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GREETINGS

Under my presidential theme, “Success through Synergy and Inclusivity: The impact of team-based leadership,” I have worked closely with many dedicated CALA leaders, members, and teams to optimize synergy, value diversity, and promote creativity through collaboration. Together, we have achieved shared goals and made a difference. There is so much good and exciting news to share!

Thank you all very much for making my year as fulfilling, productive, and enjoyable as it can be!

Message from The CALA President
Lian Ruan
The CALA Executive Committee of the Board has developed thoughtful programs and activities to be hosted during the ALA Annual Conference in Orlando. Your active participation and kind support are highly appreciated. These programs and activities include:

**Friday June 24, 2016**

**Leadership Networking – Harwood Approach & Practices**
3:00-4:00 pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Bayhill 31 & 32

**Mutual Learning between CALA Academic Librarians and Public Librarians**
6:00-7:00 pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Bayhill 31 & 32

**Saturday June 25**

**CALA Executive Committee (EC) Meeting**
1:00-2:00 pm
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Celebration 01

**CALA at ALA Ethnic Affiliates Booth Exhibits Hall**
3:00-5:00 pm  
Location: Booth #1127, Orange County Convention Center

**2016 ALA Diversity & Outreach Fair**
3:00-5:00 pm  
Location: TBA

**CALA Board Meeting (III)**
7:00 pm -10:00 pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Bayhill 20

**Sunday June 26th**

**New Board Meeting (I) 2016-2017**
9:00 am - 10:30 am
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Challenger 38

**CALA Annual Conference Program**
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida Ballroom B

**CALA 2nd Annual Posters Session -- Showcase of Your Achievements**
2:30 pm -4:00 pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida Ballroom B

**CALA Annual Membership Meeting**
4: pm - 5:00 pm
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida Ballroom B

**CALA Awards Banque**
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm  
Location: Chuan Lu Garden (川鲁園), 1101 E. Colonial Dr., Orlando, FL32802  
Phone: 407 896-8966

**Monday, June 27**

**2016 CALA Leadership Academy**
9:00am – 5:00pm  
Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando, Bayhill 22

All committees, task forces, and representatives are submitting their annual reports, which will be available at CALA Intranet with member login at https://intranet.cala-web.org login after late May.
CALA Executive Committee of the Board (EC), CALA Board and CALA Membership

Since the Mid-Winter Meeting in January, and as of May 5, 2016, the CALA EC has worked hard to keep CALA business running on a daily basis. The Board has held five additional online board meetings to approve CALA President Budget Revision, CALA C&B Revisions, Successor of Executive Director, and CALA Awards (Part 1 & 2). As of May 12, there is 585 active CALA members, the highest active membership record. I’d like to take this opportunity to thank Le Yang and Hong Cui, Co-Chairs of the CALA Membership Committee for their strong leadership and for a job well done!

CALA Election

Please join me in congratulating the following CALA members who have been elected as new CALA officers. Here is Jessica Zheng Lu's announcement:

Dear CALA Members:

2016 CALA Election Committee is pleased to announce the 2016 CALA election results. The 2016 CALA election started on April 20 and closed on May 10, 2016. Out of the total 554 ballots (548 e-ballots and 6 print ballots) sent out, we received a total of 317 voted e-ballots and 1 voted print ballot in return, with a total response rate of 57.40%. Here are the detailed results:

Constitutions and Bylaws amendment

Proposed Change 1: Public Relations/Fund Raising Committee name change, approved by 87.11%
Proposed Change 2: Article III. Membership (Constitution), approved by 91.19%
Proposed Change 3: Article IV. Official Year (Constitution), approved by 87.11%
Proposed Change 4: Article VI. Officers (Constitution), approved by 91.82%
Proposed Change 5: Article VI.

