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LIS Program Alumni Group

Spring 2003

Message from the Alumni Group President

It is the beginning of another year and time for another newsletter. I hope everyone is well. I wish to thank each of you who contributed money to the Group. The \$2180 donated by our alumni was reassuring; I know that my voice was not lost in the wilderness.

Unfortunately, the LIS Alumni Group is still in troubled waters. Due to our continuing financial woes, we must re-examine our priorities as an organization. According to the Group's bylaws, a continuing education workshop should be held at least once each year, along with the twice-yearly newsletter publication. We are also supposed to provide tuition assistance awards for LIS students and present scholarly research and professional development awards for alumni. Our finances, though, have been so depleted for the past few years, we've been barely able to print and mail the semi-annual newsletter.

Very shortly, if you have not received it already, you will receive a special survey. Your response will help us set priorities in how we disperse our donations in times of inadequate funds. In these dire financial times, where would you prefer that the Group's contributions be spent? The Board will be voting to amend the bylaws to provide guidance for this type of situation.

We are also still short on people power! We are still lacking a Vice President/ President-Elect, a Member-At-Large, an Events Chair, and a Continuing Education Chair.

The Group cannot properly function with major portions of the board vacant. It's like trying to drive a car with only two wheels — it can be done but it does a great bit of harm to the automobile and is not very effective in getting results. If no one wishes to volunteer for the Vice President/ President-Elect position, I will be happy to continue as the LIS Group president for another year. However, we still need others of you to step up and share your ideas and talents in leadership positions.

Please help revitalize the LIS Alumni group with your time, money, or both. You can make a positive difference in the services we provide to our current and future alumni.

Asking for your help,

Gerry White

P.S. I would also like to hear from you about what services or training seminars you would like to see undertaken by the Group. Please email me at gwnews@zinfoserv.com to provide your input.

Congratulations to Our New Graduates

Fall 2002

Patricia Brandes
Karyn Braun
Jon Fletcher
Sarah Jansen
Amelia Jenkins
Dawn Jones
Kate Kraus
Carolyn Larson
Linda Mediati
Nobuko Miyairi
Diana Morales
Niyati Ni
Barbara Robeson
Isabel Siu-Li
Donna Sviantek
Terri Tanji
Jamie Young
Mary Zhou



School Library Media Specialists Achieve National Certification

Dr. Violet Harada

Congratulations to the LIS graduates who were among the first cohort of National Board certified school library media specialists! For several years, classroom teachers have been able to seek national certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards; however, this was the first year that library media specialists were

invited to participate.

Certification is an extremely rigorous process that involves preparing an extensive portfolio (including videotapes of actual library instruction) and passing a grueling written exam. Only a third to half of the applicants actually receive certification. Hats off to our graduates who have proven once again

that our students are among the finest information professionals in the nation:

- Rena Arakawa (1990)
- Loraine Hotoke (1997)
- Carolyn Kirio (1994)
- Sandi Maruyama (1987)
- Karen Muronaga (1972)
- Terry Rihl (1994)
- Julie Tomomitsu (1982)

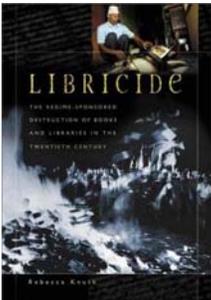
News from the Chair

Diane Nahl

The LIS Program students and staff are now comfortably settled into the renovated Hamilton Library facility, very pleased to be home amongst the professionals and resources of this great UH Library. Please visit to say hello to **Gail Morimoto** and faculty, and to see the renovations, the wonderful art, and the posters of our students' projects over the past semester. Of 124 graduate students, half are pursuing the school library media specialist certification.

Last fall we were granted permission from the Dean of the College of Natural Sciences to search for a new faculty member to replace **Dr. Larry Osborne** who is now Dean of Information Technology and the Library at Chaminade University. Oz is impossible to replace, but we are excited about hiring a new assistant professor to enhance the LIS Program. Our advertisement attracted over 50 applications.

Dr. Rebecca Knuth and I traveled to Philadelphia to interview 18 interesting candidates at the Association for Library and Information Science Education (ALISE) annual meeting. It was fascinating, educational and quite cold (20's), and we came away knowing we would hire someone wonderful. The LIS field is diversifying, and Ph.D. candidates are doing research on collaborative problem solving in virtual teams, children's information seeking and searching, history of efforts to censor or limit access to materials, and many other areas of inquiry. We are still in the midst of the selection process and will announce the results later this year.



