



# Chinese American Librarians Association

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### Message from the President

#### Diana Wu

Happy Year of the Dog to all CALA members. Best wishes for a healthy, happy, and prosperous new year!

2006 has a very busy and fruitful start. More than 25 board members, committee chairs, and members attended both the special working meeting and the regular board meeting at the ALA mid-winter in San Antonio.

Following are highlights from the meetings and some significant accomplishments at the mid-year:

#### I. Three New Initiatives

- 1) Officer's handbook - - In order to help new officers get a head start, an officer's handbook is under development. Dora Ho, Amy Tsiang, and Holly Yu spear headed this important task. It includes a master calendar. The outlines have been completed and were shared at the board meeting in Chicago. The master calendar has been completed and posted to CALA website.
- 2) Best new books - - Many CALA members are interested in reviewing and evaluating newly published English books written by Chinese or Chinese American authors in the United States. This new initiative was proposed by Cathy Lu, and co-chaired by Yi Liang, Julia Tung, and Jia-Lee Li. Guidelines and criteria were presented at the midwinter Board meeting. More details to follow.
- 3) A CALA blog has been launched in the New Year. It resides at <http://www.cala-web.blog.com>. This is used for informal communication to post latest news from the ALA offices, award and scholarship announcements and recipients, significant accomplishment by CALA members, retirement, etc. I believe CALA is the only ethnic caucus to have a blog.

#### II. Other Accomplishments

- 1) Under Shixing Wen's leadership, on-line payment has been implemented. CALA members can renew and pay membership dues on-line. Vendors are encouraged to pay for their advertisement electronically. With this new venue, payment is available 24x7 without geographical limitation.
- 2) CALA is growing steadily and so is the website content. Because of the complexity, the current server is no longer feasible to manage it. It was approved at the midwinter Board meeting to move the current CALA to a commercial web hosting site by BlueHost. Thanks to the fine work proposed by the Web Advisory Task Force under Holly Yu's leadership. With the commercial web hosting, we will be able to manage on-line election, on-line payment and online directory, etc.
- 3) The revision and amendments of CALA Constitutions and Bylaws is underway under Harriet Ying's leadership. Due to the nature of complexity and detail, they have been discussed online. A special meeting was called at the midwinter to finalize the discussion before the Board meeting. The revised constitution has been approved at the Board meeting. The revised bylaws will be discussed and put to vote on online in March. Once the bylaws are approved by the board, both revised Constitutions and Bylaws will be presented to the members at large for final approval.

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- 4) The first Joint Conference for Librarians of Color (JCLC) fundraising is an ongoing effort. Each caucus was allocated 1000 raffle tickets. Each CALA chapter is responsible for selling a share of raffle tickets according to the membership ratio. 614 tickets have been sold by CALA, the second highest among five caucuses. At the midwinter drawing, a member of the REFORMA won both the \$1000 grant prize and the \$100 bonus. CALA treasurer sent a check to JCLC on CALA's behalf. Thank you all for your generous support.
- 5) JCLC Planning Committee came up with 3 awards and 25 travel scholarships for students. The 3 awards are: the Best Author (five awards - one from each caucus), Distinguished Services Award (five awards - one from each caucus), Advocacy Award (five awards - one from each caucus), Travel Scholarship (25 scholarships - five from each caucus at \$1000 each). Please see details, application criteria and forms at <http://www.ala.org/ala/olos/jointconferenceoflibrariansofcolor/awardsandscholarships.htm>. You can also contact Liana Zhou and Linna Yu for more details.
- 6) International Relation Committee, under Connie Haley and Susana Liu leadership, has proposed to fund a speaker from China, Hong Kong or Taiwan for the ALA-CALA annual conference. "Though American librarianship is strong in some areas, such as information technology, reference services, etc. 中港臺 librarianship is strong in other areas, such as preservation, and having non-librarian directorship. By bring 中港臺 librarians to the ALA-CALA conference, we can share professional experience and enrich our professional endeavor." To help start this initiative, Connie donated the first seed money. The Committee suggested to work with the PR/Fund-Raising Committee to fund the speaker.
- 7) Sally and I were invited to attend the annual library conference on December 16, in Taiwan. We both presented at the conference. See details in Executive Director's report.
- 8) An English editorial board has been formed for the official CALA *Journal of Library and Information*

*Science* (JLIS). It will be responsible for generating and reviewing the English articles for inclusion in the journal.

Sally and I attended a joint meeting with the JLIS editorial board in Taipei. It is agreed that to help cut down the cost, it will be available online. Current CALA members can access the full-text with a password.

### III. Other Issue(s)

- 1) Both 2007-2008 ALA presidential candidates spoke at the CALA Board meeting. Please visit ALA website <http://www.ala.org/ala/eventsandconferences/midwinter/2006/MW06-Sunday.pdf> or candidates' blog at <http://billcrowe.blogspot.com/>, and <http://lorieneroy.blogspot.com/> (was not working when I visited on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>) for each candidate's views.
- 2) Online Membership Directory – Minmin Qin is working with Shixing Wen to mount the membership directory online. This will make it easier to access the directory and to update the content.
- 3) Local Arrangement in New Orleans

Despite the hardship caused by Katrina hurricane, the Local Arrangement Committee is working very hard to continue our tradition to host an award banquet in New Orleans. Amy Su Liu is the local contact. She was evacuated from her home since Katrina hit in September, and just moved back to New Orleans in January 2006. The recovery is very slow, and yet, Amy unconditionally supports CALA and is making all the necessary contacts for us. Haipeng Li started the initial contact before Amy returned to New Orleans. Other volunteers are: Tina Soong, Dora Ho, Klairon Tang, and Ada Ding. Your efforts and enthusiasm are most appreciated. Please accept our heartfelt "Thank you!"

For details, please refer to reports submitted by chair of each committee or task force in this newsletter.

## Message from the Executive Director, and Minutes of the January 2006 Board Meeting Sally C. Tseng

At the beginning of this prosperous New Year, I want to take the opportunity to send you my best wishes and to thank you for your contributions and services to CALA. Your dedication and strong support of CALA are deeply appreciated!

In addition to the Reports published in this Newsletter from President Wu, Chapter Presidents, Committees and Task Forces, I am pleased to submit to you additional minutes and items that were discussed and actions taken at the Board Meeting on Saturday, January 21, 2006 in San Antonio, Texas at the Marriott Riverwalk Hotel from 7:00 PM to 9:20 PM. I am also reporting on recent decisions by the Executive Board, and on past and future activities that may interest our members.

The Board voted on the following items:

1. **Approved June 2005 Minutes.** The Minutes are available on CALA Newsletter, no. 93 (Fall 2005) at: <http://www.cala-web.org/publications/newsletter/2005Fall.pdf>
2. **Approved** to continue publishing in the CALA Newsletter all reports from CALA officers and Committees and to add the account summary from the Treasurer.
3. **Approved** the first stage for CALA active members to access online the Journal of Library and Information Science (JLIS) by generic password, and to change to an individual password in the future.
4. **Approved** that all special donations to outside organizations/individuals will continue be set up under a specific fund name and be distributed accordingly.
5. **Appointed** a Task Force to update the pamphlet called "Equal voices, many choices: ethnic library organizations" in response to ALAhead to 2010. Members are: Mengxiong Liu, Chair, Harriet Ying and ShaLi Zhang. They will also find out the deadline.
6. **Approved** the 2006/2007 budget in the amount of \$7,615.
7. **Approved a** CALA Katrina Donation in the amount of \$1,155 to be distributed to two CALA members, Amy Su Liu and Laura John Rowland (after the Executive Board verified their membership statuses), who are residents of New Orleans who have suffered damages during the Hurricane Katrina disaster.
8. **Endorsed** an ALA Council Resolution in honor/memory of Gerold Hodges.
9. **Approved** the CALA Bylaws as amended at the Special Meeting on January 21, 2006.

10. The Board **reviewed the Best Book Award Guidelines and advised** the Ad Hoc Committee to rework on the drafted Guidelines "for works published in English and Chinese languages", not just to be limited to works published in the English language.

### Candidates for ALA Election

Two candidates for the ALA Presidency, 2007-2008 attended the Board meeting and made brief presentations. They are: William Crowe, Head of the Kenneth Spencer Research Library, University of Kansas, and Loriene Roy, Professor, University of Texas at Austin's School of Information.

Please vote for Shixing Wen, CALA Past President, and Dora Ho, CALA 2006/2007 President-Elect who are candidates for the ALA Council. Please let me know if there are other CALA members whose candidacy we want to support for ALA and other professional organizations.

### CALA Life Membership Special Discount Fee Extended to March 31, 2006

Proposed by Minmin Qiu, Membership Chair, the Executive Board approved to further extend the Life Membership Special Fee in the amount of \$300 (regular \$400 for life) to March 31, 2006. Life members will also receive a complimentary copy of the CALA book on "Bridging Culture". For more information, please contact Minmin Qiu or email her at: [minmin.qin@stanford.edu](mailto:minmin.qin@stanford.edu).

### JCLC Awards and Scholarships

Liana Zhou and Linna Yu, representatives to JCLC 06, the Joint Conference for Librarians of Color, announced exciting news that CALA will have five (5) JCLC Scholarship recipients at \$1,000 each!!! That is a total of \$5,000 in Scholarships from JCLC this year!!! This is one of the most exceptional achievements in CALA's history! Thanks a million to Liana and Linna for their extraordinary efforts, leadership and accomplishments for CALA!!! Congratulations!!! JCLC scholarships are made possible by funding from the National Library of Medicine (NLM), and will fund minority librarians, students or library staff, or those who serve minority communities to attend the conference in Dallas. I strongly encourage CALA members to apply for these scholarships. Not only will you have a chance to attend the JCLC Conference in October, but the JCLC

scholarships present special opportunities for 2006! Please see also the JCLC report in this issue.

Please note that these JCLC scholarships are in addition to the traditional CALA scholarships, which have been announced earlier.

### Update on CALA's Tsunami Fund

CALA raised \$3,940.00 and sent a check to the "Library Disaster Relief Fund" in care of Carla J. Funk, Executive Director, Medical Library Association. Carla is responsible for collecting all donations from U.S. library associations. In response to my inquiry in January 2006, Carla wrote to tell us on January 16, 2006: "We are still holding the funds that were contributed pending a report from IFLA about what kinds of needs libraries in the area have. We have been assured that this report is forthcoming. As soon as we get this then we can disperse the funds. I will let all donors know how the funds have been dispersed. Thanks again for CALA's contribution."