Officers (Constitution), approved by 91.82%
Proposed Change 6: Article I. Membership (Bylaws), approved by 90.25%
Proposed Change 7: Article IV. Duties of the Officers (Bylaws), approved by 87.42%
Proposed Change 8: Article IV. Duties of the Officers (Bylaws), approved by 89.62%
Proposed Change 9: Article V. Chapters (Bylaws), approved by 93.40%
Proposed Change 10: Article V. Chapters (Bylaws), approved by 89.94%
Proposed Change 11: Article V. Chapters (Bylaws), approved by 92.14%
Proposed Change 12: Article X. Conflict of Interest Policy (Bylaws), approved by 92.45%

Incoming Vice President 2016/2017, Vice President/President Elect 2017/2018, President 2018/2019

Zhang, Ying

Executive Director (2016-2019)

Ruan, Lian

Executive Director (the remainder of the term from May 10 to June 28, 2016)

Lu, Zheng Jessica

Treasurer (2016-2018)

Liao, Ying

Board of Directors (2016-2019)

Duan, Xiaojie

He, Jianye

Song, Yongyi

Wu, Hong

Zhuo, Fu

Please join me in thanking all the candidates for their participation in this year’s election and congratulating our newly-elected officers and board members. Special thanks to the members of the Nominating Committee for their dedication and contribution to this important process. Sincere appreciation to all the members for your participation. The CALA Board also wishes to thank the members who served on the 2016 Election Committee. Yours Sincerely,

Jessica

CALA Executive Director, 2016
CALA Awards

Please join me in congratulating the following CALA members who won CALA awards, approved by the CALA Board as of May 23. The Board is approving more awards and please stay tuned. I would like to thank committees that worked diligently to select and award excellent nominees to the Board.

**CALA Distinguished Service Award**
Clara M. Chu, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**CALA Scholarship of Library and Information Science ($1,000)**
Melody Tsz-Way Leung, University of Washington

**CALA 2016 Conference Travel Grant ($500 each)**
Michael Huang: Stony Brook University Health Sciences
Xudong Jin: Baltimore City Community College
Hong Miao: Marywood University Library
Jane Wu: Otterbein University Courtright Memorial

**CALA 2016 Chapter President Travel Grant ($300 each)**
Yiping Wang, Northern California Chapter President
Hong Wu, Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter President
Fu Zhuo, Midwest Chapter President

**CALA 2016 IFLA Registration Grant (regular member $576, student member $282)**
Qi Chen, Calumet College of St. Joseph
Liya Deng, University of South Caroline
Xiaojie Duan, University of Southern Mississippi Libraries
Guoying Liu, University of Windsor
Wencheng Su, Jiangsu University
Xueye Zheng, the Catholic University of America

**Huang Tso-ping and Wu Yao-Yu Research and Scholarships (Wuhan Univ.) ($800)**
Faculty: Si Li
PhD student: Baiyang Li
MS student: Shaobo Liang

**Lisa Zhao Scholarship ($500)**
Yuan Li, University of South Carolina

**Sheila Suen Lai Scholarship of Library and Information Science ($250)**
Dayanqi Si, University of Western Ontario

Dr. Tze-chung Li's Student Membership Scholarship
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CALA Awards

Dr. Tze-Chung Li CALA Student Membership Scholarship Award
The following 27 library school students from around the world joined CALA thanks to Dr. Li's generosity:

*Fujian Normal University (7)*
Qimei He
Po Hu
Zhao Wu
Xiaocui Wu
Lining Wang
Lingyan Yan
Lirong Zhang

*Jiangsu University (5)*
Wei Liang
Hua Ni
Cheng Qu
Wencheng Su
Lingling Wu

*National Defence University (Pakistan) (1)*
Abid Hussain

*Simmons College (1)*
Wenqing Lu

*Stanford University (1)*
Elaine Tai

*Sun-Yat Sen University (2)*
Xinhe Peng
Peng Xiao

*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (6)*
Yuwei Chen
Zhongni Da
Xixi Dai
Jing Du
Xiaoliang Jiang
Qi Sun

*University of Alabama (1)*
Tongyang Zhang

*University of Toronto (1)*
Lily Gu

*Wuhan University (2)*
Wenting Yu
Fangyuan Zhang
Celebrating Dr. Tze-Chung Li’s 90th Birthday

Please join the Executive Committee of the Board in celebrating Dr. Tze-Chung Li’s 90th birthday. CALA’s Caring and Loving Fund Task Force sent Dr. Li a card and bouquet of flowers on behalf of CALA in early May. The Midwest Chapter members will be gathering at Dr. Li’s apartment in Chicago to celebrate the big event with Dr. Li and his wife Dorothy on May 14. The Midwest Chapter is also creating a poster about Dr. Li and the poster will be displayed at the CALA Posters Session during the ALA Annual Conference at Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida Ballroom B on June 26, 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm.

