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**Thomas Friedman: Spring Banquet Speaker** by Noel Rutherford

Thomas Friedman, one of the world's preeminent commentators on international affairs as well as a three-time Pulitzer Prize-winner, is the guest speaker at our upcoming annual Spring Banquet on May 9. As a reporter for the New York Times, Friedman has covered many of the monumental stories of recent decades, from the return of Hong Kong to China and the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Friedman's New York Times bestseller, *Longitudes and Attitudes: The World in the Age of Terrorism*, traces his post-9/11 journey from Afghanistan to Israel, Europe, Indonesia, and Saudi Arabia to meet with the regions' leaders, thinkers and citizens. Filled with emotional reactions and reasoned analysis, the book also includes a collection of his Pulitzer Prize-winning columns.

His bestseller, *From Beirut to Jerusalem*, serves as a basic text on the Middle East in many libraries nationwide. It won both the National Book Award and Overseas Press Club Award in 1989. *The Lexus and the Olive Tree*, which was also a best-seller, explains globalization's effect on the politics, culture, and economics of an increasingly interwoven global community. *Kirkus Reviews* called it "simply the best book written on globalization."

In his newest book, *The World is Flat, a Brief History of the Twenty-First Century*, Thomas takes globalization one step further by explaining that the world has shrunk

to the point where individuals, not countries or companies, are increasingly able to think and act globally.

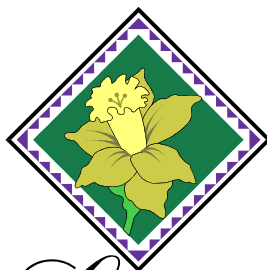
The convergence of personal computers, cheap telecommunications, and workflow software has changed the way the world works. The world has shrunk to the point where individuals, not countries or companies, are increasingly able to think and act globally. People anywhere in the world can now innovate and not emigrate if they have the required skills, Friedman says. This means that engineers in India and China will be able to compete on a level playing field with people in this country.

Friedman also said that the United States is ill equipped to handle the technological advances. In the 70's and 80's, the investment in scientific and technical education that began with the space race of the 50's and 60's began to slow down. But that was okay because of immigration. The U.S. imported the smartest Arab, Indian, and Chinese immigrants. But 9/11 has changed that. The U.S. has stopped inviting people and suddenly we are realizing that we don't have the talent. The universities aren't providing a large enough supply of technical and scientific graduates to fill the demand. We must radically improve science, mathematics, and engineering education and encourage young people to enter these fields. Friedman believes it is vital that we invest in the education of our youth now—the highly competitive flat world of tomorrow has already arrived.

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Annual

Monday  
May 9

Spring

6:00 p.m. book signing, cash bar  
7:00 p.m. dinner served

# Banquet and Awards Presentation

*Thomas L. Friedman, Guest Speaker*

*Pulitzer Prize winning author and columnist for the New York Times, whose books include The Lexus and the Olive Tree, From Beirut to Jerusalem, and most recently, The World is Flat: A Brief History of the 21st Century*

*(Read DCLA President Noel Rutherford's column on page 1 to learn more about Tom Friedman)*

*Woman's National  
Democratic Club*

*1526 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.  
(at the corner of Q St.)*

*Metro Red Line - Dupont Circle stop  
(Exit Q St., turn right, walk along Q St.,  
turn right on New Hampshire Avenue)*

*On-street parking available at 6:30 p.m.  
Commercial parking lots at Jury's Hotel  
and other nearby office buildings*

*Vegetarian dinner available  
if requested in advance.*

*Sign language interpreter  
present for program.*

*Visit <www.dcla.org> to pay via PayPal  
or*

*make check payable to DCLA  
and send with reservation form below to:*

*Kathryn Ray  
4441 Windom Place, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20016*

### Reservations

*due by  
April 29*

*Additional information: Kathryn Ray,  
202-244-0770, ray@american.edu*

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Member @ \$45 \_\_\_\_\_ Student Member @ \$35 \_\_\_\_\_ Non-member or Guest @ \$55 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_  Vegetarian meal requested

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  Sign language interpreter requested

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Joint Spring Workshop 2005 : Information Organization for the 21st Century: Taxonomies, Ontologies, and the Semantic Web

### SPONSORS :

DC Special Libraries Association (DC-SLA)-Lead Sponsor; District of Columbia Library Association (DCLA); Law Librarians' Society of Washington, DC (LLSDC); Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC)

### SPEAKERS:

Joseph Busch, Taxonomy Strategies, will give a keynote address on what taxonomies are and aren't  
Denise Bedford, World Bank, will share her expertise on implementing taxonomies  
Ramana Rao, Inxight, will discuss ground-breaking applications such as visualization  
Stuart Sutton, University of Washington, will explore the challenges of organizing educational content  
A Thomson representative will report on managing legal materials  
James Hendler, University of Maryland, will define and describe the semantic web  
Michael Daconta, Dept. of Homeland Security, will evaluate the Taxonomy-Ontology continuum

