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THE EDITOR'S CORNER

It's hard to believe that it is time for the third Newsletter already. Hardly any time seems to pass between issues. There is one fact about the Newsletter production that you may all find interesting. The first issue ran 148 copies. The second ran 176. This issue is projected to run 280. The reason for this sharp increase is due to Mike McReynolds, Jim Milles and I getting our membership lists coordinated and up to date. You will find a membership form in this Newsletter if you have not already sent in additions/changes for the next Directory. Time is short, so please send those changes in so Jim can produce the next Directory in a timely manner.

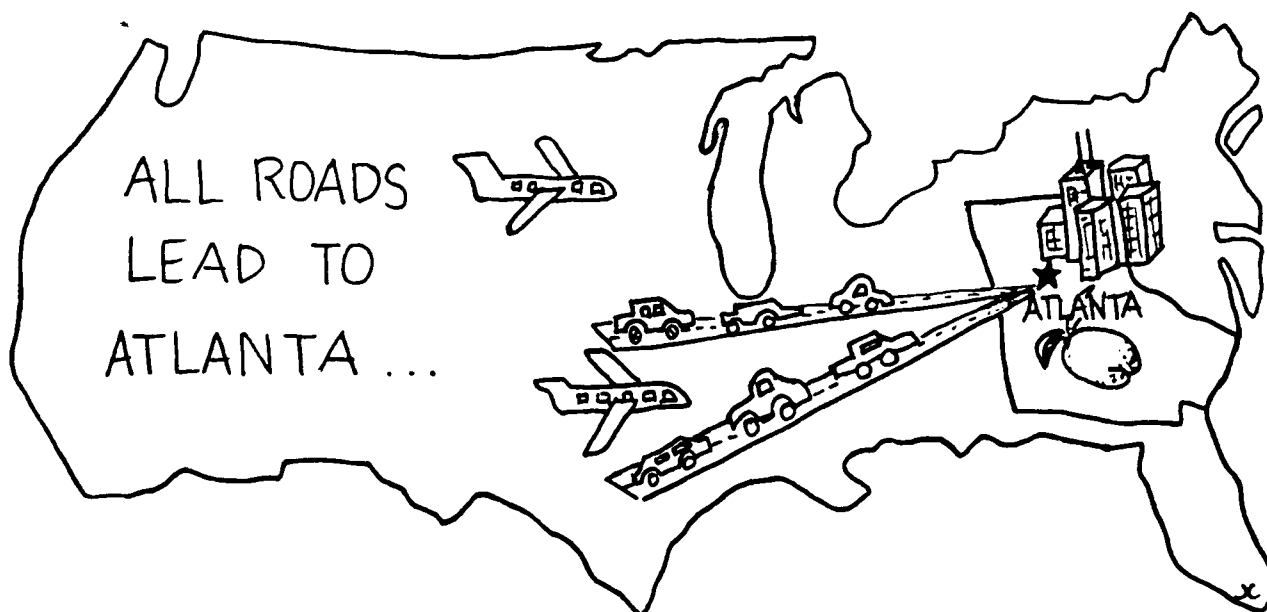
Thanks to all the contributors to this issue. Special thanks as always to the University of Tulsa staff. See you in Atlanta!!

---Katherine J. Tooley

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*****AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS JULY 15!*****



The President's Letter

This will be short since I will have a chance to bring you all up to date in Atlanta.

From what I hear we have not had an overwhelming response to our "Call for Papers" but we will hear more about that from Susan and Elizabeth in June.

The Chapter Presidents have received a report from Margaret Leary, the incoming AALL President, concerning the questions of 1) tax status, 2) incorporation status, and 3) insurance status for the chapters. This report was the result of a study done by Price Waterhouse at the request of AALL Headquarters. The conclusions are:

1) Chapters are probably entitled to tax exempt status and should apply to the IRS as individual chapters. MAALL has sent in the 1024 form to make application.

2) Chapters should incorporate to limit liability. I have asked Eileen Searls to start the process for incorporating the MAALL Chapter. Since the largest number of MAALL members are in Missouri it seems reasonable to incorporate in that state. Eileen has the necessary documents and will oversee this process.

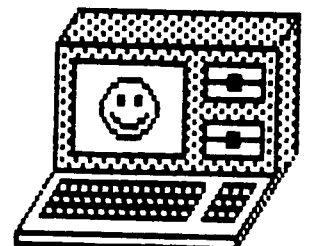
3) Chapters should probably obtain liability insurance. Considering the discussion in the chapter meeting last October I am holding back on this. The essence of the discussion of the members was that the chapter did not have many assets and thus buying insurance would not be worthwhile. Since we meet only twice a year, and meet in public insured places the members did not think additional insurance was

necessary. Incorporating would, however, remove liability from the officers which is most desirable.

I certainly want to encourage MAALL members to attend AALL in Atlanta and thereby take advantage of the crux of our professional association; namely the educational opportunities. By this I mean not only the formal programs but the chance to compare notes, exchange ideas, and generally benefit from the wide and varied experiences of other law librarians. This phase of the Annual Meeting has come to mean a lot to me. I would like to be able to share it with all of you. Especially I would like to meet with you at the MAALL luncheon on Wednesday, June 29.

So ----- See you in Georgia!!

Kathie



BIOGRAPHIES

There will be a new feature in this and future MAALL Newsletters, that of brief biographies of MAALL personalities. The following were compiled by Mary Ann Nelson.

Kathie Belgum

Our current MAALL President received her B.S. from the University of Michigan and her M.A.L.S. from the University of Iowa. She went into Law Librarianship by accident. After receiving her degree she found out that the University of Iowa had a policy that the University Libraries would not hire spouses of tenured faculty. The only autonomous library on campus was the Law Library, which had an open position as acquisitions librarian. She became Associate Librarian in 1975 and Executive Law Librarian in 1985. This is an unique arrangement at Iowa Law School. Associate Dean Bonfield is responsible for the library on a half-time basis (policy and budget) and Kathie runs the library on a daily basis.

Kathie has been very busy at Iowa the last five years. Not only starting a new position but with other things. Iowa has completed a total retrospective conversion of all of their titles during a special 25 month project from 1984-1986. Iowa also has been planning and implementing an integrated automated system. The online catalog is up with acquisitions soon. Kathie also teaches in the Legal Bibliography Course. Lastly, in May 1986 the law school moved into their new building where 60% is occupied by the Law Library.

During her term as MAALL president two new things have been started. One is the call for papers similar to that of AALL. This lets a

member of MAALL present a paper which he/she has written with the intent to publish and then receive feedback before the final article is published. The other thing is the preliminary plans for a joint "regional" meeting to take place in 1989.

PETER C. SCHANCK

Our next MAALL President received his A.B. from Dartmouth college, His M.L.S. from the University of Maryland and his J.D. from Yale Law School. He was admitted to practice law in Connecticut and worked as an attorney for Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company. He entered law librarianship when he was looking for an unusual legal position and found one at the Library of Congress doing legal research and various library tasks on African law. From there he went to the University of Michigan Law Library first as Reference Librarian and then as Chief Reference Librarian. During this time he authored two excellent research guides: Guide to Legal Research in the University of Michigan Law Library, 1976; 2d ed. 1978. In 1978 he went to the University of Detroit School of Law as its Director. Since 1982 Peter has been the Library Director and Professor of Law at the University of Kansas School of Law.

Peter has also been very busy at his Library. Besides teaching in the Law School (Legal Research and Writing, Legislation and Workers' Compensation) he will be having an article coming out this fall in Law Library Journal entitled "An Essay on the Role of Legislative Histories in Statutory Interpretation." The Kansas University Law Library recently established a computer lab for law students and developed their own automated acquisitions and serials systems.

During his term as MAALL President he wants to see the fruition of the regional law library meeting in 1989. He would also like to encourage greater participation by all members at our meetings and on MAALL committees.

BOOK REVIEW

Another new feature that will appear periodically (as I get volunteers!) will be a book review of current or general interest.

Almost a Book Review
by Sue Sark

A few weeks ago Katherine asked me if I would do a book review for the newsletter. I told her to remind me later when it was due. I had just ordered a book that I thought would be a good one for this purpose; called AIDS in the Third World, Panoe Institute in Association with the Norwegian Red Cross, London, 1987. (I know we've all heard enough about AIDS lately, but this book seemed a little different from the run of the mill.)

Well, the time came for the review to be ready--May 15--

(along with semi-annual staff reviews and the University Year End Report!). However, I was all prepared to do what I'd said I would do when---now you know libraries---the book had disappeared from the shelf. Well, it's the thought that counts. (?)

[August book review will be by Melanie Nelson. Any volunteers for the October Newsletter??]

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Preview of Fall MAALL Meeting

On October 20 at the MAALL Conference a tour and "snacks" are scheduled for the following.

Presidential mementos head for Iowa by William Ryberg of the Register's Davenport Bureau

Thomas Jefferson's monogrammed stockings are coming to Iowa.

So are Theodore Roosevelt's branding iron and Calvin Coolidge's electric horse.

"It comes complete with saddle and spurs. It's amazing," said Richard Norton Smith, director of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum in West Branch.

The horse, iron, stockings and other items are part of a planned special exhibit featuring personal possessions of each of the 39 men who've been president of the United States.

"It's the biggest exhibit that's ever been done here, 1,500 square feet," Smith said. "We've already knocked a wall out to make room for all of this stuff."

Entitled "39 Men: Memories and mementos," the exhibit is scheduled to open April 23 and run through Oct. 30, 1989. The exhibit is the centerpiece of the museum's year-long observance of the presidential bicentennial.

George Washington was elected the nation's first president in 1788 and was inaugurated in 1789. Some of his books will be in the display, too.

Most of the items never have been on display in the Midwest and some never have been displayed in public, Smith said.

"It's sort of become an enormous scavenger hunt," Smith said.

Smith, who became director of the Hoover Museum in November, has done much of the hunting himself.

"Basically, I've spent more of my time the past three months begging on the telephone than doing anything else. You'd be surprised what you can come up with," Smith said.

Coolidge's electric horse, about the size of a pony, may be the most unusual. "He kept it in his bedroom at the White House. It has two speeds, trot and gallop," Smith said.

Coolidge, who was allergic to horses, used it for exercise. "Will Rogers found out about it and ridiculed the president on radio," Smith said.

Other mementos expected from across the country include: A John Kennedy rocking chair, a football helmet worn by Gerald Ford, a set of Dwight Eisenhower's golf clubs, a cape worn by Franklin Roosevelt at the Yalta conference, a lock of James Madison's hair, a shawl worn by Abraham Lincoln, a saddle used by Ulysses Grant, surgical instruments used on William McKinley after he was shot, the pillow that lay under James Garfield when he died, a college windowsill in which Chester Arthur carved his initials as a student, Jimmy Carter's naval uniform, and an array of White House china.

Smith said fishing rods and other items may be the Hoover contribution to the display. Talks still are being held about what President Reagan might send.

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"OF NOTE" and Membership News

ARKANSAS

The University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law/Pulaski County Law Library will sponsor a one-day seminar on legal research for paralegals and legal secretaries on June 17, 1988. Lynn Foster, Law Library Director, and Kathryn Fitzhugh, Reference Librarian, will conduct the seminar.

The following law libraries have telefax machines as of 5/4/88: Arkansas Supreme Court Library, telefax phone number (501) 682-6877; University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law/Pulaski County Law Library, telefax phone number (501) 371-0167.

OKLAHOMA

Judy Morgan of Oklahoma City University Law Library reports that Herb Cihak has departed for the University of Mississippi Law Library to take the position of Head of Public Services. She also reports that OCU now has a fiche to fiche duplicator in use.

Kathy Kane of the University of Tulsa Law Library attended the first Inter-Agency Depository Seminar held in Washington, D.C. April 18-22, 1988. She will be reporting on the conference in the August Newsletter.

Melanie Nelson and Katherine Tooley of the University of Tulsa Law Library attended the AMIGOS Spring Pre-Conference and Technical Session held in Dallas, TX, May 11-13, 1988.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Robert S. and Grayce B. Kerr Foundation presents \$130,000 gift to OU Law Center Library.

To benefit the libraries of the

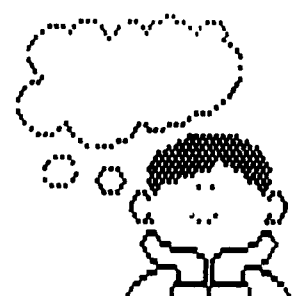
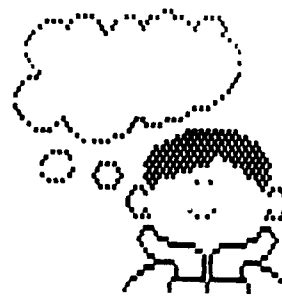
University of Oklahoma Law Center and Health Sciences Center, the Robert S. and Grayce B. Kerr Foundation has presented a \$130,000 gift to OU.

The gift is seed money to fund a prototype compact disc-read only memory catalog for the libraries. The optical catalog of the two collections will be available to public, academic, county law and medical and health libraries.

"The project is unique because the card catalog records of the libraries will be enhanced by adding the tables of contents of the titles," said Mickie A. Voges, OU Law Library Director who originated the project. Voges, also Associate Professor of Law, will coordinate the project along with Marty Thompson, Director of the OU Health Sciences Center Library.

The prototype discs, which will be available in April, are being developed with the assistance of TMS Inc. of Stillwater.

Additional sources of funding are being sought for the project's completion, which is expected to take two years.



NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

The Colorado Bar Association Law and Technology Committee has been working with the Committee on Legal Services of the Colorado Association of Law Libraries to set up a state-wide data base for Colorado materials. Vendors being considered include Mead Data, West, and local companies. Possible items for the data base: state statutes, county, and city ordinances and regulations, state and local agency materials; court dockets; electronic mail or Fax; filing court papers online. (COALL, Vol. 12, No. 2, March 1988)

Michael Hughes, Assistant Librarian for Public Services at the University of Bridgeport School of Law Library, writes of the ups and downs of LEXIS and WESTLAW Temporary Learning Centers in the March issue of Law Librarians of New England News. The dilemma of whether or not to train first-years on these systems early in the year was solved by making the training individual levels of research skill. Each TLC was about four weeks long, LEXIS in fall and WESTLAW in spring, with two weeks of training sessions and the remaining time for practice. Hughes feels that set-up and breakdown would be much less time-consuming and less costly if the companies would leave equipment and lines in place year round even if a permanent training center is not planned. (Law Librarians of New England News, Vol. 9, No. 1, March 1988)

The Western Pacific chapter of AALL is planning for its annual meeting November 2-5 on Lake Coeur d'Alene in northern Idaho. The chapter hopes to have Jim Hambleton, Law Librarian at Haynes and Boone in Dallas, as its pre-conference

workshop speaker. Those who attended the MAALL annual meeting last fall can attest to his expertise in law library automation. A program on western legal history is also planned, including discussions of how women, Hispanics, and Native Americans influenced the development of western law; the effect of natural resources on western law; criminal justice in the old West; and law in company towns, among other topics.

(WESTPAC News, Vol. XII, No. 3, March 1988)

The theme of the March/April issue of Law Library Lights (Law Librarians' Society of Washington, D.C.) is "Microcomputer Software Applications: 1988" Robert Oaks of O'Melveny and Myers outlines procedures and pros and cons of downloading from WESTLAW, LEXIS, and non-legal databases. Richard Shrout of the Department of Justice offers an introduction to electronic bulletin boards. Jeff Bosh and Sabrina Pacifici of Sidley and Austin describe how their library uses the Bib-Base Acquisitions database management software. Articles on Asksam were contributed by Virginia A. McNitt of Finnegan, Henderson (cataloging) and John Harbison of Kutak, Rock and Campbell (ILL). (Law Library Lights, Vol. 31, No. 4, March/April 1988)

The Law Librarians' Society of Washington, D.C. announces the publication of the 1987 edition of COUNSEL: Consolidated Union Serials List. The publication reports holdings for legal and non-legal periodical titles. The list represents 150 LLSDC member libraries, and contains over 5900 serial titles. It was created on OCLC and is updated through its Union List system. OCLC/CONSER bibliographic records with ISSN and

OCCLC access information are used. It is a volume of 925 pages bound in perfect binding. The purchase price is \$270.00 for non-participating libraries. To order, please send a check payable to the Law Librarians' Society of Washington, D.C., Publications Committee, P.O. Box 33112, Washington, D.C. 20033.



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Any law library that has a position open should contact the Placement Chair. Anyone interested in law library positions is invited to register with Placement. Job notices will be sent to registrants as soon as they are received by the Placement Chair. Contact Needra Jackson, MAALL Placement Chair, University of Missouri-Columbia, MO 65211; phone (314) 882-9675; telefax: (314) 882-9676; ABA/Net 15735.

ARIZONA

Reference Librarian. Requirements: JD and three years of library reference experience. MLS may be substituted for two years of experience. Duties: Provides in-person and telephone reference service to the legal community and general public; performs on-line searches and offers WESTLAW training; coordinates bibliography preparation; participates in collection development; assists with public relations activities; and supervises circulation staff. To apply, send resumes to Elizabeth Schneider, Director, Maricopa County Law Library 101 West Jefferson-2d Floor, Phoenix, Arizona 85003. Applications should be received by Friday, May 27th.

ARKANSAS

The National Center for Agriculture Law Research and Information (NCALRI) at the University of Arkansas School of Law is soliciting applications for the position of Librarian. The librarian will assist in acquisitions and in the establishment of bibliographic services and will assist research staff in their functions. Demonstrated expertise in legal research and prior law library experience is necessary. An understanding of computer training and familiarity with online databases are desired. Adjunct appointment to the Law Library faculty as an Assistant or Associate Professor is contemplated. Review of applications for the federally funded non-tenure track position will commence on May 1, 1988. Applications should be sent to: J.W. Looney, Dean, University of Arkansas School of Law, Leflar Law Center, Fayetteville, AR 72701.

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commensurate with qualifications and experience. Send cover letter, resume and salary requirements to: Staff Recruiter, Shook, Hardy & Bacon, 1200 Main, 31st Floor, Kansas City, MO 64105.

Librarian/Law Clerk needed for federal court library in Omaha. Library is a branch of the U.S. Court of Appeals (8th Circuit) headquartered in St. Louis, MO., and serves all federal judges in Nebraska. Duties will include reference, Westlaw, Lexis, collection development, clerical maintenance of library. Librarian will also do legal research and writing for local judges, including some case assignments as law clerk for circuit judge. Requirements: J.D., law library experience. Must be able to work with minimal supervision. Preferred: M.L.S. or some library science coursework. Position available: October 1, 1988. Starting salary: \$22,907-27,716. Send resume to Ann T. Fessenden, Circuit Librarian, U.S. Court of Appeals Library, 1114 Market Street, Room 503, St. Louis, MO 63101.

OHIO

HEAD OF TECHNICAL SERVICES. Requirements: MLS, 4-5 years experience in technical services unit of large law or academic library, with evidence of strong background in cataloging, automation, serials and acquisitions. J.D. degree, automation experience, and or a background in government documents desirable. Working knowledge of OCLC, AACRII, current cataloging and acquisitions procedures. Duties: Implement full automation of technical services department, supervise staff in all aspects of the department, participate in Reference Desk coverage as needed. Position reports to the Director of the Law Library. Available: Immediately. Apply with letter of application and resume to Kathy Carrick, Director, CWRU Law Library, 11075 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44106.

OKLAHOMA

HEAD OF PUBLIC SERVICES. Responsibilities: Provide reference assistance to students, faculty and the local bar. Additional duties include supervising circulation and general stack maintenance; assists in training student workers. Also assists in book selection and collection development. Evening and weekend hours may be required. Qualifications: J.D. and M.L.S. from accredited institutions. Law library experience preferred. Strong research skills, communication, interpersonal and organizational skills are essential. Salary and benefits: \$25,000 (12 month contract), 20 days annual leave plus University holidays, TIAA/cref Pension Plan, Medical and dental plan. Available: April 1, 1988. Contact: Send letter, resume, copies of transcripts, and names of three references by June 1, 1988 to: Personnel Office, Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma City, OK 73106. Preliminary interviews may be conducted at the AALL annual meeting in Atlanta, June 26-29, 1988. Oklahoma City University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Employment eligibility verification required upon hire.

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P R O G R A M A N D L U N C H E O N
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An exciting morning is planned for the Private Law Libraries/Special Interest Section business meeting and program in Atlanta on Sunday, June 26, beginning at 9 am. Coffee and danish will be available for early birds at 8:30 am. A business meeting preceeds our program, "New Roles for the Law Firm Librarian: Moving Up and Moving On". Being "THE LIBRARIAN" doesn't mean that you have reached the end of your career in a law firm library. Several speakers will share their experiences of doing non-library-related work within law firm settings.

Griffin B. Bell of King and Spaulding, former U.S. Attorney General and former U.S. Judge for the Fifth Circuit, will be the luncheon speaker. Be sure to get your reservations in early for this special event!

Federal Document Retrieval is supporting PLL/SIS again this year by contributing towards the expenses of our luncheon. We thank them for their continued support of our group.

We encourage all private law firm librarians, whether you are members of PLL or not, to attend our session on Sunday. We look forward to seeing you in Atlanta!

PLL/SIS Business Meeting & Program
Sunday, June 26, 9 am-11:30 am

To help us gauge the size room we need, please indicate whether you plan to come to the business meeting and program.

_____ I do plan to come. _____ I do not plan to come.

PLL/SIS Luncheon Registration
Sunday, June 26, Noon-2 pm

DEADLINE: June 1, 1988

Luncheon features a trio of tasty salads: crab; chicken; and ham vinaigrette. A carousel of fresh fruit, croissants, and waldorf salad, plus soup du jour and a special dessert complete the menu.

YES, I will attend the luncheon. I prefer: _____ Salad Trio _____ Vegetarian
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Meeting in Atlanta

It is not too early to start thinking about the meeting in Atlanta. This April Newsletter will get to you while you are in the midst of planning your activities at AALL and we certainly want you to include MAALL in that planning.

The MAALL Chapter will have a get-together on Wednesday noon for lunch. You will find a form below for you to send in your reservation and your check for the food. Prices are **very** high in Atlanta and we are doing our best to keep things reasonable. The Executive Board has agreed to underwrite part of the cost of the luncheon.

But most important is the fellowship and the chance to meet old and new friends. Encourage any former MAALL members to attend too if they wish.

We will keep the program short - but if anyone has something of need to discuss please let your President know about it before the meeting. Watch the hotel boards for the place of the luncheon. See you there!.

MAALL Luncheon in Atlanta. Wednesday, June 29, 1988 Cost \$ 10.86

Please send reservation and check to: Kathie Belgum
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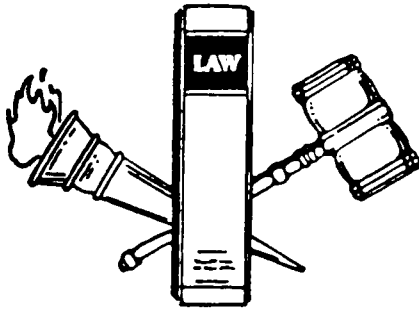
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THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Summer sure is rushing by! I can hardly believe that it's time for the August Newsletter already. Did everyone have fun in Atlanta?? The AALL meeting is certainly fun filled and educational at the same time. Here's a bit of trivia that I left out of my Newsletter report at the MAALL Luncheon: the average cost per issue to date is 53 cents. There's a lot of important information in this issue, so read carefully and take notice!

Please read the ^{Appendix}~~color~~ sheets--they contain all the pertinent information regarding the Fall MAALL Meeting!!

--- Katherine J. Tooley

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Now that we are all back from a wonderful AALL meeting in Atlanta and duly inspired, it is time to put our good intentions into practice. Our chapter had a fun and informative luncheon meeting on Wednesday, the 29th. There were 56 enthusiastic members who showed up for the lunch -- 10 more than had made reservations prior to arrival in Atlanta. However with the extreme goodwill and efficiency of the Marriott Marquis, everyone was fed. Some members told me that the MAALL lunch was better than the Opening lunch on Monday. I'll let you be the judge of that. Elsewhere in this Newsletter the minutes of the short business meeting are published.

We made history in Atlanta by formally signing the papers for incorporation of our chapter. The AALL had strongly suggested that chapters incorporate so as to avoid liability of their officers. Since MAALL had never taken the legal step I asked Eileen Searls to do what was necessary to accomplish this. She had the papers drawn up, brought them to the meeting and the Notary at the hotel witnessed the historic event.

At this meeting our new Treasurer, Peggy McDermott, took over her duties replacing Mike McReynolds. We appreciate Mike's hard work these past ten months. He managed to get the accounts into good shape, gave a final report of the Kansas City meeting, and an accounting of our financial situation as of December 31, 1987. That was

the end of our fiscal year. A copy of that report is elsewhere in the Newsletter. Peggy's reputation precedes her and thus we know she will do a marvelous job of bookkeeping for MAALL.

There was considerable discussion about "membership" at the AALL meeting in Atlanta. My concern with all of this is that we keep our perspective and not get bogged down with sundry details of "how" to join one's professional association - but that we DO join. This holds for both AALL and MAALL. There are many reasons for joining - but I will state just two:

- 1) Education -brain-picking, information gathering, experience-sharing, or just becoming inspired is the stated goal of our organizations. The reality of this is most evident when attending a meeting such as we had in Atlanta, or the one MAALL had in Kansas City last October OR the upcoming meeting planned for Iowa City in 1988. It is almost impossible to come away without having learned something, from someone, about law librarianship.

- 2) Professional responsibility - reaping the benefits of AALL and MAALL is clearly personally useful; however, contributing to the organizations on an individual basis is necessary for the greater good of the profession - of law librarianship. One of the richest sources of our program material for both AALL and MAALL is our own membership. Your knowledge, your experience, your enthusiasm is necessary to the

welfare of the profession.

The Association is working on incentives for gaining new members. I would like to challenge our MAALL members to be missionaries for the profession. Between now and October I would ask each of you to bring one new member into MAALL or AALL. Let's help our co-workers to realize their potential and to contribute to the profession at the same time.

---Kathie Belgum

GRANTS

Persons who attend the AALL Annual Meeting are most aware of the fact that numerous grants are awarded to assist newer members' attendance at the meeting. In reading the newsletters from other chapters it is noted that some of them also use this method to increase interest in Law Librarianship.

As you read the financial report of MAALL in this Newsletter it is obvious that this chapter is strong enough at present to take on another project. The Executive Board met after the luncheon in Atlanta and briefly discussed the possibility of offering a grant to a new member of MAALL to help defray costs for the MAALL Annual meeting.

I would like you to think about this and be ready to vote on this issue at the meeting in Iowa City. It is too late for this year since we would need to appoint a "grants committee", allow time for applications; however we could

begin this with next years meeting in Chicago.

Please feel free to make suggestions concerning this and if you would like to serve on the Grants Committee drop Kathie Belgum a line (or an ABA/Net message).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

According to the MAALL By-laws, the Nominating Committee reports to the President names of the candidates for office "forty-five days prior to each even year annual meeting ... The list of candidates shall be circulated to the membership at least thirty days prior to the even year meeting."

The list was read for the October 1988 meeting at the Atlanta luncheon meeting. The slate of officers reported is:

Vice-President/President elect:
Sally Wise
Treasurer: Peggy McDermott
Secretary: Laurel Wendt

Article IV Section 2 states: "Additional nominations may be made by any member by communicating in writing such nomination to the President, or by presenting such nomination from the floor."

The election of officers will take place during the business meeting in Iowa City on Friday, October 21, 1988.

CALL FOR PAPERS WINNER!

David Ensign was the winner of the MAALL 1988 Call for Papers competition. His paper was titled: "Copyright

Considerations for Telefacsimile Transmission." His paper will be presented at the MAALL annual meeting in Iowa City this fall. Congratulations David!!!

