Message from the President

Dear Colleagues:

It was a great experience to serve as the 2002-2003 CALA President, to work closely with the Executive Board, the Board members, committee chairs and members, and Chapter members in different locations. I also had the unique pleasure of meeting many esteemed colleagues in China at the First Shanghai International Library Forum, and the China Society for Library Science 2002 Annual Conference in Xi’an.

I am very proud to report that all the Board members, CALA committees and local chapters have been working diligently to carry out our missions to promote better communication among Chinese American librarians, to have a good forum for discussion of our mutual professional concerns, and to promote the development of Chinese and American librarianship. At the beginning of my tenure, I asked members to participate in our local chapter’s events, join a CALA committee, be a mentor to a new or junior librarian in your geographic and subject area, and recruit a new CALA member. It is heartwarming to see that all four goals have been accomplished. I witnessed firsthand the dedication and commitment of local chapter members while attending many activities held by California Chapter and the Texas Library Association Conference activities sponsored by the Southwest Chapter. I read with joy the activities at Midwest Chapter, Northeast Chapter, and Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter. Thanks to your mentorship, recruitment and volunteering effort, there were more members serving in each committee and a 10% increase of new members this year.

I have been very fortunate to have the guidance, encouragement and support from many dear friends and colleagues throughout the year. I wanted to thank Yu-Lan Chou and her company, Infoworld International Inc., for making a special donation to underwrite the CALA Conference expenditure. She had kindly allowed us to roll over the funding to cover the expense for the 2004 conference in Florida when the Board decided to postpone 2003 CALA activities in Toronto. Thanks to Jiun-huei Kuo and the members of Southwest Chapter for a much needed dosage of the famous Texas hospitality. Thanks to Diana Wu and the California Chapter members for their great outreach work to Asian American community and to the library community at large, and for their warm welcome when I changed job and moved to Northern California.

Every CALA president has a special privilege to present an annual President’s Award. I wanted to extend my appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Sheng Dien Chiu of Pan Asian Publications, the recipient of 2003 CALA President’s Award. Many CALA members are familiar with the professional support and friendship of Mr. Chiu, a CALA life member, and his wife. As Co-chair of Local Arrangement Committee, Mr. Chiu made early and regular contacts with city officials and service providers in Toronto to solicit suggestions for CALA activities, lined up performers in Canada for the CALA banquet and pledged financial support for such performances, and personally visited the restaurant to make sure everything was in the right order. Even though a historical decision was made to postpone all 2003 CALA activities in Toronto, and the restaurant reservation and performance agreement had to be cancelled, I wanted to acknowledge the contribution of Mr. Chiu for his support and for taking the mission and message of CALA to new friends in Canada.

Most of all, I appreciate the honor to get to know you and to work with you. Hope you will have a great summer. See you at the next conference.

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Dear CALA Members and Friends:

CALA Executive Officers, President Yang, Vice President Tsiang, immediate Past President Zhou, Treasurer Ho and I, have been working diligently with all Committees, Journal and Newsletter editors and all Chapters (California, Florida, Greater Mid-Atlantic, Midwest, Northeast and Southwest) to sponsor programs, activities and events in celebration of CALA’s 30th Anniversary. We are extremely pleased to see that each Chapter and Committee is sponsoring dynamic programs. Please see their reports published in this Newsletter for details and join me in congratulating everyone on their excellent programs and accomplishments.

We’re thrilled that such a large number of people turned out for these events. We had so many exciting speakers and programs, bringing together colleagues from the East to the West coasts. Even though many of us cannot attend other Chapters’ activities, we can learn from their success stories and sponsor their exemplary models in local Chapters. Let’s take this opportunity to thank the officers and members for their leadership, and especially for their dedicated promotion and support of CALA. Thanks a million, dear members, for your outstanding achievements and contributions during the year 2002-2003! Please continue in this inspirational spirit and tradition of excellence so that CALA will become a truly great Association, serving all its members.

After hearing from some members that their institutions would not approve their requests to travel to Toronto, and with recommendations from many people that CALA’s activities in Toronto should be postponed, we did a survey of the Board and Chapter Presidents. We found that the majority could not attend CALA’s activities in Toronto due to budget cuts, the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) situation and various other reasons. The CALA Board decided to postpone all of CALA’s June 2003 Toronto activities (meetings, Program, Awards Banquet to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of CALA) to June 2004 in Orlando, Florida, during the 2004 ALA Annual Conference. This was an extraordinarily unpredictable situation. It was a very difficult decision for us to make. As an affiliate of ALA, we strongly support those colleagues who attended ALA in Toronto. As an Association, we must be concerned with the health and well being of our members and friends. We believe our activities and celebration will be more meaningful in Orlando when more people can attend. Next year, more of our overseas members and guests will also be able to join us.

Holly Yu, Co-Chair of the Local Arrangements Committee, will return their checks to individuals who paid for the Banquet in Toronto. Please let Holly know if you have not received your check. In 2004 ALA Orlando, immediate Past President Angela Yang (2002/2003), President Amy Tsiang (2003/2004) and President-Elect Shixing Wen (2003/2004) will preside over activities. Because the 2003 Program Committee members have worked hard to bring us a special program, we shall invite all of this year’s speakers to Orlando in 2004 if they are available. However, Shixing Wen, the 2003/2004 President-elect and Program Chair will plan part of the program to accompany the 2004 ALA theme.

CALA has had a remarkable year even though the shadow of SARS led us to postpone our annual program, activities and meetings from Toronto to Orlando. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and to thank those who have worked very hard for CALA and its activities during 2003. They include President Angela Yang, Treasurer Dora Ho, Haipeng Li and Junlin Pan, Newsletter Editors, Shixing Wen, Webmaster and CALA Listserv owner, Chapter Presidents: Diana Wu of California, Ying Zhang of Florida, Zhangjun Yan of the Greater Mid-Atlantic, Haipeng Li of the Midwest and Jiun Kuo of the Southwest; Committee Members: Mengxiong Liu and Xiwen Zhang of the Award Committee, Angela Yang, Sheng D. Chiu and Holly Yu of the Banquet and Local Arrangement Committee members, Vice-President Amy Tsiang and her members of the Conference Program Committee, Susana Liu, Carl Chen and members of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, Peter Wang and members of the Finance Committee, Cathy Yang and Harriet Ying of the International Relations Committee, Lisa Zhao and members of the Membership Committee, Liana Zhou and members of the Nominating Committee, Ying Xu, Holly Yu, and Sally Tseng of the Election Committee, Diana Wu and Esther Lee of the Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee, Zhihia Shen, Journal Editor and members of the Publications Committee, Yu-Lan Chou and Wen-Ling Liu of the Scholarship Committee, and Liana Zhou and Amy Seetoo, CALA Representatives to the Joint Conference of Librarians of Colors. Special thanks go to the Board of Directors, speakers, donors and many others. Your achievements, dedication, uncompromising hard work, effort and time for CALA are deeply appreciated.