Dr. Knuth's new book *Libricide: The Regime-Sponsored Destruction of Books and Libraries in the 20th Century* will be available from Praeger in June 2003 (ISBN 0-275-980880X 39.95).

On February 19, Dr. Louise Robbins, Professor and Director of the School of Library and Information Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and current president of ALISE, visited the LIS Program and gave a stimulating presentation, "The Dismissal of Miss Ruth Brown: Civil Rights Censorship and the American Library."

Dr. Violet Harada, with Dr. Linda Johnsrud, Professor in Educational Administration, College of Education, was recently awarded a University Connections New Economy Research grant to study "Faculty Attitude, Adoption, and Application of Technology in Higher Education: Implications for Distance Education Policy." Dr. Harada is currently working on a five-year National Science Foundation Rural Systemic Initiatives grant with Dr. Dan Suthers, Associate Professor in ICS, to create a Web-based resource system for teachers in rural parts of the state. She will take a well-deserved sabbatical in the fall to concentrate on these projects.

Dr. Péter Jacsó is back from his sabbatical and will offer his popular "Power Searching the Web" series during Spring Break in two workshops for \$125 each: Free & Inexpensive Digital Information Services, March 24, 9:00-4:30; Navigation & Search Tools, Tricks and Tips, March 25, 9:00-4:30. Both are held in LIS Classroom 2 in Hamilton Library. These will be economical and fantastic edutainment experiences, and excellent updates on the latest and greatest resources.

Last fall in **Dr. Luz Quiroga's** Database Design and Creation course, **Yao Ho Janet Wu** and **Gwen Kushiyama** created a database for the Hawaii Coalition Against Legalized Gambling (HCALG). They, along with Dr. Quiroga, were honored for their fine work at the Coalition's annual meeting. Kudos to Gwen and Janet for representing the LIS Program so well; their effort is a good example of how the combination of LIS students' backgrounds and the courses we offer are preparing information professionals to work with the community to design systems and services that meet user needs. Kudos also to Dr. Quiroga for engaging students in real projects that meet community needs in a service-learning context.

Donna Bair-Mundy has completed her doctoral exams in Communication and Information Sciences and is now working on her dissertation proposal. She and Dr. Knuth are each preparing to teach hybrid HITS-WebCT courses in the fall.

Several new and interesting summer courses will be available this year. Many of these courses are offered from 4-6:45 p.m. to enable librarians and teachers to attend. **Mike Chopey**, a cataloger at Hamilton Library, offers the required LIS 605 Cataloging and Classification in the first three-week session.

In the second session, **Dr. Karen Peacock** and Jane Barnwell of the Pacific Collection in Hamilton Library are team-teaching LIS 688 Pacific Islands Information Resources; Bruce Elliott of the D.O.E. is offering LIS 694 Enhancing Library Advocacy through Technology. Gary Fitzpatrick of the Library of Congress is returning to teach LIS 693 Cartographic and Geographic Resources, July 7-25, and Lesley Farmer of Long Beach State University is offering LIS 693 Literacy Issues in Libraries, July 28-August 14.

Our Summer and Fall course offerings and schedule are available on the LIS Web site (proudly student-designed and maintained by the LIS Web Team):

www2.hawaii.edu/sliscourses/schedule.html.

Aloha,

Diane Nahl

Chair and Associate Professor

Alumni News

1969

Patricia Polansky recently published *Russkaia pechat' v Kitae, Iaponii i Koree: katalog sobraniia Biblioteki imeni Gamil'tona Gavaiskogo universiteta* [Russian publications in China, Japan and Korea: Catalog of a Collection at Hamilton Library University of Hawaii]. The catalog describes the library's collection of over 750 publications from the Russian emigration to China, Japan and Korea. Patricia has also been named to the editorial board of *Sibirica: Journal of Siberian Studies*, which is devoted to Russia in Siberia and the Asia-Pacific region.

1971

From **Margaret T. Branham**: My first job after graduating from UH/LIS was Media Specialist at Our Redeemer Lutheran School in Honolulu. I retired in 1995 from my last job as a Media Specialist with Lake County Public Schools in Florida. In between, I was a medical librarian at the U of Utah and a public librarian in Clermont, Florida. In retirement I'm active as a member of Friends of the Library, Leesburg, Florida. Aloha.

1972

Joe Burke recently celebrated 30 years of service as a librarian for the United States Air Force. This service included working at libraries in England, Germany, Alaska, Ohio and the United States Air Force Academy.

1973

Kathleen Kudo retired in October from the Library, Records Management and Bookstore at the City & County of Honolulu.

