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Elected Board of Directors

Leslie Starasta
President, 2020-2022
Lincoln Christian University

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Vice President, 2017-2021
University of Northwestern - St Paul

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Secretary, 2020-2023
Past President, 2020-2021
Point Loma Nazarene University

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Northwest Nazarene University

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Mississippi College

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Director-at-Large, 2018-2021
San Jose State University

Andrea Abernathy
Director-at-Large, 2019-2022
George Fox University

Jeremy Labosier
Director-at-Large, 2019-2022
Biola University

Eric Bradley
Director-at-Large, 2020-2023
Goshen College

Sarah Davis
Director-at-Large, 2020-2023
Corbin University

Nominations Team
The nominations team compiles the slate of candidates interested in serving on the Board of Directors. Sheila Carlblom (Coordinator), Linda Poston, and Frank Quinn represent the membership by serving on this team.
Dear friends,

It’s a year that defies description, isn’t it? The challenges of these past months have looked different in each of our lives, yet I trust that you have felt the persistent love of God even in the midst of uncertainty. The supportive, productive work of the Association of Christian Librarians has continued throughout the year as ACL’s many volunteers have remained engaged in their efforts to serve one another well. Thank you for the ways you have given your time, expertise, and other resources in support of the Association. Thanks especially to those who pray consistently for ACL’s members and for the organization itself; the Lord is blessing others through your faithfulness.

Our 2020 conference planning team could never have anticipated how aptly their chosen theme, “Beyond All Limits,” would describe this strange season. Even so, by the grace of God and the dedication of committed colleagues, members of ACL gathered virtually to experience the core elements of our usual conference programming in June. Through the webinar series sharing selected conference presentations throughout the fall, the work of our Association colleagues has continued to provide insight, encouragement, and opportunities to connect. All of these positive experiences have been enabled by the incredible work of our ACL Home Office team, who met this year of unanticipated challenges with determination, professionalism, and grace. I am deeply grateful for the many ways ACL's members and personnel stretched beyond their usual limits to make these beneficial activities possible.

As we enter a new year for the Association, please join me in welcoming incoming ACL President, Leslie Starasta. She has served you well as a Director-at-Large for the past three years, and her leadership in this new capacity will be a blessing to the Association and its members. May the Lord bless and encourage her as she leads the Board of Directors in planning well for the days ahead, whatever they may hold.

“Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.” (Ephesians 3:20-21)

Beyond all limits, indeed!

Gratefully,
Denise Nelson
ACL President, 2016-2020
The Lord has provided in ways that far exceed what we would have asked in 2020 for the Association of Christian Librarians. Never would I have guessed in early March that we would far exceed our highest number of members in history during this unprecedented year, or that we would not conduct an in-person conference as we have faithfully done for 64 years, nor would I have imagined that we would engage with our membership in so many creative and productive ways while we all navigated a pandemic. What an amazing year! While we still don’t know the full effect that these last eight months will have on higher education, it has been wonderful to witness how the members of ACL have supported, encouraged and shared valuable knowledge and insight with each other as they navigated through challenging days.

As an Association we needed to pivot quickly to meet the needs of our members in new ways. In the end, producing an online only conference was as rewarding as it was stretching. We were so thankful for many sponsors who supported the conference, which allowed us to offer the virtual conference to our entire membership at no charge. Thank you to all of the volunteers who have led their ACL teams, sections, interest groups, and programs so well. You are what make ACL so amazing! I look forward to whatever 2021 brings. God willing, we will continue to support this valuable community of over 640 members worldwide and serve our membership with excellence.