### Update on CALA's Hurricane Katrina Fund

We have raised \$1,155 for the CALA Hurricane Katrina Fund. Originally, we planned to send money to CALA members and to one or two libraries. Due to the limited funds raised, I recommended to the Board that we focus on helping CALA members who have suffered during this unprecedented disaster. As mentioned earlier, the Board and the Executive Board approved distribution of the fund evenly between Amy Su Liu, Co-Chair of the Local Arrangement Committee, and Laura John Rowland, an author, who were evacuees from the disaster in New Orleans.

I want to thank Dr. Margaret Fung, Nancy Hershoff, Anna Ho, Dora Ho, Esther Lee, Ying Liu, Lan Shen, Yongyi Song, Wendy Tan, Sally Tseng, Diana Wu, Hua Yi and Priscilla Yu for their generous donations to this CALA Hurricane Katrina Fund.

### CALA Listserv

At the requests of some CALA Board members the CALA listserv was temporarily monitored during the summer to avoid personal attacks and misinformation. Netiquette should be followed.

### The Annual Conference of the Library Association of the Republic of China (LAROC)

The LAROC Annual Conference was held on December 17, 2005 at the National Central Library in Taipei, Taiwan. ALA President Michael Gorman was invited as the keynote speaker. He spoke on a very important and timely topic, "Library Values in a Digital Age". He also spoke at the National Taiwan University Library on

"Cataloging Today" on December 18, 2005. Attendants were very excited about meeting and hearing President Gorman in person and were deeply impressed and inspired by his speeches. CALA members from the United States, who attended this meeting, included Ai-hua Chen, Doris Tseng, Sally Tseng and Diana Wu. Diana spoke on "Information Literacy and Lifelong Learning", while Sally spoke on "Development of Resource Management in American Libraries under the Trend of Globalization and Digitization". Eight more important papers were presented at the Conference together with lively poster sessions and systems exhibitions. It was a very productive and fruitful Conference! Ai-hua and Sally also joined the Post-Conference Tour to visit libraries and some famous places in central Taiwan. The LAROC Conference was very well-organized and thoughtfully arranged. The warm welcome and hospitality were very memorable.

### Call for Papers – 2006 Library Society of China (LSC) Annual Conference, Kunming

You are cordially invited to participate and/or to present paper(s) at the LSC Annual Conference to be held in Kunming, Yunnan Province, China in late July 2006. LSC is the new English name for the China Society for Library Science (CSLS). As in the past few years, the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) will form a Delegation to participate in the Conference.

1. Conference dates: **(Tentatively late July 2006)**
2. The main theme (主题) is: The Development of the Library and Building a Harmonious Society (图书馆发展与和谐社会构建)
3. The sub-themes are: (分主题)
  - a) Human Touch of the Library to the Public (面向大众的图书馆关怀)
  - b) Building a Library Law Environment in China : Law Insurance and Profession (Trade) Self-discipline (中国图书馆法治环境构建：法律保障与行业自律)
  - c) Building, Sharing and Services of the Library Digital Resources (图书馆数字资源的建设、共享与服务)
  - d) Guidance for the Public Reading in a Harmonious Society (大众阅读指导与和谐社会)

Potential authors are encouraged to submit papers that address the main theme or sub-themes of the conference. A paper (20 pages maximum) may be submitted in Chinese or English with abstracts (200 words each) in both Chinese and English. The **Deadline** for submitting the **full paper is March 31, 2006**. This is a **firm** deadline for competition in the 2006 LSC Best Papers Award. I am pleased to let you know that several CALA members have been recipients of the "Best Papers Awards" during the past few years. Keep it up!

**The Third Shanghai International Library Forum (SILF)**, “第三届上海国际图书馆论坛”, August 17-19, 2006, Shanghai, China. The Shanghai Library is the host. Shanghai is China’s largest city -- a business, industrial and multi-cultural metropolitan city in Eastern China.

**SILF Theme:** Management Innovation and Library Services “管理创新与图书馆服务”。

**SILF sub-topics** are as follows:

- ❖ Corporate Culture 组织文化;
- ❖ Marketing and Promotion 营销与推广;
- ❖ Crisis Management 危机管理;
- ❖ Performance Measurement 绩效评估;
- ❖ User Services 用户服务。

Please submit the **abstract of your paper to me by March 15, 2006. The deadline for submitting full SILF papers is May 20, 2006.**

Papers submitted shall be original research work or descriptions of practical experience, which have not been published in any other periodicals or proceedings. All the papers submitted will be peer-reviewed by the Professional Committee of SILF 2006. The Shanghai Library will publish conference proceedings. The accepted papers will be published in the proceedings. *Library Management*, a journal, will also publish selected papers from this forum as a special issue.

Please furnish the following information:

- a. Title of paper
- b. Abstract of the paper (no more than 300 words)
- c. Author(s) and Organization
- d. Authors presenting the paper (in case of multi-authors)
- e. Address including e-mail address, phone and fax numbers

Visit the SILF 2006 website at:

<http://www.libnet.sh.cn/silf2006> for format of the paper.

#### **SILF Registration Fee:**

**Early Bird:** Before June 30, 2006, US\$180\* per person. After June 30, 2006: \$200 per person. **Special discount to the members of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA) (10 or more for group price): US\$160\* per person. After June 30, 2006: \$200 per person.**

\* 1. Conference registration fee includes conference materials, meals (dinner on August 17, 2006 and lunch and dinner on August 18, 2006), a cultural event, and beverages during the conference.

2. A receipt will be given to the participant upon his/her arrival in Shanghai.

For more information, regarding these two conferences, please contact: Sally Tseng, email:

[sctseng888@yahoo.com](mailto:sctseng888@yahoo.com).

#### **Hong Kong Book Fair, Free Pass Program for Librarians, July 19-24, 2006**

The Hong Kong Book Fair is pleased to offer the “Free Pass Program for Librarians” for the 17th Annual Fair, which will be held July 19-24, 2006.

The Fair will provide selected librarians from the U.S. and Canada, who collect Chinese language materials, **4 nights of hotel and free registration**. Those eligible to participate in the program must be personal members of ALA, who work in the area of Chinese language acquisitions or are working to build their Chinese language collections to better serve their community of users.

The Hong Kong Book Fair provides:

- 400 exhibitors from Hong Kong, China, and Taiwan
- first-hand access to the latest publications for public and academic libraries
- the latest in music, software, and electronic publishing, and more
- an opportunity to purchase materials at large discounts

The deadline for applications to the “Hong Kong Book Fair/U.S. Librarian Invitation Program” is **April 10, 2006**.

**For more information contact:** ALA International Relations Office, 50 E. Huron Street Chicago, IL 60611 Phone: 312-280-3201, Fax: 312-280-4392, Email: [intl@ala.org](mailto:intl@ala.org)

#### **California Chapter New Officers**

Congratulations and best wishes to the following newly elected officers of the Chinese American Librarians Association, California Chapter (CALA-CA). They were elected in November 2005:

Kuei Chiu, CALA-CA President  
 Gu Fang, CALA-CA President-elect  
 Janet Lin, CALA-CA Treasurer  
 Maggie Wang, Membership, CALA-CA South  
 Hong Wang, Membership, CALA-CA North  
 Julia Tung, Secretary, CALA-CA North  
 Zhang Wenwen, Event Coordinator, CALA-CA South  
 Susanna Liu, Mengxiong Liu, Event Coordinators, CALA-CA North  
 Song Yongyi, CALA-CA Webmaster

The Board of Directors presented at the Board Meeting on January 21, 2006 were: Li Fu, Dora Ho, Carol Ka-Chuen Gee, Nancy Sun Hershoff, Rosa Hsu, Xudong Jin,

Ester Lee, Haipeng Li, Mengxiong Liu, Klairon Tang,  
Sally Tseng, Zheng Wang, Shixing Wen, Diana Wu,  
Holly Yu, Linna Yu, Priscilla C. Yu, Sha Li Zhang and  
Liana Zhou.

Guests: Daisy Cheng, William Crowe, Connie Haley,  
Elizabeth Hsu, Jiun Kuo, Yan (Clara) Liao, Loriene Roy,  
Zhongjie Sun, Amy Tsiang, Manuel Urrizola, Harriet  
Ying and Lisa Zhao.

Absence Requested: Kuei Chiu, Susana Liu, Zhijia Shen,  
Helen Wang, Ying Xu and Xiwen Zhang.

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## Chapter Reports

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### California Chapter (South)

#### 1. CALA-CA Program at 2005 CLA Conference

CALA-CA Chapter (South) had another successful program! At the 2005 California Library Association Annual Conference in Pasadena on November 7th, CALA-CA Chapter presented its program entitled "Bridging Cultural Gap: Library Services in User's Language". Five CALA members from academic, public libraries presented how to provide library services to user by Internet, as well as traditional means such as print and A/V materials. The presenters also discussed how to reach out to library users by providing contents that are appealing to those of diverse ethnic backgrounds using the languages that they are familiar with. Although the CALA program was scheduled as one of the very last of this year's Conference, it was still well attended with a full house of audience and overwhelming responses.

Immediately after the Program, we hosted the annual CLA/CALA-CA Fundraising Banquet in a Chinese restaurant in Pasadena. Due to the success year after year, this event has become a CLA/CALA-CA tradition that attracts many CALA supporters. Our honorable guests among 90-some attendees include Michael Gorman, President of the American Library Association, Susan Hildreth, the State Librarian of California, Susan NeGreen, Executive Director of California Library Association, Danis Krimeier, President of California

Library Association, Sandi Novoa, District Librarian of Los Angeles County Library, Jan Sanders, Library Director of Pasadena City Library, Luis Herrera, City Librarian of San Francisco Public Library, Diana Wu, CALA President, and Sally Tseng, CALA Executive Director. As always, everyone at the banquet had a very enjoyable evening. Besides authentic Chinese food, exciting entertainment and meeting old and new friends, we also had numerous delightful door prizes for our guests thanks for the generous donation from the CALA-CA South Board members and our long-term supporter, Evergreen Chinese Bookstore in Monterey Park.

Since February 2005, CALA-CA Chapter Board (South) members had worked diligently for this program. Our sincere thanks go to board members, Kuei Chiu, Yongyi Song, Ying Xu, Xiwen Zhang, Ying Liu, Wenwen Zhang, Maggie Wang, our volunteer, Zhuo Wang and especially to Sally Tseng, for their hard work and tireless support.

#### 2. CALA-CA Chapter (South) Future Program Planning

South Board members is planning a Chinese Film Festival for its spring program. The tentative location will be at the San Gabriel Library in San Gabriel city. The board members are working on selecting films and guest speakers for this program.

