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AFTER SIX YEARS LIS PROGRAM (FINALLY) MOVES BACK INTO HAMILTON BASEMENT

By Carol Kellett

The LIS Alumni Group sponsored an open house on Sunday, September 19, 2010 to commemorate the move back to Hamilton Library and give alumni and friends a chance to visit and inspect the rebuild of the LIS Program.

The rebuilt space included a rearrangement of classrooms and offices to accommodate the ever-changing needs of the profession, by turning the Diner and Dean's Office into a new Technology Classroom, Conference Room and Research Lab, combining old Classrooms 1 and 2 into a large Lecture Classroom, repurposing offices on the mauka side into a Seminar Classroom and Student Organization Room, and creating a new Diner (aka Student Lounge) on the "classroom" side. The old entrance hallway was turned into a public access corridor to facilitate emergency egress from the building



Dr Rebecca Knuth converses with a few attendees at the Hamilton Basement Open House on September 19, 2010.

Photo by Alice Tran

(prior to the flood, the exit to McCarthy Mall was restricted to library and LIS faculty and staff).

Over 85 alumni and friends arrived to check out the rebuilt space. Alumni waxed poetically about the improvements and everyone was ecstatic about finally moving back into a "real" home

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TWO LIS GRADS NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR'S AWARDS

Congratulations to LIS Program graduates Susan Murata (1986) and Curt Fukumoto (1987) who were both nominated for Governor's awards in 2010.

Susan Murata, head librarian at Kapi`olani Community College, was selected as the University of Hawai`i's nominee for the 2010 Governor's Award for Manager of the Year. Nominated by fellow librarian Susan Weber (1989), Murata was lauded for her tireless energy that transformed Lama Library "from a

modest operation to a model organization". Weber's nomination included details citing Murata's dedication, "can do" spirit, testimonials, public service, and stellar leadership. Susan Murata's contributions over 20 years are significant, and the students, faculty, and staff are the direct beneficiaries of Susan's vision and energy.

Murata has also been recently selected for appointment to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. Her term on

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Alumni and Friends:

2010 was a good year for the LIS Alumni Group! Not only did we have our LIS Alumni "not-quite-annual get together and see old friends and fellow alumni" party, we also hosted fun-filled open house to celebrate the LIS Program's move back into Hamilton Library. We were thrilled with the wonderful response we received to both of our events and hope to continue our success with this year's LIS mixer.

This April we will have another LIS Alumni get together at EAT Catering & Café in the Gentry Pacific Design Center on April 23, 2011. As with our previous get together, we will have great food and wonderful raffle ticket prizes, and this year, a silent auction. Items up for grabs include a 4th generation iPod shuffle and Apple TV. Please make sure to join us for the fun!

Last year the LIS Alumni Group expended over \$5,000 of the flood funds received from generous donations to purchase numerous items, including combination locks for the LIS student lockers, beautiful artwork for the new facility, and various accessories and equipment for the LIS student lounge, main office, and classrooms. Thank you all for your donations!

Lastly, I would like to thank the LIS Alumni Group Executive Board members who have continued to serve the Alumni Group for several years. We have had a few bumps along the way, but we're working towards a more consistently published newsletter to keep you abreast of our activities. Becoming involved with the Alumni Group has been a worthwhile experience for me and I urge all of you to participate in activities, volunteer your time, make a donation, and get involved. You won't regret it!

*Sincerely,
Junie Hayashi*

OPEN HOUSE *continued from page 1*

after spending six years "in exile" in POST and Bilger 319.

Everyone got a chance to chat with special guests Gail Morimoto, retired Dean Miles M. Jackson, former professor and current Provost of Chaminade University Larry N. Osborne, ICS faculty member Scott Robertson, retired adjunct professor Darlene Weingand, and current faculty members Noriko Asato, Donna Bair-Mundy, Rich Gazan, Violet Harada, Becky Knuth, Péter Jacsó, Diane Nahl, Luz Quiroga and Andrew Wertheimer.

