



Mid-America Association
of Law Libraries

May 10, 1978

MID-YEAR UPDATE

Although the Secretary has been a little slow in getting out this Newsletter, the Association's leadership has been busy planning this year's meeting. The many topics offered by various people has resulted in yet another questionnaire to the membership. (Please be sure to return your questionnaire as soon as possible!) The meeting in Omaha is really beginning to sound exciting.

But still, the one ingredient which makes our meetings so successful is the membership itself, both as speakers and as active participants. Our policy of depending mainly on speakers from our own membership has resulted in high quality presentations based on extremely thorough research. None of us would dare disappoint our neighbors. I like to think that our policy has also helped to create a large pool of young and capable librarians from the Midwest available for speaking at the national level and in other forums. Several of our past speakers will be speaking at the national meeting in Rochester this summer.

Be sure to reserve Friday and Saturday, October 13-14, for the 1978 M.A.A.L.L. annual meeting in Omaha, Nebraska.

--Charles Dyer, Secretary

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been a little over six months since our meeting in Carbondale, and I am pleased to report that Carol Boast, our Program Chairman, and Bob Kelly, our host for the Omaha fall meeting, are making plans. Carol has designed a questionnaire to be distributed with this Newsletter so that you will be able to express your ideas concerning topics and subjects to be explored. Bob Kelly is hoping the new Boys Town Learning Center will be able to accommodate the group. They have a "fireplace commons" that sounds perfect for a wine and cheese party. I hope to meet with Carol and Bob while we are in Rochester and would welcome anyone joining our informal group to discuss plans for the Omaha meeting.

In March I appointed a nominating committee to draft a slate of candidates to be voted on in October. Members of the committee are: Anne Maloney, St. Louis University Law Library, Chairman; Donna Clark, Kansas City Court of Appeals Librarian; and Janet Lyon, University of Illinois. We will need candidates for Vice-President/President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you have any

suggestions, I am sure they will be glad to hear from you.

The Committee on Co-operative Acquisitions has not been able to be too active what with the departure of Roger Jacobs from S.I.U. I have decided to delay making any new appointments to that committee until the Head Librarian positions are filled at S.I.U. and University of Missouri--Columbia, as I feel both schools should be involved in this project.

There was some discussion at Carbondale of the group embarking on the project of preparing a union list of unique and rare collections located within the various member libraries. I feel such a list would be valuable to everyone in the chapter and could be shared with the total association. I would appreciate hearing from anyone who would like to compile such a list from their respective library.

I'll look forward to seeing a lot of you in Rochester, but don't spend all your money. Save some for Omaha in October.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW MATERIALS: A SUMMARY

of the 1977 Annual Meeting
October 21-22, 1977
Carbondale, Illinois

Once again this year, the Association held a most successful and informative meeting. This was our second annual meeting which stretched over two days. Nevertheless, it did not drag and was really very inexpensive. All speakers, except for our opening speaker, were members of the Association itself. The facilities at the Carbondale Holiday Inn were quite nice and the Southern Illinois University staff, which served a host, was most accomodating.

Activities began with the Opening Luncheon at the Holiday Inn on Friday afternoon. From there the S.I.U. staff took us on a tour of the Southern Illinois University campus using an open-air bus-cart like ones found at amusement parks. We toured the S.I.U. Law Library and saw the OCLC terminal in operation. From there, we went to the Law School itself, where the afternoon presentations were made.

Thomas P. Polityka, Assistant Professor of Law at S.I.U., spoke on "An Introduction to Basic Principles of Administrative Law," which served as the overview of the theme of our meeting this year: administrative law materials. Professor Polityka spoke on the history of the development of administrative agencies in the United States, on their relations with other governmental entities, such as courts and legislatures, and on the kinds of tasks they perform: rate-making, licensing, and business practices. Administrative agencies fall into two categories, regulatory and social welfare, and the kinds of materials they produce is directly dependent on their respective roles.

Nancy Johnson, University of Illinois Law Library, then spoke on the Federal Register and the C.F.R. She spoke on the history of the development of administrative notice, and on the

types of notice given in the Federal Register, such as rules, proposed rules, notices of action taken, etc. She then ran down the ways to access the Federal Register and the C.F.R.