Amy and Shixing will work together to bring us an exciting program in Orlando in June 2004. We look forward to seeing you at our future ALA activities.

Best wishes,

Sally C. Tseng, Executive Director
Chapter Reports

California Chapter

I. North and South celebrating the Chinese New Year

To kick off CALA’s 30th anniversary, the California chapter-North held a New Year luncheon at Yung Kee Café (Hai Zhong Tien) in Fremont, California on January 17, which was overwhelmingly received. Chapter president Diana Wu facilitated the north event. She thanked Bie-Hwa Ma for her outstanding work in coordinating this event. The highlights from this luncheon were delicious foods, and more importantly, a panel of CALA founders and current and former presidents sharing their contribution and wisdom during their tenure.

Irene Yeh (1974-75), Julia Tung and George Cheng (1977) were a few founders who made it to this luncheon. They shared much information about the history and growth of the Chinese Librarians Association which started in 1974 at Stanford (The other group Chinese American Librarians Association was formed in Chicago area in 1973).

Diana also shared the following information with the group:

1. A special publication is in the work to commemorate the 30th anniversary. Formers presidents, significant founders and members were invited to write up for this issue.
2. CALA-CA North co-sponsored with the Oakland Public Library to host the book tour. Iris Chang was scheduled to talk on her newly published book Chinese in America: a narrative history on May 31st. This book tour is arranged by Viking, the publisher. The event was planned to be the CALA-CA north spring program.
3. A tour was conducted to visit the Pan-Asian Publication headquarter in Union City in April.
4. The first joint national conference by all 5 ethnic caucuses: CALA, black caucus, REFORMA, APALA, and Native American Librarians Association, will be held in 2006.
5. Eight people either renewed their membership or became new members:
   New members: Evelyn Kuo, UC Berkeley
   New members: Barnaby Liu, UC Berkeley
   Jui-Lan Liu jliu@aclibrary.org

   Renewal: Bie-Hwa Ma, Ai-ling Yang, Maureen Kwok and Bessie Chin (retired), Ma Lei Hsieh, Anling Wu.

II. The North group to cosponsor Iris Chang’s book talk in Oakland, and to visit Pan Asian Publication Headquarter in Union City on May 31

The renowned Chinese American journalist/author Iris Chang was on her national book tour for her third book: The Chinese in America” a Narrative History. In conjunction with the Asian Pacific American Heritage month, CALA-north organized a panel discussion right after to book talk. Panelists include:

Bea Wong, chairwoman of FAL, Clara Cao, Northern California Chinese Chapter coordinator, American Cancer Society, Anne Hu, Silicon Valley Chapter president, Organization of Chinese American Women, and Bonnie Tsang, Wells Fargo Bank.

Diana Wu moderated the panel discussion. Ying Xu is working with Viking as a possible cosponsor for Iris Chang’s talk in the south.

III. Xin Hai Ge Ming exhibition

CALA Executive Director Sally Tseng had been working diligently to organize the Xin Hai Ge Ming exhibition and a symposium along with the exhibition. Plans were made and speakers were invited. However, due to the uncertainty that Severe Acute Respiratory Syndromes (SARS) may have caused, this event has been halted. Thanks to Sally for her tireless efforts in working with Diana Wu, Ying Xu and Xiwen Zhang.

The south group also celebrated CALA’s 30th anniversary on February 7. More than 50 people attended the meeting. Ying Xu presided over the south event. The following issues were discussed: strategies for membership recruitment and retention, planning for 2003 CLA annual conference and the Xin Hai Ge Ming exhibition.

Diana Wu, CA Chapter President, 02-03

Linda Tse, Multicultural Services Librarian at the Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) in Maryland, retired in December 2002 after 25 years of service. She received a Maryland Governor’s Citation in recognition of her distinguished service and significant contribution to improve the quality of life in Maryland and of her dedicated efforts to help new immigrants and new Americans to assimilate into the community. She also received a Montgomery County Executive’s Certificate of Recognition and Appreciation of her interest in Asian culture, her development of library services furthering multicultural understanding and her contributions to the library profession.

Linda was honored in several retirement parties. Over 200 people attended the party given by MCPL. She was very moved to see several retired colleagues from 25 years ago. Among the guests, there were leaders from multicultural communities, colleagues, friends, and family members. The four MCPL Chinese Book Discussion Groups gave her a luncheon at the Far East Restaurant. Eighty book lovers attended this very special occasion. At present, Linda is a member and supporter of the Rockville Library Chinese Book Discussion Group.
Midwest Chapter

During the past year, the Midwest Chapter accomplished a great deal in various areas of the chapter activities. Notably, areas of programming, membership, and mentoring, have seen the biggest progress, thanks to committee chairs and their members. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all involved in contributing to the Chapter activities in the past year.

Annual Program

The program committee was appointed in mid summer of 2002 and started working shortly afterwards on the programming of the annual program. After numerous discussions, the Program Committee selected the time and location for the annual program, May 2-3, 2003 on the OCLC campus, in Dublin, Ohio. The theme of the program was “Technology and Libraries: Chinese American Librarians’ Perspectives.” Two distinguished featured speakers were invited, Mr. Andrew Wang, Executive Director of OCLC Asia Pacific, and Mr. Roy Chang, one of the founders of CALA and now retired professor from Northern Illinois University. Mr. Wang talked about the impact of technology on libraries, and Mr. Chang discussed the history of CALA and the relationship between technology and Chinese American librarians. In conjunction with the theme of the program, the Program Committee also built in a panel discussion inviting past CALA and MW chapter presidents in celebration of the 30-year anniversary of CALA. Workshops by OCLC professionals followed the panel discussions.

Around 45 members and friends participated in the annual program. Attendees came from six states in the Midwest region, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin, representing 20 institutions. Evaluation received from participants indicated that the annual program was a success. I wish to thank the OCLC staff and in particular, Mr. Andrew Wang, for their strong support. As a result of the membership drive at the annual program, 5 new members joined CALA. As much information was presented at the annual program, the MW Chapter created a program website on which all program information including speaker and panel presentations was uploaded. Please go to [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/annual03](http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/annual03) for detailed information about the annual program.

Membership

The Membership Committee has worked hard over the year to attract people to CALA, and has particularly done a wonderful job of recruiting library school students, in conjunction with the Mentoring Program. Currently the total number of members in the MW Chapter is 93. This year, 15 new members have joined CALA in the Midwest region, which indicates a big growth in our chapter membership. Several states have organized local meetings/gatherings to discuss issues related to CALA and specific local issues. For example, in November of 2002, CALA MW members and friends in the big Chicago area got together to discuss how to build a stronger CALA. The Indiana local group was exceptionally active this year: in November of 2003, a gathering was held to share information on local library reference services; in April of 2003, the Indiana Local was invited to co-sponsor a conference on the topic of “Achieving Diversity in Libraries;” the Indiana Local also organized library school students to attend the MW Chapter Annual Program. Such events have greatly enhanced the activities and network of the MW Chapter.

