

CARL Newsletter

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President's Message

Hello all,

Well, as my first year as CARL President comes to a close, it has been time for me to take stock on how it went. It was a very exciting year! We had our wonderful conference in April, that according to those who attended a smashing success, we had many wonderful programs that were planned and hosted by our amazing interest groups and we had our annual elections where we successfully elected four new members to our happy CARL Executive Board family. Our new board members are:

Ned Fielden, SFSU
Vice President, North/President Elect

Pam Howard, SFSU
Treasurer

Dominique Turnbow, UCSD
Director at Large, UC/Interest Group Coordinator South

Karin Griffin, CSULB
Director at Large, CSU

I am also very pleased to announce that Don Page from Cal Poly Pomona was appointed to the Legislative Liaison in the latter half of this year, and Barbie McConnell of CSUF is our new Newsletter Editor as well.

I want to take the time now to express my overwhelming thanks and gratitude to those going off the board in 2008: Celia Bakke (SJSU) has been our Treasurer as long as I have been on the CARL board, Judy Lee (UCR) is outgoing Director at Large, UC/Interest Group Coordinator South, Liz Ginno as Newsletter Editor, Aline Soules (CSU East Bay) as Legislative Liaison, and Fred Gertler as VP North. All of these folks were absolutely indispensable to the board and to the day-to-day runnings of CARL. They all worked so hard for this organization and I want to express my thanks to them all. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with them.

For 2009, I find myself in a unique position. I get to stay on as CARL President and help move the organization forward in new and exciting ways! First and foremost will be our new website which will be launched in January. We are all so excited about this! We cannot wait for our members to see it and to use the new interface.



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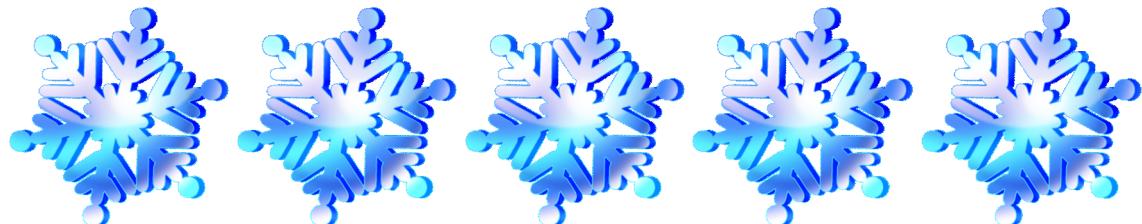
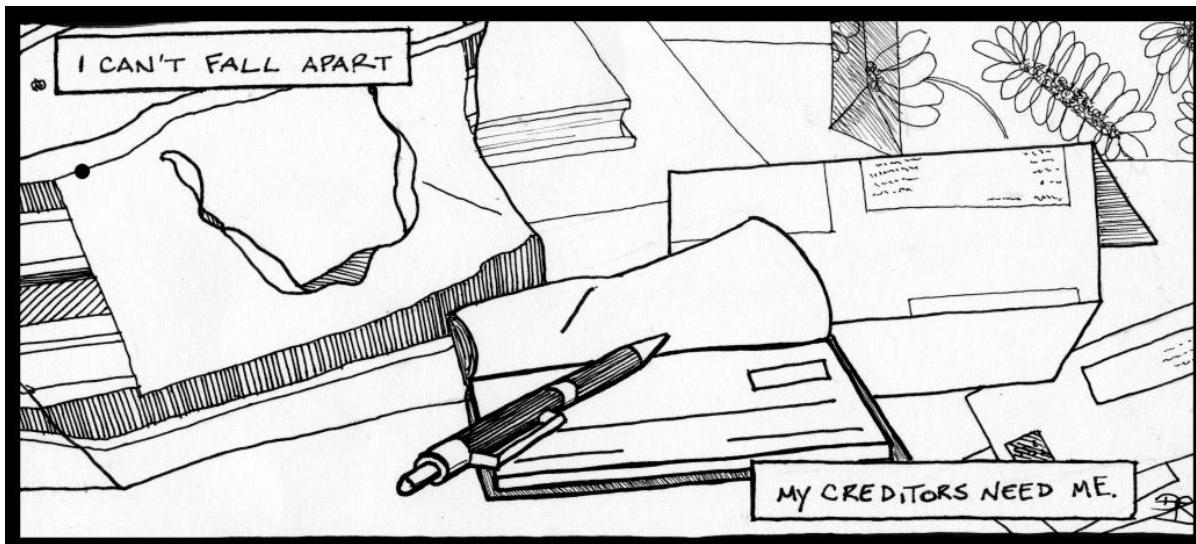
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Also in early 2009 will be our annual Regional Meetings. We will have a northern and southern meeting, and then a meeting in the central region of the state for the very first time. All three meetings will be held in February or early March and as soon as we have the dates set, we will announce it via the CARLALL List. Please come and find out what is new in CARL, get together with fellow members and meet the board members!

