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Let's hear it for the CJCLS Listserv!

A link to the CJCLS listserv archives is one of my frequently used "Favorites." Listserv messages that I consider important to access frequently are in a folder on my network drive. In brief, the CJCLS listserv has become an important contributor to our discussions about library operations.



The CJCLS listserv gives us ready access to a group of colleagues who are willing to share information on a wide variety of issues that impact community college libraries. We're currently drawing on the listserv archives for information that is helping us prepare for our Higher Learning Commission visit. Information on reserve textbook collections, print management systems, and integrating wireless access into our libraries are helping inform some of the current decisions we are facing.

I hope other community college librarians will consider joining the list. It is one of the best ways I know to exchange information about resolutions to perplexing problems that are either unique to community college libraries or have a unique twist because they are community college based.

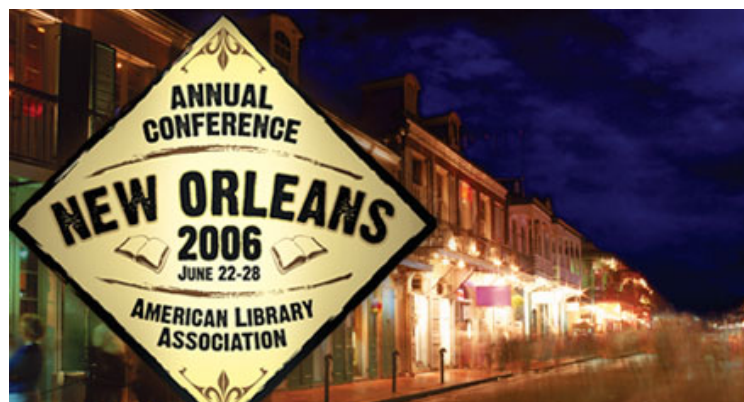
*--Mary Ann Sheble, CJCLS Secretary
Dean of Libraries, Oakland Community College*

Interested in joining the list? See Kenley Neufeld's information about the CJCLS listserv on page 8.

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ALA ANNUAL CONFERENCE JUNE 22-28, 2006



ACRL Announces 2006 Award Recipients



CJCLS Leadership Award - Susan Anderson

Susan Anderson, Director of Libraries at St. Petersburg College, has been selected as the 2006 winner of the CJCLS/EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Leadership Award. The award honors significant achievement in the advocacy of learning resources, as well as leadership in professional organizations that support the missions of community, junior and technical colleges.

"Susan Anderson embodies the spirit of the CJCLS/EBSCO Leadership award criteria," said Alice Lubrecht, CJCLS Awards Committee Chair. "She consistently contributes to the mission of community colleges in general and specifically within her institution through her outstanding work. **This work exemplifies the highest quality work of an academic professional in that it includes research and publication, service within her institution, service within her community, and commitment to and service within her professional association and her colleagues.** She is much admired and respected in her academic community."

A citation and \$500, donated by EBSCO Information Services, will be presented to Susan Anderson at the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in New Orleans.

CJCLS Program Achievement Award - Eva Lautermann, Sherry Durren, and Lois Shelton, Georgia Perimeter College



Eva Lautermann, Library Director, Sherry Durren, Information Literacy Librarian, and Lois Shelton, Library Technical Assistant, at Georgia Perimeter College Jim Cherry Learning Resources Center, have been chosen to receive the 2006 CJCLS/EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Program Achievement Award for their work on the CSI: Information Literacy orientation. Using the television series, CSI, as their inspiration, the librarians wrote a script and clues for the orientation program in order to help familiarize students with using the library.

"**This unique orientation, initiated by the librarians and coordinated with the Joint Enrollment and Student Services Offices, is an outstanding example of creative, involved, professional librarians who stay focused on students and contribute to the overall mission of their institution,**" said CJCLS Awards Committee Chair Alice Lubrecht.

A citation and \$500, donated by EBSCO Information Services, will be presented to Eva Lautermann, Sherry Durren, and Lois Shelton during the American Library Association (ALA) Annual Conference in New Orleans.