THE SUPREME COURT: HOW IT WAS, HOW IT IS by William H. Rehnquist

Justice Rehnquist's small book on the Supreme Court was written, according to his preface, to fill the gap between textbook treatment of the Court and comprehensive historical works on the Court. It is non-scholarly and was pointedly composed to appeal to the interests of the non-lawyer.

The text of the book was derived from speeches Justice Rehnquist made in law schools around the country. It therefore reads in a folksy style appropriate to oral communications. Basing the text on speeches results in irritating repetition of certain experiences and frustrating time shifts when the speeches are pieced together as chapters. Until I read the preface, I was not happy with the way this book was reading.

The most interesting portions of the book are those in which Justice Rehnquist relates his personal experiences as a clerk and the personal recollections he has of other Justices. Justice Rehnquist tells of his involvement in two cases which were appealed to the Supreme Court without first being appealed to the Court of Appeals. Both cases were of overriding national interest

and were decided in this unorthodox manner. In the first case, the Steel Seizure case, Rehnquist was a clerk and was present for the oral arguments; in the second case, the Nixon tape case, Rehnquist was a Justice and had to excuse himself from the arguments. Justice Rehnquist's descriptions of the Justices on the Court he joined as a clerk were especially interesting to me. Another interesting discussion involved the influence public opinion has on a judge.

Justice Rehnquist sets in historical context some of the more famous Supreme Court opinions such as Marbury v. Madison, the Dred Scott decision and the Steel Seizure case. He limits his discussion of constitutional doctrine to those cases decided prior to 1953 so that he doesn't reflect on any case in which a present Justice took part. He does include some of the nuts and bolts type information on how the Court decides which cases it will hear and how it hears them.

Overall this book was not what I expected it to be and therefore, it disappointed me. The book is no key to understanding the present Court's philosophy, it has no juicy gossip about other present Justices, in fact no information about them at all. Its purpose seems to be to relate a barebones understanding of the history and operation of the Supreme Court that can be read and easily understood by the average public library patron.

----Melanie Nelson
University of Tulsa Law Library

MAALL TREASURY REPORT - 1987

Balance Forward January 1, 1987 \$3,970.40

INCOME

Refund/Local Arrangements 1986	\$3,292.79
Membership Dues	1,070.00
1987 Meeting Receipts through 12/31/87	10,917.50
MDC Reimbursement 3/19/87	122.34
Newsletter Advertising	692.50
Interest accrued	<u>453.39</u>
Income subtotal	\$16,548.52
Account Correction	<u>\$1.50</u>
Income Total:	\$16,550.02

EXPENDITURES

Newsletter	\$292.99
1987 Meeting through 12/31/87	\$9,487.67
Staff Exchange Grant	100.00
Chicago Lunch	434.00
Directory Printing Expense	395.00
Membership Committee Mailing	<u>172.70</u>
Expenditures Total:	\$10,882.36

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT

Balance Forward:	\$3,970.40
Income Total:	<u>\$16,550.02</u>
	\$20,520.42
Expenditures Total:	<u>-\$10,882.36</u>
Year End Balance 12/31/87:	\$9,638.06

MAALL BUSINESS MEETING
ATLANTA MARRIOTT MARQUIS
ATLANTA AALL CONVENTION
JUNE 29, 1988

The meeting convened at 12:35 p.m., President Kathie Belgum presiding.

Kathie Belgum welcomed new members Trish Cervenka, James Duggan, Pat Harris, Sharon Hill, Greg McNown, Angie Seacrest, and Tonya Witmer.

Eileen Searls reported that the Executive Board had decided to incorporate MAALL as a Missouri corporation, since the requirements in Missouri are simple and inexpensive. The Board did not find it necessary to buy insurance for the chapter at this time.

Former Treasurer Mike McReynolds unfortunately was unable to continue in that office; Peggy McDermott has volunteered to take over the position. Peggy delivered the Treasurer's report. The chapter's finances are quite healthy. MAALL's receipts for the October 1987 meeting were \$10,865.00 and its disbursements were \$10,299.67, leaving a credit balance of \$565.33. MAALL's year end balance as of 12/31/87 was \$9,638.06. The tax exemption forms filed by Mike McReynolds were returned; Peggy will file new forms.

Secretary James Milles reported that the new Directory is ready to be mailed out. Once again, a form for additions and corrections appears in the Directory; a list of corrections will appear in the next MAALL Newsletter.

Sue Emde, Local Arrangements Chair for the 1988 meeting, reported that arrangements are mostly complete. The major attraction of the Iowa City meeting will be a reception at the Hoover Presidential Library. Peter Schanck, Program Chair, briefly outlined the topics for the meeting -- "Management, Automation, Acquisitions and Law."

Newsletter Editor Katherine Tooley has 280 names on her mailing list. She invited the members to send in any newsy tidbits, in any format they like.

Mid-American Law School Library Consortium Chair John Edwards is working on grant proposals to fund purchases of the Intelligent Catalog workstations and fiche-to-fiche duplicators. Anyone desiring a copy of the current Union List of Serials should contact John Christensen. John Edwards also encouraged members to take advantage of the Staff Exchange program.

Laurel Wendt is continuing work on the Chapter Manual, which is intended to give guidance on the duties "normally pertaining" to chapter offices.

Kathie Belgum has received AALL's model bylaws; our bylaws need a few changes to be brought into conformity. A fuller report will follow in the Newsletter.

Peter Schanck reported that six chapters (MAALL, MALL, WALL, MichAll, ORALL, and CALL) have agreed to participate in a joint meeting in Chicago in September 1989. Three or four hotels are being considered. Hotel rates are high, but air fares are low. Program Co-chairs John Edwards and Lori Hunt are working on the meeting's theme, "Navigating the Nineties: Resource Strategy."

Elizabeth Matthews announced that David Ensign is the winner of the first annual Call for Papers. His topic: "Copyright Considerations for Telefacsimile Transmission." He will present his paper for comments and suggestions at the 1988 meeting.

D.A. Divilbiss of the Nominations Committee announced that acting Treasurer Peggy McDermott has been nominated for Treasurer, and Laurel Wendt has been nominated for Secretary. Sally Wise has been nominated for Vice-President/President Elect.

There was some general discussion of a location for the 1990 meeting. Sandra Keller noted that SEALL is holding their annual meeting on a cruise ship to the Bahamas. Other suggestions are welcome.

President Kathie Belgum adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

James Milles, Secretary

MID-AMERICA LAW SCHOOL LIBRARIES CONSORTIUM

The officers of the Consortium for the 1988-90 period are:

Chairperson.....Frank Houdek
Vice-Chairperson.....Lynn Foster
Secretary.....Sally Wise
Treasurer.....John Christensen

Tentative Committee Assignments [June 25, 1988]

Automation Committee

Mickie Voges, Chairperson
Rick Ducey

Cooperative Acquisitions Committee

Susan Csaky, Chairperson
Pat Harris

Grants Committee

John Christensen,
Chairperson
Peter Schanck

Interlibrary Cooperation Committee

Sally Wise, Chairperson
Judy Morgan
Robert Kelly

Long-Range Planning Committee

Lynn Foster, Chairperson
John Edwards

Statistics Committee

Eileen Searls, Chairperson

Program Committee

Kathie Belgum, Chairperson
Susan Csaky

PROPOSED CHANGES TO MAALL
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

SUBMITTED BY LAUREL WENDT

In November of 1987, AALL made some revisions to its model chapter bylaws, (which term also includes what this chapter calls its Constitution). This necessitates some changes in our chapter constitution and bylaws to make them conform with AALL requirements. Certain other changes are advisable as well. These are set forth below.

No deletions to our existing documents are necessary. Underlining identifies suggested new material, often simply a new section. Where an existing provision needs expansion or revision, the current wording is set out in regular type. Material that is otherwise unaffected is not reproduced here. Explanations for the suggested changes are given in the paragraphs in parentheses.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. NAME.

The name of this organization shall be: MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES, a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries. (This is a recommended provision, intended to clarify the relationship between the two organizations.)

ARTICLE II. OBJECTS.

The Association is established for educational and scientific purposes. It shall be conducted

as a non-profit organization for:

- a. promoting law librarianship; and
- b. developing and increasing the usefulness of law libraries.

This chapter shall not engage in any activity that is in conflict with the object of the American Association of Law Libraries. (No other change seems necessary to the chapter's existing documents. The main concern in the model bylaws is protecting tax-exempt status for the chapter and the Association. The new provision is based upon the AALL Bylaws Article 8, section (a), dealing with the establishment of chapters of AALL.)

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP.

Any person interested in or engaged in law library work is eligible for membership by complying with the relevant By-Law provisions. Neither membership nor full participation in the activities of this chapter shall be denied to any person on account of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability. (No other change seems necessary. Our membership provisions are more liberal than those of the Association, particularly in our lack of any quantitative measure of involvement with a law library, but this is acceptable under the Association document. There is a complication with regard to the office of chapter president, however, which is addressed in MAALL Bylaws Article II).

(We do not have a specific category for either retired or student members as suggested in the model bylaws, but they would qualify for associate membership as persons "interested in" law librarianship under our existing constitution Article III and bylaws Article I, section 3, and our dues are low quite low. Should our dues ever be raised substantially, a retired or student member provision with reduced dues might be appropriate at that time.)

(The anti-discrimination provision is a separate article in the model bylaws, but seems to fit well here.)

ARTICLE V. AMENDMENTS.

Section 3. The constitution and bylaws of this chapter shall be consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the American Association of Law Libraries. In case of any conflict, the AALL provisions shall control.

Section 4. All adopted amendments shall be submitted to the AALL committee on constitution and bylaws for review, as required by its Bylaws Article 8, section (a).

Section 5. All adopted amendments shall take effect upon publication in the MAALL newsletter that they have been approved by AALL.

(The review process is required by the Association's bylaws for chapters. There is no recommended effective date provision, but it seems wise to

include one to avoid any problems that may arise. The newsletter is the best way to inform the membership of both the adoption of an amendment and its approval by the Association. Presumably unapproved amendments are ineffectual.)

(No changes appear needed in sections 1 or 2, which deal with notice to the membership of proposed amendments and with voting on amendments.)

ARTICLE VI. BY-LAWS.

Any By-Law may be adopted, repealed, amended or suspended by a majority vote of those present and voting at any business meeting of the Association. All changes to the by-laws shall be governed by the provisions of Article V, Sections, 3, 4, 5 of this Constitution. (Again, the compliance and review provisions are required by AALL bylaws regarding chapters while the effective date provision is optional.)

ARTICLES VII, MEETINGS AND VIII, EFFECT do not need any revision.

ARTICLE IX. PROTECTION OF TAX EXEMPT STATUS.

Section 1. No action shall be taken by this association which shall jeopardize its status as a tax-exempt organization or as a recognized recipient of federal tax deductible contributions.

Section 2. On the discontinuance of this association for any reason, its

assets shall be used to pay its liabilities and the remainder, if any, disposed of by the Executive Board in accordance with the then current federal laws regarding such organizations.

(According to the model bylaws, the IRS requires certain restrictions on the use of funds of a nonprofit association and a provision directing where the assets of the association shall go should the association disband. The provisions suggested above are not as detailed as those in the model by-laws, but they do invoke the appropriate laws while retaining simplicity and flexibility.)

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP.

Section 4. Rights and privileges.

The right to hold office shall be restricted to active individual and institutionally designated members. The right to hold the office of president or vice-president/president-elect is further restricted to individual or designated institutional members in good standing of AALL. Rights of voting shall be restricted to active individual and institutionally designated members.

(The new provision for eligibility for the presidency of the chapter is a requirement of AALL's bylaws for chapters. It is more stringent than our bylaws had been. The model bylaws recommend that all

officers would meet the AALL membership requirement, but it is not required that they do so.)

(While Article II of the bylaws is entitled Officers and Committees, it deals with duties and vacancies in office rather than eligibility for office. Thus, the article and section on rights of membership seems a more appropriate location for this provision.)

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. Officers.

c. In the event of vacancy in the office of Vice-President/President-elect other than assumption of the Presidency as provided in Section b, above, or of secretary or treasurer, the President shall appoint, with ratification by the Executive Board, a successor to serve until the next regular election for that office.

(We have no provision for filling vacancies other than that of President and the resulting vacancy in Vice-President. The ratification by the executive board provision can be omitted if desired.)

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS.

(No revisions necessary)

ARTICLE IV. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1. Nominating Committee.

The President shall appoint a nominating committee who shall submit the names of a candidate or candidates who have agreed to be nominated for each of the following offices to the President at least forty-five days prior to each even year annual meeting: President; Vice-President/President-Elect; Secretary; Treasurer. The list of candidates shall be circulated to the membership at least thirty days prior to the even year annual meeting.

(This new provision merely makes it explicit that the candidate be willing to accept nomination.)

Section 2. Additional nominations.

Additional nominations of candidates who have agreed to be nominated may be made by any member by communicating in writing such nomination to the President, or by presenting such nomination from the floor.

(This new provision again merely makes it explicit that the nominee agrees to be nominated.)

Section 4. Tie votes.

In the event of a tie vote, the chair of the nominations committee shall draw at random one ballot from those cast at the meeting, and shall use the vote recorded for the office in question on that ballot to break the tie. Should that ballot not break the tie (for example, there was an abstention on that office), the process shall be repeated.

(At present, we have no provisions for breaking a tie vote. The model by-laws recommend that it be "by lot" conducted by the nominating committee, with no other suggestions offered. The toss of coin could be used instead of drawing a ballot, if we preferred that method.

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1988 MAALL DUES RENEWAL

It's that time of year again, time to pay your MAALL dues!! Dues are figured according to the following schedule extracted from the MAALL By-Laws, Section 5:

- a. The annual dues for individual membership and associate membership shall be \$10.00
- b. The institutional membership dues shall be at a minimum rate of \$20.00, entitling one (1) member; additional designated members will be at a rate of \$10.00, with no Library to pay annual dues in excess of \$100.00.
- c. The year for dues shall begin in January 1, and the fiscal year shall begin on January 1.