I hope everyone has a safe and happy holidays and I thank you all for contributing to CARL and making it the wonderful organization that it is!

~Tracey

Tracey L. Mayfield
CARL President



Verizon Gives \$12,500 to Fund Project Rio Hondo

Verizon is contributing \$12,500.00 through the Rio Hondo College Foundation to fund a Rio Hondo College Library online library literacy tutorial: *Project Rio Hondo: An e-Learning Tutorial*. The goal of this new initiative is to improve the retention rates of entering freshman by increasing their ability to identify and employ library resources through the development of an e-Learning tutorial to be used by remedial and entry-level English classes, speech classes, and social sciences classes. Project Rio Hondo will complement classes by providing convenient 24/7 access to information about how to conduct research and complete reports and essays. As much as 80% of all Rio Hondo College classes already have an online component to assist nontraditional students.

Project Rio Hondo will teach students how to identify and utilize the learning resources provided by the Rio Hondo College Library. These resources include books, magazines, journals, newspapers, and databases, such a ProQuest and Gale Virtual Reference Library. Currently, the librarians instruct students in the use of resources that are accessible to all Rio Hondo College students through on-campus orientations. These library literacy workshops reach 66%-75% of the remedial and entry-level English classes. The e-Learning technology will allow librarians to reach students off-campus as well, extending library outreach to include 100% of remedial and entry-level English classes. The use of these interactive learning tools will increase library literacy. Student knowledge of learning resources correlates to heightened confidence in writing reports and essays and conducting research.



"As a 'Literacy Champion,' Verizon partners with organizations that are using technology in innovative ways to increase reading skills," said Mike Murray, Director – Government and External Affairs. "The Rio Hondo College library project is a comprehensive literacy strategy that sets a standard."

The Verizon grant will pay for software and librarian time. Librarians Tatiana Shabelnik and Marco Carrillo will design and implement *Project Rio Hondo*, which will be available to the over 20,000 Rio Hondo College students. Shabelnik has extensive experience in the development of online information for college students, and will lead Project Rio Hondo. Carrillo is a practiced designer of Web information and will assist Shabelnik. Shabelnik says, "The library will greatly benefit from online tutorials. Linked from the main Rio Hondo Library Web page, the tutorials will offer patrons step-by-step demonstrations of how to use databases, Rio WebCat, and library services. Patrons will be able to watch the tutorials at their own pace. If they do not understand a particular concept, they can rewind the frame or they can fast forward through those frames with which they were already familiar." She continues, "Online tutorials also will be used as student assessment tools as they will include quizzes/feedback surveys at the end of each tutorial. These comments will help us to improve the design/content of future tutorials. I am very excited about this project!"

Carrillo agrees, "This generous grant from Verizon will enhance the information competency of our library community. We are grateful and motivated to enrich our library's services." *Project Rio Hondo* will be promoted by the Dean of Student Learning Support and Articulation, Dr. Loretta Canett-Bailes, and the Rio Hondo College Library librarians. This team will work to build campus-wide support and awareness of *Project Rio Hondo*.