Janelle Mazelin
ACL Executive Director

Home Office Staff

Janelle Mazelin
Executive Director
Cedarville, OH

Sara Franz
Membership Specialist
Cedarville, OH

April McKinion
Conference Manager & Outreach Coordinator
Cedarville, OH

Keris Dilgard
Support Staff
Cedarville, OH

April VanPutten
Business Manager & Virtual Events Coordinator
Grand Rapids, MI

Sarah Wessel
Christian Periodical Index Managing Editor
Birmingham, AL
The Association of Christian Librarians is excited to debut the ACL Award for Excellence in Innovation. This new award joins several existing awards and recognitions that ACL offers for its members such as the Barbara K. Nelson Christian Periodical Indexer of the Year Award, the Emily Russel Award, the Lifetime Service Award, Volunteer of the Year Award, and the Spirit of ACL Award, which recognize the achievements and contributions of individual librarians. Considering these available recognitions, the Board noticed that the opportunity to recognize the work of an entire library to provide new or improved service to their campus community was absent. Knowing that changes and innovations in library services or events frequently use the skills and abilities of the entire library staff rather than just those of a single librarian, the new ACL Award for Excellence in Innovation was developed specifically to recognize the entire library. ACL knows that our members serve at campuses large and small, and their library staff may range from one or two people to dozens.

Acknowledging that what is innovative for one library may be a standard operating procedure for another, the ACL Award for Excellence in Innovation looks to recognize work that is innovative given your campus ethos and how the innovation relates to your library mission statement.

While the deadline to submit an application for the first Award for Excellence in Innovation has passed, we look forward to receiving applications next September regarding the new and creative ways you are serving your campus during the 2020-21 academic year. We encourage you to begin thinking about the innovative ideas you can share and encourage your fellow ACL members who are doing exciting work at their libraries to submit applications as well. Stay tuned for an announcement regarding our inaugural Award for Excellence in Innovation winner!

Leslie Starasta
ACL President, 2020-2022

2020 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Linda Rust
ACL Volunteer of the Year

Grace Andrews
Spirit of ACL Award
Who are we?

- Academic Librarian 464
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- K-12 Librarian 22
- Library Student 17
- Public Librarian 16
- Other 32

ACL Membership Growth

- 2016: 571
- 2017: 592
- 2018: 604
- 2019: 609
- 2020: 640

396 Different institutions represented among ACL Membership
718 Unique conversations started on the very active ACL Discussion List
53% of the 2020 new members were referred to ACL by a colleague
Welcome to ACL!

Des Agginie, Shorter College
Adetola Akanbiemu, National Open University of Nigeria
Dyana Baca, Newman University
Ron Baker, Eston College
Myra Bloom, Oral Roberts University
Cynthia Bowen, Trinity Christian College
Amelia Brister, Harding University
Brenda Chappell-Sharpe
Matthew Clark, Evangel University
Pamela Crowe, Kitsap Regional Library
Marnie Cushing, Crandall ISD: Crandall Middle School
Jeannette Dan, Heritage Academy
Joy Davenport, The Classical Academy
Mary Davis, Trevecca Nazarene University
Nathanael Davis, Cedarville University
Michael Dorlac

