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Hot Off The Press

1. Pre-Budget Consultation 2013 Submission by the Canadian Library Association

CLA submitted an official written brief to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance, as part of its 2013 pre-budget consultations. This process will result in a report being tabled in the House of Commons in December 2013, outlining the Committee's recommendations for the 2014 federal budget. This year's consultation process consisted of an online template submission of answers to specific questions.

[To read CLA's submission, please click >>](#)

2. CLA Presents MP Merv Tweed Award for Outstanding Commitment to the Canadian Library Community



L to R: Margaret Haines, Judy Green, Merv Tweed, Barb Clubb, Jennifer Stirling

On Wednesday, August 21, CLA's Interim Executive Director Barb Clubb presented an award to Merv Tweed, Member of Parliament, Brandon-Souris, Manitoba on behalf of the Canadian Library Association and Association pour l'avancement des sciences et des techniques de la documentation (ASTED) "for his leadership, vision, and fortitude in the successful passage of the Library Book Rate - Bill C-321 into the Canada Post Corporation Act". In addition to Barb

Networks

Please send your news items by Wednesday, prior to the CLA Digest's Friday publishing date. To view the 2013 Digest schedule click [here](#).
Email: 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.

Shop CLA

This week's CLA featured publication:

The Canadian IFLA Adventure

85 Years of Canadian Participation in the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions
1927 to 2012

by Judith Saltman, Dan Gilleen, Jamie Kathleen McCarthy, Myron Groover, J Jack Unrau, Rachel Balko

220 pages
Soft cover
CLA member price: \$35.95
ISBN: 978-0-888-02-339-1

Clubb, University Librarian, Margaret Haines, Carlton University; Jennifer Stirling, Division Manager, System Wide Services & Innovation, Ottawa Public Library; and Judy Green, Marketing and Communications Manager, CLA were in attendance.

MP Tweed was delighted to receive the numerous letters from the library community acknowledging his efforts in the passage of Bill C-321. After nine years Merv Tweed will be resigning his seat effective August 31, 2013 to pursue opportunities in the private sector and will be taking residence in Winnipeg.

[For more information on the passage of Bill C-321 go to >>](#)

Photo credit: Michael B. Powell, Impact Public Affairs

3. Canadian Library Month 2013



October is around the corner and it is the library community's time to celebrate. Has your library prepared a list of activities and events for this special month? Email info@cla with details.

The 2013 national posters and bookmarks are now available. Quantities are limited to 4 posters and 200 bookmarks per library. Email info@cla.ca to order.

New for 2013

- The Ontario Library Association is the new partner for Ontario for CLM2013. OLA has just launched the 2013 website for Ontario Public Library Week (October 20-26) with great ideas and a contest.
[More Info >>](#)

- Saskatchewan has joined the national initiative celebrating October 15-22. For more information: <http://saskla.ca/>

[To access the CLM2013 website for tools and national partner information >>](#)

4. Last Call - CLA Needs Volunteers for the Conference Committee

CLA seeks five volunteers to plan and organize the educational program for the annual conference for two and three year terms. The Terms of Reference for the committee may be [accessed here](#).

Please show your interest in serving on this committee by emailing the following: contact details summary of your experience that lends to serving on this committee no later than 30 August by emailing Wendy Walton, Conference & Events Manager: wwalton@cla.ca



Pre-order at orders@cla.ca

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 career ads:

[Lead, Children's and Young Adult Collections](#)

Regina Public Library,
Regina, SK

[Digital Scholarship Librarian \(Librarian I\)](#)

The University of Toronto
Libraries,
Toronto, ON

[Library Services Manager](#)

Keyano College,
Fort McMurray, AB

Look to CLA for all your career ad needs! With over 16,000 page views monthly, it ranks the highest-viewed area on the CLA website

Did You Know...

that September 8 is
International Literacy Day?

5. IFLA Trend Report 2013 – Insights Document

The [Insights Document](#) pulls together and summarises all of the information contained on the Trend Report website for IFLA members. It identifies five high level trends and considers possible future "collision points" between trends affecting the role and identity of libraries.

