Director

2009 CALA Election Ad hoc Committee for Mail Ballots

Sally C. Tseng, Chair and CALA Honorary Executive Director

2009 CALA Election Ad hoc Committee for Membership

Ying Xu, California Chapter Past President

Xiwen Zhang, California Chapter Past President

Sally C. Tseng, Chair and CALA Honorary Executive Director

CALA New Members

Please join us in welcoming our new CALA members and new life members:

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CALA NEWSLETTER

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Dear CALA Members and Friends:

On behalf of the 2009 Sally C. Tseng Professional Development Grant Committee, I’m pleased to inform you that Liana Zhou has been awarded $1,000 from the Sally C. Tseng Professional Development Grant for her project titled “Sex Education and Its History, Progress, and Struggles in the United States: Thoughts and Analysis for Today’s Chinese Sex Educators.”

Congratulations, Liana!

Sally C. Tseng Professional Development Grant Committee
Lian Ruan, Chair
Jian Anna Xiong
Yunshan Ye
Wenxian Zhang

George Yi, Vice-President of the CALA-SW Chapter, has been awarded the 2009 Eugene Garfield Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship from Beta Phi Mu, International Library & Information Science Honor Society. His dissertation is entitled “Management of Change in the Information Age: Approaches of Academic Library Directors in the United States”. The following link is the announcement from the newsletter of Beta Phi Mu, on the very last page, http://www.beta-phi-mu.org/Publication/docs/BPM_SPRING_2009_PIPELINE.pdf.

Congratulations, George!

Grace Gu, President, CALA-SW Chapter

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CALA New Members (Cont.)
CALA Congratulatory NLC Letter

May 18, 2009
Dr. Zhan Furui, Director
National Library of China
Beijing, China 100081

Dear Director Zhan:

On this wonderful occasion of celebrating the 100th anniversary of the National Library of China (NLC), we, on behalf of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) and its 1,200 members, would like to extend our sincerest congratulations and best wishes to NLC.

In the past century, NLC has served as an intellectual hub in China to collect, organize, preserve, and provide access to recorded knowledge and cultural heritage of China to millions of citizens. In its long history, NLC has been a leader in the library profession in China in developing standards, classifications, and guidelines in organizing resources and bibliographic control; in providing professional development opportunities, workshops, and training sessions; in supporting research activities; in promoting international exchanges and collaborations with libraries around the globe; and in developing digital resources and sharing them with library users in China and around the world. Furthermore, NLC has been a leader on library issues on the global stage. NLC’s active participation in IFLA enabled the Chinese language to become one of the seven official working languages of this international library association. NLC’s development of Digital Library project has made Chinese language materials available worldwide. The recent establishment of the IFLA Chinese Language Center at NLC will no doubt help promote scholarship, cultural heritage, and recorded knowledge in the Chinese language to the world audience.

Many CALA members have visited NLC, participated in collaborative programs and activities organized by NLC and other international library associations, and hosted librarians’ visits from NLC to U.S. CALA will continue looking for opportunities that CALA members will be able to contribute in the projects that benefit library audience in China and U.S.

Please accept our wholehearted congratulations on the NLC celebrating occasion from CALA members in the U.S.

Sincerely Yours,

Sally C. Tseng
Sha Li Zhang, Ph. D.
Haipeng Li
Sally C. Tseng
CALA President
CALA Executive Director
Honorary Executive Director

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Other pictures provided by Sha Li Zhang.

The May 2009 team at the seminar in Nanjing.
The May 2009 team members in front of the National Library of China.
尊敬的美国华人图书馆员协会主席张莎丽博士
尊敬的美国华人图书馆员协会执行理事李海林先生
尊敬的美国华人图书馆员协会荣誉执行理事郭瑞女士：

收到贵协会的贺函，我深感荣幸。

美国华人图书馆员协会自1973 年开始创办以来，对于推动中美图书馆界的相互了解、交流与合作发挥了重要作用，特别是今年来，中美两国图书馆界的交流日益频繁，涌现出一系列重要的双边合作项目，如中美图书馆员培训项目等。在此对贵协会表示感谢。中国国家图书馆愿与贵协会一道，进一步探索、开展有助于推动图书馆行业进步的合作项目。

正如您所言，中国国家图书馆在近两百年的历程中，秉承服务人民、传播知识、服务社会的理念，坚持不断探索、奋斗、创新和无私奉献的精神，为推动人类文明和社会进步做出了重要的贡献。作为国家重要的信息基地，以及设施先进、全面开放的知识中心，国家图书馆在新的进程中，将以其深厚的历史文化底蕴，以更精细的服务、更开放的姿态，竭诚

Sha Li Zhang presents the CALA gift to Ms. Zhang Yafang, NLC official.

努力，铸造日新，书写新的辉煌。

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国家图书馆馆长

2009 年 6 月 2 日
Library Leaders to Address IRC/ACRL at ALA Annual

The International Relations Committee (IRC) of the Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL) has organized an historic session during the Annual Conference of the American Library Association (ALA) from July 9-15, 2009. The meeting will be held in Chicago on Saturday, July 11, 2009 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. The theme of the meeting is “Academic Librarians and International Librarianship”. Five well known speakers will share their views on the topic. They will also discuss the importance and need of cooperation among professionals and libraries in the fast changing world with limited resources and budgets for academic libraries and high inflation.

Professor Robert Wedgeworth, former president of IFLA(1991-1997) and University Librarian Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign will speak on the topic of “IFLA and Academic Librarians”, Jay Jordan, President and CEO of OCLC will discuss “OCLC and International Librarianship”, Beverly Lynch, former President of ALA (1985-86) and professor at the Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, University of California-Los Angeles will speak about “ALA/ACRL and International Librarianship in the Twenty First Century”, and Winston Tabb, Dean of University Libraries and Museums of the Johns Hopkins University will speak on “The International Librarianship and its Impact on Research Libraries in the United States”. Claudia Lux, President of IFLA will be the chief guest at the meeting and she will present plaques to all speakers for their contributions to the international librarianship. R.N. Sharma, chair of the IRC/ACRL will be the moderator of the session. It is the first time in the history of International Committee of ACRL/ALA that five distinguished speakers will speak on the topic of “Academic Librarians and International Librarianship” on the same stage in one national conference. The program has been sponsored by many national librarians associations and committees including the Asian, African and Middle Eastern Section (AAMES)/ACRL, Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA), Black Caucus of ALA, Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), Ethnic and Multicultural Information Exchange Round Table (EMIERT)/ALA the International Relations Committee (IRC) of the Association for Library Collections and Technical Services/ALA, Near East and South Asia Committee/International Relations Committee/ALA, REFORMA(National Association to promote Library Services to the Spanish Speaking) and the Slavic and Eastern European Section/ACRL. ACRL is the largest division of the American Library Association.

Sha Li Zhang
CALA President

JLIS Call for Papers

The Journal of Library and Information Science (JLIS) is a peer reviewed journal published semi-annually in April and October by the Department of Adult & Continuing Education, National Taiwan Normal University in Taiwan and the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) in the U.S.A. Since its first publication in 1975, the JLIS has provided an outlet for scholars around world to contribute knowledge through their ongoing research and to thrive through their intellectual pursuits.

The JLIS invites both Chinese and English manuscripts of original research in all subjects pertaining to library and information science. It also invites reviews of monographs, books, and reports about library and information science. Manuscripts in English should be submitted via email attachment to Min Chou at minchou.njcu@gmail.com. Manuscripts in Chinese should be submitted to Dr. Ming-Hsin Chiu at phoebechiu@ntnu.edu.tw. Reviews of books, monographs, and reports should be submitted to Dr. Mengxiong Liu at mengxiong.liu@sijsu.edu.

For publication in the April issue, it is preferred that you submit your manuscript by December 30; for the October issue, please submit by June 30. For details about submission guidelines, please go to website http://www.cala-web.org/node/165.
The IMLS "Think Globally, Act Globally" China/U.S. Librarian Collaboration Grant Project is seeking 30 U.S. librarians for 6 Professional Development Programs in various locations in China in 2009-2010. Each program is expected to last 7-10 days. Selected presenters may be asked to participate in training/preparation session before the trip.

**Presentation Topics:**
- Laws, policies, and strategic plans of U.S. libraries
- Library management and operational mechanisms
- Public library services
- Library assessment and librarians' professional development, promotion and evaluation system
- Public relations activities and their values
- Academic libraries, special libraries, library education, and professional organizations in the U.S.

Check out more detailed information about the topics [here](http://www.library.uiuc.edu/China/calls/faq.html#6).

**Qualifications:**
- An ALA-accredited MLS degree or its equivalent is required.
- Experience in making presentations is required.
- A minimum of three years of post-MLS professional working experience in a field of library services in the U.S. is preferred.
- Public library experience or experience with public services is preferred.
- CALA membership is preferred; CALA members will be given first priority for speaker positions.

**Benefits:**
- Speakers will have their travel arranged by the University of Illinois and costs covered by the Grant agreement.
- Will receive $1,000 honorarium.
- Opportunity to interact with Chinese colleagues.

**To apply:**
Send the following documents to Dr. Shuyong Jiang at shyjiang@illinois.edu and Lisa Zhao at lzhao50@yahoo.com, and indicate which trip you are applying for:
- A cover letter, including a statement of your expertise in terms of the needed topics (listed above);
- Your current resume/CV;
- Examples of previous presentations.

**Deadlines:**
To ensure the full consideration of your application, please apply at least 3 months before the professional development program is to be presented. For example, for the May 2009 presentation, please submit it by Feb 18th.

**Scheduled Presentation Timeline:**

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**Orientation for the UIUC-CALA IMLS Grant Project held on Jan. 23 in Denver**

In photos: Shali Zhang, CALA President; Shuyong Jiang, Project Coordinator; Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director; Barbara Ford, Susan Schnuer from Mortenson Center; Karen Wei, Lisa Zhao, Xudong Jin, CALA Committee members. (Photos by Sai Deng)
**Haipeng Li Joins Rutgers University**

Haipeng Li recently became the new Associate Director of the John Cotton Dana Library, on the Rutgers-Newark campus. He had served as reference librarian and outreach coordinator at the Oberlin College Library in Ohio, where he had worked for 16 years, and is a widely published author of books and articles in professional journals.

**The World Digital Library**

On April 21, 2009, the World Digital Library (WDL) was officially launched with 34 institutions and Google.

The World Digital Library (WDL) makes available on the Internet, free of charge and in multilingual format, significant primary materials from countries and cultures around the world.

**Site link: [http://www.wdl.org/en/](http://www.wdl.org/en/)**

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Haipeng has gained prominence here and abroad for his authoritative studies on United States academic libraries, information literacy initiatives, managing and fostering diversity, and global collaborations.