Please complete and mail this form along with your check to Peggy McDermott, MAALL Treasurer. ONE FORM PER MEMBER PLEASE! Each Institutional Member needs to fill out a form so that the Membership Directory and Newsletter mailings will be accurate.

1988 MAALL DUES RENEWAL FORM

NAME _____

INSTITUTION _____

ADDRESS _____

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER: YES _____ NO _____

PERSONAL MEMBER: YES _____ NO _____

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INTERAGENCY DEPOSITORY SEMINAR

APRIL 18-22, 1988

The first Interagency Depository Seminar sponsored by GPO and participating government agencies was held in Washington D.C., April 18-22, 1988. Approximately 75 librarians from academic, academic law, court, government agency, and public libraries were in attendance.

The schedule included: (1) a one day intellectual property workshop presented by staff from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the Copyright Office which covered an introduction to patent, trademarks, and copyright publications (2) a one day Census Bureau workshop presented by the Bureau of Census staff (3) a one day NTIS User's Conference presented by the NTIS staff (4) a half day workshop on federal documents in the Library of Congress, the Congressional Research Service (including a tour of the area), a tour of the Documents Expediting Project, and a half day presentation on the Federal Register and how to use it (5) the last day of the seminar included a tour of the Library Programs Services, presentations by its staff and a question and answer session, and a discussion of inspections and depository responsibilities. The seminar concluded with a panel discussion presented by representatives of sponsoring agencies addressing the seminar's theme "Serving Your Community's Government Information Needs." Meetings for the seminar were held in Hasse Hall in the Government Printing Office and in the Madison Building of the Library of Congress.

The seminar provided an excellent opportunity for depository librarians to gain a better understanding of how the Library Programs Services functions; to become more familiar with the responsibilities of depository libraries; to gain an introduction to certain specialized materials such as the patent publications, census materials, etc.; to make contacts with staff from LPS and other participating agencies; and to exchange information with other documents librarians from across the country.

The seminar was attended by Kathy Kane, Public Services Law Librarian, University of Tulsa Law Library.

OF NOTE/MEMBERSHIP NEWS

ARKANSAS

George Skinner announces the following: On May 31, 1988, the National Center for Agricultural Law Research and Information (NCALRI) was dedicated at the University of Arkansas School of Law in Fayetteville. The Center will function as an independent arm of the National Agricultural Library and will provide research, bibliographic and clearinghouse services on a national level. The funding is provided by a grant approved by Congress. At the present time all materials will be housed with the agricultural law collection in the law school library. Applications are currently being accepted for a librarian to assist in acquisitions, the arrangement of materials and assist in reference.

Lynn Foster has written a bibliography on 'Arkansas state documents for the AALL Government Documents SIS. Titled Arkansas Legal Bibliography: Documents and Selected Commercial Titles it will be published in the AALL Occasional Papers Series and will cost \$10.00.

IOWA

Last August the University of Iowa Law Library brought up the OPAC with all records except U.S. Government Documents in the database. This was "pilot" for the University system. Now the entire University catalog beginning with records from 1980 and including some

retrospectively converted titles are now on the database. The Law Library is a current "pilot" for the dial-up access to this database. hopefully by fall the dial-up number can be released to all of you in MAALL so you can have access to our collection.

The State Law Library in Iowa has recently needed to clear some stacks due to space constraints. Fortunately the University of Iowa Law Library has been the beneficiary of this move. In June approximately 2000 volumes were moved via University cargo van and Law Library staff from Des Moines to Iowa City. These were mostly early publications from foreign jurisdictions - a nice addition to the University collection and a saving grace for the titles.

KANSAS

Mike McReynolds joined the staff of the University of Kansas School of Law Library on May 31, 1988 as the Cataloging Assistant. Mike comes to them from Shook, Hardy and Bacon in Kansas City, Missouri.

Sarah Hibbeler, University of Kansas School of Law Library, is the new Newsletter Liaison for Kansas. Please send her all of your newsy bits. Her phone number is: (913)864-3025.

NEBRASKA

Maria Welbes was hired in March, 1988 replacing Jan who was circulation and interlibrary loan library assistant at the Creighton University Law Library.

Sally Wise and Mitch Fontenot taught legal research to prison staff and inmates of the Nebraska Correctional system. For the month of July and part of August, prison staff and inmates from five facilities met two nights weekly at the Nebraska State Penitentiary in order to gain a basic understanding of legal research and law libraries. The class was conducted through Southeast Community College in Lincoln.

Sally Wise spoke at the Annual Conference of the Mid-Continent Association of Law Schools in Park City, Utah. The conference was July 24-27, 1988. Her topic was "The Effect of Modern Technology on the Role and Needs of the Law Library."

Mitch Fontenot, Sally Wise and Brian Striman prepared a Nebraska State Documents Bibliography for presentation at the Government Documents SIS program during the 1988 AALL annual meeting.

Brian Striman has two open questions for MAALL newsletter readers: 1) Anyone who has had experience with carpeting being laid under, around (?) books stacks, please contact him if you would like to share comments, vendor names, etc. He would be most appreciative. 2) Anyone who has a written disaster preparedness plan, policy, procedures, please contact him if you would like to share comments, vendor names, etc. He would be most appreciative--[this is a recording]. Phone (402)472-3547. Address is in AALL Directory.

SOUTH DAKOTA

The online catalog project at the McKusick Law Library is making steady progress. In March we began searching the catalog in a dial access mode. During the first week of May, our dedicated phone lines and terminals were installed. We now have two public access terminals that are connected to the catalog at all times, and to PC's on librarians' decks that can access the catalog through the dedicated phone lines. One of the most satisfying aspects of the new online catalog is the ease with which we can now locate entries for items with complex corporate author entries. For example, if you can't quite remember whether a particular committee of the ABA that issued a report is a Standing Committee or a Special Committee, you do a term search with the more important words of the committee's name and the item pops right up.

Although the online catalog is up and running, we have a lot of work still ahead of us to automate the library using the PALS system. This summer we will be barcoding all the classified items in the library's collection, so that we can start using the circulation system for items that circulate outside the library. Later, we will barcode the unclassified parts of the collection. Later, we will barcode the unclassified parts of the collection. We also need to do a lot of editing of the catalog as soon as an editor becomes available.

In April, Delores Jorgensen, or catalog librarian, attended a meeting in Chicago on the future direction of PALS in library automation.

Recently, the library acquired an interactive video disc player and 14 interactive video disc exercises from CALI and Harvard. We are excited about the opportunities that these new acquisitions open up for us.

During the first week of June, Assistant Law Librarian, Mary Jensen attended a seminar in Little Rock, Arkansas to learn how to write computer assisted learning exercises with the aid of an authoring program. The seminar was successful, and she is drafting an exercise in the area of statutory analysis for the first year Legal Research and Writing class. Perhaps she will be able to adapt the techniques to library training in the future.

The McKusick Law Library recently received a small grant from the South Dakota Arts Council to improve its collection in areas of law affecting the arts.

OKLAHOMA

Patent Workshop for Librarians: On June 22, 1988, a Patent Workshop For Librarians was presented at the University of Tulsa. The half day workshop for local librarians was jointly sponsored by the University of Tulsa's McFarlin and Law Libraries. Approximately 23 persons were in attendance.

The program was presented by Vicki and John Phillips, Government Documents Librarians from Oklahoma State University Library in Stillwater, Oklahoma. The OSU Library is a patent depository library, and both Vicki and John have many years of experience in working with patent searching. The workshop included an explanation and demonstration of how to use the manual patent research tools as well as a demonstration of the Patent Office's online database, CASSIS (Classification and SEarch Support Information System).

Coordinators for the workshop were Kathy Kane, Public Services Law Librarian/Government Documents, University of Tulsa Law library, and Lynne Kraus, Lower Level/Government Documents Librarian, University of Tulsa McFarlin Library.

The University of Tulsa Law Library has acquired a Bell & Howell Microx Duplicator. The Duplicator provides an efficient way to make duplicates of the library's microfiche collection. The machine is easy to load and operate, and it produces low cost copies using pre-cut film. the duplicate film is vesicular.

NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

In March, the Continuing Education Committee of the Minnesota Association of Law Libraries presented an evening brown-bag program at Hamline University Law School on researching business law and

business reference sources. A comprehensive guide to business information sources was presented, as well as a discussion of non-traditional sources such as CD-ROM and online databases. (MALL Newsletter, [May-June 1988])

The "Briefing the Case" feature of May's SWALL Bulletin presents an extensive bibliography on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) compiled by Richard M. Jost of the University of Colorado Law Library. Coverage is from 1980-1987, with subtopic access, such as Employment and Insurance. (SWALL Bulletin [Southwestern Association of Law Libraries], Vol. 19, No. 3, May 1988)

Future issues of Law Librarians of New England News will contain a "Readers' Exchange" feature, similar in purpose to the Publications Clearinghouse Newsletter issued by the AALL Committee on Relations with Publishers and Dealers but with a regional focus. Questions and answers from readers concerning product or service problems will be printed, along with suggestions or comments from vendors whenever possible. (Law Librarians of New England News, Vol. 9, No. 2, June 1988)

Library-vendor relations are also the topic of "Law Book Publishers: Buyer Beware," an article by Ana Sifuentes and Jim Hambleton in the DALL Advance Sheet. They discuss the FTC Guidelines for the Law Book Industry and the work of the AALL committee mentioned above. (DALL Advance Sheet, Vol. 12, No. 5, May 1988)

Anyone contemplating the ordeal of a library move (it's great fun - just ask us at the U. of Iowa!) can pick up many useful suggestions on products, planning, and working with consultants from the most recent issue of Law Library Lights. Articles are all written by private law librarians, but include tips applicable to other situations. (Law Library Lights [Law Librarians' Society of Washington, D.C.], Vol. 31, No. 5, May/June 1988)

The Law Library Association of Maryland co-sponsored a seminar on patent data with the Special Library Association in March. Speakers from the Patent Depository Library explained the many uses of patent information, how to gain access through the Official Gazette and other indices, and the distinctions among patents, trademarks, and copyrights. (Law Library Association of Maryland News, Vol. 6, No. 4, May 1988)

A conference on The Global Responsibility of Law Librarians will be held October 18-21, 1989 at Tarleton Law Library, the University of Texas School of Law in Austin. Topics to be addressed include the world-wide explosion in legal information, use of technology to access transnational legal information, international networking and resource-sharing, and availability of legal information from developing nations. (HALL Newsletter [Houston Area Law Librarians], Vol. 6, No. 2)

-- Sandy Keller

MAALL PLACEMENT

The MAALL Placement Office acts as a clearinghouse for job openings. These positions may be professional, paraprofessional, full or part-time, in any type of law library. In order to be effective, we need help from employers to keep us posted on positions to be filled. Although an effort is made to provide only current openings, some listings may have been filled by publication date. This is due to the time lag between submissions of the list and publication date.

Any law library that has a position open should contact the Placement Chair. Anyone interested in law library positions is invited to register with Placement. Job notices will be sent to registrants as soon as they are received by the Placement Chair. Contact Needra Jackson, MAALL Placement Chair, University of Missouri-Columbia, MO 65211; phone (314) 882-9675; telefax: (314) 882-9676; ABA/Net 15735.

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10-noon Registration: Ballroom lobby (2nd floor)

Noon-1:30 Lunch

On Team Building Jude West

1:30-5:00 Exhibits open

1:45-3:15 Management Sheila Creth

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Value of the professional librarian Chuck Kregel

3:45-5:00 Ethics from the Law Librarian's perspective Fritz Snyder

History of the AALL Ethics Code Jerry Dupont

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3:45-5:15 RLIN training Karen Nobbs (limited to 12 participants)

5:45-8:00 Reception at the Hoover Library-Museum

Friday, Oct. 21

8-noon Exhibits open

8-9 Continental Breakfast

9-10:45 Update study on Law School Libraries automation Sally Wise

Planning a project Donna Hirst

Automation in small libraries Sharon Kerns ✓

Changing roles of librarians due to automation Blair Kauffman

11:15-noon Call for papers

Noon - 1:45 Luncheon and Business Meeting

2-4 Exhibits open

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6-7 Happy Hour

7- Dinner

Saturday, Oct. 22

8-9 Continental Breakfast

9-10 Law Building Tours

10:15-noon Planning a library Kathie Belgum ✓

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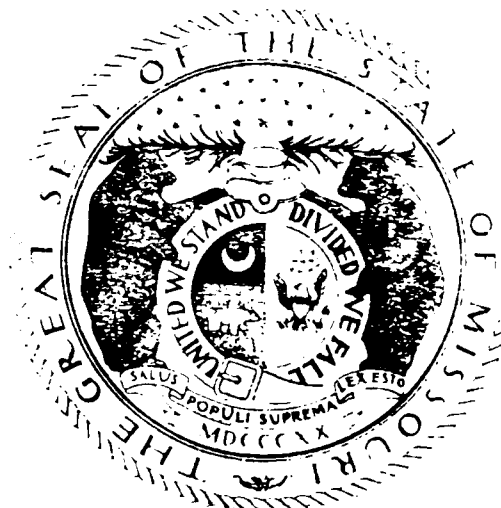
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<u>Priority Level</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Responsible</u>
ACTIVE	Systematic Information Sharing re automation activities	Automation Committee
ACTIVE	Fiche Duplicators for Consortium libraries	Automation Committee (Rick Ducey)
ACTIVE	CD-ROM players for Consortium libraries	Grants Committee
ACTIVE	Acquire Intelligent Catalog system for each Consortium library	Grants Committee
ACTIVE	Analysis of areas of significant subject strength within Consortium	Cooperative Acquisitions Committee
ACTIVE	Cooperative acquisition of international periodicals	Cooperative Acquisitions Committee
ACTIVE	List and/or archive of in-house materials to be made available to Consortium libraries	Inter-library Cooperation Committee
SECONDARY	Development of comprehensive cooperative collection development plan	
SECONDARY	Exchange of expertise/skills	

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SECONDARY	Joint Automation Project
OTHER	Purchase of Microform camera
OTHER	CD-ROM version of Union List of Serials
OTHER	Development of performance measures for law libraries



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EDITOR'S CORNER

The fall semester has begun and we are all busy busy BUSY! The pace has really picked up around here, as I'm sure it has everywhere with summers end.

