Six weeks after the State of California declared a stage 3 power crisis, there is yet light to be shed on a long-term solution. In the cold rain and snow in some places, people are asked to conserve energy to prevent another wave of rolling blackouts from happening. Well, if the precaution measures were taken seriously earlier, all of these could have been avoided. We live in a luxurious style that heavily relies on the modern technologies and we often take them for granted. Over the coming weeks, don’t be surprised if you are walking into a relatively dark library in California. I had to use a flashlight to enter the lady’s room while attending a meeting at a regional college library a few weeks ago. The skyrocketing energy price has already resulted in inflation of living cost and it will have an impact on the community service such as library hours. Colleges are talking about raising tuition to pay the huge gas and electricity bills. I urge all CALA members to pay close attention to this development. It is our natural interest to continue advocating the good quality of library services provided to all citizens.

In addition, I would like to bring to your attention what was discussed at the Midwinter CALA Board meeting. Mike Li has resigned from his Board of Director’s position because of his career change. We thank him for his contribution as the Treasurer and Board of Director and wish him the best in his new venture of information technology. Nancy Hershoff was nominated by the Executive Board and unanimously approved by the Board to serve the remainder of the term Mike has left.

ALA Presidential candidates Maurice J. Freedman, Ken Haycock, and William Sannwald were invited to the CALA Board meeting for a short Q and A session on their views of minority recruitment, retention, scholarship, and their presidential agendas. Each candidate talked about their experience and elaborated their future plans if elected. I recommend CALA members to exercise your voting power by carefully examining all the candidates’ credentials. You will find some familiar CALA colleague names and those from our alliance ethnic caucus groups on the ALA Council ballot. Please do not hesitate to give a hand. I believe the unified voice will form a strong force to better represent us at ALA.

On a fundamental level, the Constitution and Bylaws Committee was charged to study the current constitution and bylaws and make recommendations for modification. The committee’s summary is included in this issue of the Newsletter and please send in your comments and suggestions to Tsai-Hong Miller and her committee members. The changes recommended by the committee will be voted on at CALA Board meeting this coming June.

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Message from the President
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Several CALA members will be attending the forthcoming NIT Conference in May and the Oberlin-Yunnan University Conference in June to present research papers. Their reports are due for the next issue of CALA Newsletter. For the upcoming 67th IFLA Conference in Boston, our past President Bessie Hahn (1982-83) has offered generous support at her host institution Brandeis University Library, should there be a CALA gathering. For this reason, CALA members who will attend the IFLA conference please give me a note no later than May 30, 2001 with your traveling dates. The program details will be announced at the CALA Board meeting.

I wish you all a pleasant spring.

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Message from the Executive Director

Dear CALA Members and Friends:

CALA continues to move forward to achieve its goals and objectives under the leadership of President Yu-Lan Chou. President-Elect and Conference Program Committee Chair Liana Zhou and her members, Priscilla Yu, Wilfred Fong, Linda Tse and Linna Yu are planning a very informative program entitled "Cultural Heritage: Preservation and Promotion with Pride" in San Francisco during the CALA Annual Program in conjunction with the ALA Conference. Arden Wong and Doris Tseng, Co-chairs of the Local Arrangement Subcommittee, are busy with Yu-Lan planning a CALA Reception on the evening of Sunday, June 17. Please see Ling Hwey Jeng's information regarding the National Conference on Asian Pacific American Librarians. Please mark your calendars and come and share these outstanding activities with us.

I am pleased to let you know that Diana Wu, Chair of the Public Relations Committee is working diligently on publicity and raising funds for CALA’s activities and scholarship funds. Your support is most welcome. Please contact Yu-Lan Chou, Liana Zhou, Sally Tseng, Diana Wu or Dora Ho for more information on how you or your friends can support CALA by placing advertisements in the forthcoming Program Book and/or CALA Membership Directory, or by donating funds to support CALA Scholarships.

Special thanks should go to Judy Lu, Chair of the International Relations Committee and our colleagues at the Library of Congress for organizing a very informative tour of the Library of Congress during the ALA Midwinter Conference, and to Mr. Meng-lin Chang, Director, Cultural Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States, Clement Lau, President of the Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter, and CALA members and friends in the Washington, DC area for organizing a reception at LC and a dinner on January 12 and 14, 2001 respectively. These activities were held during the busy schedule at ALA. Their thoughtfulness and hospitality are most appreciated.