In the newly created post of Associate Director, Haipeng Li will oversee research support services for undergraduate and graduate students, coordinate personnel administration, and play a leadership role in library planning, assessment, and innovation. He will direct initiatives to expand outreach, engagement, collaborations, and fundraising for the Dana Library on campus, in New Jersey, nationally, and internationally.


Haipeng is newly elected as the executive director of the Chinese American Librarians Association and a past CALA president, taskforce chair, conference planning chair, and publications committee chair. He is also a member of the American Library Association nominating committee and served as a member of ALA's international relations committee and co-chair of the JCLC2012 Steering Committee.

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**Congratulations go to Karolyn S. Thompson**

Karolyn S. Thompson, President Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA)

Dear President Thompson:

On behalf of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), we would like to congratulate you on your election as the President of the Black Caucus of American Library Association (BCALA) in October 2008. You have set an agenda for the BCALA that will further enhance its scope and influence library services nationwide.

In the past decades, CALA has worked with colleagues in BCALA on many initiatives and projects, including JCLC 2006 and the upcoming JCLC 2012. We are facing many common challenges; working together, we will be able to find solutions and opportunities. We are looking forward to working with you during your presidential years.

Sincerely,
Sha Li Zhang, CALA President
Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director

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The last quarter-century has been devastating for Afghanistan with an uninterrupted period of invasions, civil wars and oppressive regimes. Libraries had been shut down, ruined or destroyed since 1979. Yan Han and Atifa Rawan, librarians at the University of Arizona Libraries (UAL), are rebuilding and restoring the country's academic libraries. In 2007 they were awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Grant, totaling nearly $300,000, on the proposal of “Preserving and Creating Access to Afghanistan Literature” in partnership with the Afghanistan Centre at Kabul University (ACKU). The grant covered the purchase of equipment, staff salaries, travel and other expenses. The ACKU’s permanent collection was built by Nancy Hatch Dupree, an internationally recognized expert on the history, art, culture and archaeology of Afghanistan. Mrs. Dupree has dedicated a lifetime to documenting and preserving Afghanistan’s cultural heritage. The collection is dedicated to this period of time with significant materials on Afghanistan and its people. For many of the youths in Afghanistan who grew up in camps outside of Afghanistan, the collection offers a glimpse into their country’s past and helps them develop greater understanding of their culture. In addition, by digitizing and gaining bibliographic control over this collection, the collection will become accessible for the first time to researchers, educators, and policy makers outside of the Middle East.

Rawan and Han are helping to catalog and digitize the center’s collection, and are also building a digital library infrastructure that the 19 universities in Afghanistan can eventually gain access to the digital information. This project is challenging. Electricity was not available all the time in the beginning of the project; quality scanners were not available; storage units were difficult to find. In 2007 Han found that only consumer-grade limited brand scanners were available from local computer stores, and no major computer companies such as Dell, IBM, and HP operated and provided services in Kabul.

During Yan Han’s visit to Dubai, United Arab of Emirates (UAE), the author found that Dubai had plenty of supplies for scanners and servers. Han and the ACKU staff purchased scanners and storage servers through Dubai in June 2007. It took 4 weeks to receive 4 Epson scanners, and a Dell storage server after placing the order. Currently Afghanistan’s postal system and logistics service companies such as FedEx are not reliable; delivery of files had to be completed in a different fashion. Whenever friends or visitors leave the country to go to Europe or the United States, they are approached for help to take the hard disks and mail them from these countries where logistics services are reliable. As of January 2009, the UAL team has received 7 hard disks consisting of 200,000 image files. Han and Rawan were originally scheduled to provide digitization training in Kabul in August 2007. Just a few weeks before their trip to Kabul, the 2007 South Korean hostage crisis occurred on July 19, 2007 when 23 South Korean missionaries were captured and held hostage by the Taliban. Due to the hostage crisis, they were asked to cancel their trip to Afghanistan. Knowing not to be able to hold any formal training in digitization would have had a huge negative impact upon the project, a creative idea by Han and Rawan emerged at an emergency meeting: why not try to schedule the digitization training in a different location, such as Dubai, providing passports and visas were available.

In August 2007 Han held a digitization training session with the ACKU staff in Dubai. (Continue to p. 12)
Haiwang Yuan Has Recently Published Two More Books on China

CALA Board Member Haiwang Yuan, Professor and Web Site & Virtual Library Coordinator of Western Kentucky University Libraries, has published two more books after his first titled *The Magic Lotus Lantern and Other Tales from the Han Chinese* (Libraries Unlimited, 2006). The most recent one is *Celebrate Chinese New Year*, which is one of National Geographic’s children series “Holidays around the World.” In the capacity of a consultant, Yuan co-authored the book with famed writer Carolyn Otto. The book “explains the significance of the Chinese New Year traditions and captures the festive mood with lively prose and spectacular illustrations.” Prior to this book, Yuan published his *Princess Peacock and Tales from Other Peoples of China* (Libraries Unlimited, 2008). By offering a folklore tale representing each of China’s 55 minority ethnic groups, *Princess Peacock* fills a gap as folklore of these minorities is often obscure and difficult to find in the English-speaking world. This book is a companion to Yuan’s *The Magic Lotus Lantern*.

In another development, Haiwang Yuan has been listed in Marquis’s 2009 edition of *Who’s Who in America* and currently serves on the editorial board for five-volume *Berkshire Encyclopedia of China* to be published soon.

For more information on Haiwang Yuan, please check the following Websites:  

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**ISO standard working group – participation**

Yan Han was recommended by the American Library Association (ALA) and National Information Standards Organization (NISO) to be on an International Standard Organization (ISO) working group to create an international standard on Digital Object Identifiers (DOI) to facilitate the management of digital content.

The proposed standard (ISO committee draft 2632 (TC46/SC9 N475)) will complement existing ISO identifier schema such as ISBN or ISSN, and can accommodate other identifiers to enhance interoperability across digital networks. From 2006 to 2008, the working group held meetings to discuss comments and issues. In April 2008 the draft was approved for distribution as a Draft International Standard (DIS), after voting by ISO’s national bodies. Following ISO’s procedures, the working group addressed all comments that were received with the ballot, and all revisions requested for a DIS were finalized and submitted to ISO by the end of June 2008. ISO completed the voting for DOI (Digital Object Identifier) working standard. There are 19 Yes votes, 1 No vote, and 5 abstentions. The voting results meet the ISO requirements for advancement of the standard to DIS stage. The final standard may be published in 2009 or 2010.

by Yan Han

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(Continued from p. 11) The staff then went back to the ACKU and trained other staff. In June 2008, Han traveled to Kabul for site visit and training. He helped to ensure a non-virus environment and provided instructions to correct problematic scanning issues. Han and Atifa continue to use Skype, YouTube, and emails to communicate with ACKU staff on a daily basis to provide additional ongoing training and consultation.
UC San Diego Librarian and Asian Film Expert Jim Cheng Receives Fulbright Award

“Mover & Shaker” Librarian to Complete Quintessential Resource on Chinese Film Studies

Jim Cheng, head librarian at UC San Diego’s International Relations & Pacific Studies (IR/PS) Library, has received a Fulbright Scholar grant to conduct research to complete his book on Taiwan film studies. The book, An Annotated Bibliography for Taiwan Film Studies, is a sequel to his previous book, An Annotated Bibliography for Chinese Film Studies. His research will be conducted at the Chinese Taipei Film Archive Library, the National Central Library, and the National Taiwan University Library for three months starting in fall 2009.

Cheng, who is one of approximately 1,100 U.S. faculty and professionals who will travel abroad through the Fulbright Scholar Program, is an authority on Asian film, and has built an unparalleled collection of East Asian films at UCSD’s IR/PS Library. Last year, Cheng was recognized by Library Journal as a “Mover & Shaker” in the library world for his innovative work in building the UCSD Libraries’ premier Asian film collection, as well as a film festival and symposium series. Thanks in large part to Cheng’s efforts, the IR/PS Library is recognized as having the best collection of Chinese underground and independent films in the world. The collection, which also includes posters, comprises films from both South and North Korea, Japan, and those focusing on the Chinese Cultural Revolution.

“While the field of Chinese film studies has mushroomed in the global academic community over the last decade and faculty at UC San Diego and other institutions are increasingly using popular media for teaching purposes,” said Cheng, “authoritative bibliographic source materials have been lacking. My ultimate goal is to create the most comprehensive and objective bibliography for Taiwan film studies, covering a wide range of perspectives, including some of the more controversial issues, such as government censorship and Japanese and mainland Chinese influence during and after the colonial period.”

While in Taiwan, Cheng will also meet with scholars and film directors to organize a future Taiwan Film Symposium at UC San Diego and also plans to meet with film vendors who can help to expand UCSD’s Taiwan film collection, which currently holds more than 200 titles. Under Cheng’s leadership, the IR/PS Library has sponsored numerous Asian film festivals, including a film festival held last year showcasing the films of North and South Korea, which broke new diplomatic as well as cinematic ground.

Cheng, who has served as head of the IR/PS Library since 2002, holds M.A. degrees in library and information science and comparative literature from the University of Washington. He received his B.A. in Chinese language and literature from Fudan University in Shanghai. Before joining the UC San Diego Libraries, Cheng held librarian positions at the University of Iowa, New York University, and the University of Washington.

The IR/PS Library, one of nine libraries at UC San Diego, is an essential intellectual resource for East Asian scholars and students and supports research and teaching at UCSD’s School of International Relations & Pacific Studies (IR/PS). Last year IR/PS, the only school of international affairs in the UC system and the only school of its kind to focus on the dynamic Pacific Rim region, celebrated its 20th anniversary.

The Fulbright Program, America’s flagship international educational exchange program, is sponsored by the United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Recipients of Fulbright awards are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. For further information about the Fulbright Program of the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, please visit: http://fulbright.state.gov

The UC San Diego Libraries, ranked among the top 25 public academic research libraries in the nation, play an integral role in advancing and supporting the university’s research, teaching, patient care, and public service missions. The nine libraries that comprise the UCSD Library system provide access to more than 7 million digital and print volumes, journals, and multimedia materials to meet the knowledge demands of scholars, students, and members of the public. Each day, more than 7,300 people stream through one of the university’s nine libraries, and the Libraries’ vast resources and services are accessed more than 87,500 times each day via the UCSD Libraries’ Web site (http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/newsrel/events/04-09Cheng.asp).
Dave Wang: Benjamin Franklin and the Great Wall of China

Dave Wang’s findings in the subject of the United States founding fathers and Chinese Civilization have attracted tremendous attention in the academic world. He has been invited to present his papers at international forums and conferences at New York, USA, Rome, Italy, and Lisbon, Portugal and some Universities in China.