The time has come when we all must bid farewell to our outgoing President, Kathie Belgum. I am sure all of you join me in thanking her for her support and hard work these past two years. Her final words as President follow this page. THANK YOU KATHIE!!!!

Our incoming President, Peter Schanck, will be featured in future columns of the President's Page. Look for his first one in the December issue.

Editor's plea: the Newsletter needs input to survive! PLEASE CONTRIBUTE YOUR NEWS ITEMS AND ARTICLES! No item is too small for inclusion in some future issue, so please drop me or your MAALL Newsletter liaison a line. We are here to serve your needs. End of soap box for this month!

The University of Tulsa has a new phone system, so our numbers have been changed. We are still experiencing problems with the system, so all of our new numbers will be listed in the December issue. My new number is: (918)631-2457. The University switch board can be reached by: (918)631-6000.

Katherine J. Tooley

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

"You may delay, but time will not", spoke Benjamin Franklin's Poor Richard. And according to Francis Bacon, "Time is the greatest innovator". This I can readily believe. We each have just so much time to "do our thing" and then we move on to do other things. This is my last chance as President, to address my colleagues in the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, my last chance to express my thoughts concerning MAALL.

Having been in law librarianship nineteen years (September 1 was my anniversary) I have experienced and observed a great variety of persons, situations and attitudes in the profession. Hopefully it is not midwest provincialism, but I have come to the conclusion that persons who work in libraries, not just the librarians but the support staff as well, are very different, very special people. My colleagues in MAALL are no different. They fit the following mold too:

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Granting opportunities for exchange of ideas by actually exchanging work sites through our "staff exchange program"

Assisting job searches through our placement listing in the Newsletter

Fostering professional activism via committee assignments

Enlarging perspectives by holding annual meetings in various cities and visiting numerous institutions

Advancing cooperation through some joint efforts with the MidAmerica Law School Consortium (MALSC) - interlibrary loan, telefacsimile, fiche duplication, union lists, etc.

Offering experience in organizational structure and management through the offices of the Association

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Local Arrangement Chairs, Judy Gaskell (DePaul Law Library) and Judi Foltin (Baker & McKenzie, Chicago) of CALL have worked to secure this conveniently located, and reasonably priced, hotel for the meeting. Program Chairs, John Edwards (Drake University) and Lori Hunt (Shook Hardy & Bacon, Kansas City) of MAALL are gathering ideas to put together an exciting series of programs centering around the theme "Navigating the Nineties: Resource Strategies". If you have ideas for programs or would like to organize a program for the meeting yourself, please let John or Lori know.

Concurrent programs, library tours, scheduled luncheons and an opening reception to be included in the registration fee, exhibits being organized by John Austin (Northern Illinois University) and separately arranged chapter breakfasts will keep participants busy.

The Bismarck Hotel is located in the heart of the Loop. It is a short walk to the Civic Opera House or the Chicago Theater for live entertainment, just a few blocks from Marshall Field's flagship store at State and Washington and numerous other Chicago landmarks like Helmut Jahn's futuristic and controversial State of Illinois building and the 110 story Sears Tower. The Bismarck is also a convenient cab or bus ride to shopping on North Michigan Avenue or trips to the Art Institute of Chicago or Terra Museum of Art.

Mary Lu Linnane, Publicity Chair

LEGAL INFORMATION SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC SPECIAL INTEREST SECTION

The Legal Information Services to the Public Special Interest Section was created in January of this year. The organizational meeting was held in Atlanta in June. This SIS serves a unique function within AALL in that its programs focus on those segments of the public which do not usually use law libraries and so are not aware that such libraries are resources available to them, as well as the legal profession, when legal information is needed. A video tape on appellate court decisions will be the section's major project for the year. To assist chapters in developing programs, a clearinghouse of materials (which are available to chapters or individual libraries on a loan basis) has been developed. These materials are described in an annotated bibliography prepared by Glen-Peter Ahlers.

Any AALL member who is interested in working with the SIS may join

by sending his/her dues of \$5.00 to AALL Headquarters in Chicago. Anyone interested in working on the video project or SIS newsletter should contact the Chair, Beth Schneider, at the Maricopa County Law Library, 101 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor, Phoenix, AZ 85003. New developments within the SIS will be announced in the newsletter. The first issue will be published as soon as the editor, Mary Beth Dunn receives a mailing list. Your support of the SIS is encouraged.

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The following is a list of the questions contained in the Survey and an analysis of the answers. Anyone desiring a breakdown of the answers by participant may receive one by contacting Nancy Ogle at Washburn University.


1. Do you charge any libraries outside of the Consortium for interlibrary loan services? If so, what are your charges?
2. Do you charge attorneys and individual patrons not living with in your vicinity who request you to send photocopies of materials directly to them? If so, what are your charges?
3. Do you charge attorneys and individual patrons living within your immediate vicinity a fee for photocopying service? If so, what are your charges?
4. If you do not charge for sending or photocopying materials for individuals, do you impose a limit on the number of items or the number of pages that you will provide?
5. Will you telefax materials directly to attorneys and individual patrons? If so, do you charge anything for telecommunications or other overhead costs? How much do you charge, and for what?
6. How many transactions to individual patrons and attorneys did you complete last fiscal year? How much did you collect in charges last fiscal year for such transactions?
7. Do you feel that your charges adequately compensate your library for providing these services to individual patrons and attorneys?
8. Is your library able to retain the income generated from these services for the benefit of the library? Briefly explain.

ANALYSIS

1. Ten of the sixteen libraries charge libraries outside the Consortium for interlibrary loan. One that does not charge does not provide interlibrary loan service outside the Consortium. The service charges within these libraries vary from \$3.00 to \$5.00, and many charge .10/page to .20/page for photocopying for interlibrary loan.
2. All the libraries which provide the service, except Washburn,


charge for photocopies for attorneys and individuals. Most (11) have a minimum charge (or service charge) ranging from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Photocopy charges vary from .10/page to .30/page. These service charges usually include the cost of postage, but some libraries without a service charge add postage to the individual's photocopy bill.

3. Three libraries do not provide this service. Only Washburn provides the service but does not charge for it. Again minimum charges vary from \$1.00 to \$5.00. Charges for photocopies vary from .07/page to .30/page.
4. Most libraries do not have limits. The only one with a set limit is Oklahoma City University with a limit of 30 pages.
5. Four libraries would not telefax to individuals. All that provide the service charge for it, except Washburn. Service charges vary from \$3.00 to \$5.00. Many charge for telecommunication costs on top of the service charge. Some libraries recover telecommunication costs in the form of a .25 to \$1.00 per page charge.
6. The number of transactions vary from 5 per year (University of Arkansas at Little Rock) to 1,950 per year (Washington University). For those with information regarding fees collected, collections range from \$0.00 (Washburn University and University of Arkansas at Little Rock) to about \$9,000. (Washington University).
7. Reactions about whether the libraries were adequately compensated were about equally divided.
8. Eleven of the libraries are able to keep the money for their own benefit, or are reimbursed for the fees they took in for interlibrary loan service.



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DRIVING TO IOWA CITY FOR MAALL?

DIRECTIONS TO THE IOWA MEMORIAL UNION

Iowa City is the site of the MAALL meeting October 20-22, 1988.

If coming to Iowa City via Interstate 80, take the exit numbered 244. Follow Dubuque Street until you find Market street (approximately 1 mile). Turn right (West). Go three blocks (to bottom of the hill) until you run into Madison Street. Turn left (South). On your right will be the Iowa Memorial Union and immediately across the street is the parking ramp.

If you travel to Iowa City from the south on Highways 218 or I-218, exit at highway 1. Turn right (East) toward Iowa City on highway 1. Take this approximately 1.5 miles to the second stop light. This will be the corner of highway 6 (Riverside Drive). Turn left onto Riverside for about 1 mile until you come to the first bridge across the Iowa River. Turn right onto Burlington Street bridge and go to first stop light. Take a left onto Madison Street at the stop light. Three blocks straight ahead you will find the Iowa Memorial Union on your left and the parking ramp for your car on your right.

Registration materials may be picked up Thursday from 10:00 AM until noon on the second floor of the Union outside the Ballroom. The opening luncheon will be served in this Ballroom. Later registrations will be: Friday, from 8 to 9 AM in the Iowa Room on the third floor; Saturday, from 8 to 9 AM in the lobby of the Law Building. Anyone needing to pick up materials at other times should contact Sue Emde, Local Arrangements Chair, at the UI Law Library (319) 335-9040.

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BOOK REVIEW

HOW TO WRITE A USABLE USER MANUAL BY EDMOND H. WEISS

Librarians, like many other users, often complain about the unusable manuals that accompany computer software. How to Write a Usuable User Manual explains why most user manuals don't work and gives advice on how to write manuals that will work. As libraries become more automated, librarians will have to write user documentation for the systems used in their libraries. Weiss' book is an excellent guide for planning such documentation.

According to Weiss, one of the reasons that manuals don't work is that writers approach writing a manual as an artistic task. A single writer writes a draft and then tries to correct any problems through the process of editing. Weiss suggests that this method is very costly and not very effective. Instead, Weiss would view manuals as devices instead of literature that have to be planned as working models in minute detail before the first draft is written.

The first step in Weiss' method is to analyse the system and decide what publications are needed. He points out that each document must be directed at a specific type of user and since there are several types of users more than one document will probably have to be written. In order to reduce effort in the process of writing several manuals, all the information needed by any user is broken down into small modules. A chart is then set up with the users on one side and

the modules on the other. The filled out chart is a matrix of which users need which modules. After the matrix is done, summary paragraphs should be written for each module describing what it will contain. After the summary paragraphs are written, the writer should lay out a storyboard for any of the potential users in the matrix. The storyboard contains all the modules that a particular user would use in the best order for that user. The storyboard should be reviewed by a user and a technical expert to make sure that all the necessary information is included and correct. When the detailed planning is complete, the text of the individual modules is written and assembled into the manuals that various users need.

Each module is independent of the other modules and refers to other modules as little as possible. This modular structure allows a number of writers to work on modules at the same time and makes the manuals easier to update and maintain.

This summer a student and I started planning a manual in the manner described in Weiss' book. As Weiss promised, we found a number of omissions and problems when we laid out the first storyboard. But also as Weiss promised, the problems were easier to solve at the storyboard stage than they probably would have been at the editing stage.

- Mary Brandt Jensen -

NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

Members of the Colorado Association of Law Libraries were offered an opportunity to overcome "pc-phobia" through a workshop to be presented by Design Templates, an automation consulting firm. The workshop would be tailored to participants needs, covering such topics as selecting equipment, library software, and applications. (COALL, Vol. 12, No. 4, July 1988)

The Dallas Association of Law Librarians has held some programs at recent monthly meetings that sound very interesting, such as one on the librarian's role in marketing professional law firm services and another on alternative disput resolution. Scheduled topics include savings and loan regulations, lobbying, and a seminar on court rules. (DALL Advance Sheet, Vol. 12, No. 7, July 1988)

The Annual Meeting of the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York September 23-25 will live up to its theme of "Diversity in Librarianship." Program topics range from the work of the State Law Review Commission to the law and major league baseball. A session on in-house staff training will also be presented. (Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York Newsletter, Vol. 12, No. 2, June 1988)

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A long time law librarian in the state of Iowa, James H. Gritton, retired on July 31. Jim most recently was the State Law Librarian of Iowa with an office in the State Capitol Building. He accepted that job in December 1975. Prior to that he was Assistant Law Librarian at the University of Iowa Law Library for seven years. Jim had a varied career, having practiced law in Des Moines, Iowa for a year before taking a position as an Assistant Attorney General in Iowa. Following that he served as Assistant City Attorney for Des Moines for four years before accepting the position of Assistant Law Librarian at the University of Oregon in 1966. Jim's law degree was earned at Drake University and his library degree at the University of Denver. We wish Jim well in his retirement and would welcome his continued membership in MAALL.

Angie Secrest, the Bibliographic Processing Librarian at the University of Iowa Law Library is leaving October 1 to become the Head of Technical Services at Drake University Law Library. We are most unhappy to see Angie leaving. She joined the Iowa staff as a library assistant while still a student in library school. During her tenure here she has progressed in degrees as well as in knowledge. Her help with the OASIS automation project has been exceptional. We understand Angie's desire for more challenges and certainly wish her well in her new position -

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MISSOURI

Ann Fessenden reports that the phone number has been changed for the Library of the U.S. court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit in St. Louis. The new number is: (314)539-2930. FTS 262-2930. Please mark this change in your records.

SOUTH DAKOTA

On July 1, 1988 Robert Driscoll became the new dean at the University of South Dakota Law School. Dean Driscoll is committed to helping the McKusick Law Library to continue to improve its collection and service to the school and the bar.

On September 9, 1988 the McKusick law Library installed Legaltrac. We will have this CD-ROM version of Legal Resources Index for a two month trial period. Mary Jensen is looking forward to using the service in her legal bibliography class.

During the first two weeks of September, temporary learning centers for Westlaw and LEXIS were set up. Three company representatives came to Vermillion to conduct classes for second and third year students and professors. This is our second temporary learning center devoted solely to upper class students and attendance appears to be improving with each session. We plan to continue to offer advanced training four times a year, in September, in November and January (when first year students are also trained), and in March.

MAALL PLACEMENT

The MAALL Placement Office acts as a clearinghouse for job openings. These positions may be professional, paraprofessional, full or part-time, in any type of law library. In order to be effective, we need help from employers to keep us posted on positions to be filled. Although an effort is made to provide only current openings, some listings may have been filled by publication date. This is due to the time lag between submissions of the list and publication date.

Any law library that has a position open should contact the Placement Chair. Anyone interested in law library positions is invited to register with Placement. Job notices will be sent to registrants as soon as they are received by the Placement Chair. Contact Needra Jackson, MAALL Placement Chair, University of Missouri-Columbia, MO 65211; phone (314)882-9675; telefax: (314)882-9676; ABA/Net 15735.