Rio Hondo College is a Hispanic-serving institution. The student body is comprised of persons from Whittier and the surrounding areas.

Verizon is committed to being America's literacy champion. The company is conducting a national campaign to increase community awareness and to generate additional funding and support of literacy programs for adults, children and families. Working under the banner of Verizon Reads, a private charity, the award-winning philanthropy program reaches out to the nearly 40 million Americans who have low literacy skills. For more information on Verizon Reads, visit www.VerizonReads.net.

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CSU Monterey Bay Opens Library

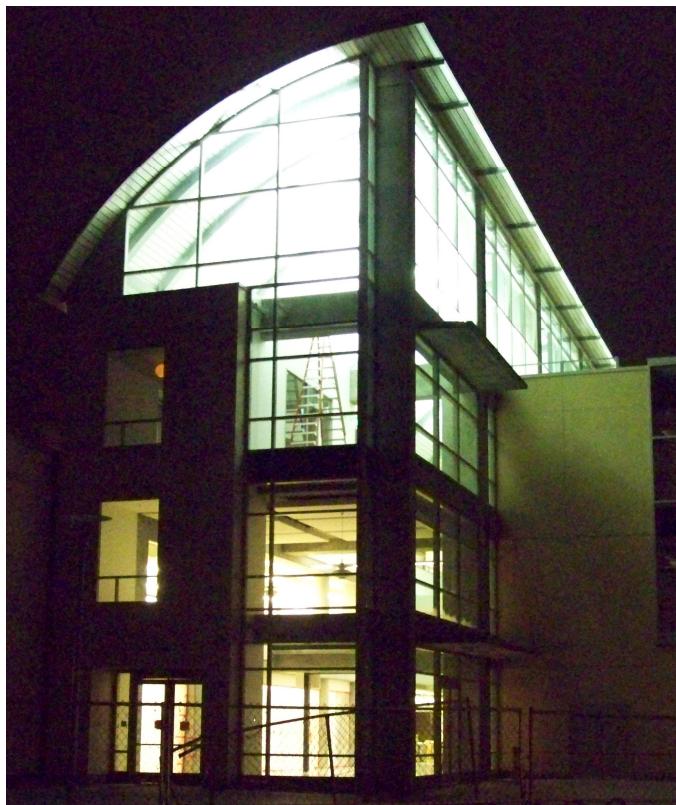
After seven years of planning and construction, CSU Monterey Bay's Tanimura & Antle Family Memorial Library (TAL) opened to students on December 1. This 135,151 square-foot building replaces a library building that was originally a facility of the US Army's Fort Ord military base. The San Francisco architectural firm of Esherick, Homsey, Dodge & Davis, designers of the TAL has captured in physical form the CSU Monterey Bay vision of



collaborative learning. The library space flows barrier free on each of its three floors, with grouped seating (932 seats!) throughout. Reference-area computers are dual-platform PCs and iMacs. Cantilevered, glassed-in group study rooms line one side of the second floor, overlooking the spacious atrium. Many study rooms have wall-mounted

flat-panel monitors that connect to laptop computers for students to use in preparing presentations. There are two library instruction rooms, two auditoria and three classrooms in the new building. The library was built using green construction methods and is earthquake fit, with teflon pads that slide over each other in case of shifting during an earthquake.

*Mardi Chalmers
CSU Monterey Bay*



Winner—Global Information Literacy Logo Contest

Mr. Abdul Wahid Khan, UNESCO's Assistant Director-General, for Communication and Information announced the Global Information Literacy Logo Contest's winning logo during the UNESCO Session at the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) annual Congress in Quebec City, Canada.



The international contest was created to solicit designs for an image that could be linked to the concept of Information Literacy. Information Literacy is generally defined as the ability to recognize an information need and the ability to locate, evaluate, and use that information effectively.

