

The Catholic University of America
School of Library and Information Science
Alumni Association Board presents

The CUA SLIS
25th Anniversary Celebration

An Afternoon Tea
Saturday, October 14, 2006
2–4:30 p.m.

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Elizabeth W. Stone Scholarship Fund

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Welcome to the SLIS 25th Anniversary

The CUA School of Library and Information Science Alumni Association Board is grateful for the opportunity to observe the landmark moment of the SLIS 25th Anniversary as a school. We hope this event provides its participants and supporters with an occasion to applaud the many fine faculty, adjuncts, students, staff, alumni and friends who have been involved with the development of the school's excellent programs and the preparation and continuing education of information professionals who become leaders in their fields.

Mathilde V. Rovelstad, Ph.D.
Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient

Mathilde V. Rovelstad, Ph.D., was born on Aug. 12, 1920, in Bavaria, Germany. A gifted linguist, she received a doctorate in romance languages from the Universität Tübingen in 1953. She first came to the United States in 1951, eventually working as a cataloger at Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles for a short time before moving to Japan for two years. While in Japan, she worked first as a school librarian in the American School in Japan in Tokyo, then as a post librarian at the U.S. Naval Air Station in Iwakuni. She returned to Germany for two years, working as an interpreter, translator and staff writer for Rod & Gun magazine in Heidelberg.

Settling in the United States, Professor Rovelstad received her M.S.L.S. from The Catholic University of America in 1960 and began a long and celebrated career at CUA. From 1960 to 1990 she taught classes in cataloging, technical services and international libraries and has held the esteemed title of Professor Emerita since 1990. In her roles as an educator and mentor, she inspired colleagues and students alike with her energy, enthusiasm, intellect and passion for librarianship, increasing the ranks and raising the bar of the profession.

Professor Rovelstad has a long-standing interest in international librarianship and at the 1977 IFLA annual conference in Brussels presented the paper "Half a Century of IFLA Concerns for Library Education," outlining and celebrating IFLA's strategic focus on library education. Other scholarly contributions to the field include "The Library of Congress Jefferson Building, a 19th-Century Neo-Baroque Monument," LIBRI 49, no. 4 (December 1999); "Emblems as Inspiration and Guidance in Baroque Libraries," Libraries and Culture 29, no. 2 (Spring 1994); and "Two Seventeenth-Century Library Handbooks: Two Different Library Theories," Libraries and Culture 35 (Fall 2000).

In 1996, as speaker at the 7th Annual Elizabeth W. Stone Lecture, she delivered a well-received presentation entitled "Temples of Wisdom and Faith: The Picture World of Monastic Libraries in the Baroque Period."

Professor Rovelstad resides in Seattle, Washington.

Program

Welcome

By Barrie Howard, Master of Ceremonies and
SLIS Alumni Board Immediate Past President

Greeting

From SLIS Alumni Board

Stone Scholarship Fund Initiative

Martha Hale, Ph.D., SLIS Dean

SLIS Lifetime Achievement Award

Plaque presentation to
Mathilde V. Rovelstad, Ph.D.

Champagne Toast

To the past, present and future of SLIS

Anecdotes, Thanks to Supporters and Farewell

By SLIS Alumni Board

SLIS Deans

Dean	Appointed	Departed
Elizabeth Stone	1981*	1983
Raymond von Dran	1983	1987
Pauline Atherton (interim)	1988	1989
Deanna Marcum	1989	1992
Jean Preer (interim)	1993	1994
Elizabeth Aversa	1994	1998
Jean Preer (interim)	1999	1999
Peter Liebscher	2000	2003
Martha Hale	2003	2007

*Elizabeth Stone was appointed chair of the Department of Library Science in 1972. She was the first dean when the department was elevated to school status in 1981.