ILLINOIS

LIBRARY ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. Applications and nominations are invited for the position of Executive Director of the American Association of Law Libraries, a professional society of 4200 Law Librarians which is headquartered in Chicago. The Executive Director serves as chief administrator. Responsibilities include planning, organization, execution, and implementation of Association programs, and the overall administration and management of Association office and employees as authorized by the Executive Board. The Executive Director serves as a communications medium among the elected and appointed member officials, Association Staff, and membership; and work to achieve Association objectives, widen Association influence as an authoritative educational organization and increase Association membership. This position reports to the Executive Board and the President.

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The Editor's Corner

This issue of the Newsletter contains a first. Our very first photograph! Rather than go to the expense of having this issue printed by a print shop, I've had the photograph copied as a half-tone print and as such it should reproduce fairly well. Please let me know what you think. That is also why this issue is on white paper. If this experiment works, we could include more photographs in future issues.

I am sure that everyone in MAALL joins me in welcoming Peter Schanck and the other new officers to their posts. Peter's first message as President is on the following page. This Newsletter is chock full of information, so read carefully!

Please read over the pages after the body of the Newsletter. These pages are press announcements from AALL Headquarters as well as the application for scholarships and grants.

As usual, this Newsletter could not have made it on time without the cheerful help of the University of Tulsa staff, especially Chuck McKnight. All typos are regretfully my own. I would also like to wish all of you a happy holiday season!!!!

---Katherine J. Tooley

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

I think of all the tasks confronting me as incoming President of MAALL the most intimidating is the prospect of writing a bi-monthly column in the newsletter over the next two years. That is a total of 12 columns in which I am charged with saying something useful and intelligent--a truly herculean challenge. That Kathie Belgum succeeded in this task so admirably is further testament to her abilities. As I said in Iowa City, she is indeed a tough act to follow--in every respect. The meeting in Iowa City was a fabulous success, and Kathie, Sue Emde, and the entire Iowa staff are responsible for most of that success. The new law school building was one of the great hits of the meeting, but again Kathie and her staff deserve a great deal of the credit for that achievement through their painstaking, intelligent, and imaginative planning of the library.

There are two things I wish to discuss in this month's column. First, I think a few words about next year's Chicago meeting are in order. As planning for the meeting has progressed, it has become apparent that having a meeting in Chicago has its minuses as well as pluses. The negative part is all related to costs. After much searching our Chicago local arrangements people were able to find excellent accommodations at the Bismarck Hotel for reasonable rates. We are grateful to them for this. They soon discovered, however, that social and dining costs in Chicago are prohibitive everywhere, including the hotel. At first we thought we would be relegated to holding the reception at a local law library rather than some marvelous Chicago landmark because of those expenses. It now appears that we will be holding it in the famous Newberry Library, so that problem has been solved. We may, however, be forced to curtail certain other functions.

Nonetheless, we think holding the meeting in Chicago is well worth it for all our original reasons. It permits us to hold a regional conference with other chapters, giving us a broader spectrum of programs and participants. But best of all, we will have access to all of Chicago's wonderful features: museums, shopping, restaurants, other tourist attractions, and a variety

of libraries to tour. We have planned no events on Friday after 5 p.m. so you will be free to take advantage of some of those features, and of course, finishing up on Saturday gives everyone an opportunity to stay long enough to take full advantage of what Chicago has to offer. Finally, we hope to have for the featured speaker at our banquet an exciting or interesting Chicago celebrity (no, not Mike Royko or Studs Turkel, but someone you will enjoy).

The second topic also relates to our annual meetings. One of the benefits of being a chapter President (are there others?) is that you receive all the other chapter newsletters. I have been receiving these since this summer and have noted that many or most chapters have grant programs for sending their members to library conferences, workshops, or institutes. This is something MAALL members have been mulling over for some time and Kathie Belgum brought it up at our meeting in Kansas City. I would like to express my full support for such a program and will be discussing with the Executive Board specific plans to implement such a program. We have members who are not highly paid and whose employers do not provide their expenses (or much of their expenses) to meetings. There is the possibility of outside funding for this program and we have a surplus in our budget which could also be used. It seems inevitable and just that we provide some assistance from our coffers for these members. I have noticed that chapters have established different patterns of grants. One allocates \$1000 per year to be awarded to one or more members; others award a set amount (e.g. \$100) to a given number of members. Most seem to pay for their members to attend workshops or other educational functions (mostly in their area, but I saw one for an AALL institute). I would very much appreciate hearing from MAALL members about your thoughts on the desirability of a grant program and on the amount and method of allocating funds.

----Peter Schanck

**MAALL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
MAALL ANNUAL MEETING
21 OCTOBER 1988
IOWA CITY, IOWA**

President Kathie Belgum opened the business meeting at 1:00 p.m.

President Belgum asked James Milles to present the minutes from the last meeting. James did not have them, but they have been published in the MAALL Newsletter. There were no comments or changes.

Vice President-President Elect Peter Schanck introduced the nominees for the Executive Committee: Sally Wise, for Vice President-President Elect; Laurel Wendt, for Secretary; and Peggy McDermott, for Treasurer. On a motion by John Edwards, all were elected by acclamation.

Avis Forsman, of the Membership Committee, was unable to attend, but Kathie Belgum presented a suggestion from her. Avis proposed that MAALL issue membership cards, as a way of reminding members to pay their annual dues. The cards could consist of a tear-off form in the Newsletter; enforcement would be on the honors system. Hearing no objection, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

James Milles reported on the new MAALL membership directory. A new feature this year is the history of the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium (MALSLC), by John Edwards.

The Placement Committee report was presented by Needra Jackson. As Katherine Tooley, editor of the MAALL Newsletter, was unable to attend, Kathie Belgum presented her report. The Newsletter has averaged 12 pages per issue, with a printing of 284 copies and a cost of 55 cents each. The deadline for submissions is the 15th of the month before it comes out. Katherine needs more submissions from state liaisons, as well as book reviews, suggestions, and 2-3 page feature articles. Katherine has requested that MAALL purchase Pagemaker desktop publishing software for the Newsletter; her request has been referred to the Executive Committee. A new advertising editor is needed, since David Ensign is leaving MAALL.

John Edwards, of the Resource Sharing Committee, reported that there were no staff exchanges this year.

John Christensen noted that the Kansas City Association of Law libraries is interested in developing an electronic mail network. Kathie Belgum appointed John, Linda Gingrich, and Linda Duval to a committee to advise KCALL.

Frank Houdek reported on the activities of MALSLC. The Consortium has received a three-year federal grant to fund the Intelligent Catalog project. In addition, a grant proposal for CD-ROM purchases is in the works. Other projects include an archive of in-house publications, cooperative acquisitions of foreign and international legal periodicals, and a long-range project on preservation. Additional suggestions are cheerfully accepted.

Peter Schanck reported on plans for next year's meeting in Chicago. The theme is "Navigating the 90's: Research Strategies." Six midwestern chapters will meet jointly, October 26-28, at the Bismarck Hotel. Approximately thirty letters soliciting support from vendors have been sent out. Chicago Area Law Libraries is responsible for local arrangements; John Edwards and Lori Hunt are co-chairs of the Program Committee, with representatives from each of the other chapters. The program will be based on the best programs presented by each of the chapters in the past few years, as well as new program ideas. Suggestions for speakers and programs are welcome.

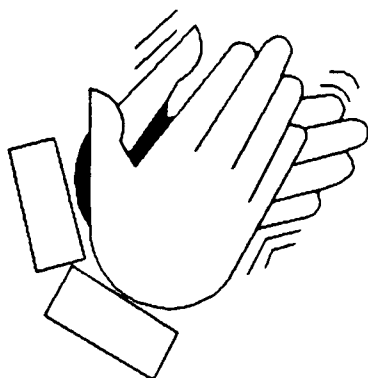
The meeting was adjourned by President Kathie Belgum at 1:50 p.m. The next business meeting will be in June at the AALL Annual Meeting in Reno.

Respectfully submitted,
James Milles
Secretary

THANKS!!

Just a note of thanks to all of you who made the Iowa City MAALL meeting such a success. I certainly had a good time and learned a lot and I hope everyone else did too. Our professors were impressed with the attentive audience. We missed some of you "old-timers" but appreciated the many brand new members who came. Our membership is growing. Let's keep it up.

Kathie Belgum



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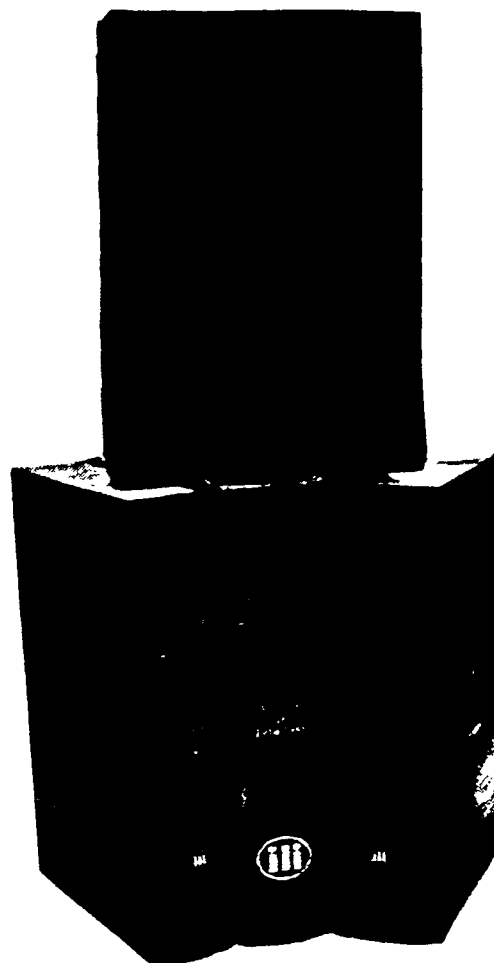
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**NEW HOME FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-COLUMBIA LAW LIBRARY:
THE BIG MOVE OF 1988
by Susan D. Csaky
Professor of Law and Law Librarian**

On September 24, 1988 the University of Missouri-Columbia dedicated its new, \$17.5 million Law School building of which the library occupies some 60% of net usable space. If the readers are interested I shall be glad to describe, in a later issue of the MAALL Newsletter, the features of our building, especially of the library. We have, namely, a 22-station computer lab hooked up to a local area network (thus we do not have to check out software), a temperature- and humidity-controlled rare book room for 7,000 volumes (which also boasts two original Bingham paintings), and a cry-room complete with cribs, playpen and changing table for the convenience of young parents among our law students.

Presently, however, I'd rather describe how we planned and moved 200,000 volumes, 250,000 microfiche, computers, furniture and a staff of 12. I hope that my account will help colleagues who contemplate relocation in the not too distant future.

The process actually started some three years ago when I was asked to estimate the probable cost of moving the library. Rather glibly I threw out the figure "between \$40,000 to \$50,000". Little did I dream that I would be held to this figure. My optimistic estimate became particularly worrisome when the bids from the various moving companies came in at the \$120,000 to \$160,000 level. Even the cutting of many of the requirements did not reduce the bid below \$70,000. Yet I did not think that my figure was off its mark. I knew that other law libraries moved for not much more than that. Finally a specialized moving company, Library Movers of America, Inc. from Bloomington, Indiana came through with a quote of \$42,000 which we and the University accepted. It may be of interest to record that I had attached special conditions to the move: 1. the process should not take more than 9-11 working days; 2. the elevator in the old Tate Hall should not be considered an acceptable means of moving books or furniture; 3. all materials and furniture should be located according to the specific plan provided by the library: the integral shelf order of the collection should be preserved; 4. all books should be cleaned by a hand vacuum operation according to proper library preservation standards; and 5. protection from weather hazards and security between shifts and at night should be provided.

The next important step was to have a complete inventory of the occupied shelf space, the projected growth of each title or series, and the expected shelf space in the new library. With the help of 2 staff and a lap computer we compiled our "shelf inventory" using dBASE III software. We accounted for materials on shelves, in boxes and in storage; we estimated that we had the equivalent of 14,493 shelves. The new library offered a total of 16,982 shelves.

I devised a master plan for the arrangement of the materials in the new building. This was not a simple task because the new law school is built in a stair-configuration: each floor is smaller than the one below it. I wanted ease of access and logic in the arrangement. After hours of calculation and adjustments it appeared that the plan would work. I numbered each range of stacks, called the sides (a) or (b), gave an alphabetical designation to each section within a range, and numbered each shelf 1 to 7 beginning with the top shelf. Thus each shelf had an exact address, something like 246a:C:5. Next I created a "blue print" of each range. Dividing the library areas among the professional staff I asked them to fill in on the respective "shelf blue print" the space for each volume or set and a projected growth space. With 5 of us working on this project, sometimes weekends and late at night, we had the complete new address for each title within a few weeks. Unfortunately it was not until 2 weeks before the move that we discovered that, contrary to my earlier request and the drawings on the floor plan, the shelves in the new building were not uniformly 36 inches but ranged from 24" to 36", and some were completely eliminated. Also the space between shelves, requested at 12 inches, varied from 11" to 13". A frantic recalculation of our estimates occurred (in some areas the difference meant

loosing over 180 shelves); correcting the clearance between shelves had to be done in the course of the move because it depended on the size of particular sets. All this slowed down the process considerably.

A week before the move a staff member labeled each shelf in the new building with the specific address and stuck a color coded computer card on each shelf in the old buildings. This was done because the movers had informed us that only office materials would be boxed, all books would be moved on open trays with an "address card" affixed to each tray.

During the preparatory process all library employees were kept informed of the plans. Several visits to the new facilities, staff meetings, a whole day's retreat, other conferences allowed us to discuss all plans, answer questions and misgivings, divide the work among ourselves. We knew that the movers would bring their own foremen but would hire students locally and we encouraged our law students to seek employment. Two shifts were formed for the move: one from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., the other from 3 p.m. to 11 p.m. The staff was divided between the two shifts according to preference and was asked to wear special red aprons so that they would be readily recognizable and could direct traffic. They all ended up pushing carts, shelving books, bringing food and beverage. The spirit of cooperation and the effort put out by the staff went beyond all expectation. Similarly our student assistants, now employees of the moving company, were incredibly diligent, hard-working, and always in good spirit. We were prepared for all eventuality: tools, glue, medical supplies, scissors, we had two sets of everything, one in the old, one in the new building.