His publications on traditional Chinese civilization and the United States have been recommended by the History Education Counsel of Hawaii State to be used as teaching texts in American History classrooms. This significant and clear endorsement indicates that his research has contributed to the education of younger generation in their studies of American history.

In the following, you will find the statement from Mr. Jeffrey Mead, the President of History Education Counsel of Hawaii, allied with the National History Education Counsel: “Dr. Wang's research and publications are recommended for Hawaii's history classrooms and for historians and history buffs in general. His insights on Chinese influences on the Founding Fathers of the United States should spark curiosity and discussion. We look forward to having Dr. Wang to speak in Hawaii.” You could read more about his work through the following links:

Honolulu Advertiser: http://www.honoluluadvertiser.com/article/20090311/GETPUBLISHED/903110400/-1


His research was also reported by New York Times. On January 29, 2009, New York Times introduced his research on Benjamin Franklin and China. You could find it through the following link http://ideas.blogs.nytimes.com/2009/01/29/franklin-and-china/. The editors believe that his research is “the most interesting writing we’ve come across lately on the Web”. Dr. Wang’s lecture schedule for 2009 is as below. He will make the presentation on Benj-min Franklin and the Great Wall of China in London in April 2009; more information on the lecture can be found from the following link, http://www.lecturelist.org/content/

Dr. Wang gave the presentation.

China Trade in Salem in the late June; Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and Chinese Classics in Las Vegas in July and the U.S. founding fathers and Chinese Culture in Beijing in September.

The influence of Dr. Wang’s study of Chinese civilization and the development of the United States also reached China in this Internet world. Following is the email from a Chinese University Professor;

王老师您好:
您在欧美学术界取得了这样惊人的,可喜的,巨大的成绩和影响力,我为您高兴,很荣幸能分享到您的成功的喜悦. 更为我们中国人骄傲!
正是由于您的研究和努力, 我们中华民族的悠久文明得以在欧美传播, 更多的人士才了解到我们祖辈的优秀文化对美国产生了如此深远的影响!
我做为中国人感谢您的研究和对我们我们自己的文化的传播! 我为您骄傲!
我下午有大三的美国文学课,我将把您的研究成果和您的学术成果,相关网站及您的影响力介绍给我的学生们. 让他们不仅学到知识,也为中国人而骄傲!
再次恭贺您!

Dave Wang with the Director Marcia and the Educational Manager of the House

Dr. Wang with some of his audience

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Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790) has been regarded as the sage transmitter of the Western European tradition to the early American way of life. He has been a great icon of American culture, embodying American ideals and dreams. My research on Benjamin Franklin and China, which as examined Franklin’s endured efforts to draw nourishment from Chinese civilization during the formative age of the United States, has attracted the attention from all over the world. Recently, the New York Times featured my studies of Benjamin Franklin, as can be seen through the following link: http://ideas.blogs.nytimes.com/2009/01/29/franklin-and-china/.

What was really inspiring was the invitation from the Benjamin Franklin House in London to do a presentation concerning how Franklin incorporated Chinese culture into early Colonial society in America. The said presentation can be seen through the following link: http://www.lecturelist.org/content/view_lecture/6359. Franklin lived in this house for nearly sixteen years between 1757 and 1775, and it now serves as a historical relic of the scientist, diplomat, philosopher, inventor, and Founding Father of the United States.

I was honored to be able to present my work in a place where Benjamin Franklin had once lived and worked. I tried to express to my audience my belief of how Benjamin Franklin was arguably the greatest American lover of the Great Wall of China. In 1756, Franklin built his own great wall in order to defend the Pennsylvania colonies in the French and Indian War (1754-1763). Later in 1760, Franklin recommended a great wall resembling that of China’s to safeguard the British Colonies in North America against possible outside attacks. Even later in 1776, Franklin counseled the French engineer responsible for the fortifications of George Washington’s revolutionary army to build a wall for shelter during the Revolutionary War (1775-1783) against the English empire. To further illustrate my point, I made this model of the great wall that Franklin built between the Delaware and Susquehanna Rivers, seen below.

I was impressed by so many fascinating questions from the floor. There are three questions that came to most audience mind: Did Franklin really build his great wall? Why did he build his wall? Did Franklin’s great wall really work?

Franklin’s great wall was built in 1756 when he was commander of the defensive force of 500 colonists in Pennsylvania. Franklin had them build a wall, a basic means of protection against the Indians and their French allies. In his letter to Samuel Rhodes, an old friend, in 1756, Franklin described his great wall in detail.

I relayed two basic reasons for Franklin’s wall: First, Franklin was concerned with the safety of the colonists. In his pamphlet, The Interest of Great Britain Considered published in 1760, Franklin had stated: “the security of our planters from the inroads of savages, and the murders committed by them—will not be obtained by such forts, unless they were connected by a wall like that of China, from one end of our settlements to the other.”

The second reason was to have fewer people on either sides of his wall being killed. Not only did Franklin want to save the lives on his side of the wall, he wished to end the bloodshed entirely. He wanted to use his wall as a tool of intimidation against the French and the Indians in the hope that they would end the violence.

As a Quaker, it was against his nature for Franklin to tolerate violence. He needed a plan that would be accepted by his fellow Quakers but which would also reduce the brutality. Franklin knew very well the situation he faced "Most of the members of the Assembly were Quakers. I had many opportunities to observe them. I saw how uncomfortable they were made by their principle against war… I had cause to believe that our plan to defend the country was agreeable to the Quakers—provided they were not required to take part. I found that a great number of them were clearly in favor of fighting to defend something, though they were against starting a war." (From The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin).

But the big question is: did Franklin’s wall really work? The fact that Franklin recommended construction of the great wall twice—one in the French Indian War and another time in the Revolutionary War—suggested to us that his vision of a great wall was functional. In fact, his defensive wall of 1756 formed a huge obstacle for the Indians and their French allies. Based on testimony given by Williams Franklin (1731-1813), son of Benjamin Franklin, the Pennsylvanians were protected well by the wall. According to William Franklin, “the Enemy is not, nor ever was, in the Heart of the Country, having only molested the Frontier Settlements by their Parties.” Under the protection of Franklin’s wall, “the Inhabitants, who at first abandoned their Frontier Settlements, returned generally to their Habitations, and many yet continue, though not without some Danger, to cultivate their Lands…” (William Franklin to the Printer of The Citizen, 1757)

My answers to the three questions were welcomed by thunderous applause. My audience felt my presentation should be longer. They not only came from local area. A gentleman even told me that he had come all the way from Germany to listen to my lecture in London. I feel that my presentations on Benjamin Franklin and the Great Wall of China have opened new windows for people to view the history and culture he helped to create.
Born in Beijing, Professor Gee moved to Hong Kong at age six with her family, where she grew up hearing stories about her grandfather, Yuan Shikai...

Lehman Librarian Kauchen (Carol) Yuan Gee put her research skills to work last October when she traveled to China on a mission to chart her family tree. Family ties were severed in 1916 by the death of her grandfather, who became the first president of the Republic of China after the abdication of the nation's last emperor.

Professor Gee, who made the trip with genealogy researcher Janey Chao, a professor at Baruch College, is scheduled to present her work at the Mid-Manhattan Library on Saturday, March 7, at 2:30 p.m. on the sixth floor of the library.

Born in Beijing, Professor Gee moved to Hong Kong at age six with her family, where she grew up hearing stories about her grandfather, Yuan Shikai, and his many contributions to Chinese governance. He played a critical role in China's evolution from a monarchy, successfully negotiated the peaceful abdication of the last emperor of the Qing Dynasty and was the first president of the new republic from 1914-1916. Because he tried to revert the government back to a monarchy, with himself as the emperor, his reputation became mired in controversy after his death.

During China's Cultural Revolution, Shikai was branded as a cruel, ruthless, and selfish man whose only aspiration was to be the emperor. Members of his family were ostracized, forced out of their jobs, and sentenced to hard labor; some were banished to Mongolia. Born thirty years after his death, Professor Gee can still recall how the history books of the time portrayed her grandfather in a less than favorable light.

In recent years, though, China's views of its first president have changed, mostly for the better. Historians have revisited Shikai's legacy and determined that his contributions far outweighed his failings—which is why Professor Gee decided that now was the time to rediscover her family's history and help mend the family tree. With the help of her cousin Yin Chengzu, a prominent hydraulic architect who lives in China, she was able to track down many surviving family members. Professors Gee and Chao visited many parts of China, including Beijing, Tianjin, Shanghai, Hefei, Yuan's ancestral home in Xiangcheng, Henan, and his tomb in Anyang. Together, they collected research materials, took hundreds of photographs, and interviewed about thirty relatives.

Professor Gee admits that before setting off on the trip she was concerned about how she would be received. "In China, people are generally reserved about speaking to strangers, and they do not express their thoughts and ideas openly," she explains. "I was very pleased to find, however, that my relatives were not only happy to meet me, but they were eager to share with me their life stories without hesitation or reservation."

Overall, she was impressed by the warm reception she received not only from members of her family but also from Chinese officials. During her visit to Henan, she found many people there still revered and respected her grandfather. The local government treated her and Professor Chao with generous hospitality and escorted them around the city for a week.

From two museums built in President Yuan's honor, they gathered original documents about the family's history, anecdotes, and secrets, in addition to valuable pictures of ancestors. Returning home, they spent weeks sorting materials to create a large online Yuan ancestral file. Professor Gee is currently writing a paper summarizing the findings of their trip for presentation this May at the fourth international conference of the World Confederation of Institutes and Libraries for Chinese Overseas Studies. Eventually they hope to publish their research, including many oral history interviews with Yuan survivors, as a commemoration of the Yuan family and contribution to modern Chinese social and political history.
Distinguished Service Award:

A Letter from Prof. Ma

Motivated by the good fortune of being the recipient of this important award. I accept it with gratitude and a deep sense of humility.

I was recommended for this award by three most distinguished librarians, Dr. Hwa-wei Lee, Professor Tzu-chung Li, and Professor Ching-chih Chen, who are all previous recipients of this award. To fill their shoes is indeed very difficult. I know where the shoe pinches. I must learn to put the shoe on the right foot.

Ever since I came to this country in 1947 for advanced studies in universities, I have been deeply impressed by the richness of library collections in American universities. Later I had the good fortune to become a professional librarian and worked in three leading universities --- Columbia, Cornell, and Stanford--- and the New York Public Library. I realize how important libraries are to universities, to society, to the whole world, and to the future of humanity.

Even before the United States and the People's Republic of China established formal diplomatic relations in 1979, I had been observing the development of university libraries in China. For a long period of time China had many difficulties and unfavorable circumstances. They deserved our respect and need our help.

CALA has done a great deal to help librarians in China. Many CALA members have made very significant contributions to the development of libraries in China. They are playing an important role in the cultural relations between the U.S. and China.

