



Reaching Out Locally & Globally

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Overview



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- Local and Global Connections?
- Where should I look?
- How do I get involved?
- Next steps...



Background



- My intro
 - SDSU
 - Mexico
- My experience
 - REFORMA
 - ALA
 - Fulbright



WHAT is International Librarianship?



- International librarians
- At home and abroad
- The essence of reaching out



Where should I look?



- Library Organizations
- Networks of Libraries
- Government and Non-Government



Library Organizations



- IFLA
- ALA, PLA, CLA
 - International Relations Committee
 - International Relations Round Table
- REFORMA - LIBROS
- AMBAC
- ABIBAC



Government and Non-Government



- Department of State - IROs
- CIES (Council for the International Exchange of Scholars) Fulbright
- Philanthropic/Educational Foundations
 - Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
 - Carnegie Corp
 - Mortenson Center for Intl Library Programs



How do I get involved?



- ALA
 - International Relations Committee
 - <http://www.ala.org/ala/iro/internationalrelations.cfm>
 - Subcommittees
 - IRRT
 - <http://www.ala.org/Template.cfm?Section=irrt>
 - Roundtable with numerous committee opportunities
 - Home to Sister Libraries, International Exchanges, International Leads



International Relations Committee (IRC)



SUBCOMMITTEES

Africa Subcommittee

East Asia and the Pacific Subcommittee

Europe Subcommittee

Eurasia and Central Asia Subcommittee

Near East and South Asia Subcommittee

Americas Subcommittee

Bogle Pratt Award Subcommittee

International Federation of Library Associations
and Institutions Subcommittee (IFLA)

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Delin Guerra



IRRT

International Relations Round Table



ALA Conference in Anaheim in June 2012

Friday afternoon – Intl Librarian Orientation

Monday evening – Intl Librarian Reception

IRRT - International Leads

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Sister libraries collaborate across borders

By Helmi Federsoli and Patricia Herron

At the 2005 ALA Annual Conference, the Association of College Research Libraries (ACRL) Board of Directors endorsed a declaration encouraging institutions to explore sister library partnerships and to build relationships with libraries in other cultures that can help us learn how to understand and better serve our own communities. Camila Alire, then ACRL president, made sister libraries one of the special projects of her tenure. The board charged the ACRL International Relations Committee (IRC) with raising awareness within the ACRL community of the benefits of working with sister libraries.

To further the cross-border agreement ACRL signed with the National Council of Higher Education Libraries of Mexico (CONPAB-IES) in 2003. The initial focus of the agreement was to find U.S. libraries to partner with Mexican libraries.

The partnership and collaboration with the Tecnológico de Monterrey began when a group of UM librarians decided to use their own professional development funds to develop a mini-conference in Monterrey in April 2005. Two days were well spent meeting the Tec counterparts and presenting papers on user education topics.

Librarians at the University of Maryland have embraced the opportunity to collaborate with their colleagues in Mexico, thus taking advantage of the ACRL seed grant



Librarians from both the University of Maryland and the Tecnológico de Monterrey introduce their partnership at Maryland's McKeldin Library in April 2006.

awarded in 2006 to the University of Maryland and Tecnológico de Monterrey to continue building the partnership and exchanging ideas and personnel.

In April 2006, the UM Libraries hosted an important conference on library user education, LOEX (Library Orientation Exchange), and the UM librarians invited the librarians from the Tec to travel to Maryland to attend the conference, visit the campus and its libraries, and formally introduce the partnership to the library faculty at

Maryland. Two of the librarians from the Tec received funding and were able to make the trip. Cecilia Barragán, who was then coordinator of user education at the library of the main campus of the Tecnológico de Monterrey, and Elnisia Puente, who is a business information specialist and the manager of the EGADE Library, (EGADE is the Tec's Graduate Business School.)

The Tec librarians and the Sister Libraries program were introduced at a

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ALA brings advocacy workshop to Pacific

By Michael Dowling

The need to advocate for libraries is universal, even in paradise. How do you raise awareness of the importance of libraries and their impact? How do you make sure that schools hire trained, certified librarians? How do you get a new roof for your library after a typhoon rips it away?

In November, ALA Executive Director Keith Michael Fields and I presented a two-day Advocacy Workshop in Palau as a prelude to the 16th Pacific Island Archives and Library Association (PALIA) Conference (<http://www.sop.edu/fki/pala-piala.html>). Thanks to the efforts of the indefatigable Arlene Cohen, from the University of Guam, the workshop became a reality, with sponsorship from IFLA's Action for Development through Libraries Programme Core Activity (ALP), and IFLA's Management of Library Association Section (MILAS).

Getting a group of 33 librarians from nine island nations and territories spanning thousands of square miles where planes sometimes fly from an island only once a week is a challenge, but it all came together. Participants were from American Samoa, Guam, Marshall Islands, Commonwealth of Northern Marianas (CMI), Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Fiji, Kiribati, Palau, and Papua New Guinea.

The workshop and the PALIA Conference were graciously hosted by the Palau Library Association and Palau Community College.



ALA Executive Director Keith Michael Fields participates in a breakout discussion with John Pagolo, Emson Kallies, and other librarians from the Marshall Islands.