Submitted by Kuei Chiu & Maggie Wang

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### Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter Report

The CALA-Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter co-sponsor with the Library of Congress Asian Division held our Annual Fall Program on October 27 at the Library of Congress. We were able to invite Sally Tseng, CALA Executive Director, to come and present a workshop on "Metadata, and Their Applications to Resources" to the local Chinese Librarians.

This topic is highly professional and intellectual and yet we have drawn close to sixty audiences from local and the vicinity as well. GMAC don't usually conducted a workshop in Chinese, due to the fact of the subject content, and because our goal is to better serve our member's need, therefore, our Program Chair come up with the idea to conduct the workshop in Chinese to better serve our member and all professional friends and colleague.

It was announced that our local chapter have agreed to take active mode to expand our services to promote the Chinese culture to the main stream, and we need to

increase the Board member to meet the need of our plan. Dr. Hwa-wei Lee, Chief of the Asian Division, Library of Congress is a long time friend of our key note speaker and also our co-sponsor of the program, is the most ideal person to introduce Sally our honorary speaker.

Sally prepared power point presentation, bilingual terms and terminology handout for this workshop. Sally points out that we are entering a global virtual library era for information. The traditional cataloging will no longer serve the purposes, instead, the Web-based catalogs will link to millions of resources on the World Wide Web. How to conduct an effective search is based on how the information is entered (cataloged). It has become clear that the Name Authority Control will play a much more important role in the future (catalog). Sally Tseng and many others have foreseen the problem and need and started researching to work out a way to resolve the problems that we are all facing (is on its way). This workshop introduces and describes "Metadata" and the development of the "Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records" and its impact on the future development of the Anglo-American Cataloging Rules

(AACR3), MARC21, and authority control. Sally gave an in depth description and many examples for easy understanding and she went beyond her normal effort to prepare this lecture for our audience, the benefit from this lecture will be enormous.

The program ended with a full course (12 dishes) dinner at the Hunan Restaurant nearby, where people got a chance to thank the speaker in person. At this annual fall event we recruited one life time member, and six renewals on site several promised will mail in. Sold three

more copies of the "Bridging cultures: Chinese American librarians and their organization, a glance at the thirty years of CALA. 1973-2004" and many raffle tickets for the Joint Conference for Librarians of Color (JCLC).

Many thanks to those who have helped at the program including all Chapter officers Anna Ho, Cathy Yang, Tammy Wang, Ming Poon, Yu-Hsiu Wang, and E. Huang.

Submitted by Helen Wang (President)

## Midwest Chapter Report

The CALAMW Chapter's goal this year is to benefit members with extensive professional development services. We strive to provide more opportunities possible to students, new librarians and those who need help. The Chapter's focus is on mentorship, annual program, member services, and Web development.

To reach that goal, six committees are formed: Archives, Membership, Program, Public Relations, Web, and State Contacts. Each committee has about three people including the chair. Most chairs are experienced with committee work, while most committee members are new either to committee work or association/profession. Hence, at the Board level, a structure of mentorship has been established that helps create a nurturing, caring and networking environment and culture.

The first Board meeting was a telephone conference. It was very productive and thus kicked off the Chapter work in an effective manner. At the meeting, chairs and Board members presented a lot of good ideas, proposals, and comments. All agreed that we will do our best for the best interest of our members. According to the meeting, each committee came up with a proposal and timeline of their committee work. Chairs are charged to lead their teams and collaborate with other committees.

Besides the work within the Chapter towards the goal, some Chapter members worked together to explore more possibilities at the national level. A proposal has been submitted to ALA for Wilson Professional Development Grant. The award is \$3500 and will be announced at the ALA Annual in Orleans. We sincerely hope we get it because it will encourage and fund a more substantial mentorship and professional development program for the Chapter.

Other members have been working to reach out and collaborate at international level. A team is going to China this summer to teach and train Chinese librarians there. They will conduct lectures, seminars and give talks not only in theory but practice. This pilot project aims to promote librarianship between U.S. and Chinese librarians, and provide a good professional opportunity for our

members. If successful, it will hopefully roll out to CALA or beyond in the future.

So far, all committees and projects are doing very well with their planned activities. The following is a detailed update on each committee and project.

### Archives Committee

CALA Midwest Chapter pioneered the Archives project and has integrated both printed version and digital format onto the Web. The committee's charge is to maintain and update the current Archives website and continue the effort of archiving a permanent file of Chapter records for 2005-2006. The committee collects, organizes, and files such records as correspondence of lasting interest, program information, and officers, etc. onto this website <http://tiger.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/resources/calamw/index.shtml>. Under the leadership of Guoqing Li, the group has worked to ensure that officers and committee chairs send designated records to the Committee; file records according to the current filing system; communicate to the members about any updates; and identify areas of need for the archives. As the only initiative in CALA, the Archives Website has already demonstrated benefits to the Chapter's professional development activities and member services.

### Membership Committee

The committee's objective is to focus on member recruitment, retention as well as involvement. The group has worked with Web Committee updating the CALAMW membership page and database. Whenever there are new members, they get announced on the MW listserv and get subscribed to the network right away. Membership drives have been planned and accomplished in such details as having sent invitation letters to ALL Midwest library schools in Fall 2005; notifying membership renewal with a personalized invitation in Dec. 2005; promoting life members in Jan. 2006; and working with state contacts to get inactive members back in Feb. 2006. Chaired by Haiying Qian, the committee has compared the current member list and CALA-Midwest subscriber list and made sure all current members are on the list. They have updated CALAMW brochure before it went online at the Chapter's website. They have also worked efficiently and effectively on



preparing a new member package that includes CALA history, mission, welcome speech from President, member benefits, etc. So far, there are three new members and two life members of the Chapter since July 2005.

### **Program Committee**

This team is consisted of 12 talented members led by Haiwang Yuan. Some preliminary discussion has been undergoing on the location, keynote speakers, panels and time. Some specific arrangements are under consideration. More details will be rolled out after the Midwinter. It promises to be a very exciting annual program this year. A local arrangement committee will be appointed as soon as the proposal gets through. All other committees are going to work together and contribute to this very important event. At the program, it will be a good opportunity for the Chapter to highlight its goals and objectives. A lot of efforts and energy has been put into it and it is hoped that our members will benefit from it.

### **Public Relations Committee**

Shuyong Jian, the chair, has successfully sold 36 JCLC raffle tickets alone. Under her strong leadership, the group has worked very diligently and achieved a lot in a short time. They have worked with the Membership committee in promoting MW to new and prospective members; preparing a welcome kit for new members; and getting ready for a promotional package for prospective members. They have helped update the Chapter brochure, and worked with the Web Committee on the Chapter's Website. They have been looking for ways to raise funds, publicize the Chapter/Association, and increase the Chapter's visibility. The team is looking forward to working with the Program Committee on the upcoming annual program.

### **Web Committee**

Jen-chien Yu is a very enthusiastic and talented chair. She is very well accomplished with her team and committee work. The group has submitted a very comprehensive proposal on Web hosting. It's proposed that the Chapter pays for a hosting service so it becomes available for the Web Committee to update the website and carry out their work. They have created a blogger for the Board and members to improve the communication. They act as a resource on electronic communication

technology, and have made great recommendations to the Board. The team has evaluated the current website, updated many pages, and worked with other committees developing the content. With this strong team, the Chapter is hoping to see a new/fresh, informative and dynamic website soon.

### **State Contacts**

State Contacts are liaisons from each State. The Board depends on them connecting Chinese-American librarians at a local level. Some gatherings and casual meetings need State Contacts to facilitate and organize. They play a big role in the Chapter's recruiting effort. Some State Contacts have been very active as linkages between a State and the Chapter. They have brought up some state level issues; helped identify and recommend individuals within the State who would serve as next State contact; and answered questions on the Chapter's behalf regarding CALA librarianship. Moreover, they assist with the effort of compiling Mid-America Chinese Resource Guide; publicize CALAMW to local agencies and organizations, and work with PR Committee on fundraising.

### **Other projects**

Another effort and accomplishment to report is the Mid-America Chinese Resource Guide created by Vickie Doll at: <http://www.lib.ku.edu/eastasia/calamwrg/new/Contents.shtml>. This Internet resource is a great resource for our members. It provides complete coverage of information related to China originating from the Midwest area, and China related resources to the Midwest for learning about China. It has each state's history, business, culture, education, medicine, religion, private societies, and government organizations that have a significant focus on China. It promotes usage of Midwest area museums, libraries, cultural centers, conferences and events with a Chinese focus. Each entry is annotated with a contact person, address, phone number, email and home page if one exists for the organization. There are also links to worldwide information on China and Taiwan promoting understanding of Chinese language, history, and culture, from academic, government, business, and cultural information sources.

Submitted by Li Fu (President)

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## **Northeast Chapter**

### 1. North East Chapter Programs

The North East Chapter hosted its annual fall program on October 29, 2005 at Flushing, New York. The program, co-sponsored by the International Resource Center of Queens Library, featured Overseas Chinese Literature -

Chinese Immigrant Literature in the Past, Present and Future. Panelists were scholars who were invited from Mainland China, Taiwan, and North America. The program drew attention from our chapter members, the general public, as well as Chinese media. A special report was published on World Journal Weekly Magazine, a newspaper of which half a million copies were sold in both US and Canada.

The North East Chapter is planning its program in coming spring 2006. The board is fundraising for a candidate seminar on China Copyright and its Implications for Overseas Acquisitions. The chapter is also going to conduct a professional workshop on library programming and marketing.

## 2. Chapter Meetings and Other Activities

The board met twice on August 30, 2005 and October 29, 2005. Members suggested possible programs, and updated chapter current operations, and coordinated a plan to sell JCLC raffle tickets.

One general member meeting was conducted on October 29, 2005 prior to the chapter's annual fall program. In

the meeting, the board members reported the chapter's operations and made a sale event for JCLC raffle tickets.

The board also verified membership of its chapter. Updated databases for current active members, pass due members, and life time members were established. The board outreached to all chapter members to remind the renewals of their membership as well.

## 3. Fundraising for JCLC

The board actively engaged in the fundraising activity for JCLC. All 225 raffle tickets were sold by January 7, 2006.

Submitted by Zheng Wang and Maria Fung

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## Southwest Chapter Report

The Southwest Chapter had its first gathering for 2005-2006 on Oct. 8th, 2005. We had dim sum at Fung's Kitchen Restaurant. Over twenty people attended. Some were retired librarians and we had a good time visiting with each other. CALA membership renewal forms were passed out to those whose membership was not current. A few have already renewed or joined CALA since then. Our upcoming gathering will be on Feb. 4th, 2006 to

celebrate Chinese New Year. It will be a buffet dinner at Lucky Village Restaurant.

The next exciting event will be our program at the Texas Library Association's annual conference on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. George Teoh, Library Chair of Houston Community College System's Northwest College will talk about his trip to Russia in October 2005.