Planning, Planning!
Midwinter, San Antonio 2006
Photos by Alice Lubrecht



Calling All Poets!

Many of us can relate to the loss of this or that in the library. Here is a humorous lament, written by Christine Dettlaff, M.L.I.S., Director, Learning Resources Center, Redlands Community College, El Reno, Oklahoma.



Ode to Obsolescence

Card catalog, off you go –
 Replaced by MARC and OPACs.
 We've a better way, you know,
 To find books in our stacks.
 Print indexes? Who needs 'em
 With all those full-text articles?
 We'll have a little requiem
 In honor of their disposals.

Why keep that vertical file?
 The Web has all that info.
 Store the microforms with a smile –
 That reader is just for show.
 And the last filmstrip projectors,
 Slide projectors, and overheads,
 Sent off to unknown sectors –
 PowerPoint made their deathbeds.

Good-bye, LPs. (Vinyl – what's that?)
 We'll keep the CDs for a while.
 There'll soon be another format
 To decide whether to interfile.
 Shall we keep the videos
 Now that we've gone to DVD?
 Audiobooks – what about those?
 What's left in the library?

--Christine Dettlaff

Welcome back, Catherine!

Catherine A. Lee is the new LRC Director at Cape Fear Community College in Wilmington, NC. Most recently, Lee was Director of the Willet Memorial Library at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia, and an active member of the College Libraries Section (CLS). Now that she is back in a community college, she has resumed her affiliation with CJCLS, in which she was active when she was the Head Librarian at the Penn State DuBois Campus from 1994-1997.

Midwinter - San Antonio - 2006

Selections from CJCLS Secretary Mary Ann Sheble's Draft Minutes



Vice Chair/Chair Elect

E. Sutton reported on the difficulty of getting section members to serve on committees. The Committee discussed the possibility of using the ALA Online Community software for virtual meetings. C. Godin noted that reconfiguring the committees and consolidating committee functions should make the committees more productive and may encourage broader participation. M. Carr suggested placing a "call for volunteers" on the CJCLS listserv. M. Carr noted the need to increase community college involvement in ACRL in other areas. She noted the proposed consolidated/streamlined CJCLS committee structure fits well with ACRL strategic directions.

Chair

C. Godin provided a summary of the program for the Annual Conference (New Orleans, 2006). The program will be on hybrid libraries.

LTA Education

L. Slusar (Committee Chair) reports that the Committee is active and viable. The survey of Library Technician Programs and discussion of the possibility of seeking ALA accreditation for these programs has generated interest in the Committee. (The Committee's Action Plan appears on page 6 of this newsletter.) Linda Smith (U of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, School of Library and Information Science) asked L. Slusar to establish a liaison with ALISE. This is viewed as an encouraging sign of recognition for two-year library tech programs.

Membership

E. Burns (Committee Chair) noted that ACRL sends membership lists of people who drop their section membership and new members. She expressed concern about the lists because the status designation and timeliness is not always clear. She has been sending letters, welcoming new people, but has not been sending letters asking why people have dropped because many times, the "dropped" list includes people who are late in renewing, have changed jobs and the ALA renewal notice did not reach them, and similar. By consensus, the Executive Committee agreed this was a practical approach. The Committee discussed the need to get people involved in the CJCLS listserv. This may serve as a platform to promote more activity in the section.

ACRL Board Liaison

N. Allen (ACRL Board Liaison) summarized the role of the ACRL Board in establishing liaisons with ACRL sections. Each Board member is assigned as a liaison with a single section and this section is not one to which the Board member belongs. Promote more communication among sections to avoid scheduling conflicts. N. Allen noted that issue is on the list for the ACRL Board to review. N. Allen encouraged the Executive Committee to test the ALA Online Community software. The ACRL office is not staffed to support 300 plus ACRL committee trials of the application, so sections need to do their own testing and troubleshooting.

