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1. CLA Annual Book Swap

(item courtesy of [REDACTED])

It's time for the CLA annual Book Swap!

The Book Swap is all about sharing the wealth! If you aren't pleased with your home library's selection of historical Inuit fiction, come to the Swap and maybe you'll find what you are looking for!

Bring your unwanted books or just bring yourself and enjoy a leisurely perusal of language-related books.

What: CLA Foreign Language Book Swap

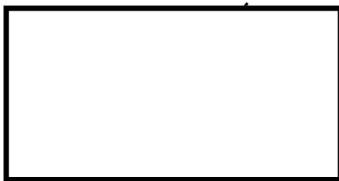
When: 0900-1400 hours, 22 April 2009

Where: OPS1 Cafeteria North Party Room

POC: [REDACTED]

Don't forget that the CLA will be showing "Korczak" on the same day as part of the CLA Annual Film Festival.

Stop by the book swap and then catch a flick by going to [REDACTED] at 1100.



2. CLA Awards Nominations--Lubbers Award Announcement
(Editor's Note: Then there is the Lubbers Award (see attached for details))

(U) 2009 nominations are due on 15 May 2009

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(U) CLA Awards

(U) Each year, as part of its mission to promote excellence in the cryptologic language field, CLA presents four awards to recognize extraordinary, long-term accomplishment by civilian and military language analysts worldwide. Short-term accomplishments over the past 12-18 months are recognized by the Keystone Award. The CLA awards are named after four giants in the cryptologic language field and are given as follows:

--Dr. Sydney Jaffe Award, originally established 1972, for long-term civilians and military; it became restricted to civilians in 1989, when the Rochefort Award was created for the military.

--Captain Joseph J. Rochefort Award, established 1989, for long-term military personnel

--Mr. Norman Wild Award, established 2003, for mid-career civilians

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--Colonel Alva B. Lasswell Award, established 2003, for mid-career military personnel

(U) Each year CLA also presents the [redacted] award for outstanding service to CLA and its mission of promoting excellence in the cryptologic language field. This is named after a distinguished language analyst and former CLA president. The winner is selected by the Chair and Deputy Chair of the CLA Advisory Board and receives a handsome plaque. Winners' names are recorded in perpetuity on the wall of OPS2B at NSAW and on the NSA web. View past [redacted] winners.

(U) Who Is Eligible?

(U) All civilian and military NSA and Service Cryptologic Component (SCC) language analysts worldwide are eligible. Language analysts from other agencies may be nominated but they will be judged on the basis of their cryptologic language accomplishments.

(U) As a general rule, nominees for the military mid-career award should have at least 7 years of cryptologic language service and nominees for the mid-career civilian award somewhat more. The long-term awards are intended for those past-mid career but are not restricted to those about to retire.

(U) These awards are in no way intended to supplant established incentive and awards programs. They are awarded by CLA to highlight linguistic accomplishments. Recipients of any NSA/CSS or SCE awards are eligible for the CLA awards on the basis of the same performance.

(U) What do Winners Receive?

(U) Winners gain official recognition as extraordinary language analysts, placing them in the highest ranks of the cryptologic language field. They are honored at a special ceremony at NSAW, with winners from the field brought in for the occasion (subject to the availability of funding). Winners are presented with a handsome plaque to mark their accomplishments and their names are recorded in perpetuity on the wall of OPS2B at NSAW and on the NSA web. Unfortunately, certain field officers cannot be honored at the award ceremony nor have their names listed.

(U) Questions?

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(U//FOUO) To ask a question or for advice in preparing a nomination, please contact: [redacted]

3. CLA Film Festival

(Item courtesy of [redacted])

The CLA would like to invite everyone to our first film event of 2009 (flyer attached), which commemorates Holocaust Remembrance Day, April 21.

All three films are historically based.

**All films will be viewed from 11-1300, unless otherwise noted.

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April 22

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KORCZAK: based on the life of Dr. Janusz Korczak, an outspoken critic of the Nazis, who ran the Jewish orphanage in Warsaw, Poland and accompanied 200 children to the Treblinka concentration camp. Polish

April 27

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AU REVOIR LES ENFANTS: Based on events from writer-director Louis Malle's own childhood, the film tells a heartbreaking story of friendship and devastating loss between 2 boys living in Nazi-occupied France. At a provincial Catholic boarding school, the precocious youths enjoy true camaraderie - until a secret is revealed. Winner of the Golden Lion award at the 1987 Venice Film festival. French

April 30

[redacted]

EUROPA EUROPA: Based on the autobiography of Solomon Perel, the film details the events of his life as he undergoes an odyssey for survival in 1938-1945. He escapes from a Polish ghetto, lives in a Communist orphanage, joins the German army, and becomes a member of the Hitler Youth, all the while concealing his true identity. German

As a reminder, seating is first-come, first-served, so please arrive early to ensure you get a seat.

If you are interested in joining CLA, membership is free, and among the many of the perks of CLA membership is film library borrowing privileges. Our library has over 400 films in 60+ languages, all for your viewing pleasure.

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Important Note: The CLA is no longer a private organization. We are now under ADET. Just as before, please, make sure to obtain your supervisor's approval to attend one of these movies. If your supervisor approves, you do not have to take leave to attend the film festival.



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4. Presidential Language Trivia

Thomas Jefferson (3rd President, 1801-1809) once owned books in how many different languages?

- A.5
- B.6
- C.14
- D.16
- E.30

Answer at the end of the issue.

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5. NML Program Featuring One of Us

(Editor's Note: Some of you know long-time NSAer [redacted] --he will be speaking at the NML. See below:)

"Paper, Rock, Bone and Bronze--An Epigraphic Odyssey" Sunday 19 April 2009, 1400-1600; Dr. [redacted]

Take this odyssey through the learning and experience processes stemming from [redacted]'s interest in languages and, most particularly, in the development and evolution of writing systems. His journey goes from Latin, Greek and Russian to the Korean alphabet and Chinese characters used in Korean, the development of the Japanese kana syllabaries and to various Runic scripts with a side journey into Ogham along the way. [redacted] has had a life-long interest in the decipherment of unknown scripts, in writing systems, and in the origins and evolutions of scripts. He stumbled into Norse Runic cryptography and pre-Columbian American epigraphy "by accident." This eventually led him into a life-long correspondence with Barry Fell (author of "American B.C.," "Bronze Age America" and editor of the Epigraphic Society Occasional Papers), resulting in him looking into the origins of the Turkic and Hungarian runiform scripts. [redacted] will share some of his experiences and insights while "rambling among the runes" in his presentation.

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6. Featuring One of Us

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(Editor's Note: Awhile back, we did bios of CLAers who are active in the organization. I have brought this feature back. Bios are provided by the personage in their own words (slight editing). Thanks.)

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B.6

C.14

ANSWER D.16

E.30

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My source is the director of the Library of Congress. Jefferson's library (and I'm betting some of these were non-English language books) actually became the Library of Congress after the British burned down the original as he sold his holdings to the government to pay some debts. If you really want to impress me, give me the names of the 16 languages!

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