The contest was open to all and 139 people from 36 countries participated by submitting 198 designs. The 11 judges were information professionals from 9 continents so the evaluation process was truly an international effort.

The winner is Edgar Luy Pérez from Cuba. He will receive US \$3,000 prize for his design provided by a grant from UNESCO. The Information Literacy Section of IFLA will develop a tool kit for the logo to promote its use internationally. Already a variety of organizations and individuals have signed on to endorse the use of the logo.

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Save the Date: SCIL Works 2009

SCIL Works 2009

"The Daily and the Visionary": Employing Reflective Practices to Increase Our Engagement and Success

This is certain to be yet another exceptional SCIL program you won't want to miss. Mark your calendar NOW for:

Friday February 6, 2009 at CSU San Marcos



Watch the SCIL Works 2009 webpage at <http://www.carl-acrl.org/ig/scil/scilworks/index.html> for registration details.

*Marsha Schnirring
SCIL Publicist*

SCIL Election Results

The SCIL Elections Committee recently announced the 2009-2010 SCIL Officers:

Vice-Chair / Chair Elect: [Marsha Schnirring](#) (Oxy)
Secretary: [Gayatri Singh](#) (UCSD)
Registrar: [Stephanie Rosenblatt](#) (CSU Fullerton)

Marsha, Gayatri, and Stephanie will take office beginning January 2009!

Please join us in congratulating them and thanking them for what we know will be another wonderful and rewarding year with SCIL!

SCIL Elections Committee:

Debbi Renfrow
Dominique Turnbow
Chisa Uyeki



Legislative Report

Did you know you can watch live and archived TV webcasts of the California State Senate committee hearings, press conferences, and legislative hearings? Neither did I! As promised in the September CARL Newsletter, I will take you on a brief tour of what I've learned from exploring and using the Official California Legislative Information (OCLI) website, <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>



As I roamed through this information-rich website, and then came upon a link to Sacramento's version of C-SPAN, I found myself unconsciously muttering "That's amazing!" (to quote Huell Howser of *California's Gold*). You can find the Senate webcasts from the OCLI homepage by clicking on "Your Legislature" and then selecting "Senators' Home Pages." In the top menu line, locate "Audio/TV," or go directly to this address: <http://www.sen.ca.gov/~newsen/senators/htp>.

The OCLI is *THE* place to start for anything and everything related to California legislative information. From the OCLI home page, you will find five main avenues of links to information.

- "Today's Events" – find the schedule for floor & extraordinary sessions, standing committees, subcommittees, joint & select committees, and conference committees.
- "Bill Information" – the most useful link in researching Assembly and Senate bills. Search for a bill status dating from the 1993-1994 legislative session all the way to the current session (2007-2008), including a "Daily Update" section. The bill information site is searchable by bill number, the bill's author, and keyword. To help you "librarian research types" out there (just about all of us), there is a "Help" page which offers rich detail in constructing a search, including features that any top-notch database would have, such as natural language search, literal strings, Boolean operators, truncation, wild cards, proximity searches, relevance rankings, etc. (All the complex search constructions that one often remembers to seek out,

AFTER performing multiple frustrating searches.) The “Bill Information” screen also includes a subscription link for change alerts to bills you may be watching. The individual bill information includes its history, current status, committees, voting record, Governor vetoes, amendments, and, of course, the full text of the bill.

