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Hot Off the Press

1. Message from our CLA President

2012 is the year of CLA's transition: to a new mission, to a new constitution and bylaws, to a new governance structure, to a new model for members working together, to a balanced annual budget, to a new open access *Felicitier*, and to a new technology infrastructure that will see an improved web site and electronic transactions. So, while Executive Council only meets face to face four times a year, and two of those are during conference, we are busy on your behalf, on e-mail and on teleconference.

I wrote in an earlier message about the balanced budget. This hasn't been easy, but we have achieved it, and we have in fact managed a surplus in 2011. I have been fund raising as well for the new IT infrastructure, and that fund stands at approximately \$50,300. Council decided this week to proceed with a project to enhance our IT capacity, at an approximate cost of \$100,000. Because it would be better not to erode our small surplus funds, Council will be bringing a motion to the 2012 AGM in Ottawa that CLA assess a one-time \$20 fee with each membership renewal for 2013. I hope you will be able to attend the AGM, vote, and express your views on this strategy.

Felicitier will be made available in electronic format only, for the last 3 issues of 2012, as an online pdf. Again, this is part of the 2012 transition; 2013 will see more interesting and engaging options for our online publications with new systems in place. We will also have tools for Networks and Committees to interact with members, engage in activities, and work on projects. And, the first big change that new technology will bring is a new system for online elections this fall. Finally!

As President, I have tremendous appreciation for all members and for those library leaders who have stood by CLA in this year of tremendous transformation. Many have contributed financially. Others have offered moral support and volunteer labour. All of this is what makes us who we are: *CLA is Canada's largest national library association, representing the interests of public, academic, school and special libraries, professional librarians, library workers, library trustees, and all those concerned with enhancing the quality of life of Canadians through access to knowledge, literacy and lifelong learning.*

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Hoping to see you in Ottawa,
Karen Adams

News from CLA Units

Please send your news items by Wednesday, prior to the CLA Digest's Friday publishing date. To view the 2012 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.

Announcement: The School of Library, Archival and Information Studies, The iSchool at The University of British Columbia is pleased to announce Dr. Ann Curry has been named a UBC Professor Emerita. Dr. Curry was a faculty member at SLAIS from 1990 to 2007, and is also an alumna of the School, earning her MLS from UBC in 1980. She holds a BA and BLS from the University of Alberta, and her Ph.D. is from the University of Sheffield. Dr. Curry is renowned for her inspirational teaching, for which she received both the prestigious UBC Killam Teaching Award and the ALISE Award for Teaching Excellence in Library & Information Science. Her research focuses on

2. CLA Announces the Winning Authors and Honour Books for 2012 CLA Book Awards

- **2012 CLA Book of the Year for Children Award Winner:**
This year's winner is *The Whole Truth* by Kit Pearson, published by HarperCollins.
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- **2012 Amelia Frances Howard-Gibbon Illustrator's Award Winner:**
My Name is Elizabeth! published by Kids Can Press, illustrated by Matthew Forsythe and written by Annika Dunklee.
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- **2012 Young Adult Book Award Winner:**
All Good Children by Catherine Austen, published by Orca.
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The 2012 CLA Book Awards are generously sponsored by



Library Service Centre.

Meet the winning authors in Ottawa at the CLA Book Awards Reception on Thursday, 31 May from 7-9 pm. Enjoy cocktails, appetizers and light dinner fare while mixing and mingling with the authors and your colleagues! Take home a book of your choice - an amazing evening for \$ 30! Book now at: The



2012 CLA Book Awards Reception is graciously sponsored by:

CLA conference delegates can register for this event here:
<http://www.cla.ca/conference/2012/>

CLA recognizes and thanks the dedicated volunteers who make these prestigious awards such a great success!

3. CLA Members invited to comment on CNIB HUB Plan:

A national network for equitable library access

The CNIB has recently released its HUB Plan outlining a business model for the development of a national network for equitable library access for people with print disabilities.

CLA is preparing a response to this document, through our Library Services to People with Print Disabilities Advisory Committee and our Accessible

ensorship and intellectual freedom, as well as access to information issues associated with controversial topics and with restricted access for specific groups. She has a lengthy and successful association with the Library Association of Alberta, the British Columbia Library Association and the British Columbia Civil Liberties Association, where she worked to defend and promote the principles of intellectual freedom in Canada. Currently she is examining information ethics and the influence of the internet and social media on the changing nature of information access. Dr. Curry left the University of British Columbia in 2007 to take the position of Director for the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Alberta. She served in that role until 2011, and is currently a Professor in the Faculty of Extension Graduate Program in Communication and Technology at the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

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Announcement: Deb deBruijn has announced that she will step down from her position as Executive Director of the Canadian Research Knowledge Network (CRKN) at the end of December 2012, following thirteen years of service to the organization. Her early announcement provides the CRKN Board of Directors with time to

Collections and Services Network.