From **Deborah Puanani Tollefsen Richards**: I've been a librarian for 29 years and have a passion for my job. The first five years I was a college librarian at BYU-Hawaii Campus. When my children started school, I transitioned to school librarianship and have worked with the Dept. of Education at the Elementary School level for the past 24 years. I was most fortunate to have had wonderful professors in grad school who shared their professional knowledge and excitement, and I have utilized throughout my career the many skills they taught me. I am very grateful to Ms. O'Halloran, Mrs. DeAngelo, Dr. Ira Harris, Ms. Ayrault, Dr. Schofield, and my most valuable mentor, the late Helen Mofat, who truly represented the epitome of Librarianship. I want to thank these people for helping me become the person I am today.

1976

From **Patricia Sullivan**: After 34 years with San Francisco Public Library, I retired, then spent 8 years in Real Estate. My last (and final) career was my own business – a mobile manicure supply service. I *really* retired in July 2002, when I sold the business. Now to take up quilting!

1977

From **Yoshino Hasegawa**: Thank you to Gail Morimoto for her integrity and dedication to LIS and especially for keeping in touch for the last 25 years!

1981

From **Pattie Hornaka Meerians**: For the past 12 years I have been the Children's Librarian at the Kailua Public Library. I have 2 daughters: Marissa, 13, and Chelsea, 10. Five years ago we lost my husband Ron to skin cancer, and a few months after he died, we lost my mom to lung cancer. The girls and I are living in my

mom's house. My fellow graduates may remember the house as we held our graduation party there in 1981.

1986

David Coleman, Head, Leeward Community College Library, is currently working on a federal grant to link bibliographic information to Geographic Information Systems. He recently published "Better Document Management Through Georeferencing" in *ArcUser* (www.esri.com/news/arcuser/0402/docmanage1of3.html).

1991

From **Ann Bell**: Besides being the Library Media Specialist for Camanche High School, I am now teaching a graduate level, professional development online course "Creating Computer Videos for the Classroom" for the University of Northern Iowa. You can check out this course at www.uni.edu/profdev/video/.

1992

From **Curt Allred** (curt@pldl.org): I am currently the director of the Portage Lake District Library (www.pldl.org) in the town of Houghton, located on the shores of Lake Superior in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. It is an old Carnegie Library that I am working on restoring to its original 'look'. I have been the director here for a little over a year. Before this I was a Periodicals Librarian in the Sulzer Regional Library in the Chicago Public Library system, where I worked for about 6 years. Before that I was a Systems Librarian at the Auraria Library in Denver (Auraria was - for better and for worse - one of the original CARL libraries). I got married about a year ago to a fellow librarian with whom I worked alongside in Chicago. Nora moved with me to the wilds of the beautiful Upper Peninsula and took a position at the Michigan Tech University's library. We are lucky to both land jobs in our profession in this area where there is a very meager economy.

From **John Clark**: I served as Children's Librarian at Kahului Public Library and Youth Services Librarian at Kihei Public Library before becoming branch manager at Lahaina Public Library in 2001. Now I've come full circle, becoming the branch manager back home at Kahului in November 2002. I've had a lot of movement in the last decade, but at least all of it was right here on Maui No Ka Oi, and all of it within the Hawaii State Public Library System.

1995

In March 2002, the University of Hawaii Library named **Jan Zastrow** as Congressional Archivist to curate the Hawaii Congressional Papers Collection. In addition to program development, Jan oversees the acquisition, arrangement & description, and intellectual access to the papers through finding aids, as well as maintaining relationships with faculty, researchers, donors and the community through outreach and public programs. Jan also received her certification from the Academy of Certified Archivists last August and is currently enjoying the challenge of processing the 660 cubic feet of Sen. Hiram L. Fong Papers.

1997

From **Ihsia Hu**: I am still working as a cataloger at the National Library of Medicine in Bethesda, MD. I had a baby girl, Clara Xuanyun Fernos, in August and moved to a "permanent" home in

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open Positions

The LIS Alumni Group has several positions to be filled for the 2003-2004 term. This term runs September 1 through August 31. Please consider volunteering to help plan and coordinate the Group's activities.

- * Vice-President/President Elect
- * Member-at large (1 position)
- * Continuing Education Chair
- * Events Chair
- * Nominating Committee (2 Positions)

Please contact Gerry White at gwnews@zinfoserv.com for more information.