Submitted by Klairon Tang (President)

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## Committee Reports

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### 2006 Conference Program Planning Committee

**CALA 2006 Annual Conference  
“Chinese American Librarians: Identity and Professional Development”**

1:30-3:30 pm Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Location: New Orleans, Louisiana

#### Presentation topics and speakers:

1. **Xue-Ming Bao**  
Associate Professor /Systems/Digital Librarian  
Seton Hall University Libraries  
400 South Orange Avenue  
South Orange, NJ 07079-2671  
973-275-2399 (O)  
[baoxuemi@shu.edu](mailto:baoxuemi@shu.edu)  
*“Turning the Pressure into a Positive Force: Going through the Promotion and Tenure Process in Academic Library Environment”*  
Dr. Bao will discuss the academic environment and ACRL’s guidelines for appointment, promotion and tenure of academic librarians. He will relate his personal experiences of going through the tenure and promotion process at Seton Hall University and how he turned the pressure into a positive force.” He will also talk about his experiences of serving on the University Library Rank and Tenure Committee to review evaluation and promotion procedures for other librarians.
2. **Hwa-Wei Lee**  
Chief, Asian Division  
Library of Congress  
101 Independence Ave. SE  
Washington, D.C. 20540-4810  
Phone: (202) 707-5919  
Fax: (202) 707-1724  
E-mail: [hlee@loc.gov](mailto:hlee@loc.gov)  
*“Be All You Can Be - Set High Career Goals!”*  
Dr. Lee will present on issues related to Asian American librarians and the “glass ceiling” that they face in their career paths. Are we better off today being Asian American librarians than we were 10, 20, or 30 years ago? As a major ethnic minority in the U.S., Asian American librarians are doing relatively well in the profession in recent decades. However, the fact remains that so few Asian American librarians are able to move up to top administrative positions in major academic, public, research, and special libraries. Few are able to break through the glass ceiling. This presentation will discuss
- key issues in career planning for Asian American librarians and the necessary steps to break through the glass ceiling to be all you can be.
3. **Mark Winston**  
Associate Professor  
School of Library and Information Science  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill  
100 Manning Hall  
Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3360  
*“Preparation for Leadership and Professional Success”*  
Dr. Winston will address leadership opportunities in libraries and in the profession more broadly, including leadership roles in professional associations and in research and publishing. The discussion will focus on the current representation of Asian American librarians in the profession and in library management, in particular. The research related to the factors affecting the career choices and representation of Asian Americans across a range of professions will be considered. The presentation will highlight various approaches to leadership preparation, including leadership education and leadership development and mentoring and coaching.
4. **Patty Wong**  
Interim Director of Library Services  
Stockton-San Joaquin County Public Library  
605 N. El Dorado Street  
Stockton, CA 95202  
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(209) 937-8364  
(209) 937-8683 fax  
*“Working Together, Walking Alone”*  
Ms. Wong will explore her personal and professional development as the first Chinese American member of the ALA Executive Board; her roles within CALA and the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association at the local and national level; her experience in collaboration with the other ethnic affiliates: REFORMA, BCALA, AILA; and the sometimes narrow view of her professional and personal reputation as a Chinese American female, within Library culture, and even sometimes among those whom she considers her peers. She would like to emphasize some of the trends she sees in the future for Chinese Americans within librarianship - a blending and blurring of the lines related to ethnic diversity in consideration of qualifications and contributions - and some of the quota aspects that can become unspoken factors in hiring and decisions related to selections; and how ones personal choices in terms of identification can affect perception.

Submitted by Haipeng Li (Chair)

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## 2007 Conference Program Planning Committee

- Secured the following speakers for the upcoming 2007 Programs:
- Dr. Deanna Marcum, Associate Librarian of the Library of Congress
- Dr. Theresa Byrd, Chief Info. Officer and Director of Libraries at Ohio Wesleyan University

- Dr. Ling Hwey Jeng, Director of School of Library and Information Study of the Texas Women's University
- The theme for the program is "Librarians of the 21st Century"
- Submitted by Dora Ho

## Awards Committee

The 2006 Awards Committee will call for nominations for the annual CALA Distinguished Service Award after the ALA 2006 Midwinter Conference in San Antonio.

The process will begin in February. Details on the time frame will be discussed and determined soon.

Submitted by Priscilla Yu (Co-Chair)

## Finance Committee

The Finance Committee is pleased to report that CALA has another strong financial year. Thanks to Dora Ho for providing us the financial reports.

Thanks also go to the generosity of many CALA members. We have collected \$1155 for the Katrina Relief Fund to be used upon the decision of the Board.

For the past six months, since our Annual Conference, we have received over \$3,475.00 from membership dues,

including over \$2,100.00 from life memberships. Advertisement on the web continues to do well; we have generated \$2255 in the last six months.

We have not made an investment move yet due to the uncertainty of the market, and the fee and procedures of the investment. Vanguard Index continues to be one of the final choices in investment that CALA will eventually go with.

Submitted by Cathy Anne Lu (Chair)

## International Relations Committee

The CALA/IRC suggests funding a speaker from China-Hong Kong-Taiwan for ALA/CALA annual conference. Though United States librarianship is strong in some areas, such as information technology, reference services, and freedom of access to information, China-Hong Kong-Taiwan librarianship is also strong in some areas, such as non-librarian director, i.e. a director with a computer science degree.

By bringing China-Hong Kong-Taiwan librarians to CALA/ALA conference we can share professional experience and enrich our professional lives. Here are our objectives:

- Seeking enough funds for China-Hong Kong-Taiwan librarian speaker from foundations, corporations, private sources and member contributions;
- CALA IRC donates \$100 as seed money for the China-Hong Kong-Taiwan librarian speaker;
- Allocating sufficient resources to support the China-Hong Kong-Taiwan librarians to present at the CALA/ALA conferences;
- Investigating and establishing criteria and priorities to guide CALA IRC decision-making regarding speaker selection.

Submitted by Connie Haley and Susana Liu (Co-Chairs)

## Membership Committee

The CALA Membership Committee 2005-06 is consisted of: Minmin Qin, Lily Chen, Nancy S. Hershoff, Jiun Kuo, Sue Lee, Haiying Qian, and Zheng Wang. This committee report covers projects done by committee

members from July 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005, plans to be accomplished in the next months, and proposals of new programs and change of policies for Board review.

### Membership Database verifying

This project is to contact all members to verify their status and to get their up-to-date contact information, which will be used as the original source of next year's directory printing. Coordinated with each chapter, membership committee members have made a prominent effort to accomplish this project via email and telephone. CALA membership data has been modified according to the latest up-to-date data collected. As for those members who failed to contact us because of an unknown reason, our membership committee is trying to get in touch with them.

Membership Directory Chinese characters -- We received a concern about if our membership directory should have members' name in traditional or simplified Chinese. To reflect the preference of members, we input new members' Chinese names to match what they filled in their original application forms, either traditional or simplified characters. The previous members' Chinese names are kept as what they are. Any further change will be made based on the member's own request.

New queries of Membership Database -- In order to sort and track member status easily in each chapter, queries are created in Membership Access Database; for example, qryCA\_Total, qryCA\_Current, and qryCA\_Inactive are used. Once the content in the main table is updated, contents in these queries will be updated automatically.

Extension plan of life membership promotion -- The board approved the plan to extend the deadline for Life Membership Promotion Program from December 31, 2005 through March 31, 2006, which means that new life members in 2005-06 pay a reduced fee of \$300 during our special promotion period 7/1/2005-3/31/2006.

Projects in process and proposals for review

Membership Payment coverage -- The Bylaws of CALA Section 3 Membership year states that "Annual membership dues cover the full calendar year. First time new members joining after July may pay half the annual dues for the remainder of the calendar year". We received a concern from a group of members about if a membership renewal fee paid in November can covers all 2006 calendar year. After discussion, we agreed this group's membership renew fees submitted in November will cover 2006 full calendar year, and agreement is noted at CALA membership database.

Proposal: The Committee recommended to add an amendment of CALA Bylaws Section 3 on Membership year as "new members pay after December 1 will receive one month's free membership" as the previous committee suggested.

Membership renewal and new life member recruit -- Membership committee members will work with all chapters to invite CALA members (except life members) to renew and pay for their 2006 membership dues, as well as encourage member to bring new members to CALA. Committee member for MW chapter has drafted an invitation letter and has used this letter to invite new members in MW chapter. In January, an invitation letter will be sent out to the CALA listserv reminding everyone to renew their membership, recruiting life members, and announcing the extension plan of life membership promotion.

Print Directory -- Search of proper printing vendors are in process. We contacted Fellows Press of America, Inc. to explore if its service would match our needs. This option was excluded since the Fellows Press only processes digital printing. With a help of the current CALA president, we have focused to look for a potential print press local in Bay Area. It is expected that we may find more than one print presses for the purpose of comparison.

Plan to print 750 copies in June 2006. 692 copies are sent to CALA current members and life members. 58 extra copies are for potential new members, CALA President and Executive Director. Content and format of the directory will be discussed within the committee. The final draft will be sent to Board for review, tentatively in February 2006.

Directory on web site -- This is an ongoing project that the Membership Committee and the Web Advisory Committee are collaborating on. The first step of our investigation was accomplished with a help of an educational media developer at Stanford University. After an investigation on the possibilities of this project, we concluded that Open Source Software designed and hosted by professional web hosting would be an appropriate solution.

Proposal: We suggest finding a professional web hosting who will design and maintain our web-based database by using Open Source Software in the development of this website in order to avoid being too highly reliant on a proprietary solution and eliminate the software purchase expenses. A further discussion needs to be planned shortly.

Submitted by Minmin Qin (Chair)

### Appendix of Membership Committee Report

This is an appendix of Membership Committee Report regarding the section of **Directory on web site**. Putting membership directory online is an ongoing project that the Membership Committee and the Web Advisory Committee were collaborated in the last fiscal year and are continuing this year. Having conducted an investigation on this project, we are submitting a

proposal of bidding for a professional web hosting service provider who would design and maintain our web-based database.

**Current situation of Membership Database:**

CALA membership committee has a membership database created in MS Access. This database was originated from a previous year membership committee. The information of CALA membership renewal, address changing, and new membership is collected via following two channels:

- Online form. Members input their information via online form listed at [www.cala-web.org](http://www.cala-web.org); its web administrator (currently Shixing Wen) would notify Membership Committee Chair with the updated information via email.
- Print-out form. Members fill out print-out application forms and mail them to Membership Committee Chair, who updates the information received on MS ACCESS and makes announcement to CALA listserv monthly.