**DATE:** Friday, April 15, 2005

**TIME:** 8:30 – 9:00, Registration/Breakfast

(Please arrive promptly at 8:30 when LC opens, so you have enough time to go through security, find the Mumford Room, get registered, and eat breakfast before the program begins at 9:00)

3:30 – 4:00, Approximate Conclusion

**PLACE:** Mumford Room, 6th Floor, Madison Building, Library of Congress

101 Independence Avenue, SE

(Nearest Metro stop is Capitol South on the Orange/Blue line)

**PRICE:** \$40 members, \$20 students, and \$60 non-members (Includes continental breakfast and lunch of assorted sandwiches and side salads, cookies and beverages). The tax ID number is 54-1079345.

### REGISTRATION:

Make **checks** payable to **Joint Spring Workshop**.

No purchase orders, training request forms, or credit cards can be accepted

If you will **need a receipt**, please **check here:** \_\_\_\_\_

Call 703-597-2806 with any other questions or concerns.

Registration **form and check must be received by Friday, April 1, 2005**

Mail to:

Laura Hjerpe

2026 N. Vermont St., Apt. 301

Arlington, VA 22207

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### Registration, Joint Spring Workshop, 4/15/05

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation(s): DC-SLA\_\_\_\_ DCLA\_\_\_\_ LLSDC\_\_\_\_ FLICC\_\_\_\_ Other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

The JSW complies with ADA. We can accommodate your needs provided you contact us by April 1, 2005

**Friday, May 6**

**11:15 a.m.  
to  
12:30 p.m.**

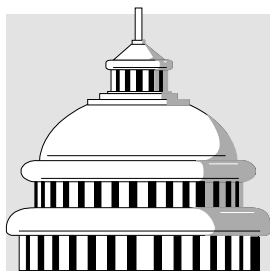
**Dr. John  
Cole  
Director,  
Center for  
the Book**

**Clarion Hotel  
  
On the beach  
at  
Ocean City, MD**

**C**ome for Dr. Cole's lecture on the National Book Festival and the history and networked operation of the Library of Congress' Center for the Book, an MLA annual conference program co-sponsored by DCLA and Iota Chapter, Beta Phi Mu.

**S**tay for the Maryland Library Association (MLA) Annual Conference. DCLA members can register at the MLA member rate: one day @ \$100, full conference @ \$120. Preconferences: "Assessing the Needs of Immigrant Populations," "Connecting Young Adults and Libraries," and "Alzheimer's Disease: Newest Information and Resources."

More information at 410-947-5090 (MLA office) or <[www.mdlib.org](http://www.mdlib.org)>



### **31st Annual National Library Legislative Day**

**May 3-4, 2005**

**On Capitol Hill**

**Sponsored by ALA & DCLA**

Saturday, April 30, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Still need 5-6 volunteers!**

"Stuffing party" at the ALA Washington Office near the Metro Center subway stop. Assemble materials for use by participants and senators/representatives.

Monday, May 2, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Still need 3 volunteers!**

Pre-conference event on presenting to legislators at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St., N.W. Room 435. Greet/direct participants and lend administrative/logistical support

Tuesday, May 3, 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Still need 3-4 volunteers!**

Issue Briefing Day on Capitol Hill. Assist with participant registration/folder pickup

To volunteer, contact **Bill Turner**  
at DC Public Library  
202-727-4968 or [bill.turner@dc.gov](mailto:bill.turner@dc.gov)

**Please  
volunteer!**

## April 2005

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## May 2005

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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS

**April 4 (Monday) -  
April 15 (Friday)**

**Virtual Reference Software Selection.** University of Maryland College of Information Studies online workshop on Virtual Reference and Legal Issues. Contact: Betsy Alexander, elizalex@umd.edu.

**April 5  
(Tuesday)**

**The Politics of Infrastructure: Managing Core Relationships to Provide Stable Services.** Lecture by William A. Mayer, Associate University Librarian for Information Technology, George Washington University, sponsored by CUA-ASIST. 3:00-4:00 p.m. Life Cycle Institute Auditorium on the Catholic University campus. Contact: Lydia Hellrich, 84hellrich@cua.edu.

**April 6  
(Wednesday)**

**The Future of Reference.** Panel discussion sponsored by the University of Maryland Libraries Digital Reference Committee. 2:00-4:00 p.m. Special Events Room, 6th floor, McKeldin Library, University of Maryland. Contact: Joan Stahl at jstahl@umd.edu

**MS Word and Its Many Uses.** DCLA Wednesday Technology Workshop. 6-8:30 p.m. Martin Luther King Memorial Library, 901 G St., N.W. Room 443. Contact: Tracy Myers, 202-698-3298, tracy.myers@dc.gov.