If you’d like to send him your own e-greetings, you may do so at his personal email: chiamonline@att.net. If you’d like to send him a print card and flowers, please privately contact Lian (lruan@illinois.edu) for his home address.

Dr. Li founded CALA in his basement in 1973 and served as CALA’s first president from 1973-1977. He was the recipient of the CALA Distinguished Service Award in 1988 and the recipient of the CALA Outstanding Library Leadership Award in Memory of Dr. Margaret Chang Fung in 2013. You may find a full list of Dr. Li’s accomplishments written by the Ad Hoc Committee for the CALA Outstanding Library Leadership Award in Memory of Dr. Margaret Chang Fung at http://www.cala-web.org/node/1475. Dr. Li is a true visionary and a valuable role model!

Appointed Co-English Editor and Editor Team for JLIS (Journal of Library and Information Science)

I am pleased to share with you that I have appointed Huifen Chang (Huifen.chang@okstate.edu) and Hong Miao (hongm@maryu.marywood.edu) to serve as CALA Co-English Editors for the Journal of Library and Information Science (JLIS) published by the National Taiwan Normal University for a 3-year term (2016-2019). I appreciate that both Huifen and Hong gracefully accepted my appointment. I would also like to thank the following CALA members for agreeing to serve on the editor team:

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  Lanfang Yang ylfang@nuaa.edu.cn

We look forward to promoting library and information science and strengthening the ties between CALA and the Taiwan library community. If you would like to make article contributions to JLIS, please contact Co-English Editors, Huifen Chang and Hong Miao. As I complete the term of my presidency, I am extremely grateful for the precious opportunity to work with all of you. You are so awesome, talented, and dedicated. I very much look forward to continuing the wonderful CALA journey with you! Go, CALA!

Yours Sincerely,

Lian Ruan
CALA President, 2015/2016 May 12, 2016
INTERVIEW OF LIBRARY DEANS

It is a great pleasure to learn that CALA Newsletter will begin a new column, “Interview of Library Deans” to feature those Chinese American library professionals who have had the opportunity to hold such leadership positions in the U.S. and Canada. Being the Dean of Libraries Emeritus of Ohio University, I am honored to be invited to write this opening message for the new column. In my view, this column will not only enable those who have the good fortune to hold a dean’s position to share their invaluable experiences, but also encourage and inspire other Chinese American librarians to raise their career goals.

For Chinese American library professionals, especially those who are the first generation immigrants, there seems to be a “glass ceiling” standing in the way of moving up to the top position. However, for the few brave and lucky ones who have been able to overcome the odds and break through the “glass ceiling” their experiences are worth being passed on.

During my 21 years of tenure as the Dean of Ohio University Libraries from 1978 to 1999, I was the only Chinese American that then held the position among ARL libraries. It is good to witness that the situation has changed in recent years and many more highly qualified Chinese Americans are able to hold the dean’s position in major universities with outstanding performance and successful accomplishments. The number is increasing rapidly!

I sincerely hope that such a trend will continue as more and more Chinese American library professionals will be inspired to take up the challenge.
Half Century of Passion: An Interview with Hwa-Wei Lee

by Sai Deng

When did you become a library dean and what were you doing in the past that led you to this position?