ALA Cooperative Reunion

Please join your fellow alumni this year at the Cooperative Library School Reunion at the American Library Association's annual conference. ALA will be holding a joint conference with the Canadian Library Association in Toronto, June 19-25. Reunion details will be announced on the alumni listserv when they become available. For current information, please check updates on the ALA website: www.ala.org/events/annual2003/

Mahalo to the LIS Alumni Group Donors!

September 2002 to January 2003

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2003 LIS ALUMNI GROUP AWARDS

Jodie Kakazu Mattos

The following awards will be available for 2003 from the Library and Information Science (LIS) Program Alumni Group:

- * LIS Student Award, Up to \$500
- * Margaret W. Ayrault Scholarship, Up to \$1,200
- * Ralph R. Shaw Memorial Award, Up to \$500
- * Mary Edward Professional Award, Up to \$500

Application deadline is Thursday May 1, 2003, 4:30 pm. Incomplete applications will not be considered. For more information and the application form, write to: **University of Hawaii Library and Information Science Program, 2550 McCarthy Mall, Honolulu, HI 96822, Attn: Alumni Awards Committee** or see www.hawaii.edu/slis/programs/financial/alumni.html.

LIS Student Award, Up to \$500

Provides tuition assistance to one or more classified UH LIS students in the MLIS or Advanced Certificate in Information Science program. Must have completed at least 9 credits in LIS by August 2003, or be a May or August 2003 LIS graduate continuing towards the Advanced Certificate.

Margaret W. Ayrault Scholarship, Up to \$1,200

Provides tuition assistance for one or more UH LIS students. To qualify, you must be a full-time classified LIS student or a professional librarian with at least a year of library/information service experience who wishes to participate in continuing education courses offered through LIS. Professional librarians seeking tuition assistance for the Advanced Certificate Program are also eligible.

Ralph R. Shaw Memorial Award, Up to \$500

Provides up to \$500 for personal growth and development at all professional levels, including paraprofessionals, by furthering education at accredited library schools and programs. May be used to attend conferences or continuing education (i.e., workshops and institutes).

Mary Edward Professional Award, Up to \$500

Provides up to \$500 for LIS graduates, Hawaii librarians, and LIS graduates in the Advanced Certificate Program to further their professional goals. Can be used for travel and publication support. Must not have received a LIS award in the last three years. A statement that the project is not receiving funding from other sources is required.



We'd love to hear from you! Please let us know if you have moved, changed jobs, or just want to share news for inclusion in the next newsletter. You can also use this form to make a much-appreciated donation to the LIS Alumni Group. Send email to hesson@hawaii.rr.com or mail this form to **LIS Alumni Group, University of Hawaii, Library & Information Science Program, 2550 The Mall, Honolulu, HI 96822.**

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Damascus, MD. I've also published short stories and essays in a Chinese newspaper.

1999

From **Jessica Gehle**: I moved to Norfolk, VA in March 2001 and have been employed at Eastern Virginia Medical School as a reference/clinical librarian since August 2001.

2001

Stacy R. Judy is currently working as the Young Adult Librarian at the Hawaii Kai Public Library.

From **Neena Sachdeva**: I am an archivist for National Archives Records Administration (NARA) with Presidential Libraries under which falls my office, the Presidential Materials Staff. We hold physical custody of the records of the incumbent president, although we do not have legal or intellectual control since these are current records. You may wish to take a look at the NARA site to get more information on Presidential Libraries and what we do: www.archives.gov/presidential_libraries/index.html.

From **Amy Saxton**: I am working full-time at Chaminade University for former SLIS-professor Larry Osborne, who is now Dean of Information Services and the Library. I began in March

2002 with two half-time positions: continuing, expanding, and maintaining the pilot project of the Chaminade Intranet; and searching the relational database and compiling reports for surveys (Princeton Review, etc.) and Chaminade administrators. This year I will be taking over the maintenance and expansion of the main Chaminade website (www.chaminade.edu), as we re-design its look and navigation. In the past year, I've used a lot of the skills and knowledge that I acquired when studying for my MLISc. Even though this isn't what I envisioned doing, the program prepared me for where I have found myself.

2002

Marie Ludwig misses Hawaii and the camaraderie of library school, but she is enjoying New Mexico and her new position as Reference Librarian at Holloman Air Force Base.

From Nobuko Miyairi (miyairi@mac.com): In January 2003, I began working at ISI Japan as an Information Analyst. ISI (Institute for Scientific Information) is known as the provider of Science Citation Index and now Web of Science. I'm based in Tokyo, but work closely with ISI headquarters to provide citation analysis tools for Japanese universities and government agencies. I'm very excited about starting at ISI and hope to further my professional skills through this excellent opportunity.

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2002-2003**

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