**April 7 (Thursday) -  
April 10 (Sunday)**

**ACRL 12th National Conference.** Minneapolis, MN. <[www.acrl.org/ala/acrl/acrlvents/12thnatconf/acrloverview](http://www.acrl.org/ala/acrl/acrlvents/12thnatconf/acrloverview)>, 1-800-545-2433, ext. 2515.

**April 9  
(Saturday)**

**Information Architecture Summit 2005 Redux.** Three panel discussions sponsored by the DC Information Architecture Group. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Bethesda Public Library, 7400 Arlington Road, Bethesda.

**April 12  
(Tuesday)**

**DCLA Board Meeting.** 6:00-8:00 p.m. Gelman Library, George Washington University, Room 202. Contact: Noel Rutherford (202) 282-0213 or nrutherford@yahoo.com.

**Jane Austen 101: Why the World Loves Jane Austen.** Illustrated lecture by Joan Klingel Ray, president of the Jane Austen Society of North America. Sponsored by the Humanities and Social Sciences Division, Library of Congress. Noon. Mumford Room, 6th floor, Madison Bldg. Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave., S.E. Contact: <[www.loc.gov/today/pr/2005/05-054.html](http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2005/05-054.html)>.

**National Library Workers Day.** More information: <[www.ala.org/ala/pio/campaign/nlw/nationallibraryweek.htm](http://www.ala.org/ala/pio/campaign/nlw/nationallibraryweek.htm)> and <[www.ala.org/nlw2005](http://www.ala.org/nlw2005)>.

**April 12 (Tuesday) -  
April 26 (Tuesday)**

**Information Literacy and Assessment.** Online information seminar offered by the Association of College and Research Libraries and the TLT Group. Live Webcasts on Tuesdays, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Contact: <[www.ala.org/ala/acrl/acrlproftools/collaboration.htm](http://www.ala.org/ala/acrl/acrlproftools/collaboration.htm)>.

**April 13  
(Wednesday)**

**History on the Hill: From Gunpowder Paste to the Nuclear Option.** Elizabeth Stone Lecture by Richard Baker, historian of the Senate. Sponsored by Catholic University's School of Library and Information Science. 7:00 p.m. Life Cycle Institute Auditorium on the Catholic University campus. Contact: <<http://slis.cua.edu/stonelecture.cfm>> or 202-319-5085.

**April 14  
(Thursday)**

**Career Day: Cutting Your Own Edge.** Sponsored by DCSLA. 8 a.m.-noon. Charles Sumner School, 1201 17th St., N.W. Contact: Kris Sasala at phaedra\_0@yahoo.com, 860-716-4456.

**International Special Librarians Day – Bridging the Global Digital Divide: Capacity Building Through Partnerships.** Presented by Timothy Anderson, World Computer Exchange. Sponsored by DCSLA. 6:00-9:00 p.m. Kiplinger Washington Editors Building, 1729 H St., N.W., 1st floor. Contact: Salvador Velez, 202-623-3215, salvadorv@iadb.org.

**April 15  
(Friday)**

**Joint Spring Workshop 2005: Information Organization for the 21st Century: Taxonomies, Ontologies, and the Semantic Web.** Sponsored by DCLA and others. 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Mumford Room, 6th floor, Madison Bldg. Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave., S.E. Contact: 703-597-2806.

**April 16  
(Saturday)**

**16th Annual Celebration of Children's Literature: Creative Connections: Innovative Ways to Bring Literature to Children.** Sponsored by Montgomery College, MD. 8:15 a.m.– 4:15 p.m. Globe Hall, High Tech & Science Center, Montgomery College, Germantown Campus. Contact: Jo Crichton, 301-601-6938, jo.crichton@montgomerycollege.edu.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS (cont.)**