Bylaws

S. Maltese (Committee Chair) reported that the ACRL Bylaws Committee approved the CJCLS Bylaws revision with a single exception. The ACRL Committee was unwilling to approve authority for the section to establish positions that are not defined in the Bylaws. K. Neufeld moved that the Executive Committee accept the recommendations of the ACRL Bylaws Committee and remove section #3 from the CJCLS Bylaws. ACTION: Motion approved. S. Maltese will notify the ACRL Bylaws Committee that their recommendations were accepted by CJCLS.

Meeting Highlights - Selections from Draft Minutes

Full Draft Minutes for both Executive Committee Meetings are available at the CJCLS website



Webmaster

K. Neufeld (Webmaster) reported that the transition to move the CJCLS list to ALA went smoothly. ALA is working with K. Neufeld to move the listserv archives to the ALA website.

Newsletter Editor

L. Mirza (Newsletter Editor) reported that the next issue of the Newsletter is coming along well. She encouraged members of the Executive Committee to send her relevant items.

ACRL Representative

M. Carr moved (1) to consolidate functions of committees and (2) for a subset of current CJCLS committees to be retained. The Executive Committee discussed options for streamlining the CJCLS committee structure. Awards, Membership/Communications, Program Planning, Teaching and Learning, Nominating ACTION: Motion approved. The new committee structure will take effect after New Orleans. K. Neufeld emphasized that the Program Planning Committee should be responsible for organizing Hot Topics Discussion Group sessions, as well as Annual Conference meetings programs. The Membership/Communications Committee will include publications, website, and Best Practices work. Ad Hoc committees and task forces will be established by the section Chair and the Executive Committee to work on special projects, such as Bylaws revisions.

Conference Program Planning 2006

The topic of the program planned for the New Orleans Annual Conference is hybrid libraries. C. Godin is looking into the possibility of funding for a keynote speaker for the program.

ACRL

M. Petrowski (ACRL Office Staff liaison) spoke about the ACRL Strategic Planning process. The Plan works from the ground up, with action plans coming from committees. The Strategic Plan is on the ACRL website. Executive Committee members were encouraged to review the plan.

NCLR REPORT

C. Sowell (Chair) reported on NCLR events. The NCLR is a library advocacy group that works with the American Association of Community Colleges. Two position statements passed in support of libraries during the April meeting. The program for the next meeting (Long Beach, CA) will be on Intellectual Property. Peter Wiley (from Wiley Publishing) will be one of the speakers. The NCLR will be presenting awards again this year to college presidents for their support of libraries. C. Sowell distributed a copy of the most recent NCLR Newsletter and a copy of the Journal of Applied Research in the Community College. She urged non-members to consider joining the NCLR.



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CJCLS Library Technical Assistant Education Committee Action Plan and Objectives 2006-2007

Through the dissemination of the:

- ALA approved “Criteria for Programs to Prepare Library Technical Assistants” (ALA 2004)
- and the results of the “Survey of Library Technical Assistant Programs in the United States” (CJCLS LTA Education Committee, 2005)

The CJCLS Library Technical Assistant Committee sets out to accomplish the following:

1. Provide *visibility* for the Library Technical Assistant Programs in the United States that meet the basic core curriculum as outlined in the ALA approved document “Criteria for Programs to Prepare Library Technical Assistants”
2. Create a heightened awareness with the profession of librarianship, of the existence, value, and purpose of Library Technical Assistant education programs.
3. Serve as a resource and springboard for those educational institutions (primarily community colleges) who wish to establish a new Library Technical Assistant training program.
4. Explore the applicability of the results of the “Survey of Library Technical Assistant Programs in the United States” as they relate to the possible ALA accreditation process for LTA programs.

Methods used to accomplish these objectives include: (but are not limited to)

- Posting this information on CJCLS web site,
- Creation of an informal brochure
- Publishing a list of programs that reported offering the core courses outlined in the ALA “Criteria” document
- Writing and publishing an article for a professional publication (s) that describes the results of the survey, its uses and implications, and the committee’s activities.