The Member Update Form, Membership Online Payment Form, Membership Directory (text version), and membership database in MS ACCESS are independent of each other. Input via online forms is synchronized with the membership ACCESS database manually.

**Proposal:**

The purpose of putting the membership directory online is to keep the entries in the membership database up-to-date, automatically synchronizing the input of the Member Update Form, and Membership Online Payment Form with the content of the membership database. In other words, it is expected that CALA members are able to access and input their information to the membership database via the Internet and all input online is transferred and reflected at Membership directory automatically.

Two phases are considered to achieve the above goal for this project:

1. Phase One: Test membership directory on-line with close to up-to-date information.

Once in a month, the membership committee will send an up-to-date version of the membership database in MS ACCESS format to the web administrator via email. The web administrator will publish the content, in text, of the membership database on-line.

2. Phase Two: Develop online membership directory

We suggest to use the Open Source software in the development of this website in order to avoid being too highly reliant on a proprietary solution and eliminate the software purchase expenses. It would be an option if we can find a developer who can design our MS ACCESS into an interactive online database, for example MYSQL file, to match our needs in different privileges and interactive with other online forms. Following are two examples found via browsing on Internet:

- [https://my.odesk.com/console/g/?filter%5BProfileData%5D=php&action=Professionals&search\\_button.x=1](https://my.odesk.com/console/g/?filter%5BProfileData%5D=php&action=Professionals&search_button.x=1)
- <http://www.artlogic.com/services/open-source.php>

Maintaining the on-line membership directory can be either provided by its original developer, or by another developer with necessary expertise.

The hosting of the directory can be provided by the current host for [www.cala-web.org](http://www.cala-web.org), or by a public web hosting service provider, for example, one of the top 10 web hosting listed at <http://www.top-10-web-hosting.com/>.

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**Mentorship Program Committee**

During the ALA midwinter conference in January, I had the chance to talk with Carol Gee who is the Mentorship Program coordinator for the Northeast Chapter. We exchanged ideas and experiences. We both felt that this program, when implemented at a national level, is very labor intensive and challenging.

Last November, four members from the Midwest Chapter collaborated and submitted a proposal for the Wilson Grant. The topic is: Overcoming Cultural and Professional Barriers, Advancing Mentorship of Chinese American Librarians and Library Information Science Students. The result will be announced at ALA conference in June.



Regardless of getting funded or not, this research project will serve a great advantage to the CALA Mentorship Program.

Submitted by Rosa Hsu (Chair)

## Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has completed its task of nominating CALA 2006 candidates early this year in accordance with the Bylaws, Article III. Nominations and Elections, Section 2: "Whenever possible, the list shall be published in the Newsletter of the Association prior to the annual membership meeting." Here are the timeline we used and the slate of candidates.

### I. Timeline:

1. Nomination period (Nov.4-30)
2. Sent a "Call for nominations" to the CALA listserv (Nov.4)
3. Sent a "Reminder" to the CALA listserv (Nov.19)
4. Sent the "Last reminder" to the CALA listserv (Nov. 28)
5. Committee review and discussion about all nominations (Dec.1-7)
6. Contact nominees for their acceptance of candidacy (Dec.8-15)
7. Request for bio and statement from candidates (Dec.16-Jan.15)

8. Present the slate of candidates to the Board at Midwinter (Jan.21, 2006)

### II. Slate of Candidates:

#### VP/PE (2007-2008)

Sha Li Zhang

#### Treasurer (2006-2008)

Maggie Wang

#### Board of Directors (2006-2009)

Nancy Sun Hershoff

Denise Kwan

Jiun Kuo

Esther Lee

Yongyi Song

Manuel Urrizola

Zheng Wang

Karen Wei

Harriet Ying

Submitted by Shixing Wen (Chair)

## CALA 2006 Candidates' Biographies and Statements

### CALA Vice-President/President-Elect (2007-2008)

**Sha-Li Zhang:** Assistant Director for Collections and Technical Services, 2005 – present, University of North Carolina Greensboro. **Education:** Ph. D. in education at Kansas State University, MLS at University of Tennessee, and B.A. at Lanzhou University, P.R. China. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** I have worked at several academic libraries where I made significant contributions to the library programs and services at these institutions. I have continued excellent service on various committees of ALA since 1988, including my election for a three-year term (2004-2007) to the ALA Councilor-at-Large and election for Treasurer/Secretary for two terms of the ALA's International Relations Round Table. Additionally, I chaired numerous committees on IRC, IRRT, and ALCTS Acquisitions Section. I have been active and served on leadership positions at the regional and state library association, including the Mountain Plains Library Association, Kansas Library Association, and North Carolina Library Association. My services for CALA in the past ten years included: Chair of the International Relations Committee, Chair of By-laws Committee, Co-Chair of the CALA Award Committee, Chair of CALA Scholarship Committee, Chair of CALA Publications Committee, CALA Newsletter Editor, and an elected CALA Board of Directors for two terms. I have contributed more than twenty articles appearing in *American Libraries*, *College & Research Libraries (C&RL)*, *Journal of Academic Libraries (JAL)*, *Journal of Library and Information Science*, *Journal of Library Science in China*, *Library Collections, Acquisitions, & Technical Services (LCATS)*, *Library Trends*, *Library Journal*, and other journals. My editorship of *International Leads* (2000-2004) has ensured the timely reports on ALA members' professional activities in the international arena. My translations on an article exchange project between C&RL and JAL in 1998-2002 have enhanced exchanges of best library practices among librarians in both China and U.S.

**Candidate Statement:** As a professional organization, CALA has effectively represented Chinese American librarians to promote better communications and understanding with other professional associations within ALA. It is important that we be active and involved in discussions and actions on issues that are of concern to our organization. CALA as a professional

organization has also provided a platform for many of us to be involved and to be active on a large scale of library organizations such as ALA. I have benefited tremendously from support of CALA in my professional growth.

Working with many CALA members, board of directors, committee chairs and chapter presidents in the past years, I have seen in first-hand that many of our members have been actively involved, participated, and contributed to the projects that have promoted this organization. CALA has much increased its visibility within ALA and beyond. In the rapidly changing environment brought forth by new information technology and global information infrastructures, CALA will continue to play an important role to take actions, to address issues confronting us, and to work closely with other library organizations to reach our common goals. To be elected as a member of CALA Vice-President/President-Elect will allow me to continue to help accomplish CALA's goals in a substantive way. If elected, I will devote my time, energy, and effort to help CALA with continuing growth of membership, sustaining fundraising activities to support many of CALA's excellent programs, continuing increasing CALA's visibility at the national and international scale, and exploring partnership opportunities between CALA and other organizations for programs and services.

### **CALA Treasure (2006-2008)**

**Maggie Wang:** Reference Librarian, City of Monterey Park Library/Adjunct Librarian, Pasadena City College, CA.

**Education:** BA-Chinese, Capital Normal University; MLIS, Brigham Young University. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** Member since 2002; Secretary of CALA-California Chapter Board (South Region) (2004-2005), Chair of Membership of CALA-California Chapter Board (South Region) (2005-2006), member of Local Committee for CALA program 2005, member of CALA Sally Tseng Scholarship Committee (2005-2006), member of Sun Yet-sen Exhibition Committee, CALA-California Chapter (2005-2006). **Publications and Presentations:** *Changing along with Our Community*, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Shanghai International Library Forum, Shanghai, China, 2004; *Bridging Cultural Gaps—Library Service in the Users' Language* (co-presenter), California Library Association Annual Conference, Pasadena, CA, 2005.

**Candidate Statement:** I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for the position of Treasure (2006-2008). I have participated in California chapter activities since I joined CALA in 2002. In 2004, I was elected as an Officer to the Executive Board of CALA-California Chapter (South Region), where I served as Secretary and Membership Chair respectively. I have worked with the chapter board members in planning and organizing a number of successful CALA programs and events. I am very proud to be part of CALA in promoting Chinese American librarianship. I strongly believe CALA's mission, and will work hard to assist CALA board and local chapters to achieve its goals and increase its visibility nationally and internationally. If elected, I will work diligently in exploring new avenues and creating opportunities for all our members.

Before entering the library field, I worked as a college instructor, paralegal, and as business manager in both public and private sectors. As the general manager of a business with over \$2 million annual revenue, I successfully oversaw the corporation's daily operation and financial control for several years. Because of the nature of my job, I developed extensive skills in using various computer software related to bookkeeping, budgeting, and accounting tasks. I believe that my experience and skills obtained in the business world will benefit me greatly as the Treasure for CALA. I would like to ask for your support and the opportunity in serving CALA and all its members.

### **CALA Board of Directors (2006-2009)**

**Nancy Sun Hershoff:** Head of Bibliographic Control Department at the Biscayne Bay Campus Library, Florida International University in North Miami, Florida. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** I have been an active member of local, state, and national library organizations since the beginning of my career in 1987. My involvements range from committee membership to committee chair, to board of directors. I enjoy collaborating with my professional colleagues and believe in the importance of making a difference through proactive participation in the decision-making process of each organization I am affiliated with.

**Candidate Statement:** My involvement with CALA is extensive and sustained. I have served on numerous CALA committees, including the Membership Committee, Finance Committee, Local Arrangements Committee, PR Committee, Scholarship Committee, PR Committee, Board of Directors, etc. Through my active participation in committee meetings and board meetings, I have made some sound contributions over the years. In the process I have also made a lot of friends, whom I admire, respect, and learn from. If elected, I will be privileged to continue working with my esteemed colleagues on the Board to make a positive impact on the growth and development of CALA.

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**Denise Kwan:** Reference Librarian at Chicago Public Library. My whole schooling was in French until I came to the US, I had to start all over. At least the community college was cheap enough for me to raise 2 children and go to college in the same time. I had to work at a fast food store and drive a School Bus to start somewhere in this country. After I finished 2 years I went on to transfer to Depaul University to get my Bachelor, and I was also working at IIT. So my MBA was free to me and I was doing both MLS and MBA together. Since working with the Chicago Public Library is no easy task, after 6 years, I am still considered myself as the new kid on the block. Before that I was starting a Business Library for IIT with my Boss, however, after 18 months the library was doing so well that the Law Library wanted us to merger with them, and I left and started my professional librarian in several other public libraries including (Michigan City Public Library, in Indiana). I worked at many, many libraries. As the Media Center Director, I also started a library for Cristo Rey Jesuit High School by negotiating space and resource. There were no one room for the library, I had to use my own laptop and go through classroom to classroom to record all the books, tapes, etc..., finally I got to buy an integrated system for Cataloguing and Circulation. Again, I had to leave because the school cannot pay for a librarian. I am very understanding of all the Administrators and Directors. When all of you came to Chicago for the Award Banquet during ALA Conference, my life membership of CALA got me into serving on the local committee member. It was very nice to meet all of you. This year, I am serving on the new Book Award committee. As ALA COD committee member, I feel that our responsibilities are increasing.