- April 20 (Wednesday)**      **Strengthening the Role of the Press during a Process of Reform: The Case of Turkey.** Society for International Development Development Information Workgroup meeting. Noon – 2:00. National Endowment for Democracy, 1101 15th St., N.W. Suite 700. Contact: Gail Wadsworth, 202-712-4464, gwadswor@dis.cdie.org.
- April 22 (Friday)**      **The Future of Librarianship and Cataloging.** Presented by Deanna B. Marcum, Associate Librarian for Library Services, Library of Congress. Sponsored by Chinese American Librarians Association, Greater Mid-Atlantic Chapter. 2-3:30 p.m. Mumford Room, 6th floor, Madison Bldg. Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave., S.E. Contact: Anna Ho, 202-707-9467.
- April 23 (Saturday)**      **Sex with Kings: 500 Years of Adultery, Power, Rivalry, and Revenge.** Author talk by Eleanor Herman sponsored by the West End Neighborhood Library. 11 a.m. 24th and L Sts., N.W. Contact: Jennifer Jones, 202-724-8707.
- April 26 (Tuesday)**      **Reference Tools for the Information Age.** Soaring to Excellence 2005 Teleconference for Library Technicians. Sponsored by Federal Library and Information Center Committee Education Working Group. 9:00 a.m.– noon. Mary Pickford Theater, Madison Bldg., 3rd floor, Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave., S.E. Contact: FLICC, 202-707-4800, <www.loc.gov/flicc/ma/2005/ma0506.pdf>.
- Yahoo!** OCLC/CAPCON workshop. 1:30-4:30 p.m. 1990 M St., N.W. Suite 200. Contact: Shawna Culter, 202-331-5771, ext. 214.
- April 29 (Friday) - May 1 (Sunday)**      **DASER-2: 2nd Digital Archives for Science and Engineering Resources Summit.** Sponsored by American Society for Information Science and Technology. Inn and Conference Center, University College, University of Maryland, Adelphi, MD. Contact: Michael Leach, mrleach@fas.harvard.edu.
- May 3 (Tuesday) - May 4 (Wednesday)**      **31st Annual National Library Legislative Day.** Sponsored by ALA and DCLA. Washington, DC. Contact: Barbara Folensbee-Moore, 202-739-5131.
- May 6 (Friday)**      **LC's Center for the Book and the National Book Festival.** Lecture by Dr. John Cole sponsored by DCLA and the Iota Chapter of Beta Phi Mu at the Maryland Library Association Annual Conference. 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Clarion Hotel in Ocean City, MD. Contact: Andrea Gruhl, andreaग्रuhl@aol.com.
- May 9 (Monday)**      **DCLA Annual Spring Banquet and Awards Presentation.** 6:00 p.m. Woman's National Democratic Club, 1526 New Hampshire Ave., N.W. Contact: Kathryn Ray, 202-244-0770, ray@american.edu .
- May 9 (Monday) - May 10 (Tuesday)**      **Communicating Up, Down, and Across the Organization.** Federal Library and Information Center Committee/American Management Association Leadership seminar. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mumford Room, 6th floor, Madison Bldg. Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave., S.E. Contact: <www.loc.gov/flicc/ma/2005/ma0521.pdf>.
- May 9 (Monday) - May 14 (Saturday)**      **27th Institute on Federal Library Resources.** Sponsored by Catholic University's School of Library and Information Science. Contact: Lauren Weinhold, 202-319-5085, slis-institutes@cua.edu.
- May 9 (Monday) - May 20 (Friday)**      **Virtual Reference Legal Issues.** Online workshop sponsored by the University of Maryland College of Information Studies. Contact: Betsy Alexander, elizalex@umd.edu.
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# April 10 - 16

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colleagues, and friends  
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<[www.americangreetings.com/category.pd?path=59953](http://www.americangreetings.com/category.pd?path=59953)>.  
For more information, contact Macey Morales, [mmorales@ala.org](mailto:mmorales@ala.org).

## Z39: The Who, What, When, Where, and Why by Ann H. Slattery

Have you ever wondered where “Z39” comes from? Z39 refers to the development of a standardized system of communication that began taking shape before the Second World War. In 1939, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), which is the private, nonprofit organization that promotes and facilitates voluntary standard-making in this country, gave its approval to the launching of a group interested in developing standards for libraries and publishing.

ANSI used the letters of the alphabet to designate the various standards developers. In this taxonomy, “Z” stood for “miscellaneous.” Standards developers that were not classified elsewhere went into this category. Since the library group was put into “Z” and was the 39<sup>th</sup> standards group to request admission to ANSI, it was given the name “Z39.” Until the 1980s it was known as ANSI Committee Z39. In 1983, it was incorporated as a not-for-profit educational association. In the following year it changed its name to the National Information Standards Organization (NISO).

The purpose of NISO, as stated at its Web site <[www.niso.org](http://www.niso.org)>, is to identify, develop, maintain, and publish technical standards to manage information in our changing, digital environment. NISO standards have to do with the retrieval, re-purposing, storage, meta-

data, and preservation of information. These standards apply to libraries, bibliographic and information services companies, and publishers, and NISO procedures must meet ANSI essential requirements for “openness, balance, consensus and due process.”

Today, 85 organizations in the fields of publishing, libraries, IT, and media belong to NISO and all vote on these voluntary standards. Its membership roster includes national libraries like the Library of Congress, as well as OCLC, the American Library Association, other nonprofit associations, and individual publishers and libraries.