Here's some fun facts on our Open House alumni attendees:

- Earliest graduation year (1968): HPU librarian Robin Kenny.
- Latest graduation year (2010): Karen E. Brown (UH West Oahu) and Joyce Tokuda (Kapi`olani Community College).

- Last class to graduate from LIS when it resided at Sinclair Library (1975): retired librarian Shirley Yamada.

All in all, Open House attendees spanned five decades from 1969 to 2010.

Alice Tran (2008) and Carol [Yamaguchi] Kellett (1992) rebuilt the map showing where LIS graduates are working today. The new maps (one large map couldn't accommodate all our graduates!) are located in the public access hallway.

Special thanks go to Beta Phi Mu who greeted alumni at the welcome table, the LIS Alumni Group Executive Board, Wilbur Wong for being the "official" photographer, and to all alumni who contributed fabulous food to share with fellow alumni. The great flood of October 30, 2004 may have destroyed decades of historical data, but fond memories and new connections will last forever.

KAILUA ELEMENTARY LIBRARY SELECTED AS PART OF AASL VISION TOUR

Kailua Elementary School Library was a stop on a recent Vision Tour of school libraries by Nancy Everhart, president of the American Association of School Librarians (AASL). The library is managed by Darren TANAKA (2005), a graduate of the LIS Program and certified school librarian. The Hawaii Association of School Librarians (HASL) selected his library as "outstanding". Everhart visited the library on September 23, 2010, as part of her showcase of exemplary school libraries across the nation.

Tanaka's program was singled out for its innovative approaches to learning. As a proactive campus leader, Tanaka partners with classroom teachers and resource specialists to design and implement learning that connects with real-life applications. Most recently, he collaborated with a school team on creating aquaponics gardens that blended Hawaiian studies and scientific inquiry with critical thinking and writing skills. He also participates in the school's Enrichment Program where students have been engaged in LEGO robotics programming and design.

Tanaka believes in proactive leadership and

being directly involved in the school community in order to support the school's vision and mission. This guiding philosophy leads to many different roles and responsibilities.

As a teacher, he instructs students and teachers from Preschool through Grade 6 in managing information, conducting research, and exploring literature. A former middle school science teacher, Tanaka supports his fellow teachers in designing lessons and teaching science concepts. As an information specialist, Tanaka continually introduces and evaluates information technology. And as a program administrator, Tanaka is guided by AASL's Standards for the 21st Century Learner (2007). His school library supports and provides a wide variety of activities ranging from student work areas, storytelling space, a 30-station computer lab, a digital media studio, large group meeting space, musical exploration, art exhibits, and seasonal book fairs. Tanaka also lends his profession to several of Kailua Elementary's collaborative teams, as well as participates in the Hawaii Association of School Libraries.

ALUMNI NOTES

1968

- In 2010, Linda ENGELBERG retired from her position at Sinclair Library as Audio Visual Librarian and head of the Wong AV Center.

1971

- Donna CHOW loves her job as Director at South University in Montgomery, AL. She says, "The changes over the last four past decades have been exciting and continue to keep me interested, yet I marvel at how the basics of library work and ethics are the same—what a solid foundation I got at UH!"

1974

- Lynette FURUHASHI has retired from the University of Hawai'i-Mānoa's Pacific Collection in December 2010. Lynette's career as a librarian spanned more than 30 years, all of it in the library's Pacific Collection. She has worked with the late Karen Peacock to help build the Pacific Collection into what it is today. She remains one of the world's experts on the acquisition and management of Pacific

library materials.

- Mary MARKO retired in 2009 as instructional Librarian from Kapi'olani Community College.

1975

- Wil FROST has retired from Hamilton Library, University of Hawai'i-Mānoa in 2010.

1991

- In February 2010, Helen WONG SMITH was appointed the first full-time archivist at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park for one year. A certified archivist and two time past-president of the Association of Hawai'i Archivists, she serves on the Society of American Archivists' Education Committee focusing on diversity outreach.

1992

- Janet GARCIA has retired from Honolulu Community College in 2010.
- Paul WERMAGER, Science Librarian at Hamilton Library, University of Hawai'i-Mānoa, has retired in 2010.