**Candidate Statement:** One good reason for me to run for the CALA Board of Directors is to help new comers to learn the rope and also to release some of the pressure on our predecessors, most of them have been serving for a long, long time. I am going to do my best to fulfill my duties as CALA Board Director, if elected. I also believe that CALA is gaining more and more strength by carefully chosen our directions to the future.

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**Jiun Kuo:** Head of Cataloging, Rice University, Fondren Library, Houston, Texas. **Education:** University of Michigan, AMLS, 1982. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** CALA Activities: CALA Life member. Awards Committee chair, 1999-2000; Finance Committee member, 2000-2001; Southwest Chapter president-elect, 2001-2002; Southwest Chapter president, 2002-2003; Board member, 2002-2005; Public Relations/Fundraising Committee chair, 2003-2004; Membership Committee, 2005-2006; CALA Program Planning Committee for ALA 2007. ALA Education Task Force on Library Career Pathways, 1999-2000; National Conference on Asian Pacific American Librarians Conference Planning Committee, the Leadership Awards Subcommittee, 2001; TLA's Kellogg Foundation Advisory Committee to help promote statewide interest in the El dia de los ninos/El dia de los libros program, 2003-2004; TLA Committee on Cultural Diversity member, 2004-2005, vice chair, 2005-2006. **Selective Accomplishments, Publications, & Presentations:** ARL Leadership and Career Development Program, 2001-2002; Presentation, "Cataloging Today and Tomorrow," Texas Library Association Annual Conference, Houston, Tex., 2003; Presentation, "Where Do We Go from Here," ALA Annual Conference, Atlanta, Ga., 2002; Presentation, "Pinyin Conversion from a Non-East Asian Library's Perspective," the National Conference on Asian Pacific American Librarians in San Francisco, Calif., 2001; Presentation, "Pinyin Conversion from a Non-East Asian Library's Perspective," ALA Midwinter Meeting, Washington, D.C., 2001; "Chinese Romanization System Changes," with Lilly Lee Chen and Elizabeth Baber. News from Fondren, v.10, no.1 (Fall 2000): 4-7; Presentation, "Looking at Copy Cataloging Training from a Different Perspective -- Ordering Perspective," ALA Midwinter Meeting, 1999; Presentation, "Pre-Order Searching and Ordering in the Cataloging Department," Texas Library Association District VIII Annual Conference, Housotn, Tex., 1998.

**Candidate Statement:** Since I was first involved in CALA, I have felt the sense of pride in what the association has been able to achieve. CALA members serve in ALA at all levels, and their contributions are widely appreciated and recognized. The Board of Directors and the Executive Committee have worked diligently to foster a supportive environment for CALA members. I am also pleased with CALA's assertive approach in making its members seen as well as heard. I look forward to the opportunity for serving our members through service on the Board. When elected, I would like to join forces with other board members to:

1. pursue CALA's membership growth & retention;
2. continue effective strategic planning in advancing CALA's involvement in ALA at all levels;
3. maintain a strong and effective communication mechanism so that CALA members can be best heard & served;
4. involve effectively in the mentor program to systematically provide new members with orientation, guidance, and resources.

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**Esther Lee:** Manager of the Fine Arts and Recreation/Film and Video Division, Central Library, Queens Borough Public Library. It is a very busy and popular Division. On 12/27/05, the day after the three-day Christmas week-end closing, the Division's circulation reached an unprecedented height, with Fine Arts and Recreation circulating 3,951 items, and Film and Video, 5,327! **Education:** Master of Librarianship, University of Washing; Master of Arts in Musicology, University of Washington; Bachelor of Arts in Music, Seattle Pacific College; Bachelor of Arts in German, Hunter College of the City University of New York. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** Member of the CALA Board of Directors, 2003-2006; Co-Chair of the CALA Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee, 2005-present, and 2001-2003; Chair of the CALA Finance Committee, 2003-2005; Executive Board Member of the CALA Northeast Chapter, 2000-present; President of the CALA Northeast Chapter, 1999-2000; Vice President/President Elect of the same Northeast Chapter, 1998-1999. The Fund Raising Committee Members and I raised for CALA over \$11,500.00 in 2002, and over \$2,000.00 for each successive year, in 2003, 2004, and 2005.

**Candidate Statement:** As a Life Member of CALA and its Committee Member, I am much impressed with the talents and growth of CALA. With your vote (thanks!), I hope that my professional background and library experience of thirty some years in one of our nation's largest public libraries, with the highest circulation, will enable me to participate in furthering the visibility, services, programs and progress of CALA.

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**Yongyi Song:** Technical Services and Collection Development Librarian at the Californian State University, Los Angeles. **Education:** He received his MA from the University of Colorado at Boulder in 1992 and MLS from Indiana University at Bloomington in 1995. For his professional career, he was first the Chinese Bibliographer/Cataloger at the University of Pittsburgh (1995-1997) and then the Head of Technical Service at Dickinson College Library (1997-2004). **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** He is the receipt of the *21<sup>st</sup> Century Librarian National Award* by Syracuse University in 2004 and the *Paul Howard Award* by ALA in 2005. He has also served as a member for several committees at both ALA and CALA. He is a librarian-scholar in the field of China studies, especially the Cultural Revolution period.

**Candidate Statement:** Closely working with all colleagues, I will be happy to serve as a Board member to build a more professional organization for CALA.

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**Manuel Urrizola:** Head of Monograph and Government Documents Cataloging, UC Irvine Libraries, 2003-present. **Education:** Amherst College, Amherst, Mass.: BA, Art History, 1971; UC Berkeley: MLS, Library Science, 1973. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** CALA Member since: 1989- ; Chair, Sally Tseng Travel Grant Committee: 2004-2006; Secretary California Chapter of CALA: 1993/94. ALCTS Representative to ALA Recruitment Assembly 2005.2006; Member, ALCTS/Sage Grant Award Jury 2005/2006; Chair ALCTS Membership Committee 2002/03-2003/04, member 2000/01-2001/02; Chair ALCTS CCS Cataloging Norms DG, 2001/02 and 1999/2000, Vice Chair 2000/01; Chair Speakers Liaison Subcommittee, CARL 2000 Conference; President SCTPG, 2002/03, Program Chair 1999/2000-2000/01; Chair LAUC-I, 2005, Vice Chair 2004, Member-at-large 2003/04; NASIG, 1999-present; AALL & SCALL, 1995-1999. **Honors and Awards:** Master of Ceremony at 2002, 2004, and 2005 CALA Banquets and at the 2005 California Chapter Banquet; "Managing a Digital Library Collection Invasion" elected for presentation at the 2002 CSLS Annual Conference in Xian, China. **Accomplishments:** "NASIG 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference—Highlights", *Library Hi-Tech News*, vol. 22, no. 8, 2005, pp. 19-23; "Managing the Electronic Monster", *Serials Review*, vol. 20, no. 2 (2004); *A Career in Reference or Technical Services Librarianship is for You!* ALA, [2002]; Transcriber, "Integrating Bio-collection Databases: Metadata in Natural History Museums." *Cataloging the Web*, Scarecrow, 2001; "What is the Role of the Technical Services Librarian in the Development and Implementation of New Library Services?" *Library Collections, Acquisitions & Technical Services* 24 (2000), 324-326.

**Candidate Statement:** CALA holds a special place in my heart. It is the first professional library association I joined and the one of which I am most proud to be a member. Membership in CALA has advanced my career and fed my soul. Meeting all of you (making new friends, establishing new connections) is the best part of CALA membership. CALA has given me so much. I would like to give CALA something in return. So I am running for office as a member of the CALA Board of Directors. If elected, I will attend all meetings of the Board and vigorously advance the excellence of CALA operations and initiatives. I will work collegially and constructively with all of the CALA officers, other Board members, and with all of the diverse and talented members of our organization. Advancing opportunities for our members and making CALA attractive to prospective new members will be at the top of my objectives. I will work diligently for you and for

CALA. I will always keep a sense of humor and perspective. I promise not to sing at any Board meetings. Please, vote for me.

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**Zheng Wang:** WorldLinQ™ Coordinator and International Relations Librarian at Queens Library, the busiest public library in America. **Education:** He received his MLS from Queens College, and is going to receive his second Master of Information Systems from Pace University in May 2006. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** He has joined CALA since 1999. He is the president of the North East Chapter. He has served on CALA's Membership Committee, Publications Committee, Task Force on Electronic Vote, and Web Advisory Committee. He is also a member of the Sino-US Library Conference Organizing Committee and coordinated the second conference in 2001 and the third conference in 2005. His passion is in library technology and international exchange. He manages WorldLinQ™, multilingual web resource portal, to serve the library's most diverse customers in the nation. He is a member of the Library E-book Committee. He has brought Chinese e-books and e-magazines to the library's Chinese customers. He maintains international agreements between his library and its partners in China, National Library of China and Shanghai Library. He conducts annual staff exchange programs to foster mutual understanding on librarianship in China and the United States. He has publication on library knowledge management in the Digital Age.

**Candidate Statement:** As a member of the Board of Directors, I would continue to promote Chinese American librarianship, improve organizational efficiency, and ensure high quality member services.

Promote Chinese American Librarianship

- Involve at both international and local level to promote the mission of CALA
- Establish channels to promote recognition of the achievements of Chinese American Librarians
- Increase public awareness of Chinese American Librarianship

Improve Organizational Efficiency

- Upgrade CALA's technology capabilities to achieve the association's goals and meet member needs
- Improve communications, cooperation and collaboration throughout the association and its chapters
- Increase CALA's ability to respond effectively to a changing environment and changing member needs

Ensure High Quality Member Services

- Identify fundraising opportunities to support professional continuing education for members of CALA
- Provide high quality programs, workshops, and publications in print and electronic format
- Increase members involvement in association activities through virtual channels

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**Karen Wei:** Head of the Asian Library, Coordinator of the Area Studies Division, and Professor of Library Administration at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC). I have served at the present position since 1990. Prior to my current position I was Chinese Studies Librarian at the same institution. In addition to a master's degree in library and information science I hold an MA in Asian Studies from the University of Illinois. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** I am a life member of the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA). I was honored with CALA President Recognition Award in 2004 for co-editing *Bridging Cultures—Chinese American Librarians and Their Organization: A Glance Back at the Thirty Years of CALA, 1973-2003* (2004). In addition, I chaired CALA Awards Committee (2000-2001), served as a member of the Publications Committee (2001-2004), as keynote speaker for the Midwest chapter's annual meeting and chair of the Local Arrangement Committee for the chapter, both in 2004. I was also MW chapter president (1990-91) and vice-president/president-elect (1989-1990). In addition to CALA, I am a long time member of the American Library Association (ALA) and its International Relations Round Table, Association for Asian Studies (AAS), Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL), and OCLC CJK Users Group. I am active in CEAL, serving as a member (1999-2002) and chair (2002-2005) of the Committee on Chinese Materials; member of the Executive Committee (1997-2005); and member of the Committee on Library Technology. In OCLC CJK Users Group, I am current Vice-chair/Chair-elect (2005-2007); Executive Board (1995-1997; 2005- ); China Officer (1995-1997); Homepage Development Committee (1997-2000); chair of Membership Committee (1995-1997); Nomination Committee (1997) and Program Committee (1992). I am professionally active. I have published two books, co-edited one book, and written numerous articles in East Asian and Chinese studies librarianship, library and information science, and women's studies. I also serve as a consultant/reviewer for *American Reference Books Annual* and *Choice*, two of the most prestigious book selection tools in the US. I travel often to China, Japan, and Taiwan for business and am a frequent presenter at various national/international conferences in these countries and the US.