As soon as summer school was over, June 30th, we closed the library to outsiders so that computers could be unplugged, office equipment and materials packed. Of course the faculty was able to continue its research until the day we moved (and many telefax transmissions occurred even during the move.)

Cecil Maness, the president of Library Movers of America, and 8 of his men arrived July 5. He had hired the student helpers the week earlier and had given them basic instruction on what to expect, how to dress, how to avoid injury. It remained only to build ramps from floor to floor in the old building (Tate Hall). Part of the crew was sent to the Basement in Tate Hall, because the stacks there had to be disassembled, moved and reerected in the subplaza of the new building. Other crew members went to our locations in other buildings (Lowry and Townsend) to do the same.

I do not know which picture of the move sticks out most in my mind: the crew lifting the heavy trays (each was the size of a shelf) onto sleds and running with them to the first trestle; the trays sliding down with the help of steel rollers on the wooden ramps with a tremendous roar; the lifting of the trays to 3-tiered flatbed metal trucks and undergoing thorough vacuuming; the Ryder trucks precariously backing up to old Tate Hall between bushes and pedestrians; the staff aligning the numbered heavy metal trucks so that no time is wasted.

The work continued unceasingly. It was not easy because the new building was not yet complete. Elevators in the new building kept breaking down, masons and electricians reintroduced dust to our books and shelves, the floors were not finished. The move of the offices had to be halted because the new furniture had not yet arrived. Telephones got inadvertently disconnected, computers could not be reconnected. While the new building was not yet accepted (or punched out, as the architects said), our old home was invaded by various academic departments intent on completing their move before the middle of July.

Despite it all, we did it. I shall never forget the face of one of our faculty who used the new library on the 9th day after the move started. "It is incredible!" he said, "everything is in order on the shelves. Except for the darkness due to the unfinished electrical work, I can continue my research." "Of course!" I answered nonchalantly as I busily planned the bar-b-que with which we celebrated the end of THE BIG MOVE OF 1988.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Peter Schanck

MAALL's first "Call for Papers" was--by all accounts--highly successful, so we are issuing our second annual (we hope) Call for Papers for the Midwest Conference of Law Librarians in Chicago next October. The call provides an opportunity for members of MAALL or any other Midwest chapter (or any AALL chapter, for that matter) to submit a well developed draft of an article to our selection committee. The paper selected as the best entry by the committee will then be presented at the Midwest meeting on October 26-28, 1989 in Chicago, with time allowed for commentary and suggestions by the audience. We do not expect a finished product, but we do expect more than merely random thoughts, an outline, a summary, or a very rough draft. There must be organization, content, and a reasonably intelligible draft.

The Selection Committee is composed of Eileen Searls of the St. Louis University Law Library and Kaye Stoppel of the Drake University Law Library. A copy should be submitted to both Eileen and Kaye before May 1, 1989.

The incentive (aside from the honor and the opportunity for feedback) for entering this competition is a \$100 cash award. This presumes that the winner does appear to present her or his paper. There will be no other remuneration given; thus travel, housing, and registration for the meeting are up to the individual. Should the Selection Committee find that no entry qualifies as winner, there will be no selection made.

This is a wonderful opportunity to develop a paper for publication, so we hope some of you will take advantage of it. David Ensign received a number of useful suggestions to improve his fine winning paper presented in Iowa City.



Peter Schanck Susan Csaky David Ensign Elizabeth Matthews

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A new slate of committee appointments has been made, but there are several openings available. I hope each of you who are not already listed there will look over the list of openings and let me know if you would like to fill any.

---Peter Schanck

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MIDWEST CONFERENCE OF LAW LIBRARIES

[Mary Lu Linnane will be making bi-monthly reports on the progress of the planning for this meeting]

Chairs for the various committees working under the banner of Local Arrangements have been established for the Midwest Conference of Law Librarians to be held in Chicago, Illinois on October 26-28, 1989.

Denise Mahaney (Hopkins & Sutter)--Registration; Colleen McCarroll (Sonnenschein Carlin Nath & Rosenthal)--Special Events; Serpil Emre (Coffield Ungaratti Harris & Slavin)--Library Tours; John Austin (Northern Illinois University Law Library)--Exhibits; Mary Lu Linnane (DePaul Law Library)--Publicity.

Chicago's Bismarck Hotel has made a wonderful start toward encouraging attendance. They have given us excellent rates of \$55.00 for singles and \$65.00 for doubles, a bargain for a major Chicago hotel. The Bismarck is in the final phases of a renovation and guest rooms will be completed by the time the meeting takes place.

It is now Autumn and, despite an occasional chilly morning, it is a terrific time to enjoy Chicago. As you hear about the plans for this unique gathering of Midwest Law Librarians, please keep those dates -- October 26-28, 1989 -- in your mind. We hope everyone will want to be in Chicago to learn about "Navigating the Nineties: Resource Strategies."

SUBCOMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Subcommittee on Electronic Publishing of the committee on Relations with Information Vendors (formerly Relations with Publishers and Dealers) would like to remind the membership of its functions and announce its current membership. The Subcommittee is charged with facilitating communications between members of the Association and vendors who provide information in any non-book format. The Subcommittee will monitor complaints, provide constructive suggestions to vendors and foster a cooperative working relationship between librarians and non-book format information vendors.

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"How to Publish in ALA Periodicals" is edited by Germaine Wellington, ALA Publishing Services.

BOOK REVIEW
By Melanie Nelson

Fortas: the Rise and Ruin of a
Supreme Court Justice
by Bruce Allen Murphy

Abe Fortas, the name sounded familiar but just why I could not say. After all I was in high school when Fortas was sitting on the Supreme Court and I wasn't paying close attention to what was going on in Washington, D.C. Therefore, I was anxious to read this book to fill in some of the gaps in my 1960s political consciousness. It did not disappoint me.

This is a well written account of Mr. Justice Fortas' career and his close relationship with Lyndon B. Johnson. Fortas' friendship with Johnson brought him to the middle of the power circle in this country. He was Johnson's firm supporter and confidant no matter what the circumstance. When Johnson became President, he was rewarded with a seat on the Supreme Court. Fortas continued his ad-

visory role while on the Court and in the fight to assume the Chief Justice's office, his closeness to Johnson proved to be his undoing. Fortas' was ruined politically and resigned from the Court.

Most of the book deals with Fortas' time on the Court and the political infighting that resulted from his Chief Justice nomination by a lame duck President Johnson. Mr. Murphy seems to have no bias in relating Mr. Fortas' story. The book is very well researched as proved by the pages of notes that appear after the text.

I enjoyed this book because I remembered vaguely Mr. Justice Fortas and some sort of scandal but nothing else. Abe Fortas was one of those names that needed some facts attached to it. Unfortunately for him, the facts brought his career in this country's power circle to an end.

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SECOND WHITE CONFERENCE ON LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SERVICES

Robert Schriek has asked that the following announcement be publicized.

The Second White Conference on Library and Information Services will be held between Sept. 1, 1989 and Sept. 30, 1991. An advisory committee will be appointed by the President to help plan and conduct the conference. The Legislation and Legal Developments Committee of the AALL is going to suggest to the Board of AALL that they attempt to have a law librarian appointed to this advisory committee, and that the Association participate in the conference in some way.

NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS BY SANDY KELLER

Pam Gregory of Prince George's County Court Law Library reviewed the FBI Library Awareness Program in the September/October issue of Law Library Lights. She cited remarks by James Geer of the FBI in a McNeil-Lehrer news Hour interview on July 13 downplaying the negative response of librarians to the program. Geer also assured Bureau of National Affairs of the program's success in obtaining assistance from librarians. Ms. Gregory also discussed problem of patron access to the NASA Recon data base, to which access by foreign nationals. (Law Library Lights [Law Librarians' Society of Washington D.C.], Vol. 32, No. 1, September/October 1988)

A member of the Atlanta Law Libraries Association sought information, via a recent newsletter announcement, as to member interest in exchanging library newsletters in order to help each other keep current on search tips, databases, etc. She suggested that cover sheets of newsletters be shared so that confidential material on law firms could be protected. (ALLA Newsletter, Vol. 8, No. 1 September 1988)

Debbie Glessner, president of the Law Library Association of Greater New York, suggested forming a collection of materials librarianship to be shared by association members. She got the idea

after purchasing a book on library space planning and wondering whether others might need the book but faced budget constraints. Questions of funding, location, and selection decisions would need to be addresses. (Law Lines, Vol. 9, No. 1, September 1988)

OF NOTE/MEMBERSHIP NEWS

ARKANSAS

University of Arkansas School of Law now has a telefax machine which can be called on the dedicated phone number (501)575-2053. Though the primary user so far is a faculty member in Japan (!), we're geared up for those regional calls too.

On November 1, 1988 Jackie Wright, Arkansas Supreme Court Librarian, spoke as a panel discussion participant on the topic of law libraries at a program sponsored by the Arkansas Library Association's Special Libraries Division.

Lynn Foster, Director, University of Arkansas Little Rock/Pulaski County Law Library, spoke at the Arkansas Bar Association's Bar Leaders Conference on October 28 on the topics of computer assisted legal research and services of the Pulaski County Bar Library.

Kathryn Fitzhugh, Reference/Circulation Librarian, University of Arkansas at Little Rock/Pulaski County Law Library spoke on October 8 at a recent seminar sponsored by the Arkansas Institute for Continuing Legal Education on the topic of computer assisted legal research.

ILLINOIS

Laurel Wendt, Associate Law Library Director at Southern Illinois University, is the author of Illinois Legal Research Manual, recently published by Butterworth Press.

Frank Houdek, Law Library Director at Southern Illinois University, was granted tenure and promoted to Professor of Law, effective July 1, 1988.

Elizabeth W. Matthews has authored The Law Library Reference Shelf: Annotated Subject Guide, published by William S. Hein Company, 1988.

At Southern Illinois University Law Library, the Intelligent Catalog has been loaded by using the OCLC tapes, on laser disk, with all 50,000 of their records, representing the entire collection. They are enjoying the features of author, title and subject searching, as well as boolean logic - and can view the information in six forms, from brief, to card form as well as MARC record.

IOWA

Drake University Law Library has a new phone number: (515)271-2141.

Lisa A. Hermann is the new Public Services Librarian at Drake University Law Library. Lisa joined the staff in August after having worked as Reference Librarian at Elsworth Community College Library. Lisa earned her M.L.S. at the University of Iowa and her B.S. at Iowa State.

Angela K. Secrest joined the Drake University Law Library in October as the new Technical Services Librarian. As noted in the last newsletter, Angela worked at the University of Iowa Law Library as the Bibliographic Processing Librarian before coming to Drake.

Telefacsimile available at the University of Iowa Law Library! It is now possible, if necessary, to send a document to the University of Iowa Law Library by telefacsimile. The machine itself is not in our building and thus if a message is sent to us we must be called by the office and send someone over (3/4 mi.) to pick it up. Not a great convenience, however it is our view that telefax is used only for emergencies anyway. The hours the telefax office is open to us are 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM. They will, however leave the machine on 24 hours a day for accepting incoming documents. The number to call for Iowa telefax is: (319)-335-2951.

KANSAS

David Ensign has accepted the position of Assistant Professor and Director of the

Law Library at the University of Louisville School of Law in Louisville, Kentucky. He will begin his duties there on January 1, 1989. We will miss him and wish him the best of luck.

The University of Kansas Law Library is in the process of automating. The order function of the acquisitions subsystem is in the testing phase and the payment function should be in place by January. For serials, check-in and record keeping functions are being developed.

Margaret Bearse, a library science student at Emporia State University is interning this semester at the KU Law Library. She is working in the technical services department, doing all aspects of cataloging.

KU recarpeted part of its library this past summer. The main floor and part of another floor now have dark blue patterned carpet (although some have labeled the color "K-State purple"). The project was a major undertaking, including a complete dismantling of the circulation counter.

Washburn Law Library now has "GPO on Silver Platter", a CD-ROM version of the monthly Catalog. It is updated six times a year and covers 1976 to the present.

Martin Wisneski has two articles in the October, 1988 issue of OCLC MICRO. They are: "Enhancing Terminal Software with DOS and Multiple Function Keys" and "Improving on 'The One-Disk Approach to Many SAVEKEY.DATs'"

The Kansas Supreme Court Library will be going onto OCLC in mid-December. They will be using the cataloging mode and will be listed on ILL as a Non-Supplier.

Sara Hill, Librarian at the Sedgwick County Law Library, left that position in early November.

Sue Ann Berard, former Librarian for Foulston, Siefkin, Powers and Eberhardt, is now the Librarian at the Wichita branch of the Tenth Circuit Courts Library.

MISSOURI

New phone numbers for St. Louis University
Law Library:

Amelung, Richard	658-2743
Elam, Kristy	-2759
McKenzie, Betsy	-2739
Milles, Jim	-2742
Moody, Carol	-2756
Searls, Eileen	-2757
Toombs, William	-2798
Brady, Rose	-2758
Cody, Dean	-2747
Ewing, Lonnie	-2744
Ewing, Ronnie	-2755
Samson, Mary Ann	-2758
Vogel, JoAnne	-2758
Herweg, Jan	-2754

Telefax: 658-3966

U.S. Court of Appeals, 8th Circuit in St.
Louis has a new phone number: (314)539-
2930.

NEBRASKA


Please change the FAX numbers for Kutak,
Rock & Campbell to:

telecopy: (402)346-1148
Zap/fax: (402)346-7920.

OKLAHOMA

The University of Tulsa Law Library has
changed its phone and fax numbers. Please
note the following:


FAX: (918)631-3556	
ILL: (918)631-2460	
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Tooley, Katherine	-2457
Kane, Kathy	-3547
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Melanie Nelson, The University of Tulsa Law Library, has accepted the task of Advertising Manager for the MAALL Newsletter.

Remembering Wilma Thrash by Sue Sark.

