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Greater New Orleans Catholic Library Association

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Dear Colleagues,

Sadly, we did not receive enough response from the membership to continue our full association Executive Board last Spring. Lovie Jean Geraci volunteered to be our next Secretary, but we still have vacancies for our *Treasurer* and our *Vice President*. Therefore, at the last Board meeting of the 2021-22 year, the outgoing Secretary and Treasurer voted with the President and Immediate Past President to pause program planning for the 2022-23 year.



OUR MISSION

As a member of the national Catholic Library Association, we share in their mission to provide leadership for professional development, coordinate the exchange of ideas, offer spiritual support, promote Catholic and ecumenical literature, and to foster community among those who seek, serve, preserve and share the word in all its forms.

We will continue to accept new member applications (current members receive another year of complimentary membership), email newsletters, and accept nominations for our scholarships and awards through the 2022-23 year. However, if no one volunteers for the current vacancies on the board by April 2023, the executive board will cease to be as there will no longer be quorum to vote on association decisions.

We sincerely hope that the 60-plus years of history of our Great New Orleans chapter of the National Catholic Library Association does not end here. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for an executive board position. If you are interested, please contact me - elisa.huber@jpschools.org.

In fellowship,

Elisa Huber GNO/CLA President 2021-2023

PRESIDENT'S LETTER OCTOBER 2022

GNO/CLA Awards & Scholarship Nominations

Exciting news: there are no longer deadlines for submitting applications for the following Awards and Scholarships - submit anytime!

Sr. Mary Aquin Lorio, O.P. Award

This distinguished service award honors a school librarian or other professional who supports libraries connected to GNOCLA.

Dr. Patricia June Austin Professional Development Scholarship (formerly Father Gordon Hughes Memorial Scholarship)

This scholarship provides financial assistance to those certified librarians, teachers and students pursuing graduate course work or professional development. *Please review the specific details and requirements in the scholarship information on our website.

Sr. Mary Dolores Swanson, OSU Certificate of Merit

This merit award allows you to recognize your dedicated school library volunteers.

The application documents need to be e-mailed or mailed to the Awards & Scholarships Chairman, Ethel Madden. See the application documents for contact information and submission requirements. The recipients will be notified within a month after the application deadline.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thank you for your support of GNOCLA!

Sincerely,

Ethel Madden, MLIS GNOCLA Awards & Scholarships Chairman

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