**Candidate Statement:** If elected to serve on the CALA's Board of Directors, I will do my best to advance the following goals for the organization:

- To support the programs initiated by the CALA president and executive director;
- To recruit and expand CALA membership;
- To encourage sharing of professional experience and networking among members;
- To strengthen relationship and collaboration with libraries in China and Taiwan, including sharing of library resources and exchange programs;
- To enhance CALA as an effective forum for all members; and
- To continue fundraising efforts to sustain CALA activities.

Your support and vote would be highly appreciated!

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**Harriet Ying:** Retired librarian. **Education:** LLB in Comparative Law, Soochow University Law School; MA in Library and Information Science, Vanderbilt University; MA in Asian Studies, Florida State University. **Work Experiences:** Cataloger at Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Virginia; Established and in charge of two departmental libraries; Reference librarian, Department Head, Assistant Area Branch Librarian; Retired from the position of Branch Manager in charge of a cluster of libraries at Prince George's Memorial Library System, Prince George's County, Maryland. **CALA and Other Professional Activities:** Served a three year term as ALA Councilor, Served two terms as Chair of the Advisory Committee to the ALA Office of Human Resources Development and Recruitment, Served on the ALA Nominating Committee, Served two terms as the ALA Spectrum Initiative Scholarship judge, Served as the President, Vice-President, Board Member, Program Chair for CALA, Served two terms as President for the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of CALA, Member of Asian Pacific American Librarian Association.

**Candidate Statement:** I feel honored to be nominated for the CALA Board. I have been involved with CALA for many years and I'm happy to see that CALA has become a strong and viable professional organization through the continuous support of its membership. If elected I would like to work closely with other Board members and the general membership to advance CALA goals. I am a long time advocate for literacy, public library services and free access to information. I strongly believe that we need to attract more young people to our profession.

### Public Relations/Fund-Raising Committee

Publicity was made of the CALA Annual Program and banquet at the American Library Association's 2005 Annual Conference in Chicago, which included the distribution of awards to Susanna Liu and Esther Lee. The banquet drew the attendance of the current ALA President and the ALA President-Elect. The event was a big success.

The Committee members supported their respective Chapters in fundraising for the upcoming Joint Conference for Librarians of Color, to be held in Dallas, Texas, October 11-15, 2006. The Northeast Chapter sold all of the 225 raffle tickets given. Ticket price was \$5.00 per ticket or \$20.00 for 5 tickets.

The Committee will concentrate in more fundraising, especially in garnering more advertisements for the upcoming annual CALA Membership Directory.

Submitted by Linna Yu and Esther Lee (Co-Chairs)



## Scholarship Committee

### The Committee is charged with the following tasks from June 2005 to June 2006:

1. Post CALA scholarship news releases to the CALA website and accredited library schools in both United States and Canada.
2. Recommend scholarship recipients to the CALA Executive Director, President, and board members for their final approval.
3. Inform each recipient of their award status and post announcement of the scholarship recipients to the CALA membership by email and on the CALA website.
4. Forward the award announcement of each recipient with their contact information to the CALA Executive Director for an official press release.
5. Assess and make future recommendations to improve the present application form and evaluation guidelines for June 2006 to June 2007.

### Scholarship Committee Membership

Members: Chi-chun Hsieh, Klairon K. Tang, Arden Wong, Lijun Xue, Holly Yu (Chair)

### Activities engaged in current report period:

#### October 2005

1. The 2006 scholarship news release was posted to the CALA website.

2. It was also emailed to all accredited library schools in the U.S. and Canada.
3. The application and reference forms, on the CALA website, were revised to reflect current information.

### Activities for the following months prior to ALA Annual in June 2006:

#### January 2006

1. A follow-up reminder will be posted at the end of the month.

#### March 15, 2006

1. This is the deadline for all application and reference material submissions.
2. Review all applications

#### April 2006

1. Recommend scholarship recipients to the CALA Executive Director, President, and board members for their final approval.
2. Inform each recipient of their award status and post announcement of the scholarship recipients to the CALA membership by email and on the CALA website.

#### May 2006

1. Forward the award announcement of each recipient with their contact information to the CALA Executive Director for an official press release.

Submitted by Holly Yu (Chair)

## JLIS Editor Report

### CHARGES FOR THE COMMITTEE FROM CALA PRESIDENT:

#### *Charges for interim Task Force of CALA Editorial Committee of JLIS, 2005-2006*

1. Form the membership of CALA Editorial Committee of JLIS
2. Work with Dr. Mei-mei Wu to formalize CALA's editorial procedures and responsibilities for JLIS regarding English articles. Guidelines and procedures for English articles should be synchronized with Chinese articles.
3. Work with professor Wilfred Fong and Dr. Mei-mei Wu to apply for JLIS to be indexed in SSCI.
4. Work with CALA Constitution and Bylaws Committee to recommend amendments to CALA bylaws to reflect changes regarding the position of journal editor and the new CALA editorial committee.
5. Provide a list of potential referees for English articles for approval at the ALA midwinter board meeting.

#### *Charges for the CALA Editorial Committee of JLIS, 2005-2008*

1. Prepare "call for papers" to be posted at CALA website and through other means.
2. CALA Editorial Committee of JLIS is responsible for soliciting, refereeing, reviewing, editing, and making camera ready English articles for publication in JLIS.
3. Provide two to three fully-reviewed and camera-ready English articles for each issue of JLIS starting with Vol. 32 No. 1 in April 2006.

### LIST SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES THE COMMITTEE HAS DONE SINCE 2005 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

1. The JLIS Editorial Committee for English Articles has been formed to include the following members, 2005-2008

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2. On December 20, 2005, CALA president, Diana Wu, and CALA executive director, Sally Tseng, on behalf of CALA and the committee attended the meeting of the JLIS Editorial Board in Taiwan. They reported the progress of CALA regarding the reorganization of JLIS editorial group and updated the latest developments. The meeting was reported as a major success, which significantly improved communication and strengthened the collaborative relationship between CALA and the National Normal University in Taiwan.

3. The committee has identified major tasks according to its charges and organized into task-oriented working groups:

- Zhijia has been working with Dr. Mei-mei Wu to formalize CALA's editorial procedures and responsibilities for JLIS regarding English articles. Guidelines and procedures for English articles should be synchronized with Chinese articles. The following documents have been drafted for

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discussion within the committee before being presented to Dr. Mei-mei Wu for her to bring to the editorial board for approval. Please see Appendix 1 for the documents.

- a. Expectations of the Associate Editor
- b. Guidelines for submission of manuscripts
- c. Review procedures

- Mark and Jo Bell will work with Professor Wilfred Fong and Dr. Mei-mei Wu to apply for JLIS to be indexed in SSCI.
- Nancy and Holly have been working with CALA Constitution and Bylaws Committee to recommend amendments to CALA bylaws to reflect the changes regarding the position of the CALA journal editor and the new CALA editorial committee. Nancy and Holly have drafted a proposal of changes to CALA Bylaws for discussion and approval. Please see appendix 2 for the proposal.
- The Committee has started a list of potential referees as the initial pool, which will continue to grow with more referee names being suggested and added.

Please see Appendix 3 for the list of potential referees.

- The Committee is actively working on acquiring English articles for the April issue. So far one article

has been reviewed, refereed, and accepted for publication.

Submitted by Zhijia Shen

### Sally C. Tseng's Professional Development Grant Ad hoc Committee

- Announcement and Guidelines for the Professional Development Grant will be sent out via the CALA listserv in early January 2006 prior to ALA Midwinter meeting.
- Deadline for applications is March 15 2006.

- Committee will review all applications after this date.
- See the Guidelines at: <http://www.cala-web.org/scholarships/grant-tseng-ag.htm>

Submitted by Manuel Urrizola (Chair)

### Officer's Handbook Committee

- Completed Master Timeline and timeline is now mounted on CALA web.
- Identified the table of content for the Handbook:
  - Section 1: About CALA – History and the organization
  - Section 2: Constitution and Bylaws
  - Section 3: Organization, Officers, Board members, Chapters, and time tables

Section 4: Committees, Committee Charges, Procedures, timelines, and deadlines,  
 Section 5: Elections and Nominations  
 Section 6: Publishing/Publication (Web and Print)  
 Section 7: Meetings (Midwinter/Annual)  
 Section 8: Checklist for committees  
 Section 9: CALA Budget  
 Section 10: Forms

Submitted by Dora Ho (Chair)

### Web Advisory Committee

#### Activities engaged in current report period

- Revised the committee charge due to the transition from Ad Hoc Web Advisory Committee to Web Committee
- Conducted research and survey on possible commercial web hosting for CALA Web
- Suggested additions to CALA Constitution and Bylaw

#### I. Revised Committee Charge

**History:** Established as Web Advisory Ad Hoc Committee at the suggestion of CALA's President (04/05) and approved by the CALA Board as Web Committee at the ALA Annual Meeting in June, 2005, the Committee consists of six members. The Committee Chair appointed by the CALA President serves as the CALA Web Master for a three-year term.

**Charge:** The **Web Committee** is responsible for the continuous development and refinement of the CALA Website. The Website is the primary interface for locating information about CALA and for providing CALA-related services to CALA members and the general public. The Committee is charged with developing, reviewing and recommending to the CALA

Board, the Association's policies for the CALA Website; advising the Association on priorities and strategies that promote utilization and continued development of the CALA Website; recommending development standards and style guidelines for the CALA Website; advising the CALA Web Master responsible for implementing such policies and guidelines; gathering and analyzing user comments and other pertinent data on usage and services; providing an ongoing channel for member communication by working closely with other committees of the Association; making recommendations concerning technical or business issues and changes to the CALA Website, including evaluating, testing and implementing Web-based products and services used by CALA members or by the public.