We are very grateful to the following committees and members: the Award Committee and the Scholarships Committee chaired by Karen T. Wei and Nancy Lee, respectively for their effort in calling for nominations; Susan Tsui, Chair of the Finance Committee and her members, Jian Liu, Treasurer, Peter Wang, Carl Chan and Jiun-huei Kuo, who have been working hard on CALA’s financial matter; Wen-Hua Ren, the current Newsletter Editor, for her dedication to compiling and publishing the CALA Newsletter; Shixing Wen, CALA Web master, for his hard work updating CALA’s homepage; Mengxiong Liu for her excellent job on the recent two issues of the Journal of Library and Information Science published jointly by CALA and the National Taiwan Normal University; Vickie Doll, Chair of the Publication Committee, who volunteered to distribute the journal issues to our members; Dora Ho and Ling Ling Kuo, co-chairs of the Membership Committee, for their hard work on membership drive. Please contact Vickie if you are a CALA member and have not received your issues of the journal. Please renew your membership if you have not done so. We thank you for your continuing support if you have already done so. Finally, I want to thank our Board of Directors, Chapter Presidents and Committee Chairs and members for your hard work and devotion to CALA. I wish I had enough space to name you all. But, I want you to know that your dedication is deeply appreciated. We cannot say “Thank you” enough for your distinguished contributions and accomplishments. Let’s continue to work together to make CALA an even stronger Association for Chinese and American librarians.

Sincerely yours,

Sally C. Tseng
2001 CALA Distinguished Service Award
~ Call for Nominations ~

Dear Members:

The CALA Awards Committee would like to invite your nomination of candidates who you believe meet the criteria for Distinguished Service Award. The criteria are: 1) The recipient of the award shall have consistently demonstrated outstanding leadership and achievement in library and information services at the national and/or international level. Unusual contributions and services to the advancement of Chinese-American librarianship shall receive special consideration of the Awards Committee; 2) The Awards are permanent recognition. No individual can receive the award more than once; and 3) There shall be no age, sex, nationality, length of service to the profession, or other limitations other than those specified above.

The Distinguished Service Award is established to recognize one individual each year for her/his outstanding contributions to librarianship in general and to Chinese-American librarianship in particular.

The word "librarianship" is defined broadly to include the fields of information science, educational media and archives. The award consists of a citation and a plaque. The recipient will be honored at the 2001 CALA Reception in San Francisco on June 17, 2001 during the ALA Annual Conference.

Please send your nomination package by email, fax or mail to me no later than April 20, 2001. It should include the following items: 1) formal nomination letter; 2) three supporting letters; 3) nominee's vita; 4) samples of publications; 5) honors received; and 6) other supporting documentation.

Thank you.
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2001 Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship of Library and Information Science
~ Application Deadline: March 15, 2001 ~

The Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship of Library and Information Science, established in 1989, awards US $500 to a full-time student of Chinese heritage who is currently enrolled in an ALA-accredited master’s program or in a doctoral program in Library and Information Science in a degree-granting institution in North America. The Scholarship is designed to encourage the development of leadership in Chinese American librarianship. The winner of the award will be announced by May 15, 2001. The award will be presented at the ALA annual conference in San Francisco.

Ms. Sheila Suen Lai, the donor of the Scholarship, is the former Executive Director of CALA from 1992 to 1998, and a Reference Librarian at the California University at Sacramento. She has delegated to CALA the responsibility of selecting one recipient every year.

For application and more information about the Scholarship, please consult CALA’s homepage at http://www.cala-web.org, or contact Nancy Lee, Chair of the CALA Scholarship Committee at the following address:

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The Fourth Annual C. C. Seetoo/CALA Conference Travel Scholarship

Application Deadline: March 15, 2001

The Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) announces the offering of the C. C. Seetoo/CALA Conference Travel Scholarship. As a joint effort between Mr. Seetoo and CALA, an award in the amount of US$500 will be given to a student to attend the annual ALA Conference and CALA program. The Scholarship is designed to provide the award recipient mentoring and networking opportunities at the ALA conference. Students of Chinese heritage who are currently enrolled in ALA-accredited master’s programs or in doctoral programs in Library and Information Science in degree-granting institutions in North America are encouraged to apply. The application deadline is March 15, 2001. The winner of the award will be announced by May 15, 2000. The award will be presented at the ALA annual conference in Chicago.

Founded in 1973, the Chinese American Librarians Association is affiliated with the American Library Association, and has six regional chapters. In addition to holding annual programs, CALA publishes its own Newsletter, Membership Directory and the Journal of Library and Information Science in cooperation with the National Taiwan Normal University.