SLIS
Outstanding Graduates

Mark Weil Paster
1985

Vicki Emery
1995

Janet Deering Kinzer
1986

Jean Sudlow
1996

Janet Rose Zipser
1987

**Adam Button and
Mary Kelly**
1997

Shari Weaver
1988

**Scott Davidson,
Ruth Owopetu
and Joan Weeks**
1998

Lucille Henschel
1989

Lynn Hale Riggs
1990

Michael Smith
1999

Maureen Bearden
1991

Sandra Provenzano
2000

Myrtle Joseph
1992

Brooke Dine
2001

Connie Stevenson
1993

Berverly Lammay
2002

Susan Little
1994

Mari-Jana Phelps
2003

Mara McGarry
2004

Elizabeth W. Stone
Lecture Series

1990

Rev. Timothy S. Healy, S.J.
President, New York Public Library
“The Role of the Public Library in a
Democratic Society”

1991

Sheilah Kast
Network Journalist, ABC News
“The Public’s Right to Know in the
Information Age”

1992

Rev. William J. Byron, S.J.
President, The Catholic University of
America
“Library Support for Community
Service”

1993

Hardy R. Franklin, Ph.D.
Director, District of Columbia Public
Library and President,
American Library Association
“Customer Service and the Library: The
Crucial Link”

1994

Eileen D. Cooke
Director, American Library Association
Washington Office
“Lobbying for Libraries: Thirty Years on
Capitol Hill”

1995

Jeanne Hurley Simon
Chair, National Commission on
Libraries and Information Science
“The Role of the National Commission
in American Library Development”

1996

Mathilde V. Rovelstad, Ph.D.
Professor Emerita, School of Library and
Information Science, CUA
“Temples of Wisdom and Faith:
The Picture World of Monastic Libraries
in the Baroque Period”

1997

Henriette Avram
Library of Congress
“On the Fourth Decade of the MARC
Format”

1998

Kurt Cylke
National Library Service for the Blind
and Physically Handicapped,
Library of Congress
“That All May Read”

1999

Carla Hayden, Ph.D.
Director of the Enoch Pratt Free Library
in Baltimore
“Institutional Change in a Traditional
Library”

2000

John Cole, Ph.D.
Director of the Center for the Book,
Library of Congress
“Bicentennial of the Library of
Congress”

2001

Nancy Kranich
President, American Library Association
“Why Do We Still Need Libraries?”

2002

Duane E. Webster
Executive Director, Association of
Research Libraries
“Reflections on the Future of Scholarly
Communications”

2003

Sanford Berman
CUA SLIS alumnus, writer on
increasing access via subject cataloging
“Not in My Library: Issues of
Workplace Speech and Governance”

2004

Siva Vaidhyanathan, Ph.D.
Director, undergraduate program in
Communication Studies in
Culture and Communication, New York
University
“The Anarchist in the Library”

2005

Richard Baker
Historian of the Senate
“History on the Hill: From Gunpowder
Paste to the Nuclear Option”

2006

(SLIS 25th Anniversary Event replaced
Stone Lecture in 2006)

Historical Timeline of Library and Information Science at Catholic University

1888

Cornerstone laid for Divinity Hall (now known as Caldwell Hall), which later becomes an early home of the Department of Library Science

1889

Formal opening of Catholic University, Nov. 13, 1889

1911

Library science courses begin to be taught on campus by members of the university library staff and librarians from the D.C. Public Library

1928

John K. Mullen of Denver Memorial Library opens

1929

Library science training courses expanded to include courses necessary for granting a Certificate in Library Science for five summers of study

1937

Department of Library Science organized; B.S. program in library science begins; Father Francis A. Mullin, director of CUA Libraries, becomes first department head; department is located in John K. Mullen of Denver Memorial Library

1939

Department of Library Science is included under the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

1941

James J. Kortendick, S.S., named acting head of Department of Library Science

Program granted provisional accreditation by ALA

1945

Departmental status of Department of Library Science formally authorized

Provisional accreditation by ALA extended for three years

1946

James J. Kortendick appointed head of Department of Library Science

1948

CUA Department of Library Science program granted full accreditation by ALA

1949

Catholic University Archives opens Dec. 8, 1949, in John K. Mullen of Denver Memorial Library