The LIS Alumni Association is re-launching its blog and invites your contributions. We're looking for alumni (or even alumni-to-be) with the "write stuff" who are interested in contributing articles regularly or periodically. In addition to featured contributors and current UH LIS news, we're adding features intended to promote our graduates:

- Have you recently published an article or book, given a presentation at a conference, or won an award? Send us a note about it and we'll list it in the blog's "Reference Collection" section to highlight your accomplishments.
- Are you a recent graduate who's landed your first job or are you a seasoned professional who is relocating to a new library? Tell us about it and we'll announce it in the blog's "Circulating Collection" section to help celebrate your success.

Networking works: To date, Golden Gate University in San Francisco, CA has hired three UH LIS graduates! If your library has job openings, let us know and we'll promote the position in our "Acquisitions" section.

Please contact Christian DeLay (christian.delay@chaminade.edu)

LIS ALUMNI NOT-QUITE-ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER-AND-SEE-OLD-FRIENDS-AND-FELLOW-ALUMNI PARTY



At last year's Alumni Dinner on April 30, 2010, Mysti LePage gets a better look at sommelier Sky Cameron's offerings, while Becky Knuth, Lori Ann Sacki, Jodie Mattos, Kris Anderson, and Terese Leber talk story.

Photo by Alice Tran

By Junie Hayashi

The LIS Alumni Group held its annual (hopefully) reunion at the Tamarind Room at Kapi'olani Community College. Alumni and friends reconnected and caught up with each other as they enjoyed a sit-down four-course gourmet dinner prepared by the acclaimed culinary arts program chefs and students. The highlight of the evening was "traveling" around the world in nine wines, a wine tasting experience presented by Sky Cameron of Chambers & Chambers Wine Merchants. Sky skillful poured wine, answered questions, and made newbie wine drinkers feel at home with various superb wines. Also a big thank you to Carol YAMAGUCHI Kellett (1992) and her husband Edmund for their generous donations of wine! During the festivities, attendees were encouraged to purchase raffle tickets (benefit for the Alumni Scholarship Fund) and guess the weight of Sunny PAI's (2005) cat Tommie. The winning guess of a whopping 19 pounds was submitted by Carole SUZUI (2004).

Please Join Us for This Year's Alumni Dinner!

This year's alumni dinner will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2011 at EAT Catering & Café in the Gentry Pacific Design Center in Honolulu. Don't miss out! Space is limited to the first 50 attendees. Please RSVP with Becky Knuth (knuth@hawaii.edu) by April 18. \$25 per person.

5:30 PM Social Hour and Appetizers (BYOB)

7:00 PM Guest Speaker

Checks can be made payable and sent to:

Rebecca Knuth

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GOVERNOR'S AWARDS *continued from page 1*

the accrediting commission begins July 1, 2010 and extends for three years.

Curt Fukumoto was selected as the Hawaii State Public Library System's 2010 Employee of the Year.

As Children's Librarian at Salt Lake-Moanalua Public Library, Fukumoto exemplifies outstanding service, sharing the world of reading with his young patrons. His story times—which have continued year-round since May 2006—routinely draw over one hundred preschoolers and their caregivers each week. In 2010 alone, Fukumoto's programs have drawn an attendance of more than 5,000.

A tireless worker, Fukumoto's weekly multi-media experiences involve singing, guitar-playing, read-alouds, participatory exercises, shadow board presentations, craft activities, and puppet shows complete with stage and homemade puppets. He is a caring, humble and unassuming professional and is universally liked by his patrons and co-workers.

Fukumoto and Murata were both honored at the Governor's Awards Ceremony on October 7, 2010 in the State Capitol Auditorium, and was recognized during the October 21 Board of Education Meeting at Keoneula Elementary School in Ewa Beach.



Patricia Polansky (1969) received an honorary doctorate at the Far Eastern State Technical University in Vladivostok, Russia in 2008.