The Books for China Project, which I founded about four years ago, also tries to follow the steps of CALA. But the project is an all-volunteer organization with very limited resources. Although we have shipped more than 100,000 volumes of books to university libraries in China since 2005, in view of their needs, our contributions are quite inadequate. The CALA Award Committee has been so kind as to consider this project as a success. I must share this award with all of you and thank you for your encouragement and support with all my heart.

Thank you very, very much.

John Ma

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Dorothy In-lan Wang Li was Awarded a Doctor of Laws Honoris Causa

Dorothy In-lan Wang Li was awarded a Doctor of Laws honoris causa by the John Marshall Law School on January 18, 2009.

Li is a life member of CALA and served as CALA Mid-West Chapter President (1986-1987).

From 1982 to 1987 Li was the associate director of the Louis L. Biro Law Library, John Marshall Law School, before her move to New York. She returned to Chicago several years later and re-joined the library in 1992 as director. She served in that position until her retirement in 2006.

Under Li's direction the Chicago Bar Association (CBA) and the law school meshed their collections. She recognized the changes in technology and retired the old card catalogue, making on-line databases and searchable materials available in the library. She received recognition from various library associations for her work, and was presented the Agnes and Harvey T. Reid Award for Outstanding Contributions to Law Librarianship from the Chicago Association of Law Libraries.

Li continues to serve the law school as co-director of the Asian Alliance Program. A native of China, Li was raised in Taiwan and received a law degree from National Taiwan University before coming to the United States. Li has been the law school's emissary to the People's Republic of China and its State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) since John Marshall first agreed in 1993 to train Chinese attorneys. Today more than half of the attorneys on the SIPO staff have attended John Marshall.

Li has now expanded the program to include training Chinese judges from various provinces and developed exchanges with Taiwan. As co-director of the Asian Alliance Program, Li coordinated outreach efforts to China between John Marshall and the Chicago Sister Cities Program and the US Department of State.
6/30/2008 Monday 8:00-10:00 am

HYATT Commodore Board-room

ALA 2008 Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA

Board of Directors present: Dora Ho, Shuyong Jiang, Xudong Jin, Vincci Kwong, Ester Lee, Mengxiong Liu, Zhijia Shen, Dajin Sun, Sally Tseng, Amy Tsiang, Karen Wei, Bin Zhang, Sha Li Zhang, Liana Zhou

Absence Requested: Min Chou, Nancy Sun Hershoff, Jiun Kuo, Haipeng Li, Yongyi Song, Zheng Wang, Hong Xu, Jen-chien Yu, Haiwang Yuan

Guests: Suhua Fan and Nora Yeh also attended the meeting. Ms. Fan represented Ms. Hanrong Wang, CALA SE Chapter President.

I. Sha Li Zhang called the meeting to order. The first item on the agenda was the transitions and inauguration of new president/officials. Dora passed the CALA seal to Sha Li Zhang.

II. Sha Li welcomed all the new board members, and each atten-dee did the self-introduction.

III. The meeting agenda was moved by Dora Ho, and seconded by Bin Zhang, and was approved anonymously.

IV. President’s Report

V. Other Issues

A. The 2008/2009 CALA president, ShaLi Zhang, then reported to the board the CALA 2008 Conference Program. The annual program was a success owing to the Program Committee members hard work to recruit speakers. It provided a platform of introduc-ing to a large audience about the series of China – U.S. Library conference from 1996 to 2007 by the keynote speaker Dr. Beverly Lynch, the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Program by Haipeng Li, Librarians’ Exchange programs between the libraries in China and the Ohio State University Libraries by Trisha Davis, and the Summer Librarian Program with librarians from China at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign by Lian Ruan. The theme of this year’s program is “global outreach.”

The promoting efforts were also successful. Despite the inconvenient meeting site, the program attracted a large audience. It was agreed by board members that we should explore more ways to get out words about the program and CALA. We can put on ALA newsletter, promote through the listserv.

B. Goals and Plans for 2008-2009. ShaLi emphasized that we should look into the CALA Strategic Plan and try to tie our activities to the five goals set forth in the CALA Strategic Plan and encourage younger members and use of the new technology. We will continue to do the projects for CALA and institutionalized them so they will last.

It was discussed the current activities and projects, such as CALA delegations to Library Society of China annual programs, CALA 21st Century Seminars. Another goal of CALA is to increase CALA membership, including retentions and renewing the current members and encouraging student members. CALA also should provide educational and professional opportunities for its members. And last but not least, CALA should advocate its organization and activities.

C. CALA 2008-2009 Budget Proposal. ShaLi provided the draft of the budget, and some corrections were made. The Budget was modified to add board spending and travel support for CALA members. After revision, the budget will include earthquake funding, as there is still more funds to be added upon the report from CALA treasurer. Board members discussed how to recruit new members. It was suggested that CALA membership should open to a broader audience not just Chinese Americans. The proposed budget was received favorably by the Board. However, due to the lack of quorum at the meeting, the budget proposal will be voted via online in a later date.

D. Appointment of Committees and Task Forces. There will be a couple of continuing taskforces, including the CALA 21st Seminar Taskforce.

E. New Initiatives. Some new initiatives will be established, including the taskforces for earthquake, financial planning, and CALA Travel Grant to set up criteria and selection process.

F. Resolutions. The Board review the documents for Endorsing the City of Palo Alto’s 11/2008 $72 Million Library Bond Measure. Due to insufficient members attended, the board did not vote for this endorsement, but suggest to conduct an online voting.

Taken and submitted by

Shuyong Jiang in place of Haipeng Li
CALA Board Meetings

ALA 2008 Annual Conference, Anaheim, CA

CALA Board (2007-2008) Meeting Minutes III
6/28/2008 Saturday 7-9:00 pm
Hilton Exec. Bld Rm.

Board of Directors present: Dora Ho, Haipeng Li, Sha Li Zhang, Maggie Wang, Yongyi Song, Ying Xu, Xudong Jin, Nancy Hershoff, Songqian Lu, Limna Yu, Anchi Hoh, Shuyong Jiang, Priscilla Yu, Lisa Zhao, Karen Wei, Zhijia Shen.

Absence requested: Min Chou, Jian Kuo, Hanrong Wang, Amy Jiang, Zheng Wang

Guests: Suhua Fan (in place of Hanrong Wang), Mario Gonzalez, Miguel Garcia, Gang Wan, Mari Nakahara.

I. President Dora Ho called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. She asked that everyone introduce him/herself first, board members and guests.

II. No meeting minutes for the Board meeting at ALA midwinter on January 12, 2008 in Philadelphia were submitted for Board’s approval.

III. Dora Ho then asked the board to discuss the agenda to see if there were questions before the approval. Haipeng Li stated that there was an action item from the membership committee on membership directory migration which should be added to the agenda and so we did. Mario Gonzalez, the ALA Exe. Board liaison to CALA was added to the agenda for a report. Dora Ho then called for a motion to approve the agenda. It was moved by Haipeng Li and seconded by Sha Li Zhang. Votes were taken and the agenda was approved.

Mario did his report on behalf of ALA Exe. Board on the following:
1. He appreciated CALA for contributing $1,000 to the ALA One Nation, Many Voices program;
2. He reported that the ALA Council is looking at shrinking the ALA annual conferences as over the years the annual conference has gotten bigger and bigger. This will have impact on all ALA affiliated library organizations, including CALA for programming. The change will not happen until 2010. CALA should provide feedback on this to ALA if any.
3. ALA is implementing a new interface for its website for easier user and better access. Please take a look at www.al.org and provide feedback.
4. Tuesday the 2 is Legislative Day. Please advocate for libraries online.
5. This year, ALA has created a Membership Pavilion to attract new members and provide information on membership issues. Over 50 volunteers had been solicited. Please stop by if you can.
6. ALA and Friends of Libraries USA (FOLUSA) have agreed that FOLUSA will provide executive management for the Association of Library Trustees and Advocates (ALTA) for a period of 12-months ending August 31, 2008, with the expectation that FOLUSA and ALTA will seek to combine into an expanded division of the ALA on August 31, 2008. This is really a marriage between Friends and Libraries.

IV Committee Recommendations

Finance Committee
The Finance Committee is proposing to help members to attend conferences and is recommending to the Board to approve $2,000 annually to establish four Conference Grants for four active members to attend ALA Annual conferences. Each Conference Grant is to be $500 per person. This may particularly help those who do not receive funding form their employers but need to fulfill their duties for CALA. The Board thought this was a great suggestion. The motion to allocate $2,000 annually to establish four Conference Grants was raised by Mengxiong Liu and seconded by Ying Xu. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

Handbook Committee
Dora stated that the handbook will become an official document for CALA officers. It has been revised, with feedback incorporated, and still being worked on with updates. Nancy Hershoff suggested that the Board adopt the current version as needed under the supervision of the Exe. Director. The amendment was moved by Nancy Hershoff and seconded by Linna Yu. The Board voted on it and the motion passed. Dora thanked the Handbook Committee for a job well done.

Membership Committee
The Membership Committee had done a great job in the designing of the new website which is about ready to launch. The Committee is still looking for feedback on improving access to the information on the web, such as sorting membership info by type of institution. The Board thought it was a good idea. Nancy Hershoff moved that we migrate the membership database online from the access to membership information, seconded by Shuyong Jiang. The Board’s approval was unanimous. Mengxiong Liu offered to work on the committee to form the guidelines for these grants.

Public Relations/Fundraising Committee
Anchi Hoh, Chair of the Public Relations/Fundraising Committee, gave a brief report on the committee work. She focused on the recommendations from the committee on the following document (see committee report on CALA website):
Donation Guidelines
Guidelines for Advertisements in CALA Publications
Voting was conducted and the Board approved the guidelines.

Publications Committee
The committee recommends that the CALA OPS (Occasional Paper Series) embrace the open access concept. Mengxiong Liu moved that CALA embrace the open access concept for OPS in principle. Nancy Hershoff seconded it. Voting was conducted and the motion carried.

Self Study Assessment Task Force
A report was submitted by the Task Force, appointed by Dora this year. As some of the recommendations from the Task Force were in duplication with the Strategic Planning recommendations approved by the Board last year, Haipeng Li suggested that we go back to the Strategic Planning document and compare the two against each other. Haipeng moved that the president next year appoint a task force to carry out the comparison and identify priorities and recommend areas of needed action. Ying Xu seconded the motion. The Board voted on it and approved it.

Web Committee
The Web Committee made a similar recommendation as the one from the Membership Committee that we move the membership directory online. After some discussions, Haipeng Li moved that access to online membership directory be limited to CALA members in good standing only. Nancy Hershoff seconded the motion. Voting was done and the motion was approved. Sha Li Zhang also moved that the new CALA website be launched after the ALA annual. (Continue to p. 20)
(Continued from p. 19) which was seconded by Mengxiong Liu.