**Web Master:** In cooperation with the CALA Board, the President, and the Association's committees, the Web Master is responsible for implementing the Association's Web policies and guidelines, leading the Web Committee in updating CALA Website's content and posting materials to the site. The Web Master handles routine maintenance tasks.

#### II. Research and Survey on Possible Commercial Web Hosting Services for CALA Web

A thorough research and survey was completed during this time period to identify possible commercial Web hosting services for CALA Web. It has become necessary to transfer the CALA Website hosting from Whiteclouds to a commercial Web hosting service for the following reasons:

- The access of the Whiteclouds hosting server is limited to only a single person;
- The need for the Website's redesign calls for access by multiple people, such as chapter webmasters;
- More functionalities are required:

**Possible Web Hosts for CALA Web Oct. - Dec. 2005**

Feature	Yahoo	BlueHost	POWWEB	IPOWERWeb	STARTLOGIC	HostColor
24-hour Toll-free phone/Email	Yes 866-781-9246	Yes 888-401-4678	Yes 877-476-9932	Yes 888-511-4678	Yes 800-725-8064	Yes 888-222-1495
Monthly Price	\$19.95	\$7.95	\$7.77	\$7.95	\$14.95	\$7.91
Bandwidth	75 GB	100 GB	300 GB	50 GB	100 GB	50 GB
Database Support	PHP & MySQL	PHP	PHP, MySQL	PHP, MySQL	PHP MySQL	30 MySQL
Design Tool	Yahoo SiteBuilder	BlueHost	FrontPage 98/2000	FrontPage 2000/2002	FrontPage 2000/2002/2003	FrontPage
Dis. Board /Listserv, etc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Disk Space	4 GB	4,000 MB	5,000 MB	3,000 MB	5 GB	2000 MB
Domain name	Your choice	Your choice	Your choice	Your choice	Your choice	Your choice
Ecommerce	PayPal	Shopping Cart/PayPal	Shopping Cart/PayPal/	Shopping Cart/PayPal	PayPal	No
Email address	50 accounts	2,500 accounts	650 accounts	500 accounts	Unlimited	Unlimited
Frontpage Extensions	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
FTP File Transfer	Yes	Telnet/SSH	FTP	FTP	Telnet/SSH	FTP / SSH
Host Server/Platform	UNIX	Linux	UNIX / BSD	UNIX & Windows	Apache UNIX/OS	Linux
Online Survey	Available	No	No	No	No	No
Scripting Support	Perl	cgi-bin, Perl, SSI	cgi-bin, Flash, shockwave, SSI,	CGI-bin, Perl	Cgi-bin	Perl, PHP, CGI,
Security Tool	SSL Secure server	Shared SSL secure server	Shared SSL secure server	Shared SSL secure server	SSL secure server	Secure Shell - SSH access
Setup Fee	\$20	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
Site Usage Statistics	Available	AWStats, Webalizer	AWStats Webalizer	Yes	Yes	Web Logs/site statistics
Others			Multimedia support		Multimedia support	

Further research was conducted to address the following concerns:

Concerns	BlueHost	Startlogic
24/7 live person tech. support	Provides 24/7 live person techs support	Provides 24/7 live person tech. support
Possible storage space/upgrades	10 gig	5 gig, upgrade available for extra cost
Number of databases	50 MySQL or 50 PostGRE, support cig, php, not	5 databases

	MS products	
Methods to access server	ftp and ssh	ftp, publishing tools on Frontpage and Dreamweaver
e-Commerce features	Provides plug-ins, third party merchant account	Plug-in, paypal, third party merchant account
Other features, blog	Provides web blog	Provides web blog
Cost for dedicated server	\$30 annually for a dedicated IP address	\$99 monthly

Based on this research, the Web Committee recommends BlueHost as CALA's commercial web hosting service.

### III. Suggested Additions to CALA Constitution and Bylaws

#### One Addition to Bylaws

Section 7, Add Web Committee to the committee list

(11) Web Committee. In cooperation with the CALA Board, the Web Master is responsible for implementing policies and guidelines, coordinating the updates and posting of material to the CALA Website" as "the Web Master is responsible for implementing CALA's Web policies and guidelines and coordinating the efforts to update the CALA Website and post CALA-authorized content to it.

#### Three Additions to Constitution

Section 2, Item 3, Add the following two pieces:

- Add Web Committee to the list of committees
- Add "Chairperson of the Web Committee who serves a three-year term with a possibility for another three-year reappointment"
- The membership of the Web Committee consists of the CALA Webmaster and chapter Webmasters. The CALA Webmaster should serve as the chair of the committee.

Submitted by Holly Yu (Chair)

### Webmaster, Newsletter Editor, and Listserv Administrator

#### 1. Webmaster:

1.1. Created credit card payment options on the CALA website:

- Option to paid advertisements with credit cards (under Advertisement/Payment)  
[From November 18, 2005 to January 6, 2006, one library has paid for its job advertisement with a credit card.]
- Option for CALA members to pay membership dues with credit cards (under Membership/Membership Online Payment Form)  
[From November 18, 2005 to January 6, 2006, nine regular members, two student members and two life members have paid their membership on the CALA website with credit cards.]

1.2. Created 10 paid advertisements for the following institutions on the CALA website under Classified Ads, with a total revenue of \$1,300 generated for CALA:

- [Miami University-Middletown: Library Director.](#)
- [State University of New York at Oswego: Associate Library Director.](#)
- [State University of New York at Oswego: Instruction/Reference Librarian.](#)

- [Alameda County Library: Deputy County Librarian.](#)
- [Buffalo State College: College Archivist.](#)
- [University of Montana: Metadata Catalog Librarian.](#)
- [ALA: Program Officer/Web Editor.](#)
- [Advanced Information Management: Chinese Language Materials Cataloger.](#)
- [University of Missouri-Kansas City University Libraries: Librarian – Cataloger/Cataloging Processing Unit Supervisor.](#)
- [New York State Library: Research Library Director.](#)

#### 2. Newsletter Editor:

- 2.1. Published the Fall 2005 issue of CALA Newsletter, containing 46 pages, in PDF format on the CALA website.
- 2.2. Plan to publish the Spring 2006 issue of CALA Newsletter in February 2006.

#### 3. Listserv Administrator:

- 3.1. Monitored the CALA listserv.
- 3.2. Added new members to the listserv.
- 3.3. Removed subscribers per their requests.
- 3.4. Responded to subscribers' questions.
- 3.5. Post job vacancy notices to the listserv.

Submitted by Shixing Wen (Webmaster, Newsletter Editor, and Listserv Administrator)

## JCLC Conference

“Gathering at the Waters: Embracing Our Spirits, Telling Our Stories”  
Dallas, TX, October 11-13th, 2006

We strongly encourage all CALA members to consider attending this first ever conference that CALA is one of the organizers--The Joint Conference of Librarians of Color (JCLC). JCLC is the first-ever national conference to be held and sponsored by the five caucus associations of color at the same time in the same place. The five caucus associations are affiliate members of the American Library Association (ALA) and their liaison to ALA is through its Office for Literacy and Outreach Services (OLOS). The five caucus associations have each held their own national conferences in the past. The 2006 joint national conference is co-sponsored by the American Indian Library Association (AILA); the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA); the Black Caucus of the American Library Association (BCALA); the Chinese American Librarians Association (CALA), and REFORMA, the National Association to Provide Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish Speaking. Conference proceeds will be divided equally amongst the five groups for their scholarship endowments.

The JCLC will be held from October 11–15, 2006, in Dallas, TX at the Adam's Mark Dallas Hotel.

The theme of the JCLC is “Gathering at the Waters: Embracing Our Spirits, Telling Our Stories.” There will be one day for pre-conference sessions (Oct. 11) and three and a half days for programs and events (as many as 150 presentations!) The conference will end before noon on Sunday, October 15.

There will be variety of activities and opportunities for you to be involved and participating. We look forward to seeing you in Dallas, TX.

The JCLC Committees and their chairs are as follows:

- Awards and Scholarships (Liana Zhou, chair)
- Evaluation (Loriene Roy, chair)
- Exhibits (Ken Yamashita, chair)
- Finance (Ganga Dakshinamurti, chair)
- Fundraising (Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin, chair)
- Local Arrangements/Site Selection (John Ayala, chair)
- Proceedings (Gladys Smiley Bell, chair)
- Program (Victor Schill, chair)
- Publicity/Program Booklet (Linna C. Yu, chair)
- Registration (Toni Bissessar, chair)
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For general information or volunteering information, please visit the JCLC official website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/olos/jointconferenceoflibrariansofcolor/geninfo.htm>

To nominate CALA candidates for JCLC Award and Scholarships, please use the Nomination Form at:

<http://www.cala-web.org/news/JCLCAwardScholarshipNomination.pdf>

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**3. Haiwang Yuan**, the incoming president of the CALA Midwest Chapter and Website & Virtual Library Coordinator at Western Kentucky University Libraries, is featured in an article in the most recent issue of *College & Research Libraries News* (Nov. 2005, Vol.66, No.10, pp.728-729), "Job of Lifetime: Technology and Team Work."

**4. Guoqing Li**, Asian Studies Librarian at Ohio State University, has recently been promoted from the rank of Associate Professor to that of Full Professorship. Congratulations, Quoqing!

**5. Dave Wang**, Hollis Community Library Manager at the Queens Borough Public Library, together with other CALA members and Chinese American librarians and staff, has put up an exhibition called "**Ben Franklin & China Exhibit: 300th Birthday Fete!**" at the Hollis Community Library, displaying Franklin's Gazette, letters, diary, autobiography, which show how he drew virtues and technologies from Chinese civilization and applied them to U.S.A. in its infancy. One might feel surprised to know that Franklin wrote the paper "From Confucius Moral Philosophy" and had it published in the widely circulated weekly newspaper edited by him in the colonial North America in the year of 1737. Two hundred and sixty years ago Franklin told his fellow colonists that Confucius moral philosophy was "the gate through which it is necessary to pass to arrive at the sublimest wisdom and most perfect." It is believed that Franklin's essay reflected his own attempt at using Confucius' teaching to purify his and others' morals in North America. The exhibition is from now to June 30. It aims to introduce to Americans the concept of the influence of Chinese culture had on Franklin during the time when we celebrate Ben's 300th birthday. The exhibition has won acclaims from many major US media. Thanks, Dave, for your efforts to introduce the Chinese culture to the American people!

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