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## Hot Off the Press

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## News from CLA Units

News from the Divisions and Interest Groups is most welcome. Please send your news items by Wednesday, prior to the CLA Digest's Friday publishing date. To View the 2009 Digest schedule click [here](#). Email: [jgreen@cla.ca](mailto:jgreen@cla.ca)

## People

Do you have any exciting updates in your workplace? Appointments? Retirements? Share your news with CLA and your fellow members by emailing [info@cla.ca](mailto:info@cla.ca)

## CLA Conference 2009

## Hot Off the Press

### 1. Polls Open for CLA Elections

An election will be held between April 2, 2009 and May 2, 2009. To view the 2009 Candidates information and platforms for the CLA elections and its divisions please click [here](#).

### 2. CLA Conference 2009 Early Bird Registration Extended to April 6

The earlybird deadline for registration has been extended to midnight, April 6. To register online, please sign in with your CLA member number to ensure you receive your member discount. If you are unsure of your number please contact the CLA office and staff will be happy to assist you. Click [here](#) for the online registration.

### 3. IFLA World Library and Information Congress

Congratulations to the IFLA World Library and Information Congress 2008 National Committee, the speakers, the volunteers and the delegates! Quebec IFLA WLIC 2008 has recently won two important awards: the "Fideide" award for the "Business Event of the Year" from the Quebec Chamber of Commerce, and the "Grand Prix du tourisme quebecois" from the Quebec Tourism Bureau. Both organizations recognized IFLA WLIC 2008 as the most important conference held in Quebec in 2008, generating \$8.8 million (\$can.) as economic impact in the Quebec region only (more in the country as a whole if the satellite meetings and conferences are taken into account; and the fact that many delegates stayed in Canada more than a week). Chair of the National Committee, Claude Bonnelly states, "I was very proud to accept these awards on behalf of the National Committee. The increased visibility offered through these awards to libraries, IFLA and national associations and institutions, among politicians, business people, tourism industry and the general public, is surely one of the benefits we are very proud of."

IFLA WLIC 2009 is in Milan, Italy in August, 2009. Read more at <http://www.ifla.org>

### 4. The New CLA Book Awards

**THE NEW CLA Book Awards Reception** will take place on **Saturday, May**

**CLA CONFERENCE 2009 -  
Friday, May 29 - Monday, June  
1 - Montréal**

**Calling Canadian Library  
Community Authors - CLA  
ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOOK  
SIGNING**

The popular author book signing will once again take place at the CLA Annual Conference from May 30 to June 1, 2009 at the Palais des congrès in Montréal. We are accepting submissions from authors within the library community for participation in this activity.

This is a wonderful opportunity for twenty (maximum) Canadian authors to showcase their most recent publication and to meet information professionals in a comfortable setting. Our Local Arrangements Committee is coordinating this activity and will be reviewing submissions and selecting authors for the event. Preferential consideration will be given to authors with books published in Fall 08 or Spring 09.

If you are interested in participating in the CLA Annual Conference Book Signing, please contact Brenda Smith, Local Arrangements Committee, at [oneilsmith@videotron.ca](mailto:oneilsmith@videotron.ca). Please provide your name and the title of your book you would like considered.

30 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



**We are very excited to announce that...Library Services Centre** is the new **GOLD** sponsor of the 2009 Book of the Year Award for Children and the 2009 Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Award. **Tutor.com** is also a first time **SILVER** sponsor of the 2009 Young Adult Book Award.

CLA is also pleased to announce that **TD Bank Financial Group** is sponsoring the Book Awards Reception. Join the award-winning authors for appetizers, dine at the pasta bar and smoked meats stations and enjoy wine/beer - all for only \$30! Redeem your ticket for a complimentary copy of one of the award winning books! This premiere event is limited to 125 attendees. Don't miss out...register now at [www.cla.ca/conference/2009](http://www.cla.ca/conference/2009).

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## **NEWS FROM THE CLA UNITS**

### **CACUL**

#### **CACUL Supports Your Research**

Are you planning a research project that is directly related to library studies and librarianship in an academic setting? Then CACUL wants to help you! We are offering two research grants of \$1000 each to assist with your research. For details about the award criteria and how to apply, please see [http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Research\\_Support\\_Grants](http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Research_Support_Grants). Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2009.

### **CAPL**

#### **Putting Readers First: An Introduction to the Reader-Centred Approach Pre-Conference**

Sponsored by CAPL, the CLA pre-conference session, will be *talking about* talking about books all day on Friday, May 29 in Montreal. The pre-conference session will be run by Rachel Van Riel of *Opening the Book* (<http://www.openingthebook.com/>), a professional Readers' Services company in the UK. Back by popular demand, Rachel last spoke at a session of the 2008 CLA Conference and offered participants inspiration in her new approach to marketing collections. She has an extensive background in Readers Advisory and has just published the book "The Reader-friendly Library Service". For more details and to register for this exciting session, please visit <http://www.cla.ca/conference/2009/>. Registration deadline is April 17th.

### **CASLIS Ottawa**

April 16, 2009 - First, Do No Harm: How To Deliver A Professional And

2009 makes its CLA publishing debut! Order online at [www.cla.ca.ca](http://www.cla.ca.ca) at Shop CLA or [orders@cla.ca](mailto:orders@cla.ca) after April 11.

### Shop CLA

The CLA Marketplace is your one stop shop for library-related literature in Canada! Choose from CLA books, ALA books, or CLA Boutique items! Go to [SHOP CLA!](#)

Spring is nearly here and with it comes April showers. Be prepared with a new umbrella from CLA!



Choose from several Canadian crafted styles - member priced at \$ 27!