Despite jetlag, the dedicated participants were eager, which energized the presenters. The workshop took the participants step by step through the development of the creation of an Advocacy Plan. The first day focused on Planning and Defining Issues and Goals, Developing Your Message and Talking Points, and Defining Your Audience. After each topic, the participants heard a local success story before breaking into groups. Libby Cass of the University of South Pacific and president of the Fiji Library Association, served as a facilitator with Arlene Cohen during these breakouts.

Day Two focused on Building Support, Team Building, Media Outreach, and Lobbying.

By the end of the workshop each country had put together an outline for an Advocacy Action Plan for next year.

Since the workshop, participants have been firming up their Action Plans. ALA will provide advice to help meet their goals, one of which is a new roof for the Chuuk Public Library, two years after the typhoon destroyed the old one. If you are interested in helping libraries in the Pacific, please express your interest on the Sister Libraries site at http://wikis.ala.org/sisterlibraries/index.php/Main_Page.



Public Library Association International Relations



- * Promote international awareness and understanding of public libraries**
- * Promote cooperation and collaboration on issues and activities related to public libraries in an international arena**
- * Define and publicize international initiatives**

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International Directory

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<u>China</u>	<u>Jamaica</u>	<u>Poland</u>	<u>Vietnam</u>
<u>Estonia</u>	<u>Japan</u>	<u>Portugal</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>
<u>France</u>	<u>Jewish</u>	<u>Puerto Rico</u>	
<u>Germany</u>	<u>Korea</u>	<u>Scotland</u>	
<u>Greece</u>	<u>Laos</u>	<u>Serbia</u>	

Mortenson Center for International Library Programs

“Connecting librarians around the world”

- Thinking Outside the Borders: Library Leadership in a World Community
- South African Library Leadership Project
- Associates Program
- International Employment Links





Other Programs



- Fulbright
- Sister Libraries
- International Exchanges
- Community Groups



FULBRIGHT



- Library programs
 - “Conduct research and lead seminars or workshops for librarians, faculty and management staff. Develop or assess academic curricula or educational materials”
- Wide range of countries
- Support network
- Great for you and your campus

Sister Libraries

“In order to be truly successful and sustainable, they need to be a win-win situation for both libraries” – Marty Kesselman

Public libraries can tap into Sister Cities initiatives, Rotarians, Lions, etc.

Academic libraries can take advantage of existing international connections via study-abroad or departmental collaborations



Sister Libraries



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Programa de Bibliotecas Hermanas

Colaboración Cety's y SDSU

Socorro CASTILLO/el mexicano

TIJUANA.- Luego de varios meses de preparación, Cety's Universidad y la San Diego State University, signaron un convenio para iniciar formalmente el programa de Bibliotecas Hermanas.

El compromiso fue signado por la doctora Adriana Mendiola Martínez, Directora General del Cety's Universidad, Campus Tijuana y Connie Vinita Dowell, Decana de la Biblioteca de San Diego State University (SDSU).

Se recordó que este documento resulta una previa experiencia similar en el año de 1982, cuando el Centro de Estudios Latinoamericanos a través de su director, doctor Thomas M. Davies, Jr. firmó por SDSU y el licenciado Oscar Licona Nieto, Director General, de Cety's Universidad en el año de 19, campus Tijuana.

El Director de Biblioteca y Centro de Información Luis Fimbres Moreno expresó que este convenio, avalado por el Centro de Estudios Latinoamericanos de SDSU, es de mayor alcance y compromiso formal y además integra a los tres campus del Sistema Cety's Universidad.



TIJUANA.- EL CONVENIO signado entre Cety's Universidad y la SDSU es avalado por el Centro de Estudios Latinoamericanos de SDSU y es aplicable para todos los campus del Cety's.

por la dirección de cada campus del Cety's.

De igual forma se permitirá visitas guiadas para alumnos y docentes.

intercambio de recursos y servicios profesionales entre personal bibliotecario de ambas instituciones abundó Raúl Rodríguez.

Adelantó que se tiene contemplado en una segunda





International Exchanges



Foundations and Organizations Supporting
International Exchanges and/or Short-term Travel

Preparing for International Travel and Exchanges

International Opportunities and Funding Sources
for Librarians

Global Reach Database

Voices of Exchange

International Exchanges



Lynn Scott Cochrane
USA - Thailand



Richard E. Sapon-White
USA - Czech Republic



Zsolt Banhegyi
Hungary - USA



Dlamini & Niemand
South Africa - USA

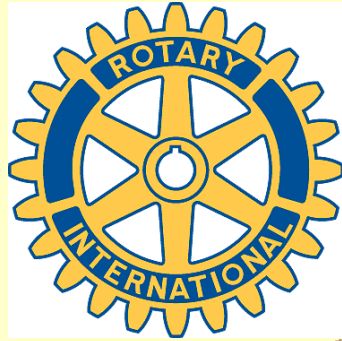


Pascal Mouhouelo
Brazzaville - USA



Pamela Sieving
USA – Six Countries

Community Groups





Possibilities



- International Relations within CLA
- Expansion of free registrations
- Possible invitations from SJSU MLIS program to International MLIS programs
- Sister Libraries – Public/Academic
- Committee work within ALA



Conclusions



- Plan and participate actively
- Develop your supporters
- It's not always what you think
- Visualize, Vocalize, and Realize



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