Mentoring

The Mentoring Program has also seen a tremendous growth this year. Under the leadership and coordination of Vickie Doll and the Membership Committee, over 20 participants both as mentors and mentees have been involved in the Program this year. Mentees are library school students as well as new librarians, whereas mentors range from public services to technical services librarians and beyond. Feedback from both mentors and mentees has indicated much satisfaction by both groups. Some met up in person at the annual program in Ohio for the first time. This Program has had a great year and is really setting up a national model for others to follow.

Election

The CALAMW Chapter election was successfully conducted in April by Lisa Zhao, Chair of the Nomination Committee. The new officers for next year will be: Shixing Wen, President, Xudong Jin, Vice President, and Lisa Zhao, Treasurer. We are confident that we will see another exciting year under their leadership.

In short, the MW Chapter has had a wonderful year. I would like to thank all MW Chapter members, committees, committee chairs, state contacts, and all involved, for making this a very satisfying and successful year.

Haipeng Li, MW Chapter President, ‘02-’03

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Anthony Yu-Ning Tse, recipient of the 1997 CALA Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship, received his Ph.D. degree from College of Information Studies, University of Maryland, in May 2003. The title of his dissertation is *Identifying and Characterizing a “Consumer Medical Vocabulary”*. He acknowledged the CALA’s scholarship and other awards in his dissertation. Since 1999, Tony has worked as a Research Fellow at the National Center for Biomedical Communication, National Library of Medicine. From 1991-99, he was the Biomedical Research Grant Administrator at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute. His biography is in the *Who’s Who in the East, 1997-98*. 
Southwest Chapter

The CALA Southwest Chapter is pleased to report on the success of our annual program entitled: “Community Outreach: Tips & Successes” at the Texas Library Association Annual Convention in Houston, Texas on April 2, 2003.

The distinguished panel included:

Angela Yang, Manager, Fremont Libraries, Alameda County Library, Fremont, California (Immediate past CALA President).

Ling Hwey Jeng, Associate Professor, School of Library & Information Science, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky (CALA President, 1999-2000).

Connie Wang, Reference Librarian/Volunteers Coordinator, Houston Public Library, Henington-Alief Branch, Houston, Texas.

As community outreach has become an integral part of today’s library services, speakers shared their success stories in developing & coordinating effective outreach & volunteer programs. Experiences in community partnership and suggestions for effective strategies for library outreach to Asian Pacific American communities were also shared & discussed.

The program was extremely well attended and received, with about 80 people in the audience. A lively Q&A session & discussion followed the presentations. After the program, the Chapter held its membership meeting/election, presided over by Jiun Kuo, Chapter President. The new officers for 2003-2004 are:

President: Rosa Hsu, Acquisitions Librarian, Houston Community College System, hsu_r@hecs.cc.tx.us

Vice President/President-Elect: Peyyi Wann, Collection Management Specialist (Self-employed)/MLS student, Texas Woman’s University, p.wann@att.net

Treasurer: Shelley Mao, Head of Bibliographical Control, W.I. Dykes Library, Univ. of Houston Downtown, maos@uhd.edu

A luncheon was held, following the program/membership meeting, to honor our three speakers & to recognize the three recently retired CALA librarians from this area. They are:

Virginia An, Retired from Houston Baptist University
Helen Chang, Retired from the Houston Community College System
Ching Eue, Retired from the Houston Public Library

On a personal note, it was a very moving day for me. As the retired members continue to support & mentor the practicing librarians, the active CALA members are giving their best to further expand their professional growth & gain visibility state-wide & nationally. However, what inspires me the most is to witness the emergence of the young & energetic new generation of CALA librarians who are eager to test the water and get involved.

Thanks to everyone who helped make our program a big success, and most of all, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve CALA in the capacity of the Southwest Chapter President this year. I couldn’t have asked for a better group of friends & volunteers.

Jiun Kuo, Southwest Chapter President, 02-03

Florida Chapter Report

I. Membership

The Chapter has 18 current members.

II. Annual Meeting

An annual meeting was held on April 5, 2003. Three new officers were elected for 2003-2004: Ying Zhang as President, Dongmei Cao as Vice President/President Elect, and Russell Nyberg as Treasurer and Secretary. Discussions were led on how to promote our Chapter's membership and meeting attendance, and initiate planning for participation at the 2004 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL. Two members, Wenxian Zhang and Chang Lee, gave very interesting and insightful presentations. Wenxian illustrated the life and contribution of the first Chinese Horticulturist Lue Gim Gong, who lived in DeLand, FL. Chang Lee introduced how the University of Central Florida organized and housed 6 exhibits each month.

Ying Zhang, FL Chapter President, 02-03
Committee Reports

Publications Committee

The committee has been charged with the following:

1. Clarify the working relationship and role of CALA with editors of JLIS
2. Investigate the best and least expensive method to distribute the journal to members
3. Form the editorial team for timely publishing the CALA 30th Anniversary Commemorative volume
4. Work with a task force to draft a recommendation to the board by midwinter regarding the feasibility of electronic publishing of JLIS.

Since ALA Mid-winter (see February '03 issue for the Midwinter report), the Committee’s work has focused on the publication of the commemorative book, Bridging Cultures—Chinese American Librarians and Their Organization: A Glance Back at the Thirty Years of CALA, 1973-2003, and activities relating to this project. We have made significant progress, thanks to the hard work of many committee members, although for various reasons we are now about five months behind schedule.

1) Progress Report:

The editorial group has finalized the outline of the book. With the consultation to the advisory board, the editors (Zhijia Shen, Karen Wei, and Liana Zhou) have finalized the list of pioneer Chinese American librarians and matched authors for each featured article. The editors also contacted the authors of the featured articles to explain the project and confirm the articles. Per the request of many CALA members who pledged to contribute articles, the editors have extended the deadline for submission of articles two times. The final deadline for articles now is August 31, 2003. Although the extensions have put the project behind schedule, we are trying to complete the manuscript and submit it to the publisher by the end of the year.

Acquisitions of articles as of May 31:

OUTLINE

I. Forward (Tze-chung Li)
II. Introduction (Editors)
III. Celebrating the Thirty Years of CALA (Angela Yang & Amy Tsiang)
IV. A Brief History of CALA (Liu Mengxiong) Received.
V. Memories and Commemorations (Sub-titles yet to be determined)
   1. Leading and Pioneering Chinese American Librarians (6 articles received and 10 in good progress)
   2. Memoirs by CALA presidents and Executive Directors (10 articles received)
VI. Bridging Cultures (tentative title, and will include major articles from CALA programs; 4 articles received)
VII. Appendices (Haihui Zhang)

The most difficult job for compiling the appendices is to collect information of CALA Chapter Presidents and CALA Chapter History. Thanks to Haihui’s hard work, we have received the following: Brief history of all 6 chapters. Complete list of chapter presidents except for three.

