

# In Session:

# CALL/ACBD's Newsletter September 2013

# From the CALL/ACBD Board

A Message From the President

Welcome to the new CALL e-Newsletter! This Newsletter will be sent to all CALL members on the first of each month. It contains information about all news, announcements and dates of interest for the upcoming month and will be complemented by a new monthly calendar on the CALL website. The calendar allows all CALL members to quickly see upcoming meetings and dates of interest. Moving forward, all Committees, SIGs, Board members and special representatives of CALL have been asked to provide their announcements and dates of interest by the 15th of each month. These announcements will no longer be sent to you via individual emails multiple times each week – break out the champagne!

The real purpose behind the newsletter is to respect YOU – the CALL member! Your time is valuable and receiving flurries of emails each month can be taxing. To optimize your membership you now need only take a moment to review the newsletter to bring yourself up to date on all of the latest happenings! Although we have the e-newsletter for current announcements and dates of interest, don't forget that CLLR continues to be our hallmark publication for scholarly and practice-oriented articles - our trade publication is always looking for content!

We have also fully transitioned to our new National and Events Management Office. Our new National Officer is Maddy Marchildon and our National Office Coordinator is Melanie Azagury. They are responsible for the majority of the workflow changes and the layout of the newsletter! Feel free to contact them regarding any questions or comments you may have at <a href="mailto:office@callacbd.ca">office@callacbd.ca</a>.

Our transition team; National Office, Shaunna Mireau, Secretary, Cyndi Murphy, Past-President, Alicia Loo, Treasurer, and I, have been extremely busy working on the transition process. Bank accounts, investments, documents, forms, signing authorities, website, accounts and all operations all required attention over the past months of transition and the whole team is responsible for a very smooth and successful process – please be sure to thank your colleagues for their efforts! Stay tuned for more exciting announcements!

# Congratulations!

# **AALL Winners!**

The winners of the 1 free annual meeting registration and 1 complimentary annual AALL membership are:

- 1. Annual Meeting Reg: Jeanette Bosschart
- 2. Free Membership: Margaret Katona

Thank you very much to the American Association of Law Libraries for their generosity!

**CALL 2013 Hugh Lawford Award Recipient** 

CALL/ACBD is pleased to announce that this year's recipient of the Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing is the University of British Columbia Press for the *Canadian Yearbook of International Law=Annuaire canadien de droit international*. Professor John Currie from the University of Ottawa, the editor-in-chief, accepted the award on behalf of UBC Press at the annual awards lunch, hosted by Thomson Reuters, in Montreal.

Since its advent in 1961, the *Canadian Yearbook of International Law* has had three main objectives: to make available to Canadians and the international community a systematic presentation of the best Canadian thought on problems of international law; to promote the development of Canadian research on international law; and to make available documents and commentaries that reveal the practice of Canadian institutions in matters of international law. 2013 will mark the release of volume 50 (2012) of the yearbook.

In particular, the committee noted the quality of the scholarly articles, the excellence of the editing, and the utility of the annual review 'Canadian Practice in International Law', which serves to document the evolution of international law in Canada over the years. The Yearbook stands pretty much alone in its field within Canada, with perhaps the *Journal of International Law and International Relations*, initiated in 1994 by the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto and continued in 2011 by the Munk School of Global Affairs, as its closest rival. Other comparable titles (*Canadian international lawyer=Revue de droit international, Asper Review of International Business and Trade Law, Canadian Journal of International Business Law and Policy*) have narrower scope or have ceased altogether.

The increasing importance of international law within the Canadian context makes the *Canadian Yearbook of International Law*, celebrating a milestone anniversary, a timely choice for the Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing. Congratulations to Professor Currie and UBC Press.

Submitted by Rosalie Fox, BA, MLS Director | Directrice

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#### **CALL 2013 Honoured Member Recipient**

At the May 2013 Annual Meeting in Montreal, the members of CALL/ACBD bestowed the status of Honoured Member of the Association on Wendy Hearder-Moan. Honoured member is the highest honour which our Association can confer on its members and recognizes a significant contribution to our community.