The Board then voted and approved it. The Diversity Report was deferred to the Monday meeting.

Haipeng Li then reported on the JCLC 2012 planning process. He informed that the year had been determined as 2012, and site selection discussion is in progress. Soon the JCLC 2012 Steering Comm. will send out calls for volunteers to serve on JCLC committees. He encouraged board members to take the lead to represent CALA and serve on these committees.

Dora Ho issued a moment of silence for the earthquake victims in China.

Old Business
Sichuan Earthquake Relief Fund
Discussion around the earthquake relief fund issue continued. Maggie Wang, the CALA Treasurer, reported that so far the fund had grown to over $8,700 including donations from all fronts and $500 from the CALAMW Chapter. The Board had already approved online that CALA will work with the Library Society of China in the distribution of the funds. A recommendation was also made for CALA to contribute $1,000 to the fund. Such motion was called by Priscilla Yu and seconded by Linna Yu. Voting was conducted and the motion passed. (Continue to p. 21)
CALA Board Special Online Meeting 2008-2009

July 29 through August 7, 2008

Special Meeting on CALA Procedures.

The special online meeting for the CALA Board of Directors was conducted from July 29 through August 7, 2008. Sha Li Zhang, president of CALA, presided over the meeting and presented the motion from the Executive Committee to the Board.

The motion read: The CALA Board endorse the decision made by the CALA Executive Committee that Ms. Dora Ho was no longer authorized to represent CALA when she sent out the e-mail message on July 3, 2008 as her term as the CALA President (2007-2008) expired on Monday, June 30, 2008 (this decision was announced to the CALA Listserv on July 8, 2008) and to assure that all CALA businesses will be conducted according to the CALA Constitution, Bylaws, and operational procedures.

Voting was conducted and here is the result:
Among the 26 eligible meeting participants, twenty-four (24) Yes votes were received and two (2) members were absent from the meeting. Therefore, the motion carries and the Executive Committee’s decision on July 8, 2008 was endorsed by the Board of Directors.

Sha Li thanked all board members for their participation in this process.

Respectfully submitted,
Haipeng Li
CALA Interim Executive Director
August 8, 2008

(Continued from p. 20) Dora Ho had already sent a letter to the LSC. Sha Li Zhang will appoint a special task force to work on the earthquake related issue. Nancy Hershoff suggested that letters from the president on the CALA letter head should be issued to donors and indicate that CALA is a non-profit organization.

New Business

Haipeng Li announced the great news that Sha Li Zhang headed a team at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro to win a sizable grant ($862,014) from the Institute of Museum and Library Services on diversity recruitment to the profession. We are all proud of her as a CALA member and officer. Congratulations, Sha Li!

Anchi Hoh also announced the Florence Tan Moeson Fellowship Program at the Asian Division at the Library of Congress. She encouraged CALA members to apply. For more information, please contact Anchi Hoh at adia@loc.org. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Haipeng Li
7-8-08

August 11 through August 15, 2008

Special Meeting II on CALA’s Endorsement for the Palo Alto’s Libraries request for more funding from the City of Palo Alto to improve library services.

The special online meeting II for the CALA Board of Directors, was conducted from August 11 through August 15, 2008. As Sha Li Zhang, president of CALA, was out of town at the IFLA conference, Xudong Jin, CALA Vice President, presided over the meeting and led the voting process.

Just a note that this was unfinished business from the Monday morning meeting on June 30, 2008 in Anaheim. The Board at that meeting had a discussion and favored the resolution, but because of the lack of quorum, the Board did not vote on it. So this meeting is a continuation from that.

The Palo Alto Libraries resolution was presented to the Board again. Min Chou amended the resolution by incorporating information on CALA into the document. The amendment was accepted. She also made the suggestion that we enclose CALA’s brochure to send with the endorsement as a way to promote CALA. The suggestion was also favored by the Board.

Voting started on at 11:18 a.m. on August 13, 2008. The Board consists of 27 members and the quorum needs to be 14, with the understanding that some members are out of town. Out of the 27 members, 23 votes were received which were all YES votes. There were zero NO votes. Therefore, the CALA Board has approved unanimously the emended resolution to endorse the City of Palo Alto’s November 2008 $72 million library bond measure, and the community’s commitment to modernize its public library facilities and services. ….

September 8 through September 19, 2008

Special Meeting III on Approving the 2008-2009 Proposed Budget

The special online meeting III for the CALA Board of Directors, was conducted from September 8 through September 19, 2008 to approve the CALA 2008-2009 Proposed Budget. Sha Li Zhang, President of CALA, called the meeting to order online, presided over the meeting and led the voting process.

This was unfinished business from the Monday morning meeting on June 30, 2008, in Anaheim. The Board at that meeting had discussed this agenda item and made some suggestions. Sha Li incorporated the suggestions into the proposal which she presented to the Board for approval. Haipeng Li made the motion to approve the budget, and Min Chou seconded the motion. Sha Li then called for voting which started on September 10, 2008 and ended on September 19, 2008.

Out of the 27 Board members, 23 voted YES, with the understanding that some members were absent from the meeting. There were zero NO votes, therefore, the CALA Board has approved unanimously the 2008-2009 Proposed Budget.

Sha Li thanked all board members for their participation in this process on September 22, 2008.

Respectfully submitted by:
Haipeng Li
September 22, 2008
Many CALA activities since July 2008 have concentrated in the following key strategic areas that are outlined in the CALA Strategic Plan:

1. Strive for organizational excellence More than 140 CALA members, new and experienced, are enthusiastically volunteering their time and efforts to serve on 16 CALA committees, four special taskforces, and four standing positions in 2008-2009.

CALA Board of Directors unanimously approved the 2008-2009 CALA budget proposal which was closely connected with the CALA projects and initiatives outlined on the CALA 2010 Strategic Plan. The new CALA web site was launched in early fall 2008 at [http://cala-web.org](http://cala-web.org). Though it may take some time to complete the entire migration to transfer all materials from the old web site to the new one, the added features and functionalities on the new web site started showing benefits.

The partnership between the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Libraries (UIUC), and the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) has won the IMLS Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program grant of $499,895.00. This grant project will work with the Library Society of China (LSC) to promote Chinese, American, and international librarianship. This is an excellent opportunity for CALA members to get involved and to participate in several components of the grant project.

Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, is co-chairing the JCLC 2012 Steering Committee. Planning for the conference is moving along very well. This will also help with CALA’s visibility in the U.S. to promote issues of diversity in the profession. The JCLC 2012 Steering Committee has selected the conference year in 2012 and Kansas City, Missouri for the location for the conference. Like JCLC 2006, JCLC 2012 will be another great opportunity of professional development for CALA members. CALA members are encouraged in participation and involvement in the event.

A congratulatory letter from Sha Li Zhang, CALA President, and Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, was sent on behalf of CALA to the third Reforma National Conference held in El Paso, Texas in September 2008. Sha Li Zhang also presented a paper at the conference.

A congratulatory letter from Sha Li Zhang and Haipeng Li was sent on behalf of CALA to Professor Karolyn Thompson, newly elected president of Black Caucus of ALA wishing her successful presidential years.

Ongoing communications with CALA members on important issues were conducted through online meetings, regular CALA Updates columns, CALA listserv, CALA Newsletter, conference calls, etc. to keep the membership informed.

Three CALA press releases were issued through various venues to help promote and project CALA’s accomplishments to broad library media.

2. Become a leader in global reach initiatives A special CALA taskforce on the 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series Project was appointed for the second term to plan, coordinate, and facilitate the seminar program. Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, is leading the taskforce.

Since July 2008, CALA has conducted three successful seminar programs on the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series in China. The three CALA leaders are Haiwang Yuan for the seminars in Kunming on July 10-13, Shuyong Jiang in Wuhan on October 23-25, and Diana Wu in Taipei on November 10-14, 2008. 14 CALA members participated in these events as presenters, with more than 300 attendees at the three sites. We were proud that CALA President Jim Rettig was able to join one of the seminars at the Kunming University of Science and Technology. In his blog, which is viewed by many ALA members, Mr. Rettig indicated his appreciation for CALA for the opportunity and shared some of the impressions that he learned on Chinese librarianship, his interactions with Chinese colleagues, and his visits to other parts of China. ALA President-Elect Camila Alire has also expressed her willingness to participate in the program. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise CALA’s visibility among library associations in the U.S. All information on the three seminars is complete on the program’s website at [http://tigger.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/project/2008/2008.shtml](http://tigger.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/project/2008/2008.shtml)

The CALA Taskforce on Rebuilding Libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China, chaired by Sally C. Tseng, CALA Honorary Executive Director, has worked on its full speed. More than 160 individuals and organizations sent the donations of more than $20,000 to support the rebuilding library projects, the largest fundraising effort in CALA’s history. Medical Library Association (MLA) donated $5,000 to CALA for the cause. The Library Society of China (LSC) and CALA signed a MOU that LSC will assist CALA to distribute the first $10,000 donations to the immediate family members of a library staff who was killed during the massive earthquakes on May 12 2008 and to the injured library staff to help with their medical needs. (Continue to p.23)
Publications Committee

DATE: 12 Jan. 2009

MEMBER ROSTER:
Chairpersons: Hong Mia Bassham
Members: Zuo Wang, Yanjuan Zhu, Lorna Tang, Nancy Hershf, Shuj Liu, Junlin Pan, Yunshan Ye,
Ex-officios: Min Chou, Judy Jeng, Priscilla Yu, Sai Deng, Elaine Dong, Songqian Lu

IS THIS AN Interim or annual REPORT? Interim

LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE LAST REPORT:

To recommend the appointments of the OPS editors to the Board
The terms for the current OPS Editor-in-Chief and four members of the OPS Editorial Board will end in June 2009. As per Executive Committee of the Board, the committee issued a call for the CALA OPS editor and the editorial board members. The effort has been made to reach out to qualified members to become OPS editor-in-chief and Editorial Board members.

To revise OPS Editorial Guidelines
The committee is currently working to revise the existing OPS Editorial Guidelines and requirements to ensure continuation and smooth transition of the OPS and to establish a more open process for recruiting editors. This task is in process. A revised draft will be submitted to the Board before the Mid-Winter Meeting 2009.

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Second issue of CALA Occasional Paper Series (OPS) published
The committee would like to acknowledge the contributions to the publication by Judy Jeng, the current OPS editor-in-chief. The second issue of the OPS was published in November 2008. This publication will continue to offer CALA members an opportunity to publish a variety of research productions of both scholarly and practical significance.

The OPS Call for Papers
The OPS Editor issued a call for paper submissions in December 2008.