Born in Shanghai in 1916, Mr. C. C. Seetoo graduated from Shanghai University in 1939 and moved to Taiwan in 1946. Through his entrepreneurial success in the export business, he has traveled all over the world, making many friends and valuable contacts along the way. He recognizes and values the benefits of networking for people striving to become successful professionals, and wishes to provide such an opportunity to students by co-sponsoring this Travel Award.

For application and more information about the Scholarship, please consult CALA’s homepage at http://www.cala-web.org or contact Nancy Lee, Chair of the CALA Scholarship Committee at:

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2001 CALA ANNUAL PROGRAM

The CALA annual program will be held on Sunday, June 17, 2001 in San Francisco. The tentative title for the program will be Cultural Heritage: Preservation and Promotion with Pride.

For the program, the committee will work closely with Yu-Lan Chou, Sally Tseng, Diana Wu and the Local Arrangement Sub-committee on the fund raising and the logistics of the annual conference.

Several guests are scheduled to speak at the conference. They are Yongyi Song, Gary Strong, Ann Von Camp, and Gordon Chang. Yongyi Song, an East Asian librarian at Dickinson College, will discuss democratic movement during the Cultural Revolution that took place between 1966 and 1976. Gary Strong, the Director of the Queens Borough Public Library, will speak about the librarians' role in preserving and promoting cultural heritage in the communities. Ann Von Camp from The Research Library Groups (RLG) will focus on a large-scale initiative of RLG toward cultural heritage projects. Finally, Gordon Chang from Stanford University will speak on the topics of how the Chinese cultures have influenced the American societies. (Prepared by Liana Zhou, Vice President and Program Chair)

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Summary of the Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws


The committee has reviewed the constitution and bylaws of several library associations and compared their provisions with those of our constitution and bylaws. There have also been discussions with current and past presidents of several associations. Following are our findings and recommendations. In making the recommendations, we took into consideration the organizational and ethnic cultures of our association and the need for professional and leadership development among our members. We also considered the rapidly changing nature of our work in the new information technology environment, and the need for strengthening our association's organizational structure to meet the challenges of the 21st century.

We have four major recommendations for the Board:

1) Combine the constitution and the bylaws,
2) Officially include chapter presidents as voting members, and reduce the size of the board,
3) Add positions of a webmaster, a historian and/or an archivist, and
4) Appoint an ad hoc committee to study the duties of the elected officers.

First, we recommend that our constitution and bylaws be combined into one document. The basic design of CALA's constitution and bylaws requires our checking both documents for the same subject matter. In addition, we found omissions, typographical errors and redundant and, sometimes, contradictory statements in the text. Having one legal document, named "constitution and bylaws", or, simply "bylaws," should reduce the problems stated above.

Secondly, we recommend a 17-member board consisting of 6 board directors, 5 officers and 6 chapter presidents. The board now consists of 26 voting members. The size of the board is much too large for the efficient operation of our association.

Many of you know that our chapter presidents have been voting members of the board for several years. However, voting by chapter presidents is not in the text of the constitution. We need to officially include chapter presidents in the text of our constitution to strengthen our chapter relations, and to recognize the important activities of each chapter.

Third, we recommend adding the appointed positions of a webmaster, a historian and/or an archivist. We are very mindful that we live in a fast changing information society. Additional positions may be needed to meet the future needs of the Association.

Fourth, we recommend appointing an ad hoc committee to study the duties of the elected officers. In our association, the elected officers are president, vice president/president-elect, treasurer, and executive director. The duties of our elected officers are not clearly defined and sometimes overlapping. Under our constitution, the executive director has a unique position of being an elected officer as well as a voting member of the board and the executive committee.

The materials we have reviewed indicate that in many professional organizations, the executive director is a staff administrator, hired or appointed by the board of directors to manage the administrative office of the organization. The executive director is often expected to attend the board meetings as a non-voting member of the board, but not as an elected officer with voting rights.

The provisions in our constitution have literally placed our executive director in the position of serving as a member of the board that determines policies as well as a member of a group that carries out the policies assigned by the board. Because our association does not have a separate administrative office, our executive director has traditionally carried the overlapping duties of an elected secretary, a spokesperson of the association, and other official duties of the elected officers. However, the position has the title of an appointed staff administrator.

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Because this is a complex topic, we decided to informally survey selected former presidents and executive directors. These leaders have had close working relationship with the positions and comprehensive knowledge of the association. From our informal survey, the majority of the respondents wanted to keep the current executive director position for our association. The committee thus recommends that further study be conducted regarding clearer duty definitions for the president, executive director, other elected officers and, possibly, creation of the position of secretary.

