

ALA Councilor **Report to the Board** **June 13, 2009**

I will be attending the ALA Annual Conference July 9-15 in Chicago.

ALA Membership Meetings

Saturday, July 11

Membership Meeting I, 3:30-5:00pm, MCP, Room W375A

Monday, June 30

Membership Meeting II, 11:30am-1:00pm, MCP, Room W375A

2009 ALA Election Results:

12,803 ballots were cast for the office of president of ALA and Councilor at large. (16,727 ballots were cast in 2008). Detailed election results can be found at the following site under 2009 Election Results:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/aboutala/governance/alaelection/index.cfm>

Roberta Stevens, outreach projects and partnerships officer at the Library of Congress and project manager for the National Book Festival, was elected president for the 2010-2011 term, defeating Kenton L. Oliver, executive director of the Stark County District Library in Canton, Ohio.

Kentuckians elected to ALA offices include:

Judith Gibbons, Councilor at Large

Gail Kennedy, LAMA Vice-President/President-Elect

Deana Groves, New Member Round Table Vice-President/President-Elect (2-year term)

Melissa Laning LAMA HRS Member-at-large (2-year term)

Nominations Solicited

The ALA 2010 Nominating Committee is soliciting nominees to run on the 2010 spring ballot for the offices of ALA President-elect, ALA Treasurer and Councilor-at-large.

The Nominating Committee will select two candidates to run for President-elect, two candidates for Treasurer, and no fewer than 50 candidates for the 33 at-large Council seats to be filled in the 2010 spring election.

The President-elect will serve a three-year term: as President-elect in 2010-2011, as President in 2011-2012, and as Immediate Past President in 2012-2013.

The Treasurer will serve a three-year term, beginning after the 2010 ALA Annual Conference and ending at the

adjournment of the 2013 Annual Conference.

The Councilors-at-large will serve three-year terms, beginning after the 2010 ALA Annual Conference and ending at the adjournment of the 2013 Annual Conference.

The ALA President, Treasurer and Councilors also serve in corresponding roles in the ALA-Allied Professional Association [ALA-APA]. Individuals considering ALA-APA office are encouraged to consult with their employer regarding any restrictions regarding lobbying activities or service on the governing body of a 501(c)6 organization.

Members who wish to make nominations should submit the following information: nominee name; present position; institution; address; telephone; fax; and e-mail address. Self-nominations are encouraged. All potential nominees must complete the Potential Candidate Biographical Form available at <https://cs.ala.org/potentialcandidates/> beginning June 1. Nominations and forms must be received no later than August 15, 2009.

Resolution

Judith Fingeret Krug, 69 passed away April 11, 2009. She was a remarkable leader in the struggle to educate the public concerning the right to the free expression of ideas.

She was the Executive Director of the Freedom to Read Foundation and Director of the Office for Intellectual Freedom of the American Library Association for over forty years. She worked tirelessly to guarantee the rights of individuals to express ideas and read the ideas of others without governmental interference. Through her unwavering support of writers, teachers, librarians, and above all, students, she has advised countless numbers of librarians and trustees in dealing with challenges to library material. She has been involved in multiple First Amendment cases that have gone all the way to the United States Supreme Court. In addition, she was the founder of Banned Books Week, an annual week-long event that celebrates the freedom to choose and the freedom to express one's opinion. In July, she will be honored by the Freedom to Read Foundation for her years of vision and leadership.

At Council III there will be a memorial resolution. Every state and regional library association in the country will be presenting a similar resolution to present to her husband and the OIF staff along with the Council memorial.

The ALA Council voted online for a Posthumous Honorary Membership for Krug. 82% of council members voted all voted in favor. The membership will be conferred at the Opening General Session

Resolution: I am bringing before the board for approval ALA's Kentucky Chapter memorial resolution for Judith Krug (attached).

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Tassie

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ALA Councilor 2007-2010