Action Item for the Board
Approval of proposed revision to the OPS Editorial Guideline
Miao Hong, on behalf of the Publications Committee

(Continued from p.22) A delegation of CALA (Guoqing Li, Lian Ruan, and Sha Li Zhang) participated in the Library Society of China (LSC) Annual Conference held in Chongqing, China, October 27 - 31, 2008. Sha Li Zhang was invited to offer congratulatory remarks at opening ceremony of the LSC Annual Conference held in Chongqing, China, October 27 - 31, 2008. Sha Li Zhang was invited to offer congratulatory remarks at opening ceremony of the LSC Annual Conference held in Chongqing, China, October 27 - 31, 2008.

3. Enhance services to CALA membership
A special taskforce on the CALA Travel Grant Guidelines was appointed and charged to develop the appropriate procedures to guide the CALA Travel Grant applications. The proposal was already submitted to the Board for discussion and an approval at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in January 2009. The grant intends to provide up to four $500 travel grants each year to CALA members for their professional development activities. If all goes well, the call for applying the grants will be out in spring 2009.

The Membership Committee started membership drive early this year. More than 690 letters with a CALA calendar was sent out in December 2008 to encourage membership renewal. More than 280 dropped members were also contacted for coming back through mailing.

The Mentorship Committee made much progress on recruitment. Five new CALA members were matched with the experienced CALA members. The committee is expanding the program to all new members and the CALA scholarship recipients.

4. Provide educational opportunities
Two outstanding CALA members, Shuhua Liu and Anna Xiong, were selected to participate in the ALA 2009 Emerging Leaders Program. Both Shuhua and Anna were at the Program during the ALA Midwinter Meeting in January 2009. Shuhua and Anna also selected to evaluate and assess the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Series as their program project. CALA has provided the funds to assist them to participate in the program.

The Palo Alto Library Measure N was passed during the 2008 November election. Nearly 70 percent of voters supported the bond measure which would fund Palo Alto library improvements to three of the city’s five library branches.

Respectfully submitted by:
Sha Li Zhang, CALA President
Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director

Min Chou, the newly appointed English
JLIS Editorial Board

DATE: 1/10/2009

MEMBER ROSTER:
Min Chou (Chairperson), Xuemin Bao, Nancy Hershoff, Manuel Urrizola, Mark Winston, Sha-Li Zhang (ex-officio), Mengxiong Liu (ex-officio), Hong Miao (ex-officio), and Mia Bassham (ex-officio)

IS THIS AN Interim or annual REPORT? _X_ Interim __Annual

LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE LAST REPORT:
The new editorial board started the work right after the announcements of the chairperson/English Editor and the editorial board members were announced in July 2008. This is a very strong editorial board; everyone is very capable, supportive, collaborative, and committed to the work. Busy with many other professional commitments, everyone has demonstrated genuine efforts to keep JLIS work moving forward – from soliciting manuscripts to recruiting referees, to manuscript review process. The editorial board also focused on improving the process to make the editorial work more systematic and efficient in the future. Briefly listed below please find what we have achieved thus far:

1. Updated CALA JLIS website Information on CALA website regarding JLIS has been updated. The JLIS website hosted by NTNU still has the old information. The chairperson will contact the NTNU editors to update the information. A password authenticated site on CALA web has also been created for editorial board members to access committee documents and reports.

2. Vigorously promoted the Journal and Solicited papers We sent out call for papers twice, in July and December 2008. As we continue to cover the regular base of readership which is CALA members and friends, we also reached out to colleagues in many national and international library organizations, such as IFLA, ACRL-NJ, VALE-NJ, ALA world AALL Asian caucus, APALA and other ALA ethnic caucuses, and more, to promote the Journal and to solicit submissions.

3. Actively recruited reviewers Since the Journal is a peer reviewed publication, reviewers play a very important role in keeping the quality of manuscripts. To date, we have recruited 15 reviewers for the Journal. We will continue to expand the pool to have 25-30 reviewers.

4. Thoroughly reviewed manuscripts We have received two papers in August, one paper in October, one paper in November, and four papers in December. Review process usually takes about two to three months as reviewers have given valuable and constructive opinions and suggestions to authors for revision. So far, one paper has passed the review process and was sent to NTNU for publication, two papers were rejected, and all others are going through review process.

Future Recommendations:
Appointment/reappointment decisions for the chairperson and members of CALA JLIS Editorial Board should be made at least six months before the beginning of their new terms to ensure continuation and transition for the editorial work.

Action Item for the Board: Reappointment of editorial board member
The chairperson would like to recommend to CALA Board of Directors of the reappointment of Dr. Mark Winston as member of the CALA JLIS Editorial Board. His new three-year term will start from July 2009.

Respectfully submitted,
Min Chou
Membership Committee

**Member Roster:**
- Elaine Dong (Co-Chair)
- Songqian Lu (Co-Chair)
- Heather Huibin Cai
- Suhua Fan
- Rober W. Fernekes
- Jie Huang
- Denise Kwan
- Min Tong
- Hong Wang
- Lulu Zhuo Wang
- Linda Wen
- Zhixian Yi
- Bin Zhang

**Is this an interim or annual report?**
- X Interim report
- _ Annual report

**List significant activities the committee has done since last report:**
1. Formed three subcommittees to carry out the tasks of the committee:
   - Membership Directory Subcommittee
   - Membership Retention Subcommittee
   - Member Outreach Subcommittee

2. To retain and reach out to CALA members, we sent out greeting letters (with a welcome message to the new members, an acknowledgement and renewal-reminder for the active/life members, and a renewal-reminding message to the inactive members from 2003 to 2007) and 2009 magnet calendars to 692 CALA members in December 2008. The membership category breakdowns are as follows:

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In addition, the thanks letters and the 2009 magnet calendars have been sent to 10 vendors and organizations that have sponsored CALA Membership Directory and CALA activities.

3. As the result of our outreach efforts, we have received very positive response from our members. As of January 9, 2009, we received 24 new member applications, and 49 members renewed their membership including some members that have been inactive for many years.

4. Worked closely with CALA Web Committee in revising and updating Online Membership Directory and related web pages. We reported several problems and made several recommendations to the Web Committee, such as membership PayPal problem and broken links.

**List committee recommendations, if any, to the Board:**
1. To simplify the 2009 print version of CALA Membership Directory
   - Purpose: To reduce pages of the Directory and to protect privacy of our members and their security. This simplification will also reduce the print cost of the directory printing.
   - Rationale: Since the comprehensive Membership Directory is accessible on the CALA web site to all active CALA members now, it is not necessary to keep all information on the members on the print version, especially the members’ private information such as home address and phone number.
   - We suggest keeping only the following information for each entry on the 2009 print version of CALA Membership Directory:
     - English Name
     - Chinese Name
     - Institution Name
     - Work Phone Number
     - Email Address

2. To form a membership management system task force
   - Purpose: To research/investigate and implement a full-featured membership management system to manage the online CALA Membership Directory.
   - Rationale: The current system is hardly efficient. Some data formats on the online membership directory are not consistent and standardized, and some fields are unnecessary. The adding/updating process of new/renewing members has to be done manually and some steps are redundant. Charge of the task force:
     - Research the need (identify the data elements that need to be tracked)
     - Modify the data structure (i.e. fields) to accommodate the need
     - Identify and configure a membership management system (i.e. CiviCRM or other systems)
     - Implement the system
   - The core features of the new system should include:
     - Membership update completely through the web interface;
     - Financial transactions management (management of membership fees, donations and other payments completely from within the interface).

**Project time frame:**
- 2/09 – 3/09: Research the need (identify the date elements that need to be tracked)
- 4/09 – 5/09: Modify the data structure (i.e. fields) to accommodate the need
- 6/09 – 7/09: Identify, testing, and configure a membership management system
- 8/09 – 9/09: Implement the system

**Suggested members of the Task Force:**
- Bin Zhang (Co-Chair from the current Web Committee)
- Songqian Lu (Co-Chair from the current Membership Committee)
- Elaine Dong (Co-Chair from the current membership Committee)
- Shuxing Jiang (CALA treasurer)
- Shuyong Jiang (CALA treasurer)
- Wen Xi (he is the one who understands how the current and previous payment/PayPal procedures work)
- Heather Cai (member from the Membership Committee)
- Danial Xiao (member from the Web Committee)

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine Dong & Songqian Lu
Co-Chairs, CALA Membership Committee
Chapter Report from Southern California

Summer program. The 2008 ALA Annual Conference was held in Southern California. To show our hospitality, the SCA chapter sponsored a van tour to the Huntington Library and Botanic Gardens on June 30th for CALA members attending the ALA conference. The Huntington, founded in 1919 and opened to the public in 1928, is set amidst 120 acres of breathtaking gardens. Three art galleries and a library showcase magnificent collections of paintings, sculptures, rare books, manuscripts, and decorative arts. Highlights of the collection include the Ellesmere manuscript of Chaucer’s *The Canterbury Tales* (c.1410), a Gutenberg Bible (c.1455), Thomas Gainsborough’s masterpiece *The Blue Boy* (c.1770), Sir Thomas Lawrence’s *Pinkie* (1794), and Rogier van der Weyden’s *Madonna and Child* (15th century). The ground features the serenely beautiful Shakespeare garden, Japanese garden, desert garden, the newly-opened Chinese Garden, and much more. The botanical collection features over 14,000 different species of plants, and June was one of the prettiest months at the Huntington with all flowers blooming. Sally Tseng, Ying Xu, and Maggie Wang coordinated this one-day event. Ying Xu conducted the tour of the Huntington for the group. Sally Tseng provided personal transportation for those who booked late and wasn’t able to get a seat in the van. The group spent a lovely day enjoying the cultural treasures of the Huntington and dinner at a Chinese restaurant in the evening. CALA members who attended this event were very appreciative and many wrote to thank the SCA chapter. One of the notes reads: “I felt fortunate and was very happy to know you through the Huntington Library tour. I was very impressed by your thoughtful consideration and attentiveness. The library, the scenery, the tasty Chinese food, and especially your generosity gave me a profound memory which will last for a long, long time.”

CALA Awards Banquet during ALA. Wenwen Zhang and Manuel Urizola served as MCs of the CALA Awards Banquet on June 31st. Both of them are known in Southern California for their successful experience hosting fund-raising events. They worked very hard preparing for this special, once-a-year evening of CALA. Wenwen Zhang donated many of the gift items to the banquet as door prizes. She also brought her personal Karaoke system to the Banquet so that CALA members could perform and sing during the evening. Other SCA members and Board officers also assisted and made their contributions: Maggie Wang, Yongyi Song, Kuei Chiu, and Jiaxun Wu provided transportation service for CALA members attending the CALA Program and the Chinese Banquet. Helen Tsai, Ling-ling Kuo, Zhuo Wang, Candice Mack served on the Local Arrangement Committee that organized the banquet.