Back at the Holiday Inn, the Association held a reception before dinner; then we began the evening programs, which began the examination of particular types of administrative law materials, which would be exemplative of the diversity and complexity of such materials.

Eileen Searls, St. Louis University Law Library, led off with a discussion of the materials in labor law. She began with an explanation of the history of federal preemption of the area of labor law, together with a review of the several changes in the National Labor Relations Act which have occurred. She then reviewed the materials available in the field.

Carol Boast, University of Illinois Law Library, then took over with a discussion of the very heady subject of taxation and the materials available there. She reviewed the enormous number of commercially published materials in the area which take such different approaches in organizing the materials disseminated by the IRS itself and other agencies. After her session, we all adjourned to a hospitality suite and continued a lively discussion of the day's talks and other matters.

The following morning, Saturday, Robert Kelly, Creighton University Law Library, gave a presentation on securities law. This was another area where the federal government has preempted much of the jurisdiction, but not all. He went on to explain the federal acts, what types of securities they covered, and what the laws ment. He covered nine separate acts and proved to us all that securities law is quite complex. Fortunately, he then told us which materials to use to remove our anxieties.

The last presentation was by Charles Dyer, University of Missouri--Kansas City, who took up the area of public utility and transportation regulation. He noted the large number of agencies, both state and federal, involved in such regulation. He then discussed the trouble in preparing evidence for these bodies, since many agencies depend on forms which are actually used for other agencies. He also discussed the various commercially published sources in the area.

After a break, the Association held its business meeting and luncheon. Although most of the membership left after that, some stayed behind in order to continue enjoying the hospitality of the S.I.U. staff, who began impromptu tours of Carbondale.

SOME MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Roger Jacobs, Law Librarian at Southern Illinois University, left in January to accept the position of Librarian for the United States Supreme Court. Elizabeth Slusser Kelly has accepted the head position at S.I.U. Our congratulations to both!

Patti Rodi is now Patti Rodi Monk, a happy newlywed. Congratulations to you, too.

MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS MEETING

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries
Carbondale, Illinois, October 22, 1977.

The President, D.A. Divilbiss, opened the meeting with her report, which consisted mostly of relating the history of events which led to the large number of items of business placed on the agenda. President Divilbiss also praised Roger Jacobs, Law Librarian at Southern Illinois University for the outstanding work that he and his staff did as the local arrangements committee for the Carbondale meeting. President Divilbiss then presented a plaque to Mr. Jacobs, our immediate past-President, for his outstanding contributions to the Association. Mr. Jacobs will be moving out of the Association's geographic region when he assumes his new position as Librarian for the United States Supreme Court in January.

The Secretary-Treasurer, Charles Dyer, then gave the Treasurer's report. The Treasury had a balance of some \$770. The Carbondale meeting was almost completely paid for out of registration fees. Then Mr. Dyer went on to speak on two later agenda items, prompting President Divilbiss to alter the order of the agenda, to which the Association agreed.

Consequently, next came a motion offered by Roger Jacobs and seconded by Carol Boast that the Treasurer, in seeking a tax exemption from the IRS, be instructed to apply for that status as a business league rather than as a scientific and educational institution. The effect of that approach would be to allow the Association to engage in activities which might be construed as lobbying, such as commenting on legislation, but would foreclose the possibility of gifts to the Association being considered as charitable contributions. Grants and sponsored events given to the Association by publishers, etc., would still be proper business expense deductions, so the Association's present mode of financing should not be hampered. The motion passed unanimously.

Then Charles Dyer offered a resolution to amend the Constitution and By-Laws of the Association to split the office of Secretary-Treasurer into two offices, Secretary and Treasurer. The resolution, along with copies of the Constitution and By-Laws, as amended, are attached to these minutes. The resolution passed unanimously. In accordance with the resolution, Charles Dyer retains the office of Secretary for one more year until the next regularly scheduled elections. Nominations for a one-year interim term as Treasurer