I became the Library Director and then Dean of Libraries at Ohio University in August 1978 and held the position for 21 years. My library career can be traced back to 1958 when I worked as a student assistant at the University of Pittsburgh Library. I was then a graduate student in education. A year later, I was recruited to be a full-time Librarian Trainee and enrolled in the library school for my MLS degree. From then on, I moved up the ladder from a Librarian Trainee to First Assistant in the Acquisitions Department at Pitt Library, to Head of Technical Services at Duquesne University Library. After the completion of my Ph.D. with a major in education and a minor in library science from Pitt in 1965 I was hired as the Assistant Head Librarian at Edinboro State University of Pennsylvania. A year later, I was promoted to the position of Head Librarian.

In 1968, I was hired by the U.S. Agency for International Development to work as the founding Director of Library and Information Center of the Asian Institute of Technology in Bangkok, Thailand, a job I held for 7 years. During my years in Thailand, I also served as a library consultant for many regional and international agencies on projects relating to the establishment of national scientific and technical information centers as well as regional library networks for resources sharing among Southeast Asian countries.

In 1971, I was invited to teach the very first course in Asia on Introduction to Library Automation at the Department of Library Science, Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok. In 1975, I returned to the U.S. and was hired as Associate Director of Libraries at Colorado State University, an ARL library, from where I applied to and was hired by Ohio University as its Library Director and later changed the title to Dean of Libraries.

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In a few lines, please describe the first few days after you arrived as the new dean of Ohio University Libraries?

Because the position was vacant for two years before my arrival, there was much to be done by the new director. I was very fortunate to have the full support of the University President and my direct boss, the Provost. All library staff were very eager to work with me. My first few months were like a honeymoon period. It was good that my new administrative style was well accepted even after the honeymoon period was over.

What are your main accomplishments you’ve achieved as the dean? What are the most important initiatives, projects or services in the library that you’d like to share?

The number one task during the first few months of my tenure was to secure sufficient funding for fixing the broken central air-conditioning system and the badly leaking roof. Since Ohio University was a key player of the OCLC Online Computer Library Center since its inception, I saw the advantage of acquiring an integrated library automation system in order to expand the usage of the richly accumulated online cataloging resource so that it could facilitate the creation of an online public access catalog, the automated circulation operation, acquisitions, and interlibrary loan services. Within a period of three years, I was able to secure the necessary funding, selected and successfully installed the VLS library automation system, named ALICE. At the encouragement of the University President and the Provost, I worked closely with the Faculty Library Committee to develop a strategic plan with a goal to achieve membership status in the Association of Research Libraries. To expand the library's international reach, I also started an International Librarians Internship Program within the library with funding from UNESCO, International Development Research Centre of Canada, and many other donors to provide short-term training for librarians from many countries. Another major accomplishment during my tenure was in the area of fund-raising. I was able to increase the amount of library endowment fund from less than $20,000 in 1980 to over $9 million in 1999, excluding the $3 million already spent and another $5 million pledged.

As a Chinese American and a minority, do you feel a sense of accomplishment in becoming dean? What are the challenges to move up the professional ladder?

I was very grateful that I had the opportunity to become a library dean at a major American university. There were many challenges along the way of moving up the professional ladder. However, I did try my very best to prepare myself in every way possible. My leadership skills were nurtured during my college years in Taiwan when I was very active in student organizations and a wide area of extra-curricular activities. Before coming to the U.S. I had two years of administrative experience at the National Taiwan Normal University at the Dean of Students Office. After arriving in the U.S. for graduate studies, I worked very hard to overcome cultural and language barriers and to earn two Master's degrees and a Ph.D. degree in eight years while working in the library part-time during the second and third years and then full-time for the next five years. (Continue on page 10)
Half Century of Passion: An Interview with Hwa-Wei Lee

Even though I have been a diligent worker throughout my library career, I worked well with people whether they were my colleagues, supervisors, or faculty members and students. I tried to set appropriate and achievable career goals and worked hard to reach them at each stage of my library career.

You have been a dedicated CALA member and was CALA’s President before, do you feel you still have time to be involved in activities of CALA and/or other professional associations? Are you also involved in international collaboration programs?