NEW 2020 ACL MEMBERS

David Dunham, Taylor University - IN
Abigail Durkee, Briercrest College & Seminary
Jennifer Eason, NEFLIN: Northeast Florida Library Info Network
Daniel Eller, Oral Roberts University
William Flores, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Elizabeth Fogler, Asbury Theological Seminary - KY
Andrea Fowler, Trevecca Nazarene University
Andrea Fox, Clear Creek Baptist Bible College
John Fox, Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
Dawn French, Washington Theological Seminary
Victoria Goodman, Martinsville Public Library District
Andrew Graves, Southeastern University
Sarah Guy, Carolina University
Jennifer Hamilton, George Mason University
Kathryn Hammes, Harding University
Dorothy Hargett, Regent University
Debbie Hathaway, University of Dallas
Mark Hayse, MidAmerica Nazarene University
Dana Higeons, Oral Roberts University
Beth Hill, Great Northern University
Thad Horner, Oral Roberts University
Brad Hruska, Columbus Public Library
Libby Huizenga, Kuyper College
Terry Huttenlock, Wheaton College
Daniel Isgrigg, Oral Roberts University
Giselle Jimenez, Every Nation Seminary
Jennifer Jones, University of Arizona
Sarah Jones, San Diego Christian College
Kiyomi Kay, Valley Christian Schools
Steven Kenneally, Geneva College
Luisa Korodrau, Davuilevu Theological College
Rachel Koszalka, Neosho County Community College
Edna Latone, Master's College and Seminary
Gregory Laughlin, Samford University
Monica Letocha, Botho University
Alec Li, Gordon College
Miriam Lithen, Grace College & Theological Seminary
Rachel Makarowski, Miami University - OH
Nancy Marcum, Southern Nazarene University
Jody Mathias, Calvary Chapel University
Danessa Mathis
Bradley McCabe, City Church Madison
Mitchell McClay
Arthur McClelland, London Public Library
Rachel Molstre, Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary
Narcisco Montas, Revelation University, Inc.
Marissa Moore, Alberta Bible College
Michael Mounce, Delta State University
Patrick Musumina, Harvest University
Melanie Oestreich, University of Valley Forge
Michael Ogle, Middle Tennessee State University
Diana Oguna, University of Kabianga
Heather Okrafka, Heritage College & Seminary
Scott Pagel, Morrison Academy
John Palacio, Grace University
Dawn Pilcher, Trinity Academy K-8
Alfredo Pinto
Rachael Ponsen, University of Western Ontario
Yuen Mei Ada Poon
Cheryl Postlewait, Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary
Carolyn Prescott, Oral Roberts University
Ruthie Pride, Phillips Community College/University of Arkansas
Lillian Purdy, Louisiana College
Francine Rader, Regents School of Austin
Daniel Radke, Ambassador College of Bible and Ministry
Angie Rodgers, Trinity Christian School
Jamie Ruppert, Council Bluffs Public Library
Julie Russell, Boise Bible College
Angela Sample, Oral Roberts University
Karen Schifferdecker, Montclair Kimberley Academy
Benjamin Schmidt, Westminster Theological Seminary
Beth Sheppard, University of West Georgia
Adam Solomon
Josephine Stringer, Houston Christian High School
Zana Sueme, Missouri Baptist University
Nathan Thebarg, Trinity International University
Kellie Tomita, Carolina College of Biblical Studies
Rosa Torres-Medina, University of Leadership and Ministry
Charles Underwood, First Baptist Church: Hattiesburg
Emily Voelkers, Oklahoma Wesleyan University
Joshua Wagner, College of Biblical Studies
Amy Ward, Flint Hills Christian School
Annette Warsaw, Elim Bible Institute
Robert Wetmore, Forman Christian College
Stephen Wurth, Haaswurth Books
K-12 LIBRARIANS
30 Members - Convener: Linda Brogden
We seek to remain a continual source of inspiration, education, and encouragement to members in our role as Christian librarians who desire to consistently speak God’s truth into the lives of young people through our words, our work, and our lives.

EMERGING LIBRARY PROFESSIONALS
41 Members - Convener: Julie Sweeney
The ELP works to keep new ACL members aware of the many opportunities available to get involved in the Association and offers encouragement for those navigating the early stages of their library careers.

INFORMATION LITERACY
126 Members - Convener: Robin Lang
The ILIG discussion group continues to provide members a place to seek input on information literacy-related instruction. Members collaborate with other librarians to discuss relevant aspects of information literacy theory, practice, trends, assessment, and other related topics.

PUBLIC LIBRARIANS
18 Members - Convener: Ben Brick
The PLIG members share and support one another as Christians integrating their faith while serving in public libraries. This group provides networking opportunities, promotes ACL membership among public librarians, and provides a place to share knowledge and experience.

RETIREES
39 Members - Convener: Elizabeth Werner
The RETIG helps retired ACL members keep in touch with each other and remain connected to ACL. Members discuss issues relevant to the retirement season of life and offer advice to members planning toward retirement.

SOLO LIBRARIANS
57 Members - Convener: Jim Mancuso
This interest group discusses topics that are unique to their setting as solo librarians. Each week, group members focus on the needs of one SLIG member and pray for that person and his/her library.