2) Fund raising activities:

Around the time of AAS/CEAL 2003 conference at New York City in March, the Committee started a fund-raising campaign to solicit donations for the publication of the commemorative book. All committee members who were also AAS/CEAL members participated. We successfully raised $1,800, which will be used for the publication and distribution of the book.

Zhijia Shen, Chair

CALA’s Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Research Grant and Scholarship

I am very pleased to announce that the following recipients have been awarded the 2003 CALA’s Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Research Grant and Scholarships. In honor of their parents, the donors designate the grant and scholarships in the amount of US $1,000 annually to library faculty and students of the Wuhan University in China, and to a library school student from the United States. Selections are based on academic and scholarly research and accomplishments.

Fei-cheng Ma, Dean of the School of Information Management, Wuhan University, recommended the following winners from Wuhan University: Dr. Gang Li, Director of Information Management Science Department, recipient of the Research Grant in the amount of US $400; Jingzhu Wei and Yun Wu, graduate students, recipients of two Scholarships in the amount of US $200 each. The CALA Scholarship Committee selected Yu Su from the University of Arizona to receive scholarship in the amount of US $200.

This is the second year of awards given by the Huang’s family. Please join me to thank the anonymous donors for their generous donations, and to congratulate all of the recipients on the Huang and Wu Research Grant and Scholarships.

Sally C. Tseng, Executive Director
Committee Reports continued

International Relations Committee

The International Relations Committee was consulted by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee last December on the issues related to the overseas membership. The Committee has made some suggestions in regards to questions of fee structure, membership privileges and honorary membership, etc. The CALA mid-Winter Board meeting has not passed any resolution concerning the issues raised yet. However, the consensus has been reached that overseas members will pay half of the regular membership fee, and they will enjoy the same membership privileges such as voting, running offices, etc. As to the issues of defining the name, such as "International librarians", "Overseas members" or something else, were not decided. Due to the cost consideration, the board and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee are still working on the best economic solution to mail the CALA journals to them.

Due to SARS, CSLS (China Society of Library Science) has postponed its annual conference for August 2003 in Guilin to 2004. The place and date of the 2004 Conference will be announced when they are decided. CSLS will also celebrate its 25th Anniversary in 2004 at the Conference.

We thought of promoting sister librarians, including networking with oversea libraries, etc. Those ideas were brought up to the committee, but due to various reasons, no follow-up was made. I would like to pass on the ideas to the next Committee to follow up.

Submitted by Cathy Yang

Webmaster Committee

Charges from President Angela Yang:

• Draft a Webmaster job description.
• Investigate whether the Webmaster should be an appointed or elected position, in consultation with Bylaws Committee chairs.
• Investigate the cost of a CALA Web Server.

1. Webmaster job description (a draft):

• Publish/update CALA-related information or documents supplied by the president, executive director, other officers, and committee chairs.
• Gauge CALA’s needs for web publishing and recommend to the Board server functionalities we should use or upgrade to, if funding is required.
• Maintain the CALA website.
• Cooperate with and provide assistance to chapter webmasters.
• Serve as an ex-officio on the Publications Committee.

2. Webmaster position:

The webmaster should be an appointed position. The

Distinguished Service Award Committee

We drafted the announcement of the Award Nomination and developed the award nomination form. The Call for Nomination announcement was placed in the CALA Newsletter and sent to the CALA-L on February 26, 2003. The nomination form was posted on the CALA home page. The deadline for submission was April 10th, 2003. We received two nominations and selected Peter Young as the 2003 CALA Distinguished Service Award recipient.

Mengxiong Liu and Xiwen Zhang, Co-Chairs

Local Arrangements Committee

Significant activities the committee has done since last report:

• Bayview Garden Restaurant was selected and contracted to be the site of 2003 Award Banquet.
• Award Banquet information was posted on the CALA web in January 2003.
• Door prize donors were contacted.
• Some door prizes were received; Blackwell etc. will be given out in 2004.
• Cultural Program performers were contacted.
• Receipts for payment were printed.
• Announcements were made on CALA and other listservs.
• Program was listed on ALA Event Planner

P.S. Due to postponement of all 2003 CALA activities in Toronto, many of the local contacts will not be carried over to the next meeting location in Florida.

Sheng Dien Chiu, and Holly Yu, Co-Chairs

Janet Lu, a CALA member and the state contact for the Midwest Chapter, has been recently appointed by the Lincoln Mayor’s Office in Lincoln, Nebraska, to serve two-year term as Commissioner for Lincoln-Lancaster Women’s Commission. This appointment was unanimously approved by the City Council and the County Board. Janet is also one of the founders and Vice Presidents of the Lincoln Chinese Cultural Association, which had done a great deal last year in promoting Chinese culture. She is also teaching a FREE English class every Saturday 2-4 pm to members of the Association in helping them polish-up their English language and communication skills.
**Membership Committee**

Significant activities the committee has done:
- Six membership renewal calls have been sent out this year.
- 579 current members are listed in the new Directory (including 2000-2003 and life members): 292 from 2002- and 149 life members. Membership has gone up by 65 from last year.
- Thirteen advertisements are posted in the new Directory to bring in an income of $3450 (2 full-page ad.: $400/ea.; 10 half-page ads.: $250/ea., and 1 a quarter-page ad.: $150/ea.).
- Art works were created by Chair along with 6 out of 13 advertisements for advertisers.
- The CALA 2002/03 Membership Directory was sent for print. Copies will reach members in late June or July.
- Email confirmation was sent to continuing members upon receipt of their renewals. “Welcome” message was emailed to all new members.
- The updated chapter membership roster was sent to each chapter more than twice.
- Labels have been made for various purposes.

Lisa Zhao, Chair

**Scholarship Committee**

The 2003 Scholarship Committee accomplished its charges of determining the recipients of the following two scholarships: 1) C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship (one recipient, $500), and 2) CALA's Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship (U.S., one recipient, $200). Ms. Yvonne Cheng has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship, and Ms. Yu Su has been selected as the recipient of the 2003 Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship.

Here is a brief list of what we have done:
- Revised and posted the guidelines of the two scholarships on the CALA website.
- Informed interested applicants of the scholarship announcements by distributing the news to all library schools in U.S. and Canada and via CALA listserv.
- Reviewed 9 applications to the C.C. Seetoo Scholarship, and 6 applications to the Huang Scholarship.
- Selected and contacted the two recipients for the two scholarships.
- Contacted Amy Seetoo with regard to providing a choice to the Seetoo Scholarship recipient to postpone her attendance of 2003 ALA Annual to either the 2004 Midwinter ALA or the 2004 ALA

**CALA Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter Report**

The 2002/2003 board of the Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter organized two events.