Miss Thrash was a long time librarian at the University of Tulsa College of Law Library. She was Acting Director in 1974 when she asked me to come to T.U. and work for her as a cataloger. Wilma was a top-notch librarian and an excellent teacher who thoroughly enjoyed sharing her knowledge with others. Many of you who have been in law librarianship for sometime will remember this lovely silver-haired lady with the warm smile.

Wilma died Oct. 4, 1988 after a long and difficult battle with heart disease. She was my friend and mentor and I shall surely miss her. Below is an excerpt from the Tulsa Tribune published Oct. 5, 1988:

"Thrash, Wilma M., 79. Tulsa, died Tuesday. Graduate of Oklahoma University with a degree in Journalism. Worked on several newspapers before being employed by the Public Relations Department, Carter Oil Co. (EXXON). While employed there she received the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge award for her biography of Col. Carter, the founder of Carter Oil Co. After retirement she returned to Oklahoma University and received her Masters degree in Library Science. She was acting Director of the University of Tulsa Law library at the time of her second retirement. ..."



TREASURY REPORT
1988 MAALL ACCOUNT STATUS

Balance Forwarded to Treasurer, June, 1988 \$11,158.58

INCOME

Contributions to MAALL, 1988 Meeting	1,450.00
Newsletter Advertising	595.00
Interest Accrued	102.99
Membership	610.00
Additional MAALL Luncheon payments	156.88

SUBTOTAL:	\$14,073.45

EXPENSES

New Checks	\$ 8.30
Incorporation	10.00
Speaker for MAALL	290.00
Newsletter	300.00
Mailing MAALL Directory	628.65
AALL (June ,1988 Luncheon)	846.00
Refund for June, 1988 Luncheon	10.86
Midwest Regional Conference	500.00

EXPENSES SUBTOTAL:	\$ 2,593.81

ACCOUNT BALANCE as of October 18, 1988 \$11,479.64

AALL GRANTS PROGRAM

The American Association of Law Libraries is once again sponsoring its Grants Program, in anticipation of the 1989 Annual Meeting. At the request of the AALL Grants Committee, the grant application form is included at the end of this newsletter. Further information about this program and another copy of the grant application form is published in the December 1988 AALL Newsletter.

The Grants Program is funded through contributions from law book dealers, publishers, and other friends of AALL. The number of grants and the size of each award varies, depending on the need and the amount of money available in the Program.

It is necessary to be a member of AALL or of an AALL chapter to be eligible to receive a grant. AALL members are given preference. Individuals who have been in the profession of law librarianship longer than five years or individuals who have received a grant in the past are not eligible to apply. Grants are awarded on the basis of: a) proven or potential ability, b) promise of future usefulness and permanence in the law library profession, c) financial need, and d) contributions to the profession.

The deadline for completed applications is March 1, 1989. All those eligible to apply for a grant are encouraged to do so.

**American Association of Law Libraries
Application for Grant - 1989**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the AALL Grants Program is to financially reward librarians who hold promise of future involvement in the law library profession. The Program is administered by the AALL Grants Committee. By a decision of the AALL Executive Board, grants may be used only to support attendance at AALL Annual Meetings. Preference will be given to new, active members of AALL or of an AALL chapter.

QUALIFICATIONS:

An applicant must be a member of the American Association of Law Libraries or of a Chapter of the Association. An applicant who has been a member of AALL for more than five years is disqualified. Prior grant recipients are not eligible to apply. An applicant will not be considered who applies late or who submits an incomplete application.

In the event circumstances prevent the use of the grant by a grant recipient, the award reverts to the Committee for disposition at the discretion of the Chair. If a person does not use the grant, it is then possible for that person to apply in another year.

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Date: _____

1. Name: _____
2. Title: _____
3. Institution/Employer: _____
4. Work Address and Phone: _____
5. Home Address and Phone: _____
6. Are you a member of AALL? _____ If so, when did you join? _____
7. Are you a member of an AALL Chapter? _____ If so, specify which chapter and state the year you joined. _____
8. List the years you attended AALL Annual Meetings. _____
9. List membership on AALL Committees or SIS's (present and past). _____

10. List chapter activities. _____

11. Employment in law librarianship (previous places of employment, titles, lengths of service). _____

12. Other relevant employment. _____

13. Educational background (beyond high school, dates, degrees). _____

14. What percentage of your Annual Meeting expenses will your employer pay? _____
15. Estimate transportation expenses (car, airfare). _____
16. Briefly describe your duties and responsibilities in your current law library position. _____

17. What is your career goal? _____

18. How do you feel you will benefit from attendance at this Annual Meeting? _____

Signature required:

I have not received an AALL grant in the past. If I receive a grant for this Annual Meeting and if for any reason I cannot attend, I shall return the grant money to the Chair of the AALL Grants Committee.

(Applicant's signature)

(Date)

Two letters of recommendation are required and must be sent with your application. It would be helpful if one of these letters could be from a person who supervises your work and who is familiar with your responsibilities and who could include information about your potential contribution to the field of law librarianship and AALL, as well as the need for this award. Preferably, the other letter should be from someone who is not a fellow staff member.

APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS MUST REACH THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE BY MARCH 1, 1989. APPLICANTS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSURING THAT ALL INFORMATION NEEDED IS RECEIVED BEFORE THE DEADLINE. IN FAIRNESS TO OTHERS, NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED.

Please send the original and ten (10) copies of both this application and your letters of recommendation to:

Carol A. Suhre, Chair
Scholarships and Grants Committee
American Association of Law Libraries
53 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 940
Chicago, Illinois 60604

ALSO ENCLOSE A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED ENVELOPE AND A STAMPED, SELF-ADDRESSED POSTCARD TO BE USED TO NOTIFY YOU THAT YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND OF THE COMMITTEE'S DECISION.

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER:

WHAT'S AALL'S FINANCIAL STATUS?

It's a very rich association: it has a one million dollar investment fund that annually generates income worth about \$30 for each of its 4,300 members; vendors contribute thousands of dollars to its scholarship funds and annual meetings; it publishes a newsletter, a journal, and an index to foreign legal periodicals; its annual income exceeds a million dollars, and its most recent annual meeting generated a \$58,000 profit.

OR.....

It's a very poor association: it expects to spend some \$200,000 more than it will take in this year; at the November 5 Board meeting, nearly \$70,000 worth of funding requests from groups and individuals were deferred indefinitely for lack of money; and the budget for the 1989 Reno meeting wouldn't generate income until we raised the registration fee to \$150.

Which is the correct answer?

Both of the above statements are true. To solve the problems associated with the second set of statements, I asked the Financial Advisory Committee to make recommendations to the Board by March. Roger Jacobs, chair of that committee, has advised the Board that the recommendation will almost certainly include a dues increase, and that it probably won't include a recommendation to reduce the size of the investment fund. I want everyone to have as much information as is possible about this situation, so here is a sketch of what has happened:

Over the last several years, our dues remained constant; the amount of income from dues rose as our membership rose; other kinds of income have risen; but the total increase in income has not matched the increase in expenses, even though we raised the price of everything we sell to non-members by 50-100%: the mailing list, the publications, and advertising, as well as exhibit space at the annual meeting. Charts at pages 56-57 of the September NEWSLETTER show the trends clearly.

Our investment fund—also referred to as our "endowment" although that is not technically correct—was set up a couple of years ago to ensure the highest rate of return for money we had previously kept in more liquid form. The accumulation of excess funds in the first place was the result of great prudence on the part of the officers, and the income generated by the fund has delayed the need to raise dues. The Board has the power to spend all of the investment fund, and if we did so, it would be gone in about five years at the present rate of spending \$200,000 more than we take in each year. We would, of course, then have lost the income it had generated, and would need a substantially larger dues increase.

Another tack to avoid a dues increase would be to cut expenses. That's a real option, although it would completely reverse the direction in which members have decided previously the Association should head. For example,

we could scale back the newsletter, and have a quarterly, typed, photocopied newsletter as we did in 1981, instead of a monthly, printed, 32 page newsletter like September's, which included the CRIV SHEET from the Committee on Relations with Information Vendors. We could have a Directory like that of the 1970's--listing members completely only under their library's name and about 150 pages long; instead of one like the 1988-89 edition, over 500 pages long with an alphabetical member list, law library locator, geographical listing, and expanded Handbook. The Directory is possible because of computer equipment at headquarters, and a programmer consultant--both of those cost money.

Those who belong to other associations will realize our dues are relatively low: I just paid my State Bar dues of \$150 exclusive of a PAC contribution; and my ALA dues, including a couple of divisions, for \$192. My AALL membership, including all 12 SIS's, was just \$125. Most members don't join all SIS's, and I'd guess the average dues are under \$100. The Newsletter, Directory, and Law Library Journal would cost over \$100 at the non-member rate. And if you compare the 0% increase in AALL dues since 1982 to the increase in your library's book and salary budget--or your own salary--you'll see what a bargain our dues are.

It appears virtually certain that we need a dues increase; it seems wise to keep an investment fund of some size to minimize the dues increase needed. The Board will make decisions, based on the Financial Advisory Committee's recommendations, in March. Any dues increase needs membership approval. I invite your comments and suggestions.

Margaret A. Leary

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For Immediate Release

From: Martha S. Brown
Contact: Kathleen Price
(612) 625-9036

LAW BOOKS FOR CHINA

Kathleen Price, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law, University of Minnesota, has recently returned from visiting eight of the nine law libraries participating in exchanges through the Committee on Legal Education Exchange with China (CLEEC), a consortium of ABA/AALS law schools designed to strengthen Chinese legal education by exchanging law faculty and legal materials, sponsoring bilateral conference, and orienting Chinese law students being sent to the United States in a Chinese-based summer orientation program. For five years, CLEEC has been collecting materials for Chinese libraries and shipping them to China through the Books for China Foundation, which uses container shipping in bulk to one address to keep costs to a minimum. Beijing University (Beida) Law Library acts as the distribution point in China.

Vice Dean Wang Chenguang of Beida stressed that Chinese libraries are most interested in three kinds of U.S. materials: 1) periodical gap fillers, 2) up-to-date federal codes and 3) treatises in relevant subjects. Citing Chinese interest in law reviews specializing in international law, Professor Price also saw a need for legal

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periodical indexes, Martindale-Hubbell "Laws of the World" volumes, legal research and writing books, and LC subject heading lists. She discovered that Books for China deliveries have not been received in China for over three years and does not believe that CLEEC can rely on this source. The CLEEC library subcommittee is interested in establishing formal sister-library relationships with U.S. and Chinese law libraries, such as that existing between U.S.C. and China University of Law and Politics. These relationships work best when sending libraries respond to the expressed needs of the receiving institution and make commitments to regularly update materials sent.

Professor Price is also interested in ascertaining those journals of international law interested in instituting exchanges for Chinese law reviews as well as libraries interested in shipping the materials listed above directly to a Chinese law library.

Participating CLEEC libraries located are at Beijing University, China University of Law and Politics (Beijing), East China Institute of Law and Politics (Shanghai), Fudan University (Shanghai), Jilin University (Changchun), National Law Institute of the Academy of Social Science (Beijing), People's University (Beijing), Southwest Institute of Law and Politics (Changging), and Wuhan University (Wuchang).

Professor Price also works with the China Law Society which is building an International Research Center, including Library and conference center, in Beijing where foreigners can research Chinese law and Chinese can research foreign law. Its building is scheduled to open in 1990. The assembling of a working U.S. law office collection is proposed which would include a legal encyclopedia, law review index, reporter system with digests, and the top 20 law reviews.

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Any lawyer or librarian wishing to donate any of the above materials should contact:

**Professor Kathleen Price, Director of the Law Library
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November 11, 1988

TO: Chapter Newsletter Editors

FROM: Martha S. Brown, Professional Development Officer *msb*

RE: AALL Meeting Dates

Enclosed is information you may be interested in including in your newsletters regarding annual meeting dates (through 1994) and summer and winter institutes for 1989, 1990, and 1991 (winter only). Some dates are not set; those interested in planning ahead should know that the summer institutes have historically begun the Tuesday or Wednesday prior to the annual meeting. I will let you know as soon as I have been notified about the specific dates.

Items to Note:

1. The Institute Mailing for summer 1989 will go to all members in January. Registration fees, deadlines, etc. will be included in that mailing.
2. Dates for the 1991 Annual Meeting are a change from previously published information! The date change was approved by the Executive Board at its meeting 11/5/88.

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November 7, 1988

AALL MEETING DATES

From: Martha S. Brown
(312)939-4764

Please include the following listings in Calendars of library-related educational programs:

Midwinter Institute
Managing Emerging Technologies
January 9 - 12, 1989
Infomart
Dallas, Texas

Summer Institutes - 1989

How to Teach Legal Research in Law Firm and Academic Environments
June 13 - 16, 1989
McGeorge School of Law
Sacramento, California

Space-Planning Within Existing Facilities
June 14 - 17, 1989
Granlibakken Resort
Lake Tahoe, California

1989 Annual Meeting

Values and Resources
June 18 - 21, 1989
Bally's Hotel
Reno, Nevada

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Midwinter Institute

Accessing Business and Other Non-Legal Resources

January 1990

Location: TBA

Summer Institutes - 1990

International, Foreign and Comparative Law

Dates: TBA

University of Minnesota

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Financial Management in Law Libraries

Dates: TBA

Hamline University

Minneapolis, Minnesota

1990 Annual Meeting

June 17 - 20, 1990

Hyatt Regency

Minneapolis, Minnesota

1991 Winter Institute

**Law Libraries - Serving the Legal Information Needs of a Varied
Constituency: The Judiciary, The Bar and The Public**

Dates: TBA

Location: TBA

1991 Annual Meeting

July 21 - 24, 1991

Marriott Hotel

New Orleans, Louisiana

1992 Annual Meeting

July 19 - 22, 1992

Hilton and Towers

San Francisco, California

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1993 Annual Meeting

**July 20 - 23, 1993
Marriott Hotel
Boston, Massachusetts**

1994 Annual Meeting

**July 10 - 13, 1994
Seattle, Washington**