

2015-2016 ALA Tribute #1\_1816\_act  
2016 ALA Midwinter Meeting

Whereas Barbara Blosveren graduated from Case Western Reserve University (BA, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa) and Southern Connecticut State University (MLS, Beta Phi Mu);

Whereas she has served the Stratford Library Association for the past 33 years including service as Library Director, Assistant Director, Young Adult Department Head, Reference Librarian;

Whereas she has been recognized with the CT Library Association and CT State Library Excellence in Public Service Award, Southern CT State University Department of Information and Library Science Distinguished Alumnus Award, and the American Library Association, Serving the Underserved III: Customer Services for Young Adults Award;

Whereas she created a plan and developed the Young Adult Department at the Stratford Library, including the establishment of the Stratford Library Youth Review Board, (an annual intergenerational reading program for seniors, teens and children), Young Adult Summer Reading Program;

Whereas she pioneered the promotion of young adult services in public libraries by travelling nationally presenting training programs for librarians;

Whereas she has been a member of the American Library Association since 1985 including service on the Human Resource Development and Recruitment Committee; and

Whereas her work in the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) has