Why yes, we *are* on the Internet

Home Page

www.hawaii.edu/lis/organizations/alumni_group

Blog (*Now Improved!*)

www.lisag.wordpress.com

Photos

www.flickr.com/groups/uhmlisalumnigroup



At the recent LIS Open House Reception, alumni, faculty, and guests mingle and admire the new space of the LIS Program. One of the most dramatic changes from the previous layout was the prominent placement of the student lounge (aka Diner), complete with glass windows that looks out to the common area where the Big Red Books are (*still*) kept.

Photo by Alice Tran



Hillary Chang (1992) and Jolene Miyaji (2004) work the HSPLS booth at the 2010 Kawaii Kon Anime Convention and Conference, April 16-19, 2010.

Photo courtesy of Hillary Chang

LIS Professors Violet Harada, Péter Jacsó, and Rich Gazan celebrate with Gail Morimoto at her retirement luncheon. Morimoto was a much relied-upon resource and friend, and has tirelessly worked in the LIS office for 34 years, from 1976 to 2010. She says, "I made a lot of long time friends that I will keep always. I wouldn't have stayed as long as I did if I didn't enjoy myself." Thank you, Gail, for your many years of dedicated service!

Photo by Junie Hayashi



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Checks can be made payable to:

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We want to hear from you!

Please let us know if you have moved, changed jobs, or have any other exciting news you want to share.

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- Since 2002, Carol YAMAGUCHI Kellett has been Systems Librarian at Hamilton Librarian, UH Mānoa. She is also adjunct faculty in the LIS Program, teaching a course in information technology.

1993

- Cindy TURSE has recently retired. She is exercising, kayaking, and together with her husband, renovating their home.

1994

- In 2010, Wayde OSHIRO joined Leeward Community College as the Instructional Librarian.

1996

- Jodie KAKAZU Mattos has joined the Hawai`i Pacific Collections at the University of Hawai`i-Mānoa as a Hawaiian Specialist in 2010.

2001

- Cora IEZZA is Seniors Outreach Librarian at San Francisco Public Library for the past eight years, providing services to seniors who cannot physically visit the library. She says, "San Francisco is a great place to live and work, but Hawai`i is home."

2003

- Jessica PORNELUZI Hogan is Reference and Instructional Librarian at Trident Technical College in Charleston, South Carolina. She is also a new mom in 2008 (It's a girl!).

2004

- Leonard SCOTT and Asako SHIBA have returned to Honolulu from St. Louis, MO. Leo is working at Hawai`i Pacific University as the Electronic Resources Librarian and Asako started work at the Honolulu Academy of Arts. Their daughter Naomi is five.

2005

- Genie ALVARADO is currently Hawaiian Resource Specialist at Kapi`olani Community College. She recently very much enjoyed her first ALA annual conference, which was held in Washington, D.C. in 2010.
- Carol HASEGAWA has joined the staff at Honolulu Community College.
- Uta HUSSONG-Christian recently married Thomas Christian from Baltimore, MD. She says: "I would not have met Tom if I had not moved to Baltimore to take my first academic library position...THANKS very much, UH LIS!" Uta and Tom now live in Corvallis, OR, where Uta works as a science librarian at Oregon State University.
- Yoko KUDO has recently published "A

Study of Romanization Practice for Japanese Language Titles in OCLC WorldCat Records." *Cataloging & Classification Quarterly* 48 (4) (May 2010): 279-302.

- Jennifer OGG Beckstead and her husband Brandon welcome a new addition to their family. Xavier Elijah Beckstead was born on July 27, 2010. His adoption was made final in February 2011. Last August, Jenn celebrated her five-year anniversary at Natrona County Public Library in Casper, WY.
- Stefanie SASAKI joined the library staff at Honolulu Community College.
- Estee TANAKA is working at Hawaiian Electric Company in Honolulu as their corporate Librarian.

2006

- Dona CHRISTENSEN has joined Utah Career College in Salt Lake City, UT as Campus Librarian.
- Christian DE LAY has recently returned to O`ahu and is working as a Librarian at Chaminade University in Honolulu.