I. CALA/GMAC 2002 FALL PROGRAM
- **DATE:** October 12, 2002
- **OBJECTIVES:** Publicizing CALA, recruiting new members, and promoting member connections. Invited speaker: Prof. Xiaocong Li, Department of history of Peking University. Topic: Geography of China and Chinese History and Culture.
- **ACTIVITIES:** News about the program and a brief introduction to CALA were posted on 5 world and local Chinese newspapers prior to the meeting. CALA/GMAC brochures with application forms were prepared and distributed at the program. Participants included 25 members and non-members. Joanne She hosted the program. Zhangjun Yan introduced the board members of 2001/2002 and 2002/2003. Edwin Yu gave a report on GMAC’s 2001/2002 activities. During the event, 2 new members were recruited and 4 members renewed their membership.

II. CALA/GMAC 2003 ANNUAL PROGRAM
- **DATE:** May 10, 2003
- **ACTIVITIES:** This event was posted on 5 world and local Chinese newspapers with a brief introduction to CALA. The CALA/GMAC brochure was updated, and new copies were distributed at the meeting. Participants included 24 members and non-members. Joanne She hosted the program. Following the lecture, Zhangjun Yan demonstrated CALA’s web functions. Some non-members expressed their intention to join CALA.

These two programs provided different contents to meet the social and academic interests of different members. Both programs were very well received.

During this year, we have also worked on historical documentation of GMAC, which is part of the preparation for CALA 30th anniversary.

Submitted by Zhangjun Yan, Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter President

(Sally’s note: Congratulations to Mr. Yan on his joining the INNOVATIVE INTERFACES, INC. in the spring of 2003. His contact information is: 5850 Shellmound Way, Emeryville, CA 94608, Phone (510) 655-6200 ext. 2314, ryan@iii.com)
Chapter Reports continued

CALA Northeast Chapter Report 2002-2003

Report on NE Chapter activities prior to January 2003 was previously published in the February 2003 issue of CALA Newsletter (No. 83).

The spring program of the CALA Northeast Chapter was held on Saturday, May 3, 2003, at 2:00-5:00 p.m. President Janey Chao welcomed the participants, gave an overview of the Chapter’s activities in 2002/2003, and thanked the current board members for their support and hard work during the year. Elected members of 2003/2004 were introduced. They are:

- President: Carol Ka Chuen Gee  
  (Lehman College, CUNY)
- Vice President: Chi-chun Hsien  
  (Queens Borough Public Library)
- Secretary: Ching Chang  
  (Medgar Evers College, CUNY)
- Treasurer: Constance Lin (New York Public Library)
- Membership: Yi Sheng (Lehman College, CUNY)

President Janey Chao also acknowledged Madeline Chang of Mid-Manhattan Library, NYPL, for her hospitality in hosting the program. Incoming President Ka-Chuen Gee introduced the lecture speakers and topics. Briefings of the lectures are summarized as follows:

- Fruit and vegetables are food & medicine: the Chinese perspective, presented by Dr. Jacqueline M. Newman, Professor Emeritus and former Chairperson of Family, Nutrition, and Exercise Sciences Department at Queens College.
- History of Chinese newspaper in the U.S.: World Journal’s experience and vision from a veteran reporter, presented by Mr. Marco Chi-Yuen Liu, editor-in-chief for the World Journal. He provided a brief history of the Chinese language newspaper in the United States. The earliest Chinese newspaper was the Gold Air News, published in 1854 by missionaries. Chinese language newspapers flourished after the World War II because of the influx of Asian immigrants. Mr. Liu then gave an overview of the growth of World Journal in the United States. The newspaper was established in 1976 in New York City and is now published in five North American cities; New York, San Francisco, Houston, Vancouver, and Toronto. With a circulation of 390,000, it is the only mainstream Chinese language newspaper with year-round operation encompassing news from Taiwan, China, Hong Kong, and the U.S. Mr. Liu also emphasized the importance of providing well-documented news articles in journalism and pointed out that reporters must acknowledge the original sources of the news items. A question and answer period was provided after each lecture. Most of the board members and a few guests attended a dinner following the program.

Janey Sheau-yueh J. Chao NE Chapter President 02-03

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Annual. Ms. Yvonne Cheng has opted to attend the 2004 Midwinter ALA in San Diego.

- Proposed two recommendations to the CALA Board of Directors for their consideration at the 2003 Midwinter Board Meeting: a) Proposal for the establishment of a Scholarship in the name of CALA (not approved), and b) Proposal for streamlining the process of scholarship evaluations (approved).

The Committee recommends that the Board of Directors consider if it is allowed to accept repeated scholarship applications. In 2003, the 2002 recipient of the C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship asked to apply for the same scholarship again. As there is no specification on this provision, the Committee accepted her application. The Committee also recommends the 2004 Scholarship Committee work on streamlining the process of scholarship application in order to simplify the application and evaluation process.

Yu-Lan Chou and Wen-ling Liu, Co-Chairs

Heartbeats and Heartaches: Memories of an Intellectual Family in China

This new book is a family saga, written by a woman professor from China, Professor Qin Xiaomeng, records the life experiences of the members of four generations of an intellectual family in China’s social, cultural and political upheavals from late Qing Dynasty through Republican days to more specifically the tumultuous years during the Mao era. Played out in a prolonged drama enacted against different time backgrounds and political contexts, it provides a graphic and truthful picture of Chinese intellectuals who were victimized by the tyranny and gross irrationalities of a monolithic power.

The book is intended as a cross-cultural contribution, a window for the English-speaking world to look into Chinese life and Chinese people when confronted with various social and political issues.

ORDER INFORMATION:
If you want to order library copies, please log on to www.1stbooks.com.
If you want to order personal copies with author’s autograph, please send Dr. Mengxiong Liu, Professor Qin’s daughter, “Mengxiong Liu” <mliu@email.sjsu.edu> an email.
Paperback: $19.50 + $2.50 shipping, Hardcover: $28.50 + $2.50 shipping.
CALA Finance Committee Annual Report

The Finance Committee is charged with the task of reviewing the financial condition of CALA and of making recommendations to the President and the Board to ensure the sound financial health of the Association. The members of the current Committee are Dora Ho, Susan Tsui, and Peter Wang (Chair). This report is based on CALA Finance Committee Annual Report dated June 10, 2002, CALA Finance Committee Midwinter Report dated January 10, 2003, Treasurer’s Quarterly Reports for July/September 2002, October/December 2002, January/March 2003, April/May 2003 and its June supplement, and Form 990EZ for 2002.

After reviewing the above reports, the Committee finds CALA’s financial standing continued to be solid and sound. The effect of the September 11th tragedy is waning, and the investment environment is on the way to recovery. This year, we filed Form 990EZ with the Internal Revenue Service well ahead of the deadline of May 15th, our total assets at the time of filing stand at $56,686, as compared to $37,426 a year before.