### Library Careers

Employers? Ads range from \$175 - \$300 per month (depending on level of membership)! Job Seekers? Free to access and apply!

[Check out this week's new career advertisements:](#)

[Chief Executive Officer](#), The Alberta Library, Edmonton, Alberta

[Continuing Teacher Education Librarian](#), Education Library, Queen's University Library

[Database & Digitization Services Technician](#) (Full Time), Richmond Hill Public Library, Richmond Hill, ON

Look to CLA for all your [career ad](#)

Engaging Presentation Whether you're presenting a proposal to management, providing instruction or training to clients, sharing results of a project with peers, or rallying people around a cause, you want to dazzle your audience members by giving them exactly the information they need while getting your message across effectively. More at: <http://www.caslisottawa.on.ca/events-2009-04-16.html>

### CASLIS Event in Vancouver

April 29, 2009 - Meaningful Measures: Why Size Doesn't Matter (nope, volume doesn't either) Libraries and other information-intensive organizations must identify, manage and communicate measures that matter to their stakeholders, and that demonstrate that the information services are making a difference - the "right" difference. Rebecca Jones leads a discussion focusing on defining, analyzing, and conveying performance measures that are meaningful to your situation, and provides a framework to help you really implement it after the meeting (or the next day...!) More [here](#).

### CASLIS (Toronto)

Join CASLIS TORONTO on Tuesday, April 14, when Dr. Michael Geist, Canada Research Chair of Internet and E-commerce Law, University of Ottawa, discusses: Why Copyright? The Fight for Canada's Digital Future. For more details and to register visit <http://www.caslistoronto.on.ca>

### CASLIS

Canadian Association of Special Libraries and Information Services Special Issues 19(1) published Download your copy today and find out about: Student Experiences with CASLIS; Freedom to Read Week and Special Libraries; Conference Tips for Students and New Professionals; Vendors' Views; Upcoming Events, and much more. URL: [http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=CASLIS\\_special\\_issues](http://www.cla.ca/AM/Template.cfm?Section=CASLIS_special_issues)

### CLTA

(i) A great article and list of links on the topic of Libraries in Economic hard times from the Nova Scotia Provincial

Library: <http://www.library.ns.ca/node/1340>

(ii) SMITHS FALLS -- Council has agreed to permanently close a street section to accommodate a proposed \$1.5-million expansion of the town's showpiece historic library. Located on Beckwith St. in front of town hall, the 1903 Smiths Falls Public Library has reached capacity and needs to grow in order to upgrade programming, the book collection and other resources in a community where 66% of residents are lending cardholders. The project would add 4,000 sq.-ft. to the 8,500 sq.-ft. building restored in 2002 at a cost \$580,000. The library was built with an \$11,000 grant from American philanthropist Andrew Carnegie who visited it in 1906.

(iii) The Toronto Public Library kicks off Keep Toronto Reading April 1 – a month-long celebration of books in all forms. "It's a celebration of the joy of reading," said city librarian Jane Pyper. "It's also a celebration of Canadian writers, and to see the city through different eyes through literature." The program is in its fourth year, but has been moved from February to April in hopes that warmer weather will draw more people to 47 events – with programming planned for readers of all ages. Read more go [here](#).

### People

*Appointment:* New University Librarian at UBC

Ingrid Parent has recently been appointed as the University Librarian for the University of British Columbia. Ingrid is currently Assistant Deputy Minister,

needs! With over 16,000 page views monthly, it ranks the highest-viewed area on the CLA website.

#### Did You Know...

**NINGing?** Check the conference website for the new [Ning link](#). Check into the JobLink, keep up to date on the weather and events or get travelling directions. It is all there!

Documentary Heritage Collection Sector at Library and Archives Canada. She will assume her new post at UBC on 1 July 2009. See the official announcement on the UBC website [here](#).

#### *Retirement:* Ralph Manning retires from LAC

After a long and distinguished career, Ralph Manning has retired from Library and Archives Canada. LAC hosted a reception on 12 March for Ralph, where his numerous achievements were celebrated by friends and colleagues. Over the span of his 37 year career with the National Library of Canada and LAC, Ralph contributed to countless numbers of national and international committees and working groups, and was instrumental in the development of standards and policies relating to many aspects of our profession. One of the main focal points of his work was the provision of services for people with print disabilities; and he will continue his efforts on this front as a member of the CLA Working Group for the Initiative for Equitable Library Access. Best wishes to Ralph for a long, happy and active retirement!

*Appointment:* The Lethbridge Public Library Board is very pleased to announce that Mr. Keith Walker, currently Director of Library Services at Medicine Hat College, has agreed to assume the position of Director and CEO of the Lethbridge Public Library starting May 04, 2009. Keith brings 24 years of successful senior administrative library experience to his new role at LPL. Keith has gained prominence through his extensive and award-winning involvement in the library community. He is just ending his term as Chair of The Alberta Library and is now taking on the extremely prestigious role of President-elect of the CLA. In addition, Keith has chaired The Alberta Association of College Librarians, the Canadian Technical and College Libraries section of the CLA, and the Southern Alberta Information Network (SAIN).

*Appointment:* Burlington Public Library Board Chair, is pleased to announce the appointment of Maureen Barry to the position of Chief Executive Officer, effective April 3, 2009. Ms Barry replaces Wendy Schick, City Librarian, who is retiring after 40 years with the Library. Ms Barry has an extensive background in library service having had a lengthy career at BPL where she started as the deputy head of the Children's department in 1984. She has since held various senior level positions including Children's department head, manager of Branches, Adult Services department head, and most recently director, Service Delivery. Ms Barry is active in the library profession serving on committees for the OLA and CLA; she recently completed a term on the CLA Advisory Committee on Intellectual Freedom.