We also have additional recommendations regarding committees and regional chapters. The proposed text of the amendments will be sent to each board director and officer for comments and discussions during the annual meeting of the board in San Francisco in June 2001. Upon approval of the board, the text of the amendments will be mailed to the membership for ratification.

If you have any comments or suggestions, please let us know. Please send your written comments by March 31, 2001 to any member of the Committee listed below:

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CALA Members Invited to Conference on Chinese Contributions to America

Four CALA members were invited to form a discussion panel at an international conference on *Chinese Contributions to America*, held in Flushing, New York in October 2000. They were Sally Tseng, Executive Director, Linna Yu, past President, Mengxiong Liu and Priscilla Yu, board members.

This was an historic conference, unique and unprecedented. It was the first time that scholars and specialists from a wide range of disciplines gathered to present their knowledge and ideas about Chinese contributions to America during the past century, a subject which hitherto has been neglected by Chinese and American scholars, in spite of its great importance for both Chinese and American history. The majority of conference participants (about 200 people in all) were Chinese Americans, coming from different parts of the United States.

The panel on "Academic Contributions by Chinese American Librarians" was moderated by Linna Yu. Mengxiong Liu presented a paper on "The Contributions of the Chinese American Librarians to Library and Information Science," Sally Tseng discussed "Chinese American Librarians' Contributions to America in the 21st Century," and Priscilla Yu spoke on her research "The Role of Chinese American Librarians in the American Library Association: A Historical Study 1950-1997." The panel was well attended. Discussions followed the presentations.

Dr. Li Yu-ning, Founder and President of Society for the Study of Chinese Americans and Professor at St. John University, was the chief organizer of the Conference. To honor her effort in organizing such an importance conference, Sally, Linna, Mengxiong and Priscilla presented a plaque to Dr. Li on CALA members' behalf. * (Contributed by Mengxiong Liu, Board Member)
SUMMARY REPORTS FROM CHAPTERS

California Chapter —

During the Millennium year, the Chapter organized four major events. In May, the Chapter held its Southern Region spring program at Evergreen Bookstore with special guests Mr. Chen Hanyu, Mr. Karl Lo and Ms. Dorothy Wong. The program title was “Librarianship – Preserving the Past, Unlocking the Future.” Later, members in Northern California held a Spring Luncheon during which time CALA members Gladys Chow shared with us her experience attending the ISSCO Conference in Cuba, and Mengxiong Liu her first trip to Taiwan where she visited many public libraries.

CALA’s program at California Library Association Millennium Conference was “Language Access on the Web.” We had about 50 participants attending the program presented by Gary Strong, Director of Queens Public Library, Yu-Lan Chou, Diane Lai, both CALA members, and Henry Yu from Twinbridge Software Corp. The annual Chinese banquet received 90 guests and we had one of the most successful raffle drawings in the past few years. Kevin Starr, California State Librarian and a few of the Library Board members came to the banquet. We also met Diana Paque, Director of Library of California at the banquet. It was encouraging to see that our colleagues are now regarding CALA program as one of the essential events at CLA.

Many CALA members spent hours of their time and energy making the above events successful. In addition to all the Board members, special thanks should go to Angela Yang and Silvia Kang for their devotion to CALA activities year after year. My personal thanks to Yu-Lan Chou for her guidance, to Yannina Yang for her hard work, to Diane Lai, Mengxiong Liu, Diana Wu and Annie Cheng for their help and support.

The Chapter's newly elected officers for 2001:

President: Chiu Kuei, U. of California, Riverside
Vice-President/President-Elect: Xiwen Zhang, California State University, San Bernardino
Secretary: Angela Yang, U.of California, Irvine
Treasure: Xu Ying, U. of California, Los Angeles

Congratulations!
(Submitted by Ja-Lih Lee, Chapter President)

Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter —

The chapter conducted a membership drive in Dec. 2000, encouraging the members to renew their membership or become a member before the new dues structure takes into effect in year 2001. As a result, we have received 8 lifetime members plus close to 30 regular members.

To provide ongoing training and educational opportunities to the membership, the chapter presented a program, “Buying a Personal Computer and Computer Trends” on September 30, 2000. About 25 members and the general public attended the program. It was co-sponsored by the Cultural Minorities Services of the Montgomery County Department of Public Libraries in Maryland, Computech Integration & Trade, Inc., and PC Warehouse in Beltsville, Maryland.

Chapter Secretary Zhangjun Yan has created a website for the chapter. The URL is http://zyan.20m.com/cala/.

