



IN MEMORIAM: GLEN ALAN RUZICKA

August 19, 1949—November 21, 2010

CCAHA lost a colleague, mentor, and friend when Glen Ruzicka, who served first as CCAHA's Chief Conservator from 1988 to 1997 and then as Director of Conservation from 1998 to October 2010, passed away in November of last year due to injuries sustained in an accident at his home.

The conservation community will remember Glen for his countless scholarly contributions to the field. Glen was an astute leader and planner. While at CCAHA, he supervised 23 prestigious *Save America's Treasures* projects; consulted for numerous Philadelphia institutions, including the University of Pennsylvania, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania; and managed all conservation and preservation services for 27 historic sites and museums administered by the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission from 2001 to 2010.

Glen had recently accepted a new position at the National Archives and Records Administration in College Park, MD. At a reception held in Glen's honor as he prepared to leave CCAHA, Executive Director Ingrid Bogel spoke of his personal contributions to the Center: "Glen set the bar high....His unflappability, his strength during adversity, his loyalty, his entrepreneurial spirit, his unwavering dedication to excellence, and his friendship have meant so much to all of us at the Center."

Indeed, all who worked with Glen during his 22 years here knew him as a skillful conservator and patient teacher. His passion, his sense of humor, and his kindness and warmth are greatly missed. Speaking of Glen at a memorial service held at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania on December 7, 2010, Rolf Kat, CCAHA Director of Project Planning and Development and a co-worker of Glen's for 17 years, noted that "he was the best colleague to have and a true friend to so many of us."

In honor of Glen's commitment to education and learning, his family and the Board and staff of CCAHA have established the Glen Alan Ruzicka Legacy Fund to support internships in conservation. Contributions may be made to CCAHA.