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The Toronto Public Library Foundation

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## CELEBRATING THE CHINESE CANADIAN ARCHIVE | 加華檔案

On March 1, 2018 the Toronto Public Library Foundation hosted a private reception to acknowledge a generous gift from Nelson Wong and Victor Wong to the Library's Chinese Canadian Archive. The Archive is housed in the Marilyn & Charles Baillie Special Collections Centre in the Toronto Reference Library and preserves and provides access to documents, photographs and memorabilia reflecting the rich heritage of the Chinese Canadian community in Toronto. Thanks to this donation from the Wong Family, TPL is able to further develop this special collection of historical and family artifacts, and expand the history of Chinese Canadians in Toronto.

If you would like to contribute materials or make a donation to the Chinese Canadian Archive, please [contact the Foundation](#).

## GREAT BOOKS LECTURE SERIES: DYSTOPIAN 8

This influential and provocative lecture series explores dystopian societies worse than our own.....or are they? Featuring books like *I Am Legend*, *Cloud Atlas* and Margaret Atwood's very timely and popular, *The Handmaid's Tale*, the Library is delving into some of Canada's most interesting literary creations that have changed the way we see, think and feel about our world.

[Check out the entire schedule and join us at a library branch near you.](#)

These programs are made possible through a gift from the Ann Thoburn Fund.



## 'I'M LIBRARY PEOPLE' T-SHIRTS ON SALE NOW

Have you added our 'I'm Library People' t-shirt to your wardrobe? Now is your chance to own this stylish and comfy t-shirt. Prices range from \$30-\$50, and every t-shirt sold includes a donation to Toronto Public Library, so be sure to purchase yours before we sell out.

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## ORDER OF CANADA AWARDED FOR CONTRIBUTION TO LIBRARY SCIENCES

Meet Jean Weihs. She is 87 years young and was recently appointed to the Order of Canada. Jean is an author, a longtime TPL user and is receiving this prestigious honour for her national and international contributions to library sciences, notably to the standardization of the non-book cataloguing system. We had the pleasure of chatting with Jean at our Yorkville branch where she posed for her official Order of Canada portrait, and entertained us with her many stories about her love of Toronto Public Library.

Congratulations Jean on all your amazing accomplishments!



## NEVER TOO YOUNG TO FUNDRAISE

We recently met 5-year old Declan, who took his parents' suggestion to use half of his birthday money to buy a gift for himself, and to donate the other half to a charity of his choice. Declan said he wanted to raise money for the library because the library has such great books and he wants everyone to be able to share them.

TPLF partners with [ECHOage.com](#) for online tribute giving in honour of special occasions, such birthdays or anniversaries.



## WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING AT TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY

After you've written your will, then what?

TPL can help you at this information session. Find out what more you should consider when planning your estate.

### **Beyond Wills & Estates**

**Location:** Woodside Square Branch

**Date:** March 27

**Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.

If you'd like to discuss leaving a charitable gift to Toronto Public Library in your will, please contact Liza Fernandes, Director, Legacy Gifts. [lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca](mailto:lfernandes@torontopubliclibrary.ca) or 416-397-5924

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