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LIS Alumni Group Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand: 1 Jul 2010 \$19,838.88

Donations

Regular Donations and Memberships	\$297.00
Donations for Flood Relief	\$17,779.51

Expenses

Postage	\$0
Awards & Scholarships	\$0
Other	\$0
Expenses for Flood Relief	(\$5211.49)

Cash on Hand: 22 Mar 2010 \$14,810.39

*Respectfully submitted,
Jodie Mattos
LIS Alumni Group Treasurer
March 7, 2011*

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- In November 2009, Mona KWON was made Supervisory Librarian of Aliamanu Military Reserve Library (U.S. Army) in Honolulu, HI.
- Joe MURPHY was the keynote speaker at the 2010 Handheld Librarian III conference.
- Josephine TAM joined the staff at Golden Gate University in San Francisco, CA in 2010.
- Ju Sun YI has just begun her new position as Librarian for the Library and Archives Department at the Bishop Museum in Honolulu.

2007

- Lea DOMINGO has been working as Children's Librarian at Kahuku Public and School Library since 2008. She loves every hug and thank you she gets from a child who has received a story reading. Her little boy Colin will turn two this year.
- In 2010, Margot HANSON joined Golden Gate University in San Francisco, CA as Web Services Librarian.
- Janel QUIRANTE is leaving Stanford University to join University of Hawai'i—West Oahu as a digital film specialist.
- Christina ABELARDO joined the staff at SGT Yano Library, Schofield Barracks (U.S. Army) in 2010.

2008

- Allie JORDAN started in 2009 as the Emerging Technologies and Instructional Services Librarian at Hamilton Librarian.

2009

- Jenny FOSTER Fujinaka is State Law Librarian, State of Hawai'i—The Judiciary. She is also a proud mother of two young daughters. Charlotte will be 5 in June, and Olivia was born on Valentine's Day 2010.
- Joyce TOKUDA started at Kapi'olani Community College Library July 2010 as their new Instructional Librarian.

2010

- Karen BROWN is at the University of Hawai'i West Oahu.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with deep regret and sadness that we report the passing of Dr. Karen Peacock.

Karen Peacock was professor emeritus and retired curator of the Pacific Collection, Hamilton Library, University of Hawai'i at Manoa. She passed away peacefully on August 13, 2010 after a ten month battle with cancer.

Karen's career with the UH Library spanned more than thirty years. She began in the Pacific Collection, where she briefly worked in a temporary position before moving into a tenure-track position with the Social Sciences & Humanities reference department. She returned to the Pacific Collection in 1980. She also served as department head for the Hawaiian & Pacific Collections (formerly Special Collections) at Hamilton Library from 2001 until her retirement. Karen became ill in late 2009 and officially retired on February 1, 2010.

Born in Richmond, Indiana, Karen spent her childhood years in Micronesia. After receiving her BA from Earlham College (Richmond, Indiana), she returned to Micronesia. In Saipan she worked briefly for the Congress of Micronesia, the Adult Education Program, and taught at the Marianas High School.

Karen received her Masters of Library Science in 1973, a MA in Pacific Studies in 1978, and PhD in Pacific History in 1990. She has more than twenty publications to her credit and served at various times on the editorial boards of the Center for Pacific Islands Studies' Pacific monograph series, Contemporary Pacific, Pacific Studies (BYU-Hawai'i), and the Micronesian Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities.

Karen was devoted to the Pacific, especially Micronesia. She gave a great deal of her time and energy to supporting the work of Pacific libraries and archives and advising and mentoring many of the islanders with whom she came into contact. In recognition of her efforts, she was honored by the Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives with its Lifetime Achievement Award in 2006. Other awards bestowed upon her included the Outstanding Alumni Award by the UH School of Library and Information Studies, the UH Library's Nina D.P. Horio Excellence in Librarianship Award, and the Dr. Sarah K. Vann Professional Services Award (UH Library and Information Studies Program).

Karen is survived by her life partner, Kim Haines, father Daniel J. Peacock, sister Paula Bertolin (brother-in-law Gordon), brother Daniel L. (sister-in-law Lisa), and nieces Caroline and Beth Bertolin.