- “California Law” – here you can find California’s constitution, statutes, and search the 29 codes. If you want to view all chapters of a complete code, simply check which code you want to view, leaving the keyword search box blank, and you will retrieve all chapters of a code. For an interesting sampling of a portion of codes related to libraries, pull up the Education Code and do an *edit/find* search using the word “library.”
- “Your Legislature” – study this section in-depth and you will be ready to run for a state office! Here you will find a guide to understanding how a bill becomes law, an extensive glossary of legislative terminology, legislature rules, Senate & Assembly committee/caucus memberships and calendars, as well as your representative’s website and address.
- “Legislative Publications” – Need to know when your Senator or Assemblyperson will be on the legislature floor voting? Which bills are scheduled for hearing in a committee? Open the “Legislative Publications” link and go to “Daily File.” The Publications link also includes a very useful legislative index showing bills arranged by subject/topic, and Senate & Assembly Daily Journals. This page includes a link to “Agency Reports” required for filing to the Legislature or Governor by state and local agencies, totaling well over 300. Lastly, the Publications page includes a link to what is a standard reference tool in many California libraries, public, private, community, and the CSU & UC systems—*California’s Legislature*. Just under 300 pages, it is an “in-depth introduction to the legislative process and state government,” and includes “state history, constitutional and election law, term limits, state emblems, legislative procedure, the executive and judicial branches, and a legislative glossary.” With today’s book prices, the \$5.00 charge is an absolute bargain, or link the online version in your catalog at: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/califleg.html>

So who has the lucky (?) job of creating and maintaining the OCLI website? The task belongs to the Legislative Counsel of California, located at <http://www.legislativecounsel.ca.gov/portal/site/OLCInternet>. This nonpartisan public agency, founded in 1913, “drafts legislative proposals, prepares legal opinions, and provides other confidential legal services to the Legislature and others. The office also provides computer services, data networking, and related customer services to the Legislature.” Not surprisingly, they are located in the State Capitol Building. This is a very “high powered” office, employing close to 75 attorneys.

I hope this short tour of the OCLI website proves to be of interest and value to you.

Don Page
CARL Legislative Liaison
Cal Poly Pomona



People News—Members

Melissa Browne, Bernadette Swanson and Sandra Vella (UC Davis) attended ACRL's highly acclaimed Institute for Information Literacy -Immersion 2008, July 28-Aug. 1, 2008. They each were accepted for different tracks, in order: Intentional Teacher Track, Teacher Track, Program Track.

John Hickok (CSU Fullerton) was invited by the National Library Board of Singapore to present at the "Bridging Worlds" international library conference in Singapore, October 2008. John addressed librarians, government officials, and NGO leaders on school library conditions throughout Southeast Asia--drawing on his 2005-6 sabbatical research and follow-up visits--and outlined suggestions for regional improvements for school libraries.

Ann Jacobson, Reference and Instruction Manager at the **Naval Postgraduate School**, recently created a small suite of web pages for NPS and other military researchers interested in learning about relevant RSS feeds. These feeds have become an increasingly important current awareness resource for both librarians and researchers. Ann originally created the pages to support a workshop that she and Stephanie Anabo, a colleague from the [Homeland Security Digital Library](#), developed to increase the NPS community's awareness of RSS feeds as a research tool. To view the [RSS Feeds for Military and Government Researchers](#) page (if the version of the article you are reading does not include active hyperlinks), from the NPS Library's home page at <http://www.nps.edu/Library>, click on Research Tools, then on Subject Guides by Topic, then on Military and Government RSS Feeds (on the bottom right hand corner of the page). Note the Related Links area on the right, which includes a page listing Databases the Library Subscribes to That Provide RSS Feeds, and one on Setting Up an RSS News Reader. Ann welcomes your feedback on these pages and would especially appreciate suggestions of additional feeds to include. Contact her at ajacobson@nps.edu.

Les Kong (CSU San Bernardino) was elected in a statewide election to the position of ALA Chapter Councilor (3-year term) for the California Library Association. He was also reappointed to another year to the Substantive Change Committee of the Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC). He is one of two librarians serving on this accreditation committee.

Yi Liang, Catalog Librarian at **City College San Francisco**, organized a panel presentation titled "Creating Community Partners" for the Chinese American Librarians Association at the recent 110th California Library Association annual conference in November, 2008.