1949/1950

First M.S. in L.S. degree granted

1957

Master of library science degree accreditation granted

1958

John K. Mullen of Denver Memorial Library completed (wings added)

1960

Mathilde V. Rovelstad joins faculty of Department of Library Science

1961

Elizabeth W. Stone receives CUA M.S.L.S. degree, joins Department of Library Science

1972

Elizabeth W. Stone named chair of Department of Library Science

Department moves from Mullen Library to Caldwell Hall, opens first A/V Resource Center, offering first 24-hour access to computer terminal, and opens first student lounge

1973

Post-master's certificate program established

Department of Library Science begins offering courses in Virginia at George Mason University

1976

CUA Department of Archives and Manuscripts takes responsibility for the university's museum collections

1977

Board of Trustees authorizes name extension from Department of Library Science to Department of Library and Information Science

Department of Library and Information Science moves to Marist Hall

1978

Mary June Roggenbuck joins faculty of the Department of Library and Information Science

1979–80

Faculty prepares paper proposing change of status of Graduate Department of Library and Information Science to School of Library and Information Science

1980

CUA Board of Trustees approves elevation of Department of Library Science to School of Library and Information Science

1980–81

Peggy Sullivan, an alumna, serves as president of ALA

1981

Department of Library and Information Science is officially elevated to status of a school on Jan. 1, 1981, following Board of Trustees approval and recommendations by professional accrediting agencies; Elizabeth Stone, then chair, designated dean Council of Higher Education of State of Virginia approves SLIS to offer M.S.L.S. degree program in several Virginia universities

1981—82

Elizabeth W. Stone serves as president of ALA

1983

Elizabeth W. Stone retires August 31, 1983

Raymond von Dran appointed dean

1987

Archives specialization starts in SLIS

Jean Preer joins faculty

1987 (cont.)

Washington Research Library Consortium established by CUA and other major universities in the D.C. area to share library collections and information technology in order to enhance resources available to students and faculty

1987–88

Internal program evaluation of SLIS conducted by CUA academic vice president concludes that librarianship “as it relates to utilization and conservation of source materials and the management and dissemination of accumulated knowledge” is integral to the mission of the university

1988

Pauline Atherton serves as interim dean

First Religious Archives Institute offered

1989

Deanna Marcum appointed dean

SLIS Program accredited by National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

1990

Elizabeth W. Stone Lecture Series instituted

Ingrid Hsieh-Yee, Ph.D., joins faculty of SLIS

Law librarianship program established in SLIS

1992

Mathilde V. Rovelstad (left) retires

1993

Jean Preer serves as interim dean, 1993–94

SLIS starts certificate program in Information Resources Management as part of GSA’s 1000 By the Year 2000 program, which recognized successful completion of six courses in IRM at a recognized graduate school

Students must now complete computer literacy requirements within first semester of full-time enrollment or first year of part-time enrollment

1994

Elizabeth Aversa appointed dean

Washington Research Library Consortium builds offsite storage facility in Upper Marlboro, Md., to free space in campus libraries for newer or more frequently accessed materials

1999

Jean Preer serves as interim dean

Sydney Pierce joins faculty

2000

Peter Liebscher appointed dean

2001

Catholic University Archives moves from John K. Mullen of Denver Memorial Library to Life Cycle building

Digital Library Lecture Series co-sponsored with Fairfax Public Library System in 2001–2002.

2002

Elizabeth W. Stone dies March 6, 2002

2002 (cont.)

Catholic University Archives is renamed
American Catholic History Research
Center and University Archives

2003

Martha Hale appointed dean

Mary June Roggenbuck retires

2005

Library and Information Science
collection moves to John K. Mullen of
Denver Memorial Library

2006

Information Commons opens September
2006 in Marist Hall

CUA Libraries provide Instant
Messaging Reference Service
(IM@theLibrary) to faculty, students
and staff

U.S. News & World Report rates the
SLIS law librarianship program the
second best in the nation

SLIS celebrates its 25th anniversary as a
school

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Martha Hale
SLIS Dean

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