CALA currently has 9 accounts: General Fund, C.C. Chen Leadership Fund, Continuing Education Fund, Huang & Wu Research Memorial Fund, NCAPAL Joint Conference Special Fund, Restricted Fund (Life Membership), Sally Tseng Professional Fund, Scholarship Fund, and Sheila S. Lai Endowment Fund.

The Committee made the following observations and would like to make recommendations to ensure our financial health:

1. During the past year we made remarkable progress in getting members to pay their membership fees. We should keep up the momentum because our main source of income is the membership fees. Besides that, we should step up our fundraising efforts to identify major donors.

2. Because of the September 11th tragedy, we experienced disappointment in our investment. At the lowest point, our Sheila S. Lai Endowment Fund lost 30% of its value. But now the market is bouncing back, we should formulate a viable investment strategy to meet future challenge.

The following is a summary of a few major items of revenues and expenses for the years 2001, 2002, and 2003 (to June):

Revenues—
- Gifts, contributions: $5,220(2001); $4,255(2002); $1,062(2003 to June)
- Unusual grants: $12,500(2001)
- Membership dues: $7,405(2001); $7,540(2002); $6,525(2003 to June)
- Bank interests: $310(2001); $265(2002); $150(2003 to June)

Expenses—
- Newsletter/Journal: $3,006(2001); $1,247(2002); $646(2003 to June)
- Directory: $1,581(2001); $1,990(2002)
- Scholarships: $1,100(2001); $2,000(2002)

Sally C. Tseng, CALA Executive Director

Planning for ALA Conferences, 2004-2012

I am pleased to share with you ALA annual and Mid-Winter Conferences from 2004 to 2012. The schedules and locations will be helpful to you in making your professional plans and CALA’s activities and events for the next nine years.

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Peter Wang (Chair), Dora Ho and Susan Tsui
The 2003 CALA Election Committee is pleased to report on this year’s election results. 424 ballots were mailed to all CALA members on May 10, 2003. A total of 152 returned ballots including one electronic voting ballot by a member from China since the mail vote would not meet the deadline. There were 132 signed envelopes and 20 unsigned envelopes. Two original ballots were returned because of NO forwarding addresses. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Liana Zhou, Chair of the Nominating Committee, and her committee members and those members who took time to vote. Your service to CALA is very much appreciated.

The Election Committee members met and all ballots were valid. The nominees who received the largest number of votes for any office shall be elected as specified in Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitutions. The statistics indicated the voting results were the same whether we counted or not counted the unsigned ballots. The following members were the winners of the 2003 election: Shixing Wen, Vice-President/President Elect, Board of Directors For the term 2003/2006: Nancy Sun Hershoff, Rosa Hsu, Ester Lee, Susana Liu, Xiwen Zhang, and Jian Liu, the term 2003/2005.

Congratulations to all elected officers, whom we thank for serving CALA. We hope more members will run for offices in the future. Your continuing support to CALA is deeply appreciated.

2003 CALA Election Committee

The American Library Association
Allied Professional Association

Director

The ALA-Allied Professional Association, a new organization “to promote the mutual professional interests of librarians and other library workers,” is seeking a Director to lead startup activities and initial service development. As a professional association, ALA-APA will be exclusively devoted to a number of functions that cannot be substantially undertaken by the ALA. These functions include (1) the direct support of comparable worth and pay equity initiatives and other activities, such as advocacy, designed to improve the salaries and status of librarians and other library workers, and (2) the certification of individuals in professional specializations, based on standards developed by the appropriate ALA bodies.

The ALA-APA Director will be responsible for the development and day-to-day management of ALA-APA programs and services, including an e-newsletter, a series of research reports, consultation in the area of comparable worth and pay equity, certification in various specializations and advocacy. The ALA-APA Director will select and supervise .50 FTE research assistant and .50 FTE administrative assistant. The ALA-APA will manage a budget of $270,000, with responsibility for generating significant revenue by the end of the four year start-up period.

The ALA-APA Director will report directly to the Senior Associate Executive Director, under the general direction of the Executive Director.

Qualifications: Five years of progressively responsible experience as a librarian or library worker. BA required. MLS or other library-specific education strongly preferred. Experience with budget and personnel and advocacy desirable. Strong verbal and written communication skills essential. High degree of comfort with web-delivered information highly desirable.

Salary: Negotiable between $65,000 and $70,000 based on experience.

Closing Date: September 15, or until position is filled.

For consideration, send a letter of application, resume, and names of three references to:

American Library Association
Human Resources Department
ALA-APA
50 E. Huron St.
Chicago, IL 60611
Fax: 312.944-6763
Email: fragsdal@ala.org

The American Library Association is an affirmative action, equal-opportunity employer. Applications are invited from women, minorities and persons with disabilities.
Request for Information on Past CALA Distinguished Service Award Recipients

Dear CALA Members and Friends:

Recently, I have been given the responsibility to prepare biographical sketches of CALA Distinguished Service Award Recipients for the CALA 30th Commemorative Book. I have done a lot of inquiries and research to gather information and have received great assistance from most recipients and their families. However, I still need more biographical information on Gloria Hsia, Wen-yu Yan and Norma Yueh.

I would appreciate it if you can send me their biographical sketches (two pages or less) or vita, or some write-ups about any of the above honorees. Please contact their family, colleagues, or friends to collect some information for me. I would appreciate it if you can send me the information in electronic format before the 15th of August 2003. This information has been missing since the 1980s. Now that we are celebrating our 30th Anniversary, I want to do a good job to complete this significant task. The biographical sketches of all the Award recipients will also be included in the CALA Web Site at: [http://www.cala-web.org](http://www.cala-web.org).

Your able assistance to help me accomplish this task will be greatly appreciated. Please send your items to me via email to sctseng888@yahoo.com, or to my fax or address below:

Sally C. Tseng, P.O. Box 4992, Irvine, CA 92616
Tel.: 949-552-5615
Fax: 949-857-1988

Thank you in advance. Sally

The 2003 CALA Distinguished Service Award Recipient: Mr. Peter Robert Young

Congratulations to Mr. Peter Robert Young on receiving the 2003 CALA Distinguished Service Award. Mr. Young is the Director of the National Agricultural Library (NAL). He earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from the College of Wooster, in Wooster, Ohio, and a master's degree in library science from the School of Library Service at Columbia University. Mr. Young has held numerous professional positions in national, academic, research and public libraries, and has extensive government and industry experience. Before he became the NAL Director, he served as the Acting Chief of the Asian Division at the Library of Congress (LC), where he managed staff, services and programs for the 2-million-item Asian vernacular language collections. He was the Chief of the Cataloging Distribution Service at LC from 1997 to 2001. Prior to his LC appointments, he served seven years as the Executive Director of the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS), an independent federal agency advising the President and the Congress regarding library and information services and policies. As Dr. Hwa-wei Lee commented, "He [Peter Young] is the only Chinese American librarian who ever held the highest position at two U.S. national libraries". With his outstanding leadership, Mr. Young has brought many remarkable changes and developments at the agencies and institutions he has served.