The Insights Document is the conversation starter for the library community. It's the 'way in' to the Trend Report, and opens up discussion about how information trends are shaping your library, whether it's a public, academic, specialist or national library, within your region.

The Report was launched at the [79th World Library & Information Congress](#) in Singapore.

Source: [IFLA Trends](#)

6. The Royal Society of Canada - Libraries & Archives: Blog and Public Meetings

The RSC Expert Panel examining the Status and Future of Canada's Libraries and Archives will be [keeping a blog](#) updating Canadians on their progress while reporting on the series of public consultations held around the country. It will allow those who are unable to attend, or who have had to leave early, to participate in the conversation. Views from the public will be important components of the final report, and public participation at the meetings and on the blog is encouraged.

[For the dates for the public consultations, and more details go here >>](#)

[Royal Society of Canada E-Newsletter >>](#)

CLA requires volunteers to work with CLA Executive Council on the research and preparation of briefs for the RSC expert panel.

Please review the [call for volunteers](#) for details on the positions.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send an email to Geraldine Hyland, Member Services Manager, at ghyland@cla.ca, with the following details:

- opportunity you are interested in (Champion or Brief - writing)
- contact details
- summary of your experience that reflects the required skills and attributes for the relevant position

7. Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) Update

Over the next few months the Federation of Ontario Public Libraries (FOPL) members will receive communications from the FOPL office

For over 40 years now, UNESCO has been celebrating International Literacy Day by reminding the international community that literacy is a human right and the foundation of all learning.

[To join the celebration or to get more information >>](#)

asking for help on the following:

- a. promote public libraries in Ontario as vital community resources
- b. prepare public library management, staff and board members for the 2014 election
- c. develop some small research projects to assist us in communicating the value of libraries in Ontario.

In turn, members will receive access to an advocacy and influence training program and access to future training and development series on a variety of subjects.

8. The Robert Munsch Award



[Robert Munsch](#) is an enormously successful children's writer, Canada's best-selling author, and arguably Guelph's most famous living resident. He has published more than 50 individual titles, and his books have sold many millions of copies in more than a dozen languages.

As part of its celebration of all things Munsch, the [Guelph Public Library](#), in partnership with the [Friends of the Guelph Public Library](#), will offer The Robert Munsch Award, a \$1000 Cdn award for the best short essay or position paper discussing the place or the impact of the writings of Robert Munsch in English Language Children's Literature.

[Read More >>](#)

9. Library of Three Million Books at Centre of Baghdad Culture Hub



A vast public library planned for Baghdad will be the centerpiece of a new culture hub under an ambitious new masterplan driven by the Iraqi Ministry of Youth and Sport. The drop-shaped building, designed by AMBS architects in London, will house up to three million books, including rare manuscripts.

"The library will be at the heart of the Youth City; a masterplan of 1.2 million sq. m, with over 30 new buildings, including residential, cultural, official and sports venues," says a press statement from AMBS architects.

A series of public events, from exhibitions to educational conferences, are due to be held in the new 45,000 sq. m library which, say the architects, will have a single span roof measuring 80 metres across. Digital media facilities will also be available.

People

SILS Consortium Welcome New Executive Director

The Saskatchewan Information & Library Services (SILS) Consortium is pleased to announce that **Rob Zylstra** will join the team as Executive Director starting on October 2nd. Rob is coming to SILS from MacEwan University in Edmonton where he is Campus Librarian for the Centre for the Arts & Communications. Before his work at MacEwan University, Rob was at the Yellowhead Regional Library where he served as Technology Services Librarian and then as Client Services Manager.

Rob brings a strong background in client-centred technology development and an appreciation for the consortial environment from his work with The Regional Automation Consortium (TRAC), The Alberta Library (TAL), and the Alberta Public Library Electronic Network (APLEN). Rob is a frequent conference speaker and an instructor in technology topics in the library education programs at MacEwan University and the University of Alberta. Combined with his strengths in leadership and management, Rob's immersion in technology will be a great asset to the SILS Consortium.