Almost everyone is familiar with ISBNs, ISSNs, and DOIs. All of these come under NISO’s purview. But other standards are currently in development, such as metasearching and open URL. In 2005, possible topics of discussion will expand to rights, digital archiving and preservations, and identifiers.

It is common practice for standards developer groups to charge a fee for their publications. Not so with NISO. “It is very unusual for a standards developer group to make its standards publications easily accessible. The usual way a group supports itself is through publication sales. But NISO’s documents are available and free to the public,” says Pat Harris, NISO’s Executive Director. “They can be found on the

Web site and downloaded.”

NISO is located in metropolitan Washington, D.C. But its voting members do not need to come to Bethesda to be part of what is going on. They keep in touch electronically and also meet once a year for a business meeting. NISO sponsors educational workshops throughout the year, open to anyone. They are usually held in Washington, D.C., and the next workshop will be in May 2005 on “Implementing the Open URL Standard.”

Libraries wanting to get involved with NISO can choose between two membership categories. They can be Voting Members, or they can join the Library Standards Alliance, which is the nonvoting NISO membership category. The Web site says, “Although libraries are not excluded from becoming Voting Members of NISO, the voting membership dues are more appropriate for corporations and non-profit organizations serving many libraries.”

Alliance members support NISO’s standards development work and are kept up-to-date on its national and international standards activities. Annual conferences are being considered as a way to get all NISO members and other interested parties together each year.

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*Ann H. Slattery has worked for 25 years in the library field in a variety of settings: academic, public, school, and now federal. As an employee of Scientific and Commercial Systems Corporation, she is currently serving as a reference librarian at the National Library of Education. She earned her MLS at Catholic University.*

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## DCLA Past President Featured Speaker at Beta Phi Mu Annual Meeting

by Shirley Loo

Susan Fifer Canby was the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Iota Chapter of Beta Phi Mu on February 10, 2005.

Susan is the vice president for information services at the National Geographic Society. She presented ten strategies for climbing the organization ladder in reverse order:

- ◆ Plan and set daily, monthly, and annual goals.
- ◆ Report on the impact of your work.
- ◆ Tell your story as on-going process.
- ◆ Find ways to leave the library and meet people on their turf.
- ◆ Surround yourself with the best people.
- ◆ Contribute to your professional associations.
- ◆ Innovate and take initiative by tackling the "white spaces."
- ◆ Embrace change as a way of doing business
- ◆ Take necessary risks.
- ◆ Watch for windows of opportunity.

She illustrated each strategy from her own career, which began in 1975.

After her well-received talk, several people asked her if she was planning to write an article on the topic.

Susan Fournier presided over the initiation and membership meeting as president of the Iota chapter. The gavel was then turned over to incoming president Andrea Gruhl.

### LIBRARIANS AND LIBRARIES

(submissions welcome to [psard@comcast.net](mailto:psard@comcast.net))

Jennifer J. Preece is the new dean of the University of Maryland's College of Information Studies, effective January 1, 2005.

Dr. Preece was formerly professor of information systems at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC), where she served as department chair from 1997 to 2002. Under her guidance, the department flourished, nearly tripling the number of graduate students and faculty and doubling the number of undergraduate students.

Prior to joining UMBC, Dr. Preece was a research professor in human-computer interaction (HCI) and director of the HCI Research Center at South Bank University, London and a professor at the British Open University.

Dr. Preece earned an Honors Degree in biology from the University of Ulster in 1971 and a Ph.D. from the Open University, Institute of Educational Technology, London in 1985.

Dr. Preece's research focuses on computer-mediated communication and the design and management of online communities. She has served on the team working on the NSF-funded research to develop the International Children's Digital Library. She is the author of *Interaction Design: Beyond Human-Computer Interaction* (2002) and co-author of *Online Communities: Designing Usability, Supporting Sociability* (2000). The latter title is considered the first book to coherently bring together sociability and usability in online communities.

(This information thanks to the Fall 2004 issue of [Infosource@Maryland](mailto:Infosource@Maryland).)

**University Head Librarian.** Gallaudet University. Provides overall leadership and management of university library services;

promotes and fosters the library's unique mission to collect, preserve, and provide access to its rich Deaf Collection, Archives, and original catalog of deafness-related materials; implements fundraising efforts, facilities management, and fiscal and strategic plans. Requirements: MLS from ALA-accredited institution; minimum five years experience in library administration; demonstrated sign language communication skills or willingness to learn. Complete job description at <<http://academicaffairs.gallaudet.edu/jobs>>.

**Deadline: April 8.** Send application, resume, and letter of interest to University Head Librarian Screening Committee, Office of the Provost, Gallaudet University, 800 Florida Ave., N.E., Washington, DC 20002. Electronic applications encouraged: Judith.Berglund@gallaudet.edu.