TECHNICAL SERVICES
62 Members - Convener: Shelia Carlblom
This group is comprised of librarians who focus on the "behind the scenes" responsibilities that support the ongoing work of the library as a whole and the Reference and Circulation functions. Members collaborate on issues relevant to the philosophy and practice of Technical Services.
The Spiritual Encouragement Team, consisting of Andrea Abernathy, Grace Andrews, and Deborah McConkey, leads the effort to encourage ACL members in their faith. The Reference Point devotional is always encouraging, but this year’s devotionals, in particular, evidence the care and provision of our Lord. Devotionals written months before the pandemic began, slated for early spring publication, spoke to the uncertainty we have all faced. Each month the devotional continues to be a timely, encouraging word, pointing back to Christ. This year, the Spiritual Encouragement Team sent out notes to encourage individual members. During the annual conference, the team worked with the home office to continue virtual “prayer walks.” The team was overwhelmed with the intentional participation of members from all over the world who faithfully prayed for the cares of our members. The team looks forward to new ways of encouraging each other in the Lord.

This last year has driven the demand for increased virtual offerings in ACL and brought about several changes. One major change that the team made this year was a switch from the Adobe Connect platform to using Zoom for our virtual event needs. This has offered increased flexibility and ease of hosting events for our members, along with greater familiarity for our speakers. In spring 2020, the Virtual Team was able to assist the Conference Planning Team with hosting the 2020 Annual Conference in its virtual format. The Virtual Team, consisting of Gina Bolger, Robert Burgess, and April VanPutten, put together a well-attended Fall Virtual Workshop Series. Eight webinars covering topics from enhanced digital practices to the relational library landscape were presented various Wednesday afternoons throughout the fall. The team continues to pursue opportunities for connecting ACL members around critical topics in librarianship. If you have an idea for a webinar or topic of interest for a future virtual conference, the team would love to hear from you.
Mentoring Program

The ACL Mentoring Program continues to provide support and encouragement to ACL members who desire fellowship and guidance from another librarian for any reason: a change in job duties, a move to a new job, simply feeling “stuck” in their current position, etc. At the June 2020 board meeting, Kellie Barbato was appointed to take over as Coordinator of the program, with Jill Botticelli passing the torch to her. Many thanks to Jill for all she has done for the Mentoring Program during her 4-year tenure as Coordinator! While only 4 mentoring matches were made during the 2019-2020 year, a record number of ACL members have volunteered to serve as mentors in response to a call for participation sent to the ACL email list during summer 2020. Many new matches will be made during 2020-2021. If you are interested in serving as a mentor or you need a mentor, please visit the mentoring section of the ACL website and reach out to Kellie Barbato at kellie.barbato@lr.edu.

Volunteer Program

We are thankful for the many volunteers that fuel the Association. If you are interested in becoming more involved by volunteering, please contact Kristina Claunch, ACL Volunteer Coordinator.

The following members are recognized for reaching volunteer milestones in 2020:

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Carol Reid was recognized in June for her 20 years of service on the ACL Board of Directors.
**BIBLE CORE SECTION**

The Bible Core Section (BCS) exists to promote the interests and meet the needs of libraries in colleges whose core curriculum is centered on Bible courses. A key need of the members is to gain, or reaffirm, accreditation with a national accrediting association. Therefore, BCS maintains close ties with the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) and the Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS).

The BCS held a very well attended annual meeting via Zoom in June that discussed participation in the section, work being done on the BCS LibGuides, ACL membership benefits to take advantage of, and ABHE & Key Performance Indicators. If your institution would benefit from participation in the BCS community, make plans to connect with this group at the next conference.