The nomination for Wendy was supported by letters from a diverse group of members, including Neil Campbell, Martha Foote, Wendy Reynolds, Gail Brown, Lenore Rapkin and Nancy McCormack. Wendy Hearder-Moan may be best known to CALL members for her role as Associate Editor of *Canadian Law Libraries Review*, as well as the many years she served as the Advertising Manager. However she has made a positive impact on the profession in so many other ways, including serving as Secretary of CALL/ACBD from 1987-89, Editor of *Canadian Law* Libraries from 1991-1994, Chair of the Vendor Liaison

Committee, and CALL Liaison to CLA, the ALARM taskforce and to BIALL in 1996, and Chair of the 1998 Conference Planning Committee.

Under Wendy's direction, CLL and CLLR have undergone significant improvements. From the support letter by Martha Foote: "Wendy was a superb editor who worked tirelessly to raise the standards of CALL/ACBD's flagship publication. She introduced peer-reviewed articles and tightened copyright standards. Wendy fostered bilingualism...increased advertising revenue...Above all, Wendy provided strong leadership for her board members at the twice yearly meetings and throughout the year. Much of the success of *Canadian Law Libraries* is due to Wendy's stewardship."

Wendy's passion for law librarianship and CALL/ACBD in particular can be seen in her enthusiasm for sharing her knowledge as LibraryCo's first Roving Librarian, and in her dedication in collecting memories of the Association's conferences from the members, and in the photos she has captured over the years.

Neil Campbell offers this fitting tribute: "If you think about it, there really hasn't been a time when Wendy has not been quietly engaged in helping out the profession of librarianship, and supporting the aims and goals of the association." CALL/ACBD recognized Wendy Hearder-Moan's outstanding contributions with unanimous support for her nomination. Congratulations, Wendy!

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# **Committee and SIG News:**

# **New Committee and SIG Chairs!**

CALL Members are strongly encouraged to review our updated website content to familiarize yourself with those colleagues who will be volunteering over the next two years in leadership roles for CALL. Click here for more information

#### New! Preservation of and Access to Legal Information Special Interest Group

The petition by Louis Mirando, Chief Law Librarian, Osgoode Hall Law School Library, York University and several other colleagues, for the creation of this new SIG, was adopted by the Board at its meeting of July 29th, 2013. From the petition:

"The Preservation SIG will provide a forum for Members to express and discuss their concerns about the preservation of and permanent access by the public to Canadian legal information..."

Stay tuned for further information from the new SIG!

**Applications for CALL/ACBD Research Grant due October 15, 2013** CALL/ACBD invites members to apply for the CALL/ACBD Research Grant which provides financial assistance of up to \$3,000 in 2013 to

support members who wish to do research on a topic of interest to members and to the association, and which would promote an understanding of legal information sources or law librarianship. Please consult the Research Grant Information page <a href="http://www.callacbd.ca/en/content/call-acbd-research-grant-information">http://www.callacbd.ca/en/content/call-acbd-research-grant-information</a> for further information.

A reminder to all CALL/ACBD Committees and Special Representatives – budget requests are due October 15 and interim reports to the Board are due October 31. An exact number is not required, however, an estimate of the number of meetings requiring use of the conference call line, any special projects, design work or mailouts, translation requirements, etc would be appreciated. Please send directly to Maddy Marchildon at maddy@callacbd.ca.

#### **Academic Law Libraries SIG**

Warm greetings to members of the Academic Law Libraries SIG! Your co-chairs are Elizabeth Bruton (Western) and Vicki Jay Leung (University of Windsor). We would like to thank Nadine Hoffman (University of Calgary) past co-chair for all your hard work for the past couple of years! We hope that everyone had a good summer despite all the rain, and that our friends in Calgary and Toronto are recovering from the devastating floods.