I was very much involved as a CALA life member for the past four decades. However, at my age of 85 this year, it is difficult for me to continue my active involvement. CALA has grown so much in the past 40 years and has among its members a very large number of talented and extraordinary library leaders; it is time for me to stand aside and be a cheerleader for the next stage of growth of CALA under new leadership.

What do you like to do when you are away from work in your leisure time?

When I retired the first time from Ohio University I was 68 years old. My second retirement was from the Library of Congress at the age of 77. During my working years, I was very much a work alcoholic. Most of my leisure time besides being with my family was spent in research, writing, and consulting. Three of my books were Librarianship in World Perspective published in 1991, Fundraising for the 1990s published in 1992, and Modern Library Management published in 1996. My collected works in two volumes were published in 2011 by Sun Yet-Sen University Press in Guangzhou, China. As a result of my consulting work, I had the opportunity of travelling to most of the Asian countries and to many parts of the world in addition to the U.S.

What message would you like to convey to CALA members?

Always prepare yourself well for upward mobility and go for it!
To Hong Kong and Back Again: The Story of Haipeng Li

by Sai Deng

When did you become a library dean and what were you doing in the past that lead you to this position?

I was appointed as the University Librarian at the University of California, Merced and started work on June 20, 2015, after serving as University Librarian at Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) for 4 years from 2011-2015.

Prior to HKBU, I was Associate Director at the John Cotton Dana Library at Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey, from 2009-2011.

In a few lines, please describe the first few days after you arrived as the new dean of UC-Merced Library?

With the experience I had had at HKBU, Rutgers and other places where I worked, I felt prepared to take on the new challenge at UC Merced. The first few days opened my eyes as I arrived in this vast open land with the University being located in the middle of it. This struck me as a sharp contrast having just left Hong Kong, a city packed with buildings, people and everything else with very little open land to step on. There also came this excitement of being a part of building the first American research university in the 21st century.

What are your main accomplishments you've achieved as the dean? What are the most important initiatives, projects or services in the library that you'd like to share?

At HKBU, I felt I had accomplished a great deal during my four years there. Together with my staff at the HKBU Library, we were able to make progress in many areas of library operations including creating and revising library policies, creating new partnerships on campus and beyond, launching new digital initiatives (digital humanities, for example), securing grant funding for designing new spaces and acquiring remote storage facilities. The most important accomplishment, though, was the design and implementation of a strategic planning process which produced a 2020 strategic plan for the library. At UC Merced, I am working with my staff in the process of exploring many exciting options as the University is growing rapidly, including resources building, new digital initiatives, designing learning spaces, working with potential donors, etc. It is an exciting time indeed.

As a Chinese American and a minority, do you feel a sense of accomplishment in becoming dean? What are the challenges to move up the professional ladder?

Yes, I do feel it is a great accomplishment and honor to become a university librarian at a major research university in a world renowned university system – University of California. As a minority and Chinese American, I do feel the particular challenges such as those of not being taken seriously and being misunderstood. There is definitely a glass ceiling there. I have been lucky to have mentors along the way who could provide sound advice, directions and guidance. This is extremely important for younger minority librarians.

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I have been fortunate to do what I could to contribute to CALA over the years and felt a great sense of accomplishment while serving as its president, executive director, committee chairs and members. In my current position, I already feel I am being stretched very thin and have to balance my time and commitments. I am happy to continue to do what I can for CALA and feel the best use of my time would be in an advisory capacity. I am still very involved in promoting library/librarian exchange and collaboration between China and the U.S., which I feel so important given what's going on in our societies and world at large.

What do you like to do when you are away from work in your leisure time?

Of course, I love reading; so I try to find time to read. The book I am reading now is *The Iceberg Is Melting* by John Kotter, a retired professor from the Harvard Business School and a few others... An interesting book about change management. I also enjoy hiking which we did a lot while in Hong Kong. We need to pick that up here in California since we are very close to the Yosemite National Park where there are many hiking trails. We also enjoy gardening so my wife and I spend time in the yard as much as we can.

What message would you like to convey to CALA members?

My message to our CALA members has always been if we work together, there is nothing we cannot overcome. We need to create opportunities for ourselves and for others.