Jim Mancuso, Chair; Jon Jones, Vice Chair; Erinn Huebner, Secretary; Deborah McConkey, Member-at-Large; Christopher Ullman, Member-at-Large; Grace Andrews, Member-at-Large; Nancy Olson, ABHE Liaison; Alan Capella, TRACS Liaison

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**LIBERAL ARTS SECTION**

The Liberal Arts Section (LAS) exists to enable and encourage Christian librarians as they serve with excellence in liberal arts colleges and universities. ACL members at liberal arts institutions met at conference via Zoom and presented a panel of ACL members who shared pandemic responses at liberal arts institutions. Plan to attend one of our upcoming Zoom gatherings to engage and discuss important topics throughout the school year. If you would like to help direct the future of the section there are several positions up for election in 2021, so consider taking on a leadership role with LAS!

Amy Bessin, Chair; Elizabeth Walker-Papke, Vice Chair; Amy Rice, Secretary; Meredith Ader, Member-at-Large; Jennifer Brady, Member-at-Large; Rusty Tryon, Member-at-Large

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**SEMINARY SECTION**

The Seminary Section (SS) was formed so that seminary librarians could experience greater engagement within ACL. Academic and research librarians in theological libraries are essential to a thriving Christian community of learners and scholars who seek to expand the work of the Church globally.

The SS meeting at the 2020 Conference focused on building community between attendees and sharing common concerns caused by the global pandemic. The Seminary Section has affirmed five objectives and hopes to cover future topics of digitization of denominational classic works in the public domain, information literacy for graduate theological students, and group purchase of resources. If this is your work environment, plan to join this group and participate in the conversation.

Craig Kubic, Chair; Laura Ladwig, Secretary
The *Christian Periodical Index* (CPI) is a leading resource for researching a wide variety of topics from a Christian worldview. It is the only comprehensive index for English-language journal articles and book reviews from across the evangelical Christian perspective. CPI, first released in 1957, is updated quarterly by ACL volunteers and staff, and produced and distributed by EBSCO. To subscribe or request a free trial please visit [https://tinyurl.com/CPI1place](https://tinyurl.com/CPI1place).

**What makes CPI unique?**

- 191 titles currently indexed
- 83 titles are scholarly and an additional 82 titles are peer-reviewed
- 100 titles are not found in other major religion databases
- 66 titles are only found in CPI
- 13,355 records were added in 2020
- 5,462 subject headings were added in 2020

**CPI TEAM**

- **Carrie Beth Lowe**
  Coordinator
- **Steve Brown**
  Editor Emeritus
- **Doug Butler**
  Articles Editor
- **Jule Kind**
  Indexer Training Coordinator
- **Laura Ladwig**
  Secretary/Proofreader
- **Jamey Wilkes**
  Reviews Editor
- **Lori Thornton**
  *Retrospective Indexing Coordinator
- **Sarah Wessel**
  Managing Editor

*The CPI Team would like to express appreciation to Mary Tatro, who recently stepped down after serving in the Retrospective Indexing Coordinator role for five years.*

**CPI INDEXERS**

Rodney Birch
Marla Black
Georgi Bordner
Jill Botticelli
Lynn Brock
Steve Brown
Robert Burgess
Doug Butler
Sheila Carlblom
Alexandra Duenow
Beth Fogler
Eve Grant
Fred Guyette
Kenette Harder
Lisa Hayes
Maria Ho
John Jaeger
Jule Kind
Craig Kubic
Laura Ladwig
Amy Lorson
Carrie Beth Lowe
Beth Mark
Beth Purtee
Robin Rader
Carol Reid
Hugh Rendle
Sam Richardson
Glen Sadlier
Jessica Shuck
Heidi Sise
Robert Sivigny
Joan Spanne
Leslie Starasta
Julie Sweeney
Mary Tatro
Stanford Terhune
Lori Thornton
Rusty Tryon
Laurence Van Kleek
Natalee Vick
Eileen Walraven
Rachel Walters
Laura Walton
Earleen Warner
Sarah Wessel
Jamey Wilkes
CPI Product Task Force

The Christian Periodical Index Product Task Force is considering opportunities for CPI to continue its legacy of service to the evangelical Christian community. Membership includes Alice Ruleman (Chair), Craig Kubic, Carrie Beth Lowe, Paul Roberts, Jennifer Walz, and Sarah Wessel.