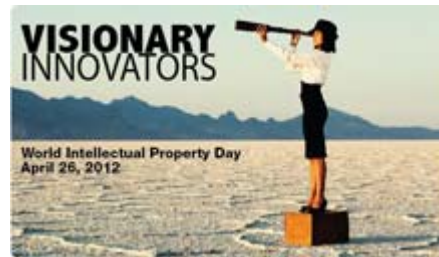
Members are invited to review the [Executive Summary](#) and [HUB business plan](#), and to submit comments.

Please send any comments to Ralph Manning, ralphwmanning@gmail.com, no later than Friday 3 May 2012.

4. Access Copyright signs Model Licence with the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada

Toronto, April 16, 2012 - Access Copyright and the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) announced today that they have negotiated a model licence that will allow universities to reproduce copyright protected materials in both print and digital formats. "We are pleased to have negotiated this licence with the AUCC," said Maureen Cavan, Executive Director of Access Copyright. "The licence provides easy, legal access to copyright protected works for students, professors and staff, in a simple, fast and cost efficient manner." The model licence sees the AUCC and universities working with publishers and creators to ensure fair compensation for the works they are using. [Read more >>](#)

5. World Intellectual Property Day, April 26



is an annual celebration linking IP, innovation, creativity, and economic growth. This year's theme is **Visionary Innovators**. In recognition of this day, we are encouraging organizations to post a link to CIPO's web site.

World Intellectual Property Day 2012: Visionary Innovators

www.cipo.gc.ca/worldipday

Journée mondiale de la propriété intellectuelle 2012: Innovateurs visionnaires

www.opic.gc.ca/journeemondialedeleapi

6. World Press Freedom Day is 3 May

Joint Message by UN Secretary-General, Mr Ban Ki-moon and UNESCO Director-General Ms Irina Bokova on the occasion of the World Press Freedom Day

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Message commun de M. Ban Ki-moon, Secrétaire général de l'Organisation des Nations Unies et de Mme Irina Bokova, Directrice générale de l'UNESCO, à l'occasion de la Journée mondiale de la liberté de la presse

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undertake a consultative recruitment process and ensure a smooth transition of leadership.

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Announcement: Retired city librarian Paul Whitney has been named the recipient of this year's Gray Campbell Distinguished Service Award by the Association of Book Publishers of B.C. The award recognizes people who have made a significant contribution to the book industry in B.C. It's named for pioneering publisher and founder of Gray's Publishing, Gray Campbell. "Paul knows the importance of reading," said Margaret Reynolds, executive director of the Association of Book Publishers of B.C. "He's utterly committed to making books, print and digital, accessible to everyone and he knows how to bring people together to make that happen." Whitney said he is really honoured by the award. "It is especially rewarding when you receive this kind of recognition from outside your professional community," Whitney said. "I have always believed in the important role that books play in shaping people's lives." Whitney worked for much of his career at the Burnaby Public Library before moving to the Vancouver Public Library.

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This week's ALA featured

7. International Committee of the Blue Shield - Statement on Syria

The recent events are great cause for apprehension for the world heritage community. Both the tragedies suffered by the people of the Syrian Arab Republic and the dangers faced by heritage sites and institutions give reason for distress.

Syria's cultural heritage is endangered on several levels. Information on the besieging of the ruins of Palmyra, recognised as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1980, alongside the numerous worrisome reports concerning other important sites and the alleged looting of museums in Daraa, Hama, Homs and Idlib, have rendered obvious the need for a greater commitment to heritage protection by all those involved in this conflict. This also highlights the necessity for more concrete and detailed information regarding the extent of the damages already incurred and the risks faced by the country's archaeological, architectural and urban heritage.

The Blue Shield calls on all parties associated with the situation in Syria to fulfil their responsibilities in protecting the country's precious cultural heritage sites and institutions.

Read the full statement here. <http://www.ifla.org/en/news/blue-shield-2nd-statement-on-syria>

8. Call to preserve the ancient manuscripts of Timbuktu and Mali

Dear colleagues,

On April 4 in Dakar, 51 distinguished African scholars and library directors (from 14 countries) have signed the "Call to preserve the ancient manuscripts of Timbuktu and Mali".

You'll find the English version at the end of this message.

Today, the "West African Research Association" (WARA), part of the Center of African Studies of the University of Boston, has published the appeal in English, French and Arabic and the names of the initial supporters: <http://www.bu.edu/wara/timbuktu/>

You are also invited to sign this online petition to save the ancient manuscripts of Timbuktu: [Read more >>](#)

Best regards,

Thomas Schuler
ICOM Disaster Relief Task Force

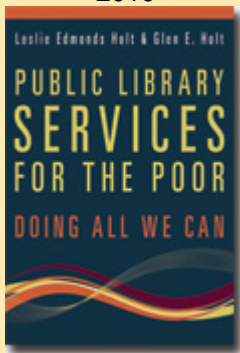
Call to preserve the ancient manuscripts of Timbuktu and Mali

In recent days, fighting in and around Timbuktu has led to serious concerns about the safety of the tens of thousands of ancient manuscripts there. What is in danger is the written legacy attesting to an unprecedented intellectual and cultural expansion over the past centuries.

publication:

[Public Library Services for the Poor: Doing All We Can](#)

Leslie Edmonds Holt &
Glen E. Holt
168 pages
Softcover
ISBN13: 978-0-8389-1050-4
2010



Member Price: \$ 53.75

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:

[Copyright Education/Compliance Manager](#)

George Brown College,
Toronto, Ontario

[Cataloguing Librarian](#)

Memorial University of
Newfoundland
St. John's, Newfoundland

[Head, Libraries Systems](#)

The University of Manitoba
Libraries
Winnipeg, Manitoba

This intellectual capital is a reflection of the continued contribution of Africans to world civilization. It is also a reflection of the pioneering place of Africa in the very foundations of writing and the spiritual and cultural development of mankind. If this heritage were to disappear, the development of African historiography would be seriously compromised and an important part of the world memory would be annihilated.

