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**TO:** Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Committee on Cataloging  
**DATE:** 12 January 2010  
**RE:** 2009 Year-end Report

**MEMBERS:**

Kate Arnold (Board Liaison)  
Leoma Dunn, Thomas More University  
John Gallwey (Chair), UC Berkeley  
Eric Goodman, Appraisal Institute  
Maria Lanzeritsch, Congressional Research Service  
John Latham (Staff Committee Member; retired July 2009)  
Dorothy McGarry (SLA Representative to CC:DA)  
Martha McPhail, San Diego State University  
Carolyn Sosnowski (Staff Committee Member, July 2009- )  
Mary Whittaker, Boeing Company  
Catherine Wolford, DALNET, Michigan

**UPDATE:**

Three new members, Leoma Dunn, Eric Goodman and Maria Lanzeritsch joined the Committee in 2009; they will serve to the end of 2010. Martha McPhail, Mary Whittaker, Catherine Wolford and John Gallwey rotated off the Committee after two years service at the end of 2009.

Dorothy McGarry continues with CC:DA and other committees closely involved with the devising of new cataloging standards and giving input regarding AACR2's successor, RDA.

John Latham retired as Staff Committee Member at the beginning of July, and was replaced by Carolyn Sosnowski.

The Committee held its Annual Business Meeting on 17 June in the Seattle Conference Center during the 2009 SLA annual conference. All committee members were in attendance, with guests Julianne Beall, Robert Fowler, Kim Edwards and Ingrid Hsigh-Yee. Julianne Beall presented an update on developments in the Dewey Decimal Classification and ALA ALCTS Cataloging and Classification Section Subject Analysis Committee (SAC). Dorothy McGarry presented an update on developments in CC:DA and RDA. The *Reference Resources for Special Libraries* on the Committee web site were discussed; volunteer efforts to revise the pages had not been completed. The discussion resulted in a decision to conduct a survey on what catalogers require in the way of cataloging reference sources. A subcommittee was formed to design and run a survey (using Survey Monkey); members of the subcommittee are Dorothy McGarry, Kim Edwards, Martha McPhail, and Carolyn Sosnowski. The survey was run in the Fall and the results posted on the Committee's list serve in November.

One interesting and encouraging finding was that twenty-five responders indicated that they would be willing to serve on the Committee in future.

During the SLA conference the Committee and the SLA Information Technology Committee co-hosted a panel on *Resource, Description and Access* (RDA) on 16 June 2009. The panel, chaired by former Cataloging Committee member Paul Burley, featured speakers Barbara Tillett from the Library of Congress and Barbara Bushman from the National Library of Medicine. The session was well attended by an appreciative audience.

The Committee will sponsor another session on RDA during the 2010 SLA Annual Conference, to be presented by John Gallwey. The Committee will also sponsor, in association with the SLA Legal Division, John Gallwey and Mary Whittaker's *Cataloging for Non-Catalogers* course; this course, originally designed by former Committee Chair Buzz Haughton, has been successfully presented during the 2006, 2007 and 2008 SLA Conferences.

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