Marla Peppers has been appointed Associate University Librarian at the **CSU Los Angeles**, JFK Memorial Library. Marla is a graduate of the San Jose State University School of Library and Information Science, and was formerly Head of Library Information Services at Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA.

Christina Sheldon has been appointed Instruction and Reference Librarian at **CSU Los Angeles**, JFK Memorial Library. She completed her MLIS at UCLA in 2006 and has performed adjunct duties at Pasadena City College, Glendale Community College, and the University of La Verne.

Aline Soules (CSU East Bay) has been appointed the ACRL Chapters Council Legislative Liaison. Her charge is to help legislative liaisons in ACRL's state chapters to coordinate their efforts, assist states without current legislative liaisons, and communicate among Chapters Council, state representatives, and various ACRL committees.

Mark Stover is now Interim Associate Dean at **San Diego State University Library & Information Access**. He is also the newly appointed editor of the Journal of Religious & Theological Information.

Patrick Sullivan (San Diego State University) provided a presentation titled "Crossing Borders: 21st Century International Librarianship" at the California Library Association's annual meeting in San Jose, California in November 2008.

Bernadette Swanson (UC Davis) presented a paper and video at the Bridging Worlds 2008 Conference, sponsored by the National Library Board, Singapore, Oct 16-17, 2008. Her paper is entitled "I am Library: an ode to self-discovery and collective creativity in Second Life."

Jiannan Wang is the new Systems Librarian at **CSU East Bay**. Prior to working in this campus, she was a User Services Librarian at Middle Tennessee State University. She earned an MLIS from The University of Iowa, and has her MS in Computer Science from UC, Riverside. Her article "Toward Understanding International Students: A Study Conducted at Middle Tennessee State University" has been recently accepted for publication in The Southeastern Librarian.

Ya Wang and **David Hellman (San Francisco State University)** presented "The Ebook Challenge: From Start to Finish and Beyond" at the [XXVIII Annual Charleston Conference](#) in November, 2008.

C. Brigid Welch has been appointed Dean of the University Library at the **University of the Pacific** effective June 2008. She was previously Assistant University Librarian for Public Services at Santa Clara University and Dean of Library and Information Services at Menlo College's Bowman Library. She holds a BA in English Literature from Arizona State University and a Masters degree in Library Science from The University of Texas at Austin.

Brigid has held public services and management positions at the University of California at San Diego Libraries, the University of Houston Libraries, the George Washington University Library, Stanford University Libraries, and Menlo College. As an association executive, she worked for American Library Association's Association of College and Research Libraries Division (ACRL) and for the Association of Research Libraries' Office of Management Services. At ACRL, she served as the Program Officer for Bibliographic Instruction, planning and promoting the Bibliographic Instruction Liaison Project, an early national effort to promote instruction in library use among higher education associations and faculty. As Dean of Library and Information Services at Menlo College, she implemented a comprehensive Information Skills Instructional Program that included research skills requirement in the College's General Education curriculum. At Santa Clara University, Brigid provided leadership in the development of the public services model for Santa Clara's new Learning Commons, Technology Center and Library, which opened on March 31, 2008.

Her professional experience and interests include delivery and management of reference and research services, document delivery and fee-based information services, organizational communications, bibliographic instruction, and information technology. Brigid is co-editor, with Virginia Steel, of *The Future of Information Services*, published in 1995 by Haworth Press. She currently serves on the SCEL Board of Directors and was the academic library representative on the Executive Board of BayNet, the Bay Area multi-type library association.



People News—Non-Members

Kate Connell, reference librarian and curator of exhibitions at *City College of San Francisco*, made a presentation on the panel, "Library Exhibitions: Built for Collaboration" at the California Library Association Annual conference in November, 2008.

Daniel Goldstein, a bibliographer/reference and instruction librarian at *UC Davis* has a new article in publication: "Outposts of Science: the Knowledge Trade and the Expansion of Scientific Community in Post-Civil War America," *Isis* 2008, 99:519-546.