Moving forward, in accordance with the new direction of the CALL/ACBD communication procedure, we will be contributing submissions to the monthly CALL/ACDB newsletters to let everyone know of any important messages from us to members of this special interest group. We will continue to produce two newsletters a year (one in the Fall and one in the Winter) that will contain more detailed information for our members. We will provide a link to these Academic SIG newsletters in the monthly CALL/ACBD newsletter that coincides with our publications. The Academic SIG newsletters themselves will be housed on the Academic Law Libraries SIG site under CALL/ACDB's Members Only login.

We are currently updating Academic Law Libraries SIG site: <a href="http://www.callacbd.ca/en/content/academic-law-libraries-sig-0">http://www.callacbd.ca/en/content/academic-law-libraries-sig-0</a>

Please check us out when you get the chance! Any feedback and comments are greatly valued as we try to enhance this site.

Everyone is still welcome to communicate within our listserv any messages of interest or questions to this special interest group. Communication and sharing of knowledge of interest to Academic Law Libraries is a cornerstone to our SIG. Messages can be posted directly to the Academic Law Libraries SIG listserve: academicsig-l@mailman.ucalgary.ca

To continue on with the momentum from the Montreal conference, if anyone has any ideas or suggestions for future program sessions please pass them onto either one of us. We will have more on this in October's newsletter.

All the Best,
Elizabeth (ebruton@uwo.ca)
& Vicki (Vicki.JayLeung@uwindsor.ca)

#### **CALL Here and Abroad**

Two CALL members appointed to IFLA Law Libraries Section Standing Committee

Two CALL members have been elected to the Standing Committee of the <u>Law Libraries Section</u> of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA):**Margo Jeske** of the University of Ottawa Law Library; and **Sonia Poulin** of Alberta Law Libraries. Their four-year terms will begin in August at the 2013 IFLA World Library and Information Congress in Singapore.

#### CALL Abroad

In July, thanks to a reciprocal arrangement with the American Association of Law Libraries, CALL was visible in the AALL 106 Annual Meeting exhibit hall in Seattle. Connie Crosby and Mary Hemmings welcomed AALL attendees at the booth. Shaunna Mireau assisted and also brought greetings from CALL at the AALL AGM. The AALL conference welcomed over 2300 people to Seattle, including members of CALL. There was significant enthusiasm from AALL members to attend our 2014 Conference in Winnipeg.

In June, Annette Demers attended the BIALL conference in Glasgow Scotland. This conference provided an excellent networking opportunity and a chance to learn more about how BIALL conducts its business, publishes its journal, etc.

One highlight was the plenary speaker, Dr. David Fraser, <a href="http://www.drdavidfraser.com/">http://www.drdavidfraser.com/</a>, who provided a quick glimpse into his insights on improving relationships in the workplace.

An interesting session taught by Carol Tullo of the National Archives, talked about the management of and services provided by the website <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/</a>; "This website is managed by <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/">The National Archives</a>on behalf of HM Government. Publishing all UK legislation is a core part of the remit of Her Majesty's Stationery Office (HMSO), part of The National Archives, and the <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/">Office of the Queen's Printer for Scotland."</a>

# **Member Updates**

#### New! Unemployed, Unwaged Rate and Student Member Process

At the Post-Conference Board meeting in May, 2013, the Executive Board considered the issues raised by our colleagues at the Members' Open Forum. In particular, at the time, colleagues recommended a new special rate be adopted to allow unemployed and unwaged persons a special membership rate. This measure was approved by the Board. Also at the Members' Open Forum, colleagues recommended removing the special application form, which required student members to have another person sign on their behalf. This measure was approved by the Board. These measures are being implemented.

