



President's Message

Well, my term as President is coming to an end.

It was an eventful year. We hope you enjoyed the variety of activities from Kahoolawe to the Imaginarium.

And the professional events from the Virtual Reference luncheon to dinner with Mary Alice Baish. Each providing us with a lot to think about.

My sincerest thanks to the hard working board for their wonderful programming.

And Congratulations to Our new officers. Linda Sjogren, Vice President Elect; Phyllis Tabusa, Secretary and Beth Tillinghast, Director.

But the fun isn't over yet.

Our business dinner will feature Sue Henczel, the Education and Business Development Manager at CAVAL Collaborative Solutions in Melbourne, Victoria. Sue is the author of "The Information Audit: A Practical Guide". Sue will be talking with us about information audits and library assessment. Be sure to join us at the "W" for the event.

It's been a good and challenging year.

And I leave you in the capable hands of Susan Johnson who will lead us on to new adventures.

Aloha,
Dave Coleman

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Annual Business Meeting and Dinner

**The Hawaiian-Pacific Chapter
of Special Libraries
Association presents ...**

Challenges and Opportunities for Information Professionals in this Knowledge and Digital Age

Sue Henzel of CAVAL Collaborative Solutions will present on the subject of information competencies (both personal and professional) necessary to adapt to changing roles and expectations.

Wednesday, June 4th, 2003

- 5:30-6:00 p.m. No-host cocktails
- 6:00 Annual Business Meeting
- 6:20 Speaker
- 7:00 Dinner

W Honolulu Diamond Head Hotel

- 2885 Kalakaua Avenue

Cost: \$25.00

- Send meal choice and check, payable to SLA Hawaiian Pacific Chapter, by May 30 to Lois Kiehl-Cain, 3015 Hibiscus Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96815.

For the full registration brochure,

visit the HPC-SLA Website at <http://www.sla.org/chapter/chip/annualmeeting.htm>

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HPC-SLA would like to share news about people, projects, promotions, and ideas.

Send submissions and suggestions to the Editor.

The Newsletter has gone Electronic

In March 2003, the HPC/SLA Newsletter became available electronically on our Website.

Chapter board members decided to make this change to reduce the cost of printing and distribution.

If you are unable to access the newsletter electronically, please notify the bulletin editor that you would like to continue to receive a paper copy.

-Amy

The Imaginarium

Windward Community College was the scene of an event extraordinaire on May 3rd.

Hosted by Education Specialist, Krissie Kellogg, of the Hokulani Imaginarium & Aerospace Exploration Laboratory, more than sixty members of SLA, their families and friends experienced the magic and movement—of space—the final frontier.

This sensory, educational event began in the hands-on Exploratorium, where a host of fascinating interactive instruments were available for “play” and exploration.

It was great to weigh only 49 pounds on Mars, but I truly tipped the scales on Jupiter at 306!

Plasma orbs, sensational spinning objects, and more, kept the lot of us busy until the show began. Then, from the comfort of specially designed “tipped back” chairs, the state-of-the-art planetarium show began with a quick interactive poll on our collective beliefs about aliens and the existence of other sentient life in the universe.

Surprisingly, a large number of attendees claimed to have actually seen an alien.

The first show, The Search for Life in the Universe, was narrated by Mr. Spock (formerly of the Starship Enterprise), and was a fascinating story of the history of our search for intelligent life, UFO’s and urban legends, and current “contact” projects. The second show, Flights of Fancy, was a riotous ride through moving spirals, worm-holes, and even a virtual rollercoaster! Heeding Krissie’s earlier warning to close our eyes if we started to feel queasy, all of us made it through without mishap or mess.

Information about the Imaginarium, and how you, too, can stargaze in comfort, can be found at:

<http://aerospace.wcc.hawaii.edu/imaginariu.html>

-Susan Johnson

Twinning Project

In the coming year, our chapter will be sponsoring a new international member, Sunita Barve of India, through the Twinning Program.

Sunita heads the library at the National Center for Radio Astrophysics (NCRA), part of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research in Pune, India.

Sunita has held this position for the last ten years. She has a Masters degree in Library Science from the University of Pune and her Bachelors degree is in Electronics.

In 2001 she was awarded the Physics-Astronomy-Mathematics Division (PAM) International Membership/International Travel Award, which provided SLA membership for 2002-2003. Sunita will be sponsored by our chapter for 2004-2005.

Sunita met our own Kathleen Robertson in Prague while attending the Library and Information Science in Astronomy conference IV last summer.

At the conference, she presented a poster paper entitled “Analysis of publication pattern of radio astronomers from India, during the last 12 years (1990-2001)”.

Welcome Sunita!

The Hawaiian-Pacific Chapter has purchased a copy of the video

**“Safeguarding Our Patrons’ Privacy:
What Every Librarian Needs to Know
about the USA PATRIOT Act & Related
Anti-Terrorism Measures”**

The video provides an understanding of the act that could impact library operations.

To borrow the video, contact Gwen Sinclair at the Univ of Hawaii at Manoa Library, email: gsinclair@hawaii.edu or phone: 808-956-2549.

Member News

Kathleen Robertson Receives Appointment

Kathy has been appointed the National Radio Astronomy Observatory Librarian.

An active member of the Physics-Astronomy-Mathematics Division of SLA, Kathy has served as President, Vice President and Director of the Hawaiian-Pacific Chapter.

For the past thirteen years, Kathy has been the librarian at the Institute for Astronomy, University of Hawaii.

Prior to joining IFA, she was subject specialist for a range of science and social science disciplines at the University of Calgary and served as librarian at two engineering firms.

She has also worked as a research affiliate at archaeological excavation sites in Sudan, Zambia and Ghana.

We couldn't let Kathy go without putting something special together. Terese Leber has compiled an amusing and thoughtful Special Issue of the SLA Hawaiian-Pacific Chapter Newsletter in Kathy's honor.

Please visit the HPC-SLA Webpage to view this special edition.

<http://www.sla.org/chapter/chip/index.html>

Paul Wermager Co-Investigator in POI Grant

Paul Wermager is now a part of the UH Manoa, Hamilton Library's Librarian Hall of Fame.

Paul is a co-investigator in the POI Grant.

Pathways to Online Information (POI) has been funded by The National Library of Medicine's Internet Access to Digital Libraries Grant for \$132,500.

The purpose of POI is to provide a single web-accessible portal by which biomedical researchers, students, faculty and practitioners can search relevant digital resources available from the University of Hawaii at Manoa and Hawaii Medical Library.

Currently, patrons have great difficulty in knowing what digital resources are available to them, and from where.

This project will impact biomedical research and health care throughout the state of Hawaii.

Paul is the head of the Science and Technology Reference Department at the UH Library.

For more information about the POI Grant, use the following URL.

<http://libweb.hawaii.edu/uhtmlib/staffonly/fame/wermager.html>

SLA National Conference & Event Sites

For a sneak peek at the speakers in attendance this year go to <http://www.sla.org/images/nyconf/NYAD1.JPG>

For Virtual Info-Expo Center exhibitor information go to <http://www.sla.org/confapps/exhall03/exhibit.htm>

And for the SLA 94th Annual Conference Main Page go to <http://www.sla.org/content/Events/conference.2003annual/index.cfm>