Given this situation, we address a solemn appeal to the belligerents to respect and protect the cultural heritage property held in Timbuktu, including elements of the World Heritage List of UNESCO and ancient manuscript collections in libraries, in accordance with the International Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the event of conflict.

CLA Conference & Trade Show
Ottawa - May 30 - June 2, 2012
<http://www.cla.ca/conference/2012/>

CONFERENCE NEWS

The CLA National Conference starts in just 6 weeks! Here are a few more highlights for this year's event in Ottawa.

ALL-DELEGATE SOCIAL

Join us at the new Ottawa Convention Centre for a special opportunity to mix and mingle with colleagues, and friends old and new. Hors d'oeuvres, dessert and a cash bar will be offered. You will also be treated to the wonderful stylings of the Diane White Jazz Quartet.

The new centre is a bold, modern design with a bright naturally-lit interior and magnificent views from a façade that faces the Rideau Canal, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Parliament Hill. The night-time views are particularly spectacular!

Tickets are available at \$10.00 each for registered delegates (for full conference and Friday registrations). Delegates may purchase a second ticket for an accompanying person.

Thanks to Carleton University, University of Ottawa, University of Ottawa School of Information Studies, and Ottawa Public Library for their support of this event.

THE LIVING LIBRARY

For the first time, a Living Library will debut at the CLA Conference. We are very pleased to offer this interactive opportunity to our delegates. The organizers have secured industry veterans and a diverse group of members who will volunteers as "living books" to be "checked out" by "readers". The

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...



Scientists from the Cleveland Museum of Natural History recently identified two new species of dinosaurs, one of which they have named in honor of UNESCO?

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Living Library will be set up in the Trade Show area.

Thanks to Nancy McKenzie, Calgary Public Library and Cabot Yu, Citizenship and Immigration Canada for their efforts to organize this great opportunity for CLA delegates.

Important Deadlines

- Pre-Registration for conference – May 18, 2012

(on-site registration, at higher rates, after this date)

- Westin Hotel cut-off – **April 29, 2012**
- Novotel Hotel cut-off – **April 30, 2012**
- Les Suites Hotel cut-off – **April 24, 2012**

Already registered? If you haven't received a confirmation receipt from CLA you aren't registered! Please contact Wendy Walton at 613.232.9625 extension 302 or email wwalton@cla.ca

Overview of Conference Schedule

- Wednesday – Advocacy on the Hill, pre-conferences, library tours, opening reception
- Thursday – Opening ceremonies & keynote, trade show, sessions, book awards
- Friday – Morning plenary, trade show, sessions, poster presentations, AGM
- Saturday – Full day of sessions ending with closing ceremonies & keynote and awards presentations

CLA Awards

2012 CLA Outstanding Service to Librarianship Award

CLA is pleased to announce that the 2012 CLA Outstanding Service to Librarianship Award is being presented to Ken Roberts of Hamilton Public Library. The CLA Outstanding Service to Librarianship Award is generously sponsored by ProQuest.

Ken Roberts has had a remarkable impact on Canadian libraries through his career in public libraries across the country, from Lethbridge, Alberta and Richmond, British Columbia to Whitby and Hamilton in Ontario. As well as being one of Canada's great leaders in the realm of public libraries, serving, for example, in multiple terms as Chair of the Canadian Urban Libraries Council, Ken has served the profession in major leadership roles including President of the Canadian Library Association and President of the Ontario Library Association.

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News from CLA Units

CLA Montreal Network Event:

Putting theory into practice: Implementing RDA/FRBR at Montreal's Jewish Public Library On April 4th, Eddie Paul, Head of Bibliographic and Information Services at the Jewish Public Library gave an entertaining and informative look into his library's transition to RDA and FRBR. As the first public library to adopt FRBR alongside RDA, Mr. Paul provided over twenty-five Montreal librarians with his insights on the process and answered numerous questions from the audience. His slides can be found on the CLA Montreal Network blog (<http://clamontrealchapter.blogspot.ca/>).

Southern Alberta Information Network (SAIN) The annual SAIN workshop will take place at Medicine Hat College on Friday May 11, 2012 with lunch provided and followed by the spring business meeting. The sessions include a report on a survey about academic and public library collaboration presented by Rachel Sarjeant-Jenkins from the University of Saskatchewan Library and Keith Walker from Medicine Hat College Library and reports from members about initiatives in public services. The workshop is open to anyone who is interested while the business meeting is for members of the Network. Free of charge.