The task force has been working to answer questions such as "who are CPI's stakeholders" and "what are the stakeholders' unique information needs and expectations." The task force affirmed the important niche that CPI fills in the information landscape with its quality indexing, focus on practical ministries, and inclusion of many denominational collections. The task force's report to ACL's Board suggested a path forward that builds upon these strengths and extends CPI's reach and value. Collaborations with publishers, subscribers, and interested librarians will facilitate finding the items in CPI, whether in print or online.

Since 1957, Christian Periodical Index (CPI) has been a service provided by ACL to meet the needs of its members' libraries. Together, we can continue to improve CPI so that it persists in fulfilling our institutions' needs for years to come.

THE CHRISTIAN LIBRARIAN

The Christian Librarian (TCL) is the official journal of the Association. TCL offers a variety of content at various levels of writing including book reviews, articles, and peer-reviewed content. Articles are relevant to faith and librarianship and best practices in library science. The peer-reviewed component is being offered with the goal to advance the scholarship of ACL members and provide a publishing option for those interested in the critique and feedback provided by the peer-review process. TCL continues to be available in print format and is also available open access. As a writer, publishing in TCL allows you share your ideas with an audience that reaches beyond the Association. If you have ideas that can strengthen other libraries, consider submitting an article for the next issue of the journal. If you have any questions in relation to ideas for publication or TCL, please feel free to contact Garrett Trott, TCL Editor-in-Chief.

Open Access Stats

1,205 TOTAL ARTICLES

61,679 TOTAL DOWNLOADS

28,914 DOWNLOADS IN THE PAST YEAR

TCL TEAM

Garrett Trott
Editor-in-Chief

Craig Kubic
Review Editor

Jason Runnels*
Copy Editor

Josh Avery
Copy Editor

Amy James
Associate Editor

*Stepped down from TCL Team fall 2020.
The Christian Library Consortium (CLC) is your source for institutional shared resources, discounts, and other benefits. Member libraries are finding so many useful benefits that we have reached an all-time high of member schools. We are so excited to see this membership grow!

This past year CLC continued to offer a variety of member benefits, including the annual EBSCO eBook collections, as well as opportunities for discounts on a variety of library products and services through our partnership with WALDO and other vendors. Visit the ACL website to review a comprehensive list of member offers and discounts. The CLC also encourages resource sharing among members with its continued support of the ACL Reciprocal Borrowing Program and the Interlibrary Loan Service. The monthly CLC newsletter continues to keep CLC members updated and informed.

Thank you to those who participated in the spring CLC member survey that helped gauge interest in selected products. We followed up with additional polls at our virtual membership meeting in June to gather additional interests. Your feedback helps direct our work.

We recently launched the Fall 2020 EBSCO eBook offer, which this year includes two new subject area collections: one in Leadership and one in Counseling. A new vendor this year is RightNow Media, who offered a free personal subscription to all ACL members as well as a discounted institutional subscription for CLC member schools. We explored products such as Digital Commons and Credo IL Core but have been unable to secure CLC discounts. New opportunities are always being presented, and the CLC team is looking for ways to serve our membership well. If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to email clc@acl.org. Thank you for allowing us to partner together!
If there is any question as to why our connection to other librarians through CILA and ACL is important, we need to look no further than the past few months. Not one institution, not one library, not one individual has been unaffected by the disease of COVID-19. We have all spent more than half of 2020 just trying to figure out what day it is, how to pivot our services, adjust our expectations, stay healthy, and keep our doors open. That is true whether you are in Lusaka, São Paulo, or Hong Kong.

CILA is committed to the members of ACL and works to connect the members to one another and their activities. We as a team are committed to the quarterly CILA newsletter to highlight our global members, areas of the world that need prayer, and resources that can help small libraries on a budget do their work.

