

CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL OFFICE – 2012

CLA Constitution Article VIII, Elections, and Section 2: The report of the nominations committee and nominees by petition shall be printed in the issue of *Catholic Library World* published before or at the time the ballots are mailed to each member. Ballot position is determined by lot.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT (PRESIDENT ELECT)--2 Candidates



Mary Kelleher - Cardinal Beran Library,
St. Mary's Seminary, Houston, TX 2012-present

Previous Positions: Public Services Librarian, 2008-2012, Periodicals/Reference Librarian, 2004-2008, University of St. Thomas, Doherty Library

Education: (Latest Degree): MLS, University of North Texas, 2004

Other degrees: English Literature, PhD, 1999; MA, 1991(NYU); English, BA, 1985 (University of St. Thomas)

Offices held in CLA: Member at Large--Academic Libraries, Archives and Library Education Section, 2011-2013

Other Professional Offices Held: Member, Scholarship and Research Committee, Texas Library Association, 2009-2012; Faculty Senate Chair, University of St. Thomas, 2010-2011; Faculty Senate Past Chair, 2011-2012

Comments/statement of concerns: Membership growth and expanding the benefits of CLA to members are two interlocking and essential components for the continued significance of CLA in the twenty-first century to Catholic libraries and Catholic librarians. CLA has a strong tradition of educating and supporting librarians in religious and educational institutions. We must lead in this tradition through creative and innovative means.



Chris Turland - Librarian, Cardinal Ritter Prep High School,
St. Louis, Missouri

Education: BS Speech Pathology (1988); Masters in Education (Fall 2012)

Chris Turland (cont.)

Offices Held in CLA: Appointed national CLA board member to fill an unexpired term 2011-2013; Greater St. Louis Chapter member-at-large 2005-2007, Vice President 2007-2009, Greater St. Louis Chapter; President 2009-2011, Greater St. Louis Chapter

Other Professional Offices Held: Past President Greater St. Louis Chapter 2011-2013

Goal Statement: I am honored and thrilled to be considered for leadership of CLA on the national level. If elected, I promise to serve with enthusiasm and growing wisdom. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity.

For Board Members – 4 YEARS -- 4 Candidates



Ann O'Hara - Librarian, Marquette University High School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin (2005-present)

Previous Positions: Public Services Librarian at the University of Wisconsin-Waukesha (1992-2005); Public Services Librarian at Waukesha (2003-2005); Reference Librarian and Cataloger (1990-1993); Head of Children's Services at Burlington, WI Library (1988-1990)

Education: MLIS, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee; BA, History, Marquette University

Offices held in CLA: None.

Other Professional Offices Held: Secretary for the Library Council of Southeastern Wisconsin

Comments/Statement of concerns: Having recently served as a member of the committee that updated the CLA Strategic Plan, I am excited to serve an Association that is looking at innovative and positive ways to enhance the work of Catholic librarians and the institutions and organizations that embrace our mission. I come with a wide range of experiences and am looking forward to using my skills to forward the mission of the Association.



Craig George - Executive Chairman, MidCon Energy Partners
(since 2011)

Previous Positions: Director, MidCon Energy Partners

Education: MA, Theology, Aquinas Institute; Certificate in Biblical Studies; BS, Engineering

Offices held in CLA: Chair of the Parish Section of the St. Louis Chapter, Heritage Fund Trustee

Other Professional Offices Held: Member of the Academy of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineers, Maryland University of Sciences and Technology

Comments/Statement of Concerns: For CLA to thrive, it is important for its leadership to stay attuned to emerging trends in information exchange and associated technology. Sharing new models of how to best serve our library clientele in this rapidly evolving environment should be an emphasis. This will help equip our members to be effective agents of change in their respective institutions. Of equal importance, this view to the future will position CLA to be relevant to a new generation of librarians.



Curt LeMay - Library Director/Theological Librarian,
Archbishop Ireland Memorial Library (affiliated with the
University of St. Thomas and the St. Paul Seminary School of
Divinity), 1994-present

Previous Positions: Senior Collection Development Librarian, UW-River Falls, River Falls, WI, 1991-2004

Education: MLS, University of Illinois, 1976; BA, European History, UW-Oshkosh, 1975; Currently enrolled in the Master of Arts in Theology program at the University of St. Thomas, all but thesis finished

Offices held in CLA: Secretary--Academic Libraries, Archives, and Library Education Section, 2011-present; Chair, Continuing Education Committee, 2011-present; Jerome Award Selection Committee, 2011-13; Chair, Membership Committee, 2012-13.

Curt LeMay (cont.)

Other Professional Offices Held: Minnesota Theological Library Association: Chair and Secretary; Wisconsin Library Association: Chair, Children's and Young Adult Section; Member, Publications Committee; Chair, Awards and Honors Committee

Comments/Statement of Concerns: I originally joined CLA in 2007 because it unites the fields of education with a strong Catholic image. Moreover, as a seminary librarian, I especially love CLA's national conferences where I can attend both the Library and Seminary Section meetings as well as other continuing education offerings (e.g., in the areas of Justice and Peace Studies.) I've also enjoyed becoming involved with the Academic Section and the Preservation of Catholic Materials Roundtable. Within this context, having been involved with a number of offices has also provided me with wonderful networking opportunities with directors of major metropolitan seminary libraries in the top twenty IS Archdioceses, as well as with the chairs and members of CLA's sections, round tables, and regional chapters. What more could one ask for in a professional organization?



Pat Lawton - Projects Librarian for Catholic Research Resources Alliance (CRRA), Notre Dame, Indiana

Education: PhD, Library and Information Studies; MLS; BA, English, Indiana University

Offices held in CLA: CLA Web Advisory Group, 2011-present

Comments/Statement of Concerns: CLA serves a unique purpose within the world, one that is focused on providing quality Catholic resources to all and support for doing that. My work with CRRA has exposed me to the panoply of Catholic resources available within Catholic colleges, universities, seminaries, religious communities and diocesan libraries and archives. This exposure has given me a unique opportunity to be a witness to the challenges and opportunities to those working within these diverse settings/communities.

Through meeting with my local CLA chapter (St. Mother Theodore Guerin Chapter) I have learned about the challenges as well of K-12 libraries. In the words of Helen Keller, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

A service imperative drives and defines my work. To CLA, I would bring this same sensibility and drive. I would welcome the privilege of further serving CLA and its constituent members to help us in service to our local communities.

Under our current leadership, CLA is embarking on new and important directions that are responsive to current challenges and opportunities within our workplaces and communities. I support this vision and welcome the opportunity to realizing and expanding the foundational work of CLA as well as this emergent vision.