Congratulations to **Martha Foote**, General Manager of LibraryCo and CALL/ACBD member. As many may know, on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 she was named an SLA Fellow and thereby duly recognized as a leader among information professionals. Fellowship in SLA is bestowed on mid-career SLA members in acknowledgment of past, present and future service to the Association and the profession. Fellows are called upon, and expected to advise the Association's Board of Directors, to prepare necessary documentation, and to alert the membership to issues and trends warranting action. Martha is an active member of SLA and is a past chair of the Legal Division.

The 2012 CALL/ACBD Research Grant has been awarded to **Kim Nayyer**, the Information Services Librarian at the Diana M. Priestly Law Library, University of Victoria. Her project, "Resource-Sharing Options for Canadian Law Libraries" will look at resource-sharing arrangements in law libraries across Canada and will propose recommendations to Canadian law libraries about the options, advantages and disadvantages of participation in various resource-sharing arrangements.

Kudos go **John Kerr** for the work he has done creating how-to-videos showcasing the software he uses as library technician at the Wellington Law Association in Guelph. John's videos were an addition to this year's 100 Linux Tutorials Video promotion.

**Edward Stanek**, former Director at the University of Saskatchewan Law Library and retired Professor Emeritus passed away on March 24, 2013. Edward has been described as "a quiet fighter overcoming several battles with his health and life in general, never failing to smile and laugh even in the toughest of times." Those colleagues who had the pleasure to know Ed and to work with him will remember him fondly.

There have been a few staff changes in the Courthouse Libraries in recent months. **Megan Callaway**, Library and Executive Assistant left the Hamilton Law Association on May 9, 2013. She has accepted a position with The College of Veterinarians of Ontario (CVO) in Guelph as Associate, Quality Practice. Congratulations to Megan and best of luck!

**Iris Nixon**, Library Assistant (Lanark County) retired at the end of 2012. Beverly Brett has been hired on as the new Library Assistant. We wish Iris a happy and well deserved retirement!

Alberta Law Libraries is pleased to announce the appointment of **Maria Germann** as Emerging Technology Specialist. Maria joined the libraries on April 8, bringing with her extensive experience in website design, digital content management, system administration, technology implementation and technology training. Maria worked with Alberta Justice and Solicitor General previously, as webmaster. She has also held technology positions at the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission (AADAC), Domino Machine and Servus Credit Union. Maria holds a Library and Information Technology Diploma (Grant MacEwan) in addition to diplomas in Computer Systems Technology (NAIT) and a Web Design Certificate (Mount Royal) and has experience in libraries including the Information Services Division of Calgary's Alliance Pipeline and the Northern Lights Regional Library System at Elk Point. Her blend of training and experience in technology and libraries make her a welcome addition to the libraries.

Alberta Law Libraries is happy to announce that **Susan Frame** has been appointed Law Librarian at the Edmonton Crown Prosecutor's office effective March 18th. Susan joined the libraries in 1998, as a valued member of the Information Services team with the Provincial Court Libraries. Susan brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and a strong drive to provide excellent client service to the role. Susan obtained her Master of Library and Information Studies at the University of Alberta (1993).

#### In Memoriam

The Calgary law library community lost 3 dedicated professionals in 11 weeks recently: **Marlene MacDougall, Georgia Macrae**, and **Shelagh Mikulak**. These are excellent examples of leaders from different demographics and all will be missed.

In Memoriam – Marlene MacDougall, September 8, 1961—May 3, 2013

On May 3, 2013 **Marlene MacDougall** passed away. Marlene was a fixture in the Macleod Dixon LLP (now Norton Rose Fulbright Canada) library for over 27 years. She loved finding the answer to an obscure question or tracking down a hard to find document. We will remember her smile and her love of books, travel and chocolate, chocolate and more chocolate. She was a dedicated member of the Calgary Law Libraries Group (CLLG) and spearheaded Team CLLG in Ovarian Cancer Canada's Walk of Hope to raise funds for those living with ovarian cancer. You can see Marlene's obituary from the Calgary Herald (May 10) at: <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/calgaryherald/obituary.aspx?n=marlene-macdougall&pid=164716669&fhid=6131#fbLoggedOut">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/calgaryherald/obituary.aspx?n=marlene-macdougall&pid=164716669&fhid=6131#fbLoggedOut</a>