ACL as an organization continues to see a rise in non-US/Canadian members. We are up to 29 individuals, hailing from every major world area; seven of those are members because of a CILA scholarship, which is thrilling. Thanks to the continued work of creating reliable internet worldwide, these librarians have been able to stay connected to the membership through the general ACL listserv and online content, which has been especially valuable during the fluctuating reality of the pandemic.

The future of CILA is very bright. Look for an upcoming communication regarding the disbursement of the Dorthy Spidell CILA funds for international librarians and libraries. CILA plans to partner with the broader membership and explore ways to help libraries cope in a remote environments and uncertain futures. This could potentially be done through practical advice and sharing resources, as well as praying for one another and offering encouragement as we journey along in our vocation.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for the global reach that ACL enhances through CILA activities. If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to email cila@acl.org.

The map in the background represents the countries of ACL members world-wide.

Georgi Bordner
Resource Developer
Robert Danielson
Resource Partner
Bethany Radcliffe
Member Liaison
Yesan Sellan
Partner Liaison

CILA TEAM
Erin McCoy
Coordinator
The 2020 ACL Annual Conference was the most unprecedented conference in ACL's 64-year history of conferences! The hosting librarians at Newman University put in much effort and creativity in planning to welcome our group in Wichita, Kansas, but when the pandemic began to sweep across the world, the ACL Board of Directors deemed it necessary to transition the delivery of most conference programming to a virtual format. We were able to offer devotions from ACL Board Members, a pre-conference on the topic of library tech trends, an intriguing keynote presentation addressing low morale in libraries, multiple interest group meetings, section meetings, and of course, a fun virtual ice cream social and game night. While a virtual format is not the same as meaningful face-to-face fellowship with colleagues, below are some conference highlights for which we are very thankful during this challenging season.

**2020 Conference Coordinating Team:** Jeanette Parker, Host Librarian; April McKinion, Conference Manager; Jaime Pitt, Presentations Coordinator; Erinn Huebner, Poster Session Coordinator

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**2020 Annual Conference Programming Recordings are Available to ACL Members on our Website.**
The FACL Legacy Endowment fund continues to grow through donations and increases in the market. At the end of October 2020, the fund balance was approximately $80,457. This is a $2,592 increase from the initial balance reported in the 2019 Annual Report. This is an amazing blessing and comes in spite of the economic downturn experienced this spring. In 2019, a total of $1,535 was contributed to the endowment fund from generous donors.

In June 2020, the Board established the application process for members to apply for grant monies as outlined in the purpose of the Legacy Endowment, and the application process opened to the membership in mid-September. We are excited to see this fund further the mission of the organization. The first grant monies will be awarded in early 2021. Please consider making a donation today or in your year-end giving to the FACL Legacy Endowment to help us in advancing scholarship, research, and professional development in the field of librarianship. Please contact April VanPutten if you would like to discuss the next steps for including FACL in your estate plan.

April VanPutten
ACL Business Manager

2019 Donors
Andrea Abernathy
David Anderson
Gail Atwood
Michael Bahm
Sharon Bull
Maria Nora del Rosario
Susan Full
Paulette Johnson
Jeremy Labosier
Sharon McCollins
Deborah McConkey
Denise Nelson
Alfredo Pinto
Paul Roberts
Alice Ruleman
Julie Sweeney
Janice Weaver
Elizabeth Werner
Anonymous Donors

ACL Members We Will Miss

Daryl Fletcher (3/2020)
Member 2013-2020

Patricia Griffin (10/2020)
Member 1976-2020
2019 FINANCIALS

ACL ended the 2019 calendar year with revenue over expenses of $23,800. In 2019, we continued to see stability and growth in income and were able to manage expenses to remain aligned with budget projections. Rodney Birch has completed his first year in the role of ACL Treasurer. We are grateful to Sheila Carlblom for her service this past year as Past Treasurer. While 2020 has brought many uncertainties, ACL remains financially sound. We have taken several measures to trim back on expenses this year and continue to experience positive financial results. We are thankful for the Lord’s provision and continued blessing on the organization.

April VanPutten, ACL Business Manager
Rodney Birch, ACL Treasurer

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