PHOTO BY ALICE LUBRECHT
LTA Education Committee Prepares Action Plan

New Library & Information Science Technology Program at Georgia Perimeter College

The Dunwoody Campus Library of GPC, located in suburban Atlanta, is pleased to announce that initial course offerings in its Associate's level Library & Information Science Technology Program have begun in 2006. The first Introductory course was attended by students during the Spring 2006 semester. That course will be repeated, along with library Public Services, during Summer 2006. Planning is underway for further expansion of the Program during the 2006-2007 academic year.

Georgia Perimeter College is part of the University System of Georgia, and its largest Associate's-level institution, with about 21,000 students enrolled in Spring 2006. The Library & Information Science Technology (LIST) Program was approved by the state's Board of Regents in late 2005, after several years of planning. Librarians at GPC serve as the principal faculty. The Program is intended to offer both an Associate of Applied Science degree and a Certification in library technology for workers already in the field.

--Joe Barnes

Christine's Corner

Ah, Spring Break! For once I am not writing this column as I madly finish up a term paper or PowerPoint presentation on some esoteric aspect of drama criticism or theory. Instead, I am the lone librarian this week, as all the faculty are off, and we administrators and staff work the first three days of the break.

It's lonely at the top, sometimes. But I am reveling in the loneliness as I work to clean out old files, rearrange all the binders on my bookshelf (relieving some of them

of their contents—four year old notes from some workshop gone by), and await the installers of some shelving we ordered. Our new library is now a dream to be realized in two or three short years, since the bond issue finally passed. We must find a way to continue to store and display what we buy without having to resort to stacking things in the window wells.

Summer brings another Annual Conference and this year will be an adventure as some of us attend it in New Orleans. Our section's program is sure to be an interesting one—we are looking at the good, the bad and the ugly of joint-use or partnership libraries. We have some very experienced speakers planning to join us with stories of success and failure and, hopefully, some good tips to those who are planning such a facility.

This will be the last installment of *Christine's Corner*. It will become Ellen Sutton's place this summer as she takes over as Chair of CJCLS. Ellen is assistant dean at the College of DuPage, one of the largest and most high profile community colleges in the country. They produce the wonderful *Soaring to Excellence* series that many of us enjoy—did you see the one with Rick Anderson a few weeks ago? He's the up and coming young man I spoke of in the past two columns. And he did not disappoint in his performance. One of the librarians in the audience commented, "Well, I'm in love!" when it was over. CJCLS member Linda Slusar was one of the panelists, along with other librarians from different types of libraries. Along with maintaining a membership in our ACRL section, you can gain a lot from these televised dialogues. They showcase conversations we need to have and to hear.

That's all, folks!

Christine

Christine Godin, CJCLS Section Chair



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**Christine Godin,
Section Chair**

Northwest Vista College Wins Spirit Award

Left to right in this photograph are Karen Weiskittel, Julie Nichols, Christine Godin (in red), Lori Lysiak, Judy McMillan, and Linda Reeves, librarians at Northwest Vista College.



PHOTO COURTESY OF NORTHWEST VISTA COLLEGE

Christine reports, "We just won the Spirit Award, a lovely traveling trophy wildcat that moves around the campus. The kitty resides on the reference desk for the time being. She is wearing, inexplicably, some Mardi Gras style beads. Maybe the wildcat is planning to travel to New Orleans for the conference!"

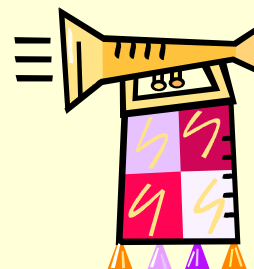
All aboard the CJC-L Listserv!

The CJC-L listserv is a discussion group dedicated to issues relating to community and two year college libraries and learning centers.

All functions of the list are available on the [CJC-L web site](#), including subscribing, unsubscribing, changing email address, list archives, and posting.

Go to <http://lists.ala.org/wws/info/cjc-l> to join.

Kenley Neufeld
CJC-L listserv Administrator



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