In Memoriam: **Georgia Macrae**, January 23, 1923 – June 14, 2013

A delightful, classy, elegant lady who could speak easily to anyone about anything passed away in June. Many long-time CALL/ACBD members will remember **Georgia Macrae** as the first Technical Services Librarian at the University of Calgary Law Library in 1976 and later as Law Librarian. She was formerly at the law library at UBC. She was in charge of the Local Arrangements for the 1979 CALL/ACBD Conference in Calgary, a source of great pride in her professional life. A founding member of the Calgary Law Libraries Group (CLLG), Georgia served as a member of the Programs/Social Committee 3 times (1980/81, 1984/85, and 1985/86). She was the first librarian at the University of Calgary to apply for, and be granted, a sabbatical leave and she thoroughly enjoyed her 6 months providing reference and learning at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies in London.

Georgia's wit, spirit, and stories will be missed. Particular topics of interest were travel, art, and theatre. For more information about her diverse and interesting life, see her obituary from the Calgary Herald (July 11-13) at <a href="http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/calgaryherald/obituary-search.aspx?daterange=30&lastname=macrae&countryid=2&stateid=1&affiliateid=3121">http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/calgaryherald/obituary-search.aspx?daterange=30&lastname=macrae&countryid=2&stateid=1&affiliateid=3121</a>.

In Memoriam: **Shelagh Mikulak**, March 6, 1953 – July 14, 2013



Leader, mentor, friend, colleague, advocate, innovator, and visionary are words many use to describe **Shelagh Mikulak.** Shelagh was a doer; she was also vivacious and feisty. When Shelagh spoke, people paid attention.

As a business librarian, Shelagh established the Management Resource Centre (now the Business Library) at the University of Calgary and was involved with SLA and CLA. CALL members will best know her as National Director, Information Resources at Bennett Jones LLP or as Vendor Liaison for the 1999 CALL Conference in Calgary. Shelagh was a leader and executive member of CLLG. A strong advocate, Shelagh successfully promoted library services within her organizations. She also had a wonderful rapport with vendors from which all library professionals can learn.

The 2010 diagnosis of ALS (popularly known as *Lou Gehrig's Disease*) did not change Shelagh's desire to contribute. She announced "I am LIVING with ALS, I am *not* dying from it." With her family (Murray, Kevin, and Sean), she created "Shelagh's Green Team" for *Betty's Run for ALS* raising \$100,000 over 3 years. Shelagh was the Ambassador for the run in 2012 and the voice of ALS in a number of media opportunities. When Alberta Health Services announced changes to palliative care services earlier this year, Shelagh again took action and appeared on the front page of the *Calgary Herald* speaking of her wish to die at home with family at her side. Shelagh did die at home, on July 14, 2013.

Shelagh will be missed by all who crossed paths with her. Her legacy of leadership is recognized in CLLG's *Shelagh Mikulak Library Leadership Award*. Her mentorship and encouragement of those interested in pursuing careers related to library science will endure through the scholarship the family is creating in her name. For more information Shelagh's obituary can be found from the Calgary Herald (July 18-20): http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/calgaryherald/obituary.aspx?n=shelagh-mikulak&pid=165913185&fhid=6135#fbLoggedOut. A wonderful editorial tribute was published on July 24 at: http://www.calgaryherald.com/Remarkable+blessings+from+life+short/8698708/story.html.

Submitted by Nadine Hoffman, Bennett Jones Law Library, University of Calgary (Calgary)

# **Important Dates**

September 26 - Webinar

"Outreach 2.0: How Law Libraries Can Use Social Media to Connect With Their Communities?"