**Director of Libraries.** The Catholic University of America. Seeking experienced administrator with demonstrated management, collaborative, and fundraising skills. Oversees staff of 28 professional librarians and 37 additional staff and is responsible for budget of about \$5 million. Teaching at School of Library and Information Science an option. Further details about university libraries at <[www.cua.edu](http://www.cua.edu)>. Requirements: MLS from ALA-accredited program and extensive administrative experience. Additional advanced degree preferred. Send letter of application, vita, and contact information for 3 references to Martha Hale, Dean, School of Library and Information Science, Catholic University of America, Cardinal Station, Washington, DC, 20064. 202-319-5085. Halem@cua.edu.

**Government, Foreign Affairs, and Communications Bibliographer. ALSO Asian Studies and Linguistics Bibliographer.** Georgetown University Library. Responsible for development of collections within specific subject areas, including expansion of Digital Georgetown. Serve as principal liaison to related departments and programs. Perform library instruction. Monitor scholarly publishing trends. Requirements: ALA-accredited MLS plus second master's in subject area, or Ph.D. in subject area and related experience. Minimum 5 years of collection development experience within academic or research library. Relevant subject and/or language proficiencies. Full position description at <[www.library.georgetown.edu](http://www.library.georgetown.edu)>. **Review of applications begins April 15.** Send letter of application, resume, and names of 3 professional references to libhr@georgetown.edu.

**Information Resource Officer.** U.S. Department of State. Announcement no. FSIRO-05-01. **Closing date April 29.** Salary: \$58,845 – \$86,416 plus tax-free housing overseas. Must be willing to serve world-wide. Will spend about 75% of career abroad, moving at 2-4 year intervals. Provides professional support to 170 Information Resource Centers (IRCs) around the world. Evaluates IRC management policies and information resources. Demonstrates and promotes use of U.S. electronic information resources. Evaluates and reports on host country information infrastructure. Requirements: ALA-accredited MLS. Knowledge of area studies in one or more foreign areas and some knowledge of one or more foreign languages desirable. Vacancy announcement and application procedures at <<http://careers.state.gov/specialist/opportunities/infresource.html>>. Further information: 202-453-8070.

**Electronic Resources/Reference Librarian.** U.S. Agency for International Development Library. Must have strong interest in connecting customers with information, regardless of source, and proactive attitude toward information delivery. Must be able to do online searches quickly and efficiently and help others use electronic resources. Experience in portal development and knowledge management a plus. MLS preferred, plus 3 years of experience. U.S. citizenship and criminal background check required. Send resume with cover letter referencing position #KN5071wp to: AED/HR, 1825 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20009.

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Fax: 202-884-8413; e-mail: employ@aed.org. Full job description at <<http://employment.aed.org/openings/grade5/5071-5.html>>.

**Documentum Implementation Manager/Architect.** Government contractor supporting DoD Health Affairs program office seeks individual to facilitate development and execution of an implementation plan. Will conduct client contact required to drive user acceptance and system usage and facilitate implementation of system. Provide demonstrations, one-on-one and group training, and desk side support for new users. Collaborate with technical team. Clients vary from single business group to multiple business groups within government IT program office. Although project is using Documentum, candidates with any other enterprise level content management system experience (Stellent, Vignette, Interwoven, PC Docs, etc.) are welcome to apply. Hands-on experience with content management system implementation and understanding of information architecture and government IT security requirements desired. Send resume and salary requirements to: Axiom Resource Management, Inc., Attn: Jennifer Maysack, 5203 Leesburg Pike, Suite 300, Falls Church, VA 22041. Fax: 703-998-5365. E-mail: jennifer.maysack@axiom-rm.com.

**Information Research Specialist.** U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO). Announcement no. GAO-N-KS-2005-1410-22. **Closing date: April 6.** Salary: \$35,452 to \$68,208. Provide reference services, prepare current awareness bibliographies, develop portions of the information architecture of GAO's Web sites, suggest publications and electronic resources for library collection. Requirements: completion of one full academic year of graduate study in library science in accredited program or at least five years of combination of college-level education, training, and experience. Must submit online application and online resume. Contact Diane M. Blake 202-512-5672, blaked@gao.gov for more information.

**Cataloger.** Center for Applied Biodiversity Science, Conservation International. Part-time, temporary position to edit and complete existing library catalog. Provide assessment of project and then complete catalog over agreed time period. Learn to operate LibrarySoft system, edit existing catalog records, import and edit MARC records, create original cataloging for a wide range of grey literature, and label and shelve cataloged documents. Required: Completion of or enrollment in MLS degree program. Desired: Familiarity with LibrarySoft, general ecological and biological terminology, scientific journals and scientific publishing, and written Spanish, Portuguese, and French (for cataloging foreign documents). To apply, contact Daniela M. Maestro, CABS Library and Information Resources Coordinator, Conservation International, 1919 M St., N.W., Suite 600, Washington, DC 20036.