Membership drive. SCA is successful in its membership drive this year, especially in recruiting life-members. As the newly-issued CALA 2007/2008 Membership Directory indicates, six people from SCA chapter became life members during May 2007 – July 2008, which marks the highest of all chapters. The new life members are: Kuei Chiu, Librarian, University of California Riverside; Cesar Caballero, Dean of Libraries, California State University San Bernardino; Ying Xu, Librarian, California State University Los Angeles; Wei Zhang, Librarian from Pasadena Public Library; Maggie Wang and Darren Braden, both are Librarians from Monterey Park City Library.

Report and pictures provided by: Yongyi Song, SCA President Ying Xu, SCA Secretary
Southeast Chapter Report

Prepared by
Hanrong Wang
President of Southeast Chapter
December 16, 2008

Hanrong Wang, President
Lili Li, Vice President
Li Zhang, Treasurer
Ying Zhang, Membership Officer

Below is a report which summarizes Southeast Chapter activities from 2007-2008.

1) Membership
There are thirty-six current members in Southeast Chapter, including nine new members, and nine life members. Dr. Hwa-Wei Li transferred his membership to SE Chapter according to his recent relocation.

2) Annual Activity
Primary discussions were held between officers on SE Chapter’s Annual Conference. A survey will be sent to members in order to decide further details of the conference.

3) Other Related Activities
a) Members working hard to strengthen the relationship & communication between CALA and China:

b) Members working hard in their professional areas including presentations, publications, and broadcasting CALA. These include but not limited to:

Dr. Chih Wang was selected and included in Who’s Who in America, 2009, for which his name was placed on the headline of the online World Journal, 08,1308 (A briefing was sent to CALA Newsletter for Fall, 2008). He is also admitted to Chinese-American Academic and Professional Association in Southeastern United States and participated in its 32nd Annual Conference held in Atlanta, GA on July 25-27, 2008. He also wrote and put out several Chinese essays:


Dr. Shali Zhang, as a principal investigator and project director with the University Libraries and the Department of Library and Information Studies at University of North Carolina at Greensboro, received a federal grant of $862,000 from the IMLS Laura Bush 21st century Librarian Program. The grant fund will help recruit twelve ethnic minority students into a two-year masters degree at the library and information science program at UNCG (http://www.uncg.edu/ure/news/stories/2008/jun/mls062608.htm). She also presented a lecture at the Chinese Librarians Summer Program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, “Collection Management and Challenges at U.S. University Libraries.” In September 2008, Dr. Zhang presented a paper at the Third Reforma National Conference in El Paso, Texas, “Equal Higher Educational Opportunity for All: a Survey on State Legislature Actions for Undocumented Students.” She contributed a paper to the 2008 Annual Conference of the Library Society of China held in Chongqing, China, “Recruiting Content for Institutional Repositories: A Case at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.” The paper received the first Prize Award from the conference (http://www.lsc.org.cn/CN/News/2008 10/Enable- Site_ReadNews1120725861225209600.html). She gave a presentation at the 2008 Annual Conference of the Library Society of China held in Chongqing, China, “CALA Volunteering Projects,” on behalf of CALA. Dr. Zhang represented CALA to participate in the 2008 Annual Conference of the Library Society of China held in Chongqing, China (http://www.lsc.org.cn/CN/News/2008/10/Enable- Site_ReadNews112072573122520...).


Northeast Chapter

DATE: January 10, 2009

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LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE THE LAST REPORT:
Two major activities highlighted the past six months:

1. On July 7, 2008, three librarians from Dongguan Library, China, visited New York City on their way home after the 2008 ALA Annual Conference in Anaheim, California. Their names were:

   Li Yingchang, Associate Director and Librarian
   Cai Bing, Assistant Director and Associate Librarian
   Zhang Lina, Assistant Librarian

   Songqian Lu, President of the CALA, Northeast Chapter, 2007-2008, arranged library tours for the above librarians at the New York Public Library and at the Queens Borough Public Library. She asked Maria Fung, the past President of the Northeast Chapter and the World Language Materials Specialist of the Brooklyn Public Library, to chaperone them on these visits.

   The librarians visited the Mid Manhattan Library and the Research Library in the morning and went to the Queens Library in Flushing in the afternoon. They were interested in learning about the general operations of public libraries in NYC.

   Fu Mei Yang, Head of the Mid Manhattan Library’s Health Information Department received the group at the Mid Manhattan Library. Xie Qi, Librarian at the Asian and Mid Eastern Division of the main New York Public Library, gave them a tour of the Research Library. Both NYPL librarians answered many questions in reference to collection development and customer services.

2. On Wednesday, 11/26/08, the Northeast Chapter partnered with the International Resource Center of the Flushing Community Library, including the International Resource Center. The group was especially impressed with the very busy customer flow there. Chi-Chun and Maria answered questions on ways to address issues on materials challenged, rotating collections, and material acquisitions for multiple locations. In exchange, we learnt about the Dongguan Library’s special services, such as their 24-hour service and book slot machines.

   The librarians found the visit both informative and interesting. They thanked the Northeast Chapter for helping them with such good arrangements.

   Following was another performance on six Chinese jade music instruments (including the pipa, erhu, and chin), brought over from Beijing by the China Zhongtian Jade Art Delegation. The Delegation was invited to perform in New York by Carol Gee, the former President of the Northeast Chapter. Carol met the leader of the Delegation, Shao Zhongtian, at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C., she immediately asked the Delegation to participate in the CALA’s concert in New York, which was to be held right after the Delegation’s Washington performance. Fortunately the Delegation agreed.

   The carving or workmanship on the rare jade instruments was a marvel, and the Zhongtian group’s performing artistry was of a very high caliber. Many in the audience went up to the stage to admire the instruments and talk to the musicians after the program.

   The event was a big success. “Beautiful” and “wonderful” were among the complimentary words given by the appreciative audience to the program monitor. Respectfully submitted by

   Esther Lee, Chair
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LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE LAST REPORT:  
This has been another year of success for the CALA 21st Century Librarian Seminar Program. Three seminars have been held, with 14 CALA member/presenters and over 300 Chinese librarian participants. The three seminars were held at the following institutions with appropriate CALA teams of presenters:

- Kunming University of Science & Technology in Kunming, Yunnan Province, July 10-13, 2008
  Yuan, Haiwang (Team leader, Western Kentucky University)
  Bao, Xueming (Seton Hall University Library in New Jersey)
  Fernekes, Robert (Georgia Southern University, Zach S. Henderson Library)
  Miao, Hong (Marywood Univ. Library, PA)
  Zhou, Liana (Indiana Univ. Kinsey Institute Library)
  Mr. Jim Rettig, ALA president (2008/09), participated as the keynote speaker.

- Wuhan University, Wuhan, Hubei Province, Oct. 23-25, 2008
  Shuyong Jiang (Team Leader; Univ. of IL at Urbana-Champaign)
  Ma Lei Hsieh (Monmouth University, West Long Branch, NJ)
  Shuqin (Shu) Jiao (Saint Louis University)
  Julia Martin (University of Toledo, OH)
  Karen Wei (Univ. of IL at Urbana-Champaign)
  Joe Bralin, Ohio State University Library Director, participated as the keynote speaker
  Guoqing Li (Ohio State University) also participated in the seminar.

- Taiwan National Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, (Nov.10-14, 2008)
  Y. Diana Wu (Team Leader; Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library, San Jose State University)
  Qi Chen (Argosy University, Chicago)
  Win Shih (University at Albany, SUNY)

All teams have performed excellent jobs with their tasks/presentations and have received very positive feedback from hosting institutions. We would also like to thank our seminar hosting institutions for their hospitality and wonderful arrangements. We would like to encourage everyone to read the reports (on CALA web) from our members who participated.

Another important accomplishment is the IMLS grant that the partnership between UIUC and CALA has won, the announcement of which was made on November 16, 2008, at the Library of Congress. A few members of the Seminar Task Force, Shuyong Jiang, Haipeng Li, and Sha Li Zhang, worked hard at the grant proposal and the planning after receiving the grant. The Task Force has also been busy at planning CALA’s involvement in the grant project. Two conference calls were held and numerous email discussions were also held. The first event for the project has been planned on Friday Jan. 23, 2009, from 7-9:00 pm at ALA midwinter to provide CALA members information on the grant and how to get involved.

The Taskforce also discussed where CALA should go as a general direction with the seminar project now that we have the grant. We realized that focus of the grant will be on public libraries in China (although our members from academic background can still participate) whereas our seminars had more or less leaned towards academic libraries. We will need to make some adjustments in our focus on the grant project but at the same time keep the momentum going with the seminar project. After some discussions, the Taskforce made the following decisions:

1. Ask the Board to approve the authorization for the 21st Century Librarian Seminar Taskforce and the International Relations Committee to assume responsibilities to work on the grant project
2. Ask the Board to lend all support necessary to the grant project
3. Treat the grant project as a top priority
4. Delay the seminar project with Beijing University Library
5. Explore continuation of further collaboration with Taiwan (more seminars)
6. Evaluate grant project/seminar efforts a year later.

LIST COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS, IF ANY, TO THE BOARD:

Ask the Board to approve the authorization for the 21st Century Librarian Seminar Taskforce and the International Relations Committee to assume responsibilities to work on the grant project.
Taskforce on Rebuilding Libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China

Member Roster:
Sally C. Tseng (Chair), Maria Fung, Shuyong Jiang, Esther Lee, Ying Liu, Cathy Yang, Priscilla Yu, and Liana Zhou, ShaLi Zhang, CALA President, ex officio

Haipeng Li, CALA Executive Director, ex officio,

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Background Information
The 2008’s most deadly earthquake struck China on May 12, with a devastated 8.0-magnitude, killing at least 69,000 people. The 8.0-Magnitude is Equivalent to 790 Nuclear Bombs. It is one of the worst one in the past 3 decades. Even worse, it happened during the day while people were at work and students were in schools. There were more than 20,000 people killed in the earthquake. The immediate damages to the library collections resulted in more than 5 million people to be evacuated. More than 150 libraries were damaged or destroyed by the May 2008 earthquake. Among the damaged or destroyed libraries, more than 150 libraries had been completed destroyed or serious damaged during the earthquakes and their after shocks in hard hit Sichuan, and other surrounding provinces in Shanxi, Gansu, Yunnan, etc.

Dr. ShaLi Zhang, CALA President, in June 2008, established this CALA Taskforce on Rebuilding Libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China and appointed Sally C. Tseng as the Chair to lead the Taskforce to resume fundraising to help our Chinese library colleagues in their efforts to rebuild libraries in those impacted areas.