City College of San Francisco welcomes two new full-time reference/instruction librarians who started in Fall 2008: *Sascha Hutchings* and *Alan D'Souza*. Sascha worked at Santa Rosa Junior College while completing her MLS in 2006 and Alan has worked over 5 years at the San Francisco Public Library.

Jodi Shepherd has joined *CSU Chico* as Reference/Subject Librarian for Political Science and Social Work.

Dale Stieber, Special Collections Librarian, *Occidental College*, received the Distinguished Newcomer Award presented to an Occidental staff or administrator who has been at the college for less than three years, based on outstanding performance, effort and achievement.

In August, *Angela Stoffregen* joined the *Las Positas College* library faculty. As their new Web Resources Librarian, she is responsible for web design and content management and participates in reference and instruction. She earned her MLIS from SJSU and in recent years worked for Thompson Gale Law.



Places News

CSU Libraries

CSU Libraries announce new research tool: the [CSU Directory of Special Collections](#) made its official debut this fall. A system-wide collaborative effort, the Directory will expand public use of the wide range of unique and valuable collections found within the California State University Library System. The easy-to-use online Directory facilitates the discovery of primary source materials with high research value and provides collection locations and contacts. Users will get all the information they need to determine whether a visit will contribute to his or her scholarly research efforts. For additional information about the directory, go to <http://dsc.calstate.edu/> or contact Brandon Dudley at brandon.dudley@sonoma.edu.



Diablo Valley College and West Valley College

Diablo Valley College and West Valley College were two of only three community colleges nationwide to participate in the first round of [Project Information Literacy](#), a study of young adults and their research habits based out of the University of Washington's Information School.



CARL Interest Groups Demystified

IG = Interest Group

ABLE	=	Academic Business Librarians Exchange
CALM	=	California Academic Librarians in Management
CARLDIG	=	California Academic Reference Librarians Discussion Interest Group
CARLIT	=	California Academic & Research Libraries Information Technology
CCLI	=	Community College Interest Group
CDIG	=	Collection Development Interest Group
CSUL	=	California State University Librarians
DIAL	=	Diversity in Academic Libraries
SEAL	=	Science and Engineering Academic Librarians
SCIL	=	Southern California Instruction Librarians
TSIG	=	Technical Services Interest Group

Adding N or S indicates the North or South region, as in SEAL-S.

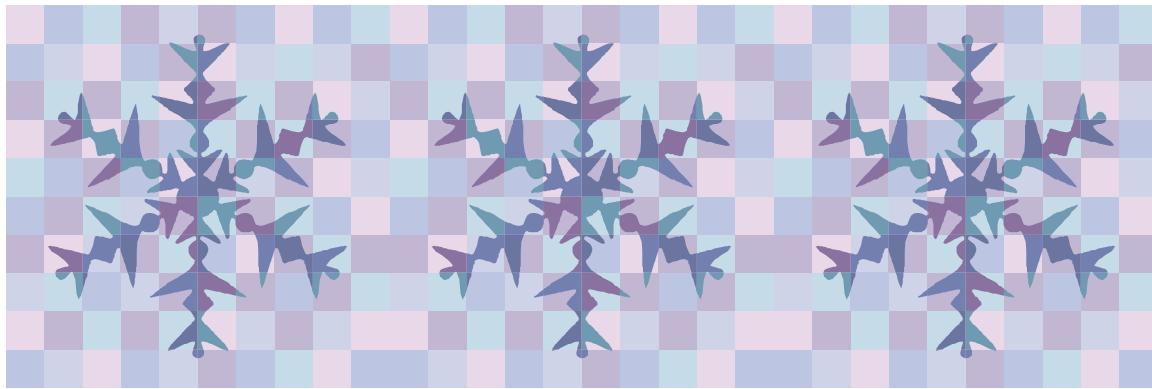
For more information on Interest Groups, contact [Judy Lee](#), IG Coordinator in the South, or [Wendy Diamond](#), IG Coordinator in the North.

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