In September, three of our Board members attended a reception sponsored by the Science Division of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in U.S. The Board members took this opportunity to promote CALA and the value of librarianship.
(Submitted by Clement Lau, Chapter President)

Northeast Chapter —

We had a Fall Program, "Dancing Sword: Martial Arts in Chinese Opera" in October last year at the Flushing Public Library in Queens Borough, New York. The Flushing Public Library, the program co-sponsor, invited performers and provided its auditorium for the program. A few combat sequences from famous operas were introduced and performed with demonstrations. Our members and friends met for lunch and socialized before the presentation. The turnout was a full house plus standing audience, estimated at an attendance of 235. The performance was enthusiastically received and the program was a great success. I would like to thank Esther Lee for suggesting and planning this program.

Dr Norma Yueh, who had been president of NE Chapter, CALA, and had been widely respected and

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beloved, passed away last year. In ALA Conference at Chicago, I collected a $200 donation to her old college, St. Joseph University, in her honor.

Prof. Hua Weina, Assistant Director of Nanjing University Library, is a visiting scholar at Rutgers University. I had lunch with Prof. Hua and we had a most enjoyable time. She was invited to the ALA Conference in San Francisco this year. You will have a chance to meet her and extend your friendship and hospitality. (Submitted by Lily Chen, Chapter President)

New CALA Members

Yvonne Y. Cheng
Maurice J. Freedman
Jacqueline M. Newman
Ma Lei Hsieh         Mary M. Lin
Margalit Susser      Yann-Shya Wu

Welcome to CALA!

Conference Announcements

The 2nd China/U.S.A. Library Conference will be held on August 11-16, 2001 at the Queens Borough Public Library in Flushing, NY, and at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. The conference theme will be "Strategic Policy Directions for China/U.S. Library Cooperation." About 40 library leaders from China will be selected by the China Society of Library Science to attend this conference. They will be meeting with an equal number of library and information science professionals from the U.S. Members of the U.S. Planning Committee are: Gary Strong, (Chair), Yu-Lan Chou, Michael Dowling, Hwa-Wei Lee, Beverly Lynch, James Neal, and Winston Tabb. More information about the conference will be available at a later date. (Submitted by Hwa-Wei Lee, Dean Emeritus, Ohio University Libraries)

The international conference on "Academic Librarianship in the New Millennium: Roles, Trends and Global Collaboration" will be held in the beautiful city of Kunming (known as the "Everlasting Spring City"), Yunnan Province, P. R. China, on June 4-6, 2001. It is sponsored by Oberlin College, The Oberlin Shansi Memorial Association, and Yunnan University in China. If interested, please visit the conference website at: http://www.oberlin.edu/~shansi/conference/ or contact Haipeng Li, Chair of the Conference Planning Committee, at haipeng.li@oberlin.edu. Yunnan University’s site is http://www.ynu.edu.cn. (Submitted by Haipeng Li, Oberlin College Library)
CALA 2001A Award Reception

June 17, 2001
7:30 to 10:30 p.m.
Yank Sing Restaurant
One Rincon Center
101 Spear Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Join us for a magnificent evening to honor our awardees and scholarship winners!

Voted as the “Best Dim Sum in the Bay Area” by Focus magazine readers, Yank Sing is famous for its exceptional food and service. The Rincon Center, protected by the National Register of History Places, is a unique venue for our CALA annual event. The circular space outside of the restaurant glows under a skylight roof, soaring 80 feet or more overhead. In the middle of the skylight is a rain column with water descending like soft rain.

We invite you to enjoy Chinese delicacies in a buffet style with San Francisco attention. The menu includes: Peking Duck Slices with Lotus Bun, Mushu Pork, Shrimp Dumpling, Snow Pea Leaves Dumpling, Vegetable Dumpling, Phoenix Tail Prawn, Mushroom Dumpling, Stir Fried Vegetables, Beef Medallion with XO Sauce, Curry Chicken, Steamed Rice, and Premium Jasmine Tea.

Flute and guzheng performance, Broadway and Chinese folksong singing, line and ballroom dancing will complement your night with great pleasure, plus raffle prize, tea ceremony, fortune telling and more! Formal attire is recommended.

Advanced Ticket Sale: $25.00 per person (received by May 15, 2001)
On-site Ticket Sale: $30.00 per person (capacity control will be enforced)

Number of ticket(s) requested: _____ Total amount of check: ________
Please list all guest names in a separate sheet.

Please make your check payable to: CALA and send it to Ms. Ai-lin Yang, 1795 Silverwood Court, Danville, CA 94526. Don’t forget to include your return address for mailing the ticket(s)!

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