List significant activities the committee has done since last report:
A. To Raise Funds, established the CALA Taskforce on Rebuilding Libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China
1. to raise funds in support of rebuilding collections in earthquake-damaged libraries; and
2. to raise funds to provide library training Workshops on Preparation for Natural Disasters and Emergencies and Preservation of Library Collections.

B. Designed and Revised the Webpage related to the Earthquake
1. Ying Liu and Sally, with the suggestions of the Task Force members, designed the Webpage and revised the Donation page for the May 2008 China Earthquake in CALA’s Website. Thanks to Liana Zhou for providing the damaged library photos from Sichuan Province and to Vinci Kwong for putting it up on the CALA Website.
The URL is: http://www.cala-web.org/node/545
Please visit the site and introduce it to your friends.
2. Similar information is also available in a Word document. People commend us on bringing to life such a moving and informative site. With these documents we can spread the word more efficiently. Please let Sally know if you need a copy to help promote the Taskforce’s objectives and efforts.

C. Fundraising and Distributions of CALA Earthquake Funds:
1. As of December 31, 2008, the Earthquake Funds raised a total of US$20,700.00 from three associations and over 160 individual donors. This is the largest donated funds in CALA’s history. These funds are kept in CALA’s account. We sincerely thank our donors for their generous donations. The Chair, together with ShaLi and Haipeng sent each donor a CALA “Thank You Letter” and an official “CALA Receipt” with sincere gratitude to acknowledge the receipt of the donation toward this good cause. It is a very emotional process and there have been many moving stories from the victims and touching words from the donors. We all very much appreciate what the donors have done in supporting the rebuilding of libraries in the earthquake disastrous areas in China.
2. CALA is a not-for-profit organization. Our members work as volunteers for the Taskforce. All donations are tax deductible. We want to ensure our donors that their donations will be 100-percent used for the Taskforce’s established objectives and efforts to assist library colleagues and their rebuilding efforts for library collections. We want to ensure the incoming donated funds and the outgoing usages of the Earthquake Funds will have total transparency. These are our commitments to our donors.
3. Lists of donors in alphabetical orders and separate lists of donors donated by checks or via PayPal are appended at the end of this report.
4. The Chair, with the help of Taskforce members, has been continuously keeping tracks of reports on news related to the 2008 China Earthquakes from news media and the Web. We want to obtain as much information as possible so that we can provide the proper assistance.
5. The Taskforce also has been communicating with the Library Society of China (LSC) and Sichuan Provincial Library for more information and has been working closely with CALA President Dr. ShaLi Zhang and Executive Director Haipeng Li on matters related to the Taskforce.
On October 28, 2008, ShaLi, Haipeng and the Chair signed an Agreement (MOU) which was emailed to Chongqing for Shali. Ms. Gengsheng Tang, Secretary General of the Library Society of China (LSC) also signed the Agreement. On behalf of CALA, Dr. ShaLi Zhang, CALA President, then presented a check in the amount of US$10,000.00, from the CALA Earthquake Funds, to Director Li Chen, Deputy Director of the National Library of China and Vice President of the Library Society of China. This amount was approved by the Executive Board in September 2008. Originally our Task Force thought the above donation in the amount of $10,000 US dollars be used to purchase much needed books and periodicals in China for those libraries damaged or destroyed by the earthquakes in Sichuan, Gansu, Shanxi, Yunnan, and Tibet provinces which were currently providing library services in temporary reading rooms. We understand that it will take some time to rebuild their libraries. Winter is here, we are very concerned for the Chinese library colleagues who currently live in the “ban fangs” i.e., “板房” (temporary housing structures) or with relatives after their homes were destroyed by the earthquakes. We want to help our library colleagues who have been going through this extraordinary hard time after the earthquakes while they are working day and night to save library collections and to serve the people. Therefore, the above CALA donation in the amount of US$10,000 was utilized with flexibility. Besides, some of our donors are deeply concerned with library colleagues in these areas. At the suggestion of LSC, the US$10,000.00 will be distributed as financial aid to earthquake library victims, instead of purchasing library collections, and be distributed as follows:

a. US$2,000.00 for the immediate family of Mr. Ming-wen Wang who died during the earthquake;
b. US$3,000.00 for Beichuan Library Director Chun Li who was injured during the earthquake for her medical treatments; and
c. US$5,000.00 for some of the Chinese library colleagues who lost their homes during the earthquake and are temporarily living in temporary structures.

d. There are US$10,700.00 dollars remaining in the CALA Earthquake Funds Account as of the end of 2008. We plan to donate this money to libraries in Sichuan for the purchase of needed library books and periodicals after some of the ruined or seriously damaged libraries are rebuilt.

7. Beginning 2009, the taskforce will continue raising funds to help host training sessions and Workshops on Preparation for Natural Disasters and Emergencies and Preservation of Library Collections for librarians in China, and other needed areas in the coming years.

D. Promotional Activities and Thanks

1. We would like to thank Dr. ShaLi Zhang, President, Haipeng Li, Executive Director, library leaders and donors as well as the Medical Library Association, CALA’s chapters for their donations and the Hong Kong Library Association for their support during their Programs in helping the Taskforce raise funds.

2. Maria Fung and Cathy Yang recommended gift books donation to Sichuan. Maria wrote to the Consul of Cultural Affairs at Consulate General of the P.R. China in New York inquiring about book donation procedures. We also contacted the Asia & Pacific Division, the Foreign Affairs Office of the Municipality of Chengdu regarding shipping gift-books to Sichuan. According to them, CALA will need to compile and send them the list of books for them to select, and for their approval through various governmental offices. At this point, the Taskforce does not have any manpower to compile the lists, no storage for the gift-books awaiting various Chinese governments’ approval, nor have any funding for shipping the gift-books. We shall pursue the gift-books idea in the future if we have the proper resources.

3. Special thanks go to Maria Fung, Esther Lee, Ying Liu, Cathy Yang, Liana Zhou and Priscilla Yu for their efforts in obtaining information and donations for the Taskforce. Liana and Priscilla also provided us with photos and information while they visited China in July and October 2008 respectively. Thanks also go to Maggie Wang and Shuyong Jiang for keeping good records on the CALA Earthquake Funds and Shuyong for issuing a US$10,000.00 check to the Library Society of China for distributions to Chinese colleagues. Most important of all, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our donors for their generous donations to this good cause, especially during the economic recession hard time in 2008.

4. We welcome other chapters to let us know when you hold your meetings or programs. We will be happy to send you promotional information for your use.

List Taskforce recommendations, if any, to the Board:

A. The first recommendation below is an ACTION Item for the Board Meeting in January 2009 in Denver: The Taskforce recommends saving the balance of the funds in the amount of $10,700.00 (as of Dec. 31, 2008) with the highest interest CD in CALA’s Earthquake Funds Account. This amount will be donated to earthquake-damaged libraries for needed books and journals collections when their libraries are rebuilt in the near future.

B. The Taskforce will recommend those libraries to receive funds for needed library collection in the future when we have more information.

Respectfully submitted by

Sally C. Tseng, Chair
CALA Task Force on Rebuilding Libraries in the Earthquake Disastrous Areas in China

Appendix:

Donors’ Lists As of December 31, 2008

Donations by Checks ($11,285) + PayPal ($9,415.00) = $20,700.00
(Total from 159 donors and three associations)

CALA Salutes Our Donors of the China Earthquake Fund

Individuals – 159 [78 (49.06%) are CALA Members and 81 (50.96%) are non CALA or inactive members]

Donors -- Association - 3

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CALA Midwest Chapter
Donors – Individuals Listed By Last Name in Alphabetical Order

Mia Bassham, Eugenia Beh, Jacqueline M. Borin, M Broderick, Huihui Cai, Yingjun Cao, Janet Carnes, Jiang Chen, Qi Chen, Su Chen, Jim Cheng, Helen Chin, Maryann Cinelli, Mariban Chou, Barbara Conaty, Esther Crawford, Leslie Cunningham, Mark Dalton, Sai Deng, Phyllis Dickstein, Jennifer Doty, Deirde Dowling, Michael Dowling, Barbara Dreher, John Drobnicki, Ellen Druda, Glen Emmanuel, Lynn Feinman, Nadine Flores, Madeline Ford, Maria Fung, Maurice Gately, Carol Gee, Mary Ghikas, Fred Gitman, Lori Gluckman, Michael Gorman, Wendy Hall, Caroline Xiaofang Han, Lisa Handelman, Arianne Hartsell, Stephanie Heineman, Nancy S Hershoff, Helene Hertzlinger, Dora Ho, Patricia Hogan, Patricia Hom-Howe, Yuan-shang Hsi, Cathy Hsiao, Hui-Shin Hsiao, Lydia Hsieh, Sabrina Hsu, Xiao Hu, Corinda Humphrey, Benoit Jadoul, Shuyong Jiang, Xudong Jin, Robin Kear, Daphne Killion, Jiu-Huei Kuo, Frances Lau, Chui-chun Lee, Esther Lee, Hwa-Wei Lee, Haipeng Li, Xin Li, Yi Liang, Peter Lisker, Jing Liu, Mengxiong Liu, Min Liu, Zao Liu, Hilda Loh, Patricia Longo, Shirley Luo, Jinfu Lu, Ming Lu, Chen Ma, Julia Martin, Susana Matveyeva, Dorothy McGarry, Hong Miao, Satia Orange, Gwen-dolyn Prellwitz, Jennie Pu, Lisa Richland, Justine Roberts, Jian Ruan, Lan Shen, Zhiqia Shen, Diana Shih, Carol Simpson, Robert Smith, Wilfred Smith, Caitlin St John, Dajin Sun, Li Sun, Yanqing Sun, Wendywanin Tan, Klairon Tang, Lorna Y. Tang, Weiyang Teng, Roberta Thomas, Janet Thompson, Jie Tian, Betty L Tsai, Helen Tsai, Sally Tseng, Manuel Urrizola, Joy Yi Wang, Maggie Wang, Xiaoli Wang, Karen Wei, Mary Elizabeth Wendt, Frank Williams, Jiaxun Wu, Jiping Wu, Ying Xing, Xiong Xiong, Hong Xu, Qingshua Xu, Yan Xue, Zhaohui Xue, Yumi Yamamoto, Cathy Yang, Lena L Yang, Yunshan Ye, Zhi Xian Yi, Harriet Ying, Hope Young, Priscilla Yu, Ting Yu, Haiwang Yuan, Erika Zeitz, Allison B Zhang, Guopeng Zhang, Li Zhang, Shaliz Zhang, Ying Zhong, Liana Zhou, and Haishu Zhu.

The following lists are separate listings of donors from PayPal and by checks:

Via PayPal (118 donors, total: $9,415.00):

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