Mr. Young is one of the most influential Chinese librarians in the nation and worldwide. His most important contribution to the profession is his wide range of involvement in professional organizations and activities. Mr. Young is also a scholar as well as a prolific writer. His presentations, speeches and publications cover various topics.

With his leadership role and remarkable accomplishments, Mr. Young has been an exemplary role model for Chinese librarians. The Award Committee echoes what the nominating and supporting letters stated: "[We] cannot think of anyone more deserving of this Award than Peter Young," and selected Peter as the 2003 CALA Distinguished Service Award recipient based on the following reasons:

- his dedication to CALA, his inspiration to Chinese American librarians, and his continuous effort in advancing Chinese American librarianship;
- his strong leadership role, management style and mentorship as the Director of two national libraries, and his distinguished contributions at other top positions during his career;
- his expert level of knowledge and his tireless promotion of diversity, library technology, electronic and digital resources, and other programs and projects;
- his vision and insightful advice to local, private, state, national and international library and information communities;
- his distinguished achievements and services to users in the United States and worldwide; and
- his scholarship and significant contributions to the profession and literature that have benefited librarians, information scientists and library users in the United States and around the world.

Mr. Young will be presented the CALA Distinguished Service Award in June 2004 in Orlando, Florida at the CALA Awards Banquet during the 2004 ALA Annual Conference.
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Webmaster has similar functions as the journal editor and the newsletter editor, that is, publishing CALA-related materials. The webmaster differs from the journal and the newsletter editor in that s/he does not edit the contents of the articles s/he receives but posts them as is to the website. In that sense, the webmaster is like a closed/moderated listserv owner/manager. Also the webmaster position should be stable.

At present, CALA does not have its own web server. If each new webmaster needs to transfer all files (about 223 pages containing 140,680 words, excluding image files) to his or her organization's web server, not only there will be a lot of work to do but also it may display different URLs each time. Frequent changes of URL addresses and the layout of the website will be a disservice to our members.

CALA should use its website to generate some revenue, such as posting paid advertisements. The Fund-Raising or Public Relations Committee should take charge in soliciting such ads.

3. Cost of a web server:

The cost of a web server varies according to functionalities, speed, and service qualities. According to hostindex.com, the most popular dedicated web servers (as of May 1, 2003) have the following annual rates:

- No.1 Hostway: $2,988
- No.2 Interland: $1,788
- No.3 ValueWeb: $1,548
- No.4 DellHost: $5,388
- No.5 Media3: $4,788

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

All officers and committee chairs should supply new/updated documents/info to the webmaster in order to be published on the CALA website, rather than the webmaster goes after each and every officer and committee chair for such documents.

It is not recommended that CALA invest in a dedicated web server at this time.

Shixing Wen, Webmaster

Scholarships Awarded

C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship

Yvonne Cheng is currently a Master’s degree candidate at the School of Library and Information Science, UCLA. After she graduated with a B.A. in Illustration from the Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, she studied from 2000 to 2001 in the Library Technician Program at Pasadena City College. In addition to her outstanding academic credentials, she has worked as Student and Reference Assistants in the Shatford Library of Pasadena City College, in the San Marino Public Library, and in the Arcadia Public Library. One particularly notable strength of Yvonne’s application is her active service as a community volunteer. For example, she has assisted with book auctions and community outreach activities, and once conducted exit polls for a collaborative study on Asian American voting behavior in California. One of her future goals is to “recruit more Asian Americans into the field of librarianship.”

Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-yu Scholarship

Yu Su, a recipient of the 2002 C.C. Seetoo Conference Travel Scholarship, is currently a Master’s degree candidate at the School of Library Science, University of Arizona. She received her B.A. in Economics from the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing. At the University of Arizona, Yu has worked as the Student Assistant in the East Asian Collection and as a Graduate Research Assistant. She has distinguished herself with several research projects, among them one on “Digital Library of Information Science and Technology,” which has been accepted by the International Poster Session at the 2003 ALA/CLA Annual Conference to be held in Toronto.

The Scholarship Committee

Dr. Margaret C. Fung (Chang, Ding-chong), a CALA life member and distinguished award recipient, has retired on August 30, 2002, after 12 years’ tenure from the position of Ministrual Member of the Examination Yuan in Taipei. During the past four decades, she has contributed a great deal to the advancement of library and information as well as the development of civil service system; in the ROC. Her contributions were recollected by her colleagues and students in a collection of essays entitled Respect and Appreciative Recollection published by the Library Association of China in Taipei in September, 2002

Submitted by Shu-hua Wu

Gladys Chaw, a life member of CALA, successfully coordinated the first ever National Library Week at College of San Mateo. The theme for the week was “fantasy, mystery, and reality@your library.” From April 7 to April 11, events and activities were scheduled throughout the week. On Monday, April 7, Ruthanne Lum McCunn spoke on “Curious Cats, Libraries and Pie-Biters: A Writer’s Life”; on Tuesday, April 8, John Trasvina discussed “What the USA PATRIOT Act Means to Our Freedom and Our Future”; on Wednesday, April 9, John Lescroart presented on his College of San Mateo experience which influenced him as a New York Times best seller writer; on Thursday, April 10, Dr. Kate Motoyama’s Oral Interpretation of Literature Class’s interpretation of the book Seefolks; and on Friday, April 11, Dr. Karoline Loselea Naufahu and the College of San Mateo Polynesian Club presented “A Better Understanding of Who We Are: The Polynesians Through Our Music and Dance.” All events were well attended. For more information, go to: http://www.smccd.net/accounts/csmlibrary/nlw.html.
Public Relations/Fundraising Committee

Significant activities:

The Committee has solicited advertisements for the CALA Membership Directory. The following strategies were successfully incorporated in this campaign:

Strategies for PR and Fundraising:

1. Work closely with membership chair/co-chairs and chapter presidents.
2. Keep a listserv list to distribute announcements, such as scholarship, and events.
3. Keep a list of vendors, who put advertisements on CALA Membership Directory regularly or occasionally, and share that with chapter president and PR/Fundraising Committee.
4. Talk to people at conferences and other gatherings about CALA and ask for their support.
5. California Chapter has successfully sponsored a program and CALA banquet at California Library Association (CLA) Annual Conference. A signature event has become a tradition at the conference. State Librarian and CALA president were invited as guests of honor. It has brought up the CALA visibility and positive publicity. In 2002, 175 people attended the banquet and more than $1,500 was raised. A very effective way to raise fund.

As a result, 2002/2003 was a fruitful year for the Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee in terms of promoting the awareness of CALA, sponsoring programs and scholarships, and raising funds to the sum of $3,800.00!

