

# Member News

By Sandra Wong.

## Appointments

As of January 18th, 2010, **Jenna Thomson** has been appointed Liaison Librarian for Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, and Physics at the WAC Bennett Library, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC, Canada. Since graduating with her MLIS from the University of British Columbia (UBC) in 2005, Jenna has worked as an information specialist for the National Research Council Library (CISTI), where her duties have included providing services to clients across BC and Alberta and co-chairing the Electronic Resources Committee. Prior to completing her MLIS, Jenna worked as a Graduate Academic Assistant at the Woodward Library at UBC, and did a co-op with the Department of National Defense in Ottawa. In addition to her MLIS, Jenna holds a BSc in Earth and Ocean Sciences from the University of Victoria. [Submitted by Todd Mundle, Associate University Librarian, SFU]

**Barbara Jo May** has left her post as Branch Manager of the McGill Branch at Burnaby Public Library for a new opportunity in the sunny Okanagan. May will be taking a position with Okanagan Regional Library in Kelowna. Her wisdom and experience will be missed at Burnaby Public Library. May is an active BCLA member with years of good work in both the Intellectual Freedom and the Information Policy Committees. [Submitted by Deb Thomas, Burnaby Public Library.]

Okanagan College has selected **Ross Tyner** as Director of Library Services at Okanagan College, replacing the retiring Director, **Laura Neame**. Ross brings 17 years experience as a Librarian at the college, in a variety of roles, most recently as Web Services Librarian. In addition to his direct responsibilities in the Library, Ross Tyner has held several leadership roles within the Okanagan College Faculty Association, and has also been involved, as an editor and contributor, in several Kalamalka Press publications. Ross is currently a member of the 2010 BCLA Conference Planning Committee as Web Site Coordinator. [Submitted by Laura Neame].

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TIFF (Uncompressed) decompressor  
are needed to see this picture.

Ross Tyner

## Burnaby Reads Contest Winners

A friendly challenge from the McGill branch of Burnaby Public Library to the Reference Division at Simon Fraser University led to two library winners in the Burnaby Reads photo contest sponsored by Literacy Now Burnaby.



Photo By Barry Shell.

An SFU Library entry depicting students streaming from the Academic Quadrangle down the steps to Convocation Mall won in the Most Multicultural category, while a McGill photo of several generations of readers riding on the Confederation Park "little trains" won in the Most Neighbourly category. Each train rider was reading a book with a train theme, and while most of the SFU students were reading cell phone text, that shot also included librarians reading from traditional print sources.



Photo by Miriam Moses.

All photos will be displayed at Burnaby's Bob Prittie Metrotown Library from January 11 to March 22, 2010. [Submitted by Percilla Groves, Simon Fraser University Library.]

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