**Librarian.** Adaptive Services Division, Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library. Provides special format reading materials including Braille books, Talking Books, and emerging technology formats (such as upcoming NLS Digital Talking Books and Web Braille); provides reader advisory and reference service, works with readers by telephone, by e-mail, and in person; plans strategies to publicize the program; works with neighborhood library managers. Requirements: For DS-9 position (salary \$37,903 – \$48,811): MLS. For DS-11 (salary \$45,670 – \$58,882): Minimum one year's experience at DS-9 level in 1410 Librarian series or equivalent experience. To apply, submit DC government employment application form and resume to Human Resources Dept., Room 423, Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St., N.W. Washington, DC 20001. More information: Patricia Pasqual 202-727-2313.

**Assistant Librarian for Archives and Special Collections.** National Museum of Women in the Arts. Evaluate museum records for permanent retention and update retention schedule; establish and execute written policies regarding acquisitions, donations, access, and preservation of archival materials; process, arrange, and

**POSITIONS AVAILABLE (cont.)**

create finding aids for special collections housed in Library and Research Center; provide reference service to museum staff and outside researchers; create and update materials to inform staff and public of museum history, including museum timeline and exhibition history; help identify funding opportunities for archives projects, assist with proposal writing; and participate as member of project team to develop museum's online Database of Women Artists. Requirements: MLS with significant coursework in archives and records management; 3 years experience in museum or library archive; excellent organizational skills, proficiency in oral and written communications, and ability to work independently and as part of team; knowledge and/or coursework in art history and women artists preferred. E-mail cover letter and resume to NMWA Director of Administration at HR@nmwa.org.

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*Where the Jobs Are: The Continuing Growth of Federal Job Opportunities.* Available for download at <[www.napawash.org](http://www.napawash.org)> or <[www.ourpublicservice.org](http://www.ourpublicservice.org)>. According to the March 2005 *PA Times*, this is "the most comprehensive guide to date for job seekers interested in federal service, listing the professional fields and the number of positions likely to be filled at 24 major agencies representing 95 percent of the federal government." The study was "released by the Partnership for Public Service and the National Academy of Public Administration and made possible by a grant from *The New York Times* Job Market."

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For the fourth year, DCLA will award two \$5,000 Ruth Fine Memorial student loans to library school students.

Interested applicants should go to the DCLA Web site <[www.dcla.org/dcla-loan.htm](http://www.dcla.org/dcla-loan.htm)> for more information and application forms.

The deadline for applications is  
**Friday, April 15, 2005.**

Questions? Contact Jean Craigwell  
DCLA Student Assistance Committee  
202-458-6172 ([jcraigwell@oas.org](mailto:jcraigwell@oas.org))

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The 2004/2005 DCLA Nominations Committee  
( Mary Augusta Thomas, Chair; Gail Avery)  
is pleased to present the following slate  
for the

## **2005/2006 DCLA Board**

### **Candidate for Vice President – President-Elect**

#### **Elaine Cline**

Chief Librarian  
Ralph Bunche Library  
U.S. Department of State  
2201 C. Street, NW, Room 3239  
Washington, D.C. 20520

DCLA activities/offices held: National Library Legislative Day Committee;  
Management Interest Group

Other professional activities: Member, ALA, ACRL, LAMA, and LITA. I have served on various ALA, PLA, and ACRL committees and held leadership positions in the Michigan Library Association and the Minnesota Library Association. I am also a member of the College of William and Mary, Earl G. Swem Library Friends Board and the Cleveland Park Library (DCPL) Friends.

Your reason for running for office: Throughout my career I have been an active member and supporter of local library associations. These grass roots organizations provide the essential backbone for library activism and continuing education. The DC Library Association has a long and distinguished history and has served the members well. I hope to be able to continue this tradition of advocacy and service to our community and our profession.

## **Candidates for Secretary**

### **William Tuceling**

Reference Librarian  
US Government Accountability Office  
441 G St., NW; Room 7N14A  
Washington DC 20548

DCLA activities/offices held: Currently serves as DCLA rep to Joint Spring Workshop planning committee; serves on Audit Committee and Student Financial Assistance Committee. Served as Treasurer, Membership Chair, ALA Convention Local Arrangements Co-chair.

Your reason for running for office: To continue to use my many years as a DCLA volunteer and officer to broaden my connection/give something back to the library profession.