Publicity was given to various organizations and their managers who generously donated money to place advertisements in our annual Membership Directory. Publicity was also given to various colleagues and friends. Below is a list of donors and their respective contributions:

I. ADVERTISEMENTS by ORGANIZATIONS in the CALA 2002/2003 Membership Directory ($3,000.00 in total):

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The grand total is $3,800.00.

Esther Lee, and Diana Wu, Co-Chairs

Cathy Hsiao, a new member of CALA, is also the co-founder of Apple Tree Library Foundation, a new California 501(c)(3) public charity. The mission of the Foundation is to promote open-mindedness and cultural understanding by establishing English language children’s libraries within the existing municipal children’s library system in China. In the process, we hope to help the children acquire an essential language skill, to help modernize the public library practice, to help train local children’s librarians, to promote volunteerism and to build a learning community around the library. Most important of all, we provide free access to knowledge that opens eyes and inspire dreams to the entire population of a city.

The goal for this year is to open 3-5 libraries. Currently we are in discussions with Beijing, Shanghai, Tianjin, Xiamen and Fuzhou. The municipal children’s libraries provide the facility, the operating budget and the librarians. The Apple Tree Library Foundation provides the literary materials and managerial input.

We are looking for advice and support, in terms of setting up a children’s library, training Chinese librarians, suggesting needy cities, mentoring a particular English library, soliciting publisher’s donations, etc. CALA members are uniquely suited for this nonprofit project, and we can use all the help you can offer. Please contact cathy.hsiao@appletreelibrary.org for more information.

Oakland Public Library: Web Site Attracts Book Donors

Facing budget cuts in this economic downfall, the Oakland Public Library in Oakland, California, launched a Buy A Book Campaign to shore up its collections. The Library put up Amazon wish lists in May, where people could buy a book to donate to their libraries. Six days after the website was up, hundreds of book donations came in and the UPS trucks kept pulling up to Oakland libraries to drop off boxes of brand new books in Amazon.com mailers.

To know more about why people from all over the United States and the world so generous, please go to http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/PR/pr050803buyabookdonors.html

For more information about the Oakland Public Library’s Buy A Book Campaign, visit the Web site at http://www.oaklandlibrary.org or call Dana Heidrick, Collection Development Coordinator, at (510) 238-4704 Or check out the Amazon.com Web site and help out!
Conference on Chinese Overseas Studies

The Second Conference of Institutes and Libraries for Chinese Overseas Studies 第二届海外华人研究与文献收藏机构国际合作会议 was hosted by the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) from March 13-15, 2003. Both scholars and librarians from Southeast Asian countries, Hong Kong and China, Japan, Canada and the United States attended the conference. Presenters could use either English or Putonghua, and panels in each language were held concurrently. In all, some sixty papers were presented, covering many time periods and nearly all continents. Indeed, credit is due to the CUHK library staff and others who made everything run smoothly and who distributed copies of all the papers.

The tone of the conference was set with a reflective and inspiring keynote speech by Prof. Wang Gungwu 王赓武 (Director of the East Asian Institute at the National University of Singapore). Prof. Wang, often known as the “father of Chinese overseas studies,” has a bibliography that fills numerous pages. His brilliance as a scholar and dedication as a teacher was acknowledged with the book launch: Power and Identity in the Chinese World Order: Festschrift in Honour of Professor Wang Gungwu.

This conference provided a forum for researchers to present papers that ranged from surveying 18th to early 20th century migration to exploring current transnational business and social networks. Librarians discussed issues in preserving archival sources, highlighted collections in their institutions and shared some exciting database and online projects.

The use of terms points to the complexity of this emerging field. As a third-generation Chinese-American, I have maintained a view that when someone has set down roots in a new land, that person (and the ethnic community) becomes a fundamental part of that society. I therefore had to ask a presenter to clarify differences in terms used in his paper. He said that “huqiao” 华侨 refers to a citizen of China who is living and working abroad. If that person were to take on local citizenship, that person becomes a “huaren” 华人. For those in a country who are of Chinese descent, he explained, “we call them ‘huayi’ 华裔... like you!” The audience laughed.

I found the papers that dealt with recent migration patterns particularly interesting. Among recent migrants from China, for example, many include those who are highly educated city dwellers from Beijing, Shanghai, or Guangzhou. Many pull factors, like career potential in China’s dynamic economy, attract some to be “returnees.” This helps explain China’s interest in the field, such as the Institute of Overseas Chinese Studies at Jinan University in Guangzhou, established in 1981, which promotes research and aims to develop global networks that includes the “qiaoxiang” 侨乡 (home towns or villages in China with strong overseas ties).

This year’s conference, like the first in 2001, was jointly organized by the university libraries of Ohio University and the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The respective university librarians, Julia Zimmerman and Colin Storey, were a primary force in the success of the conference. Hwa-Wei Lee 李华伟, dean emeritus of Ohio University libraries, and now chief of the Asian Division at the Library of Congress, played an active role in building up this conference. Also present were university librarians Anthony Ferguson (Hong Kong Univ.) and Shirley Leung (H.K. Baptist Univ.) and staffs from many academic libraries in Hong Kong and Macao.

CUHK is actively building its Chinese Overseas Collection 海外华人特藏 (oca.lib.cuhk.edu.hk; contact person, Ann Chiu 邱淑如, ann@lib.cuhk.edu.hk). Celebrating its 10th year at Ohio University is the Dr. Shao You Bao Overseas Chinese Documentation Center 邵友保博士海外华人文献研究中心 (www.library.ohiou.edu/subjects/shao/main.htm; contact person, Liren Zheng 郑力人, zheng@ohiou.edu).

A round table for librarians was held on the last day of the conference. A key question was raised: “Where do we go from here?” Issue areas touched upon included: identifying and preserving collections, organizing and indexing, strategies for user access (such as digital projects), and collaborative projects, such as a clearing house or compiling union lists of resources. Pertaining to all of the above is a central point: securing funding and institutional support. Plans are underway for Singapore to host the Third Conference in 2005. If your library has relevant collections, or if you are interested, plan to attend!

Laura L. Wong 黄丽娟 (lwong@jhu.edu)
**CALA Membership Application**

Today’s Date: _____________________________

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Last Name

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First Name               Middle Name

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Chinese Name (if any)

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Home Address

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Work Telephone

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Fax/Home Fax

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Email Address:

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CALA Member who recommended you (if any):

[ ] New Member

[ ] Renewing Member

Membership Dues cover the full calendar year, from January to December. Dues in U.S. Dollar value equivalency or from a U.S. bank.

**Please choose one membership category**

- Individual Member ($30/yr) $
- Institutional Member ($100/yr) $
- Life Member ($400) $
- Student Member ($15/yr) $
- Non-salaried Member ($15/yr) $

**Additional Contribution**

- CALA General Fund $
- CALA Scholarship Fund $
- CALA Research Fund $
- CALA Books to China Fund $

Total $ 

**Chapters: (Please check one)**

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