### **Cathy Zeljak**

Director, Eckles Library; Head, Slavic, East European and Asian Reading Room  
Gelman Library System  
George Washington University  
2130 H St., NW  
Washington, DC 20052

DCLA activities/offices held: Treasurer, 1998-2000; Director, 2000-2002, 2003-2005

Other professional activities: ALA/ACRL/Slavic and East European Section: Vice-Chair/Chair, 1995-1997; Chair, Electronic Resources Committee, 1998-2004; Co-Chair, Access and Preservation Committee, 2004-present; Co-Chair, Preservation Committee, 1995; Member, Continuing Education Committee, 1993-1995

Your reason for running for office: Serving as Secretary for the DCLA Board will give me a wonderful opportunity to continue contributing to DCLA after my term as Director expires this year. As a DCLA Director, my involvement on the Board includes actively participating on the ad hoc internal audit committee and the Association's strategic planning group. Both experiences have reaffirmed to me the value of DCLA to the local library community and the critical services it provides to its members. The organization's new strategic goals clearly speak to an exciting plan for continuing organizational growth and development. It would be an honor to serve as Secretary to the Association.

## Candidates for Membership Secretary

### **Kirsten Allen**

Reference and Instruction Librarian  
American University Library  
4400 Massachusetts Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20016

DCLA activities/offices held: Reference Interest Group Chair

Other professional activities: ALA, ACRL

Your reason for running for office: The Membership Secretary position offers the unique experience of being involved with the most important part of DCLA, the members. It also offers the opportunity to provide leadership for an organization that offers professional development opportunities for librarians from a wide range of libraries. The Reference Interest Group Chair position has given me the chance to plan programs for members interested in reference services, but it has also increased my desire to work more closely with all members.

### **Jennifer Paige**

Library Technician  
InfoCurrent  
2500 Clarendon Blvd., Apt. 203  
Arlington, VA 22201

DCLA activities/offices held: I'm new!

Other professional activities: ALA member; just signed up for volunteer work at DC and Arlington Public Libraries; UMD Library Holiday Party Committee; New Boston Public Library supporter

Your reason for running for office: I strongly believe that DCLA is a wonderful asset to the profession. As a new DCLA member, and as a budding "librarian-to-be," I am amazed at how DCLA provides vital professional development, support, and outreach opportunities. As a life-long enthusiast for libraries, I would love to support my local library association. Membership Secretary seems like a great way to start.

## Candidates for Director

### **Anne Heanue**

Retired Associate Director  
American Library Association Washington Office  
610 Pullman Place  
Alexandria, VA 22305

DCLA activities/offices held: Member since 1980; as ALA Washington Office staff worked with DCLA volunteers on Library Legislative Day, 1980-1984; Director and member of DCLA board, 1994-96; member Awards Committee, 2005.

Other professional activities: ALA, 1979 – ; Federal and Armed Forces Libraries Round Table, 1980 – ; Government Documents Round Table, 1984 – ; Freedom to Read Foundation, 1988 – ; FTRF Board of Trustees 2003 – .

Your reason for running for office: Serving again as a director of DCLA is an opportunity to work for the association and our profession. As a director, I will continue my commitment to intellectual freedom, privacy for those who use libraries, public access to government information, advocacy for libraries, and strong programming for the DCLA membership.

### **Susan Randolph**

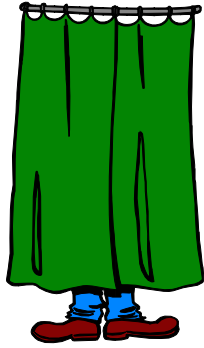
Candidate, Master's Degree in Public Administration  
George Washington University  
3710 N. Vernon St.  
Arlington, VA 22207

DCLA activities/offices held: Editor, *Intercom*, 2002 – ; Chair, Management Interest Group, 1983-1984

Other professional activities: Secretary/Treasurer, Federal Librarians Roundtable, 1986-1987; FEDLINK Delegate, OCLC Users Council, 1985-1987; Co-editor, DCSLA Chapter Notes, 1988-1989; Chair, Program Chair, Treasurer, DCSLA Social Sciences Group, 1982-1986

Your reason for running for office: Joining DCLA was one of my first investments as I began preparing to resume my library career after an extended period as an at-home mother. Editing DCLA's newsletter *Intercom* (which I hope to do for at least several more years!) has made me aware of the range of DCLA's endeavors and confirmed the wisdom of my investment. One of my priorities, if elected, will be to make more of our colleagues aware of the value of membership in DCLA.

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**DCLA ballot enclosed.**

**Submit your ballot by May 1!**

(See pages 12 – 15 for candidate bios)

News of other elections:

Jane Sessa, past DCLA director, is a candidate for  
ALA Councilor-at-Large.

ALA online voting is open through April 22.

Call ALA on 1-800-545-2433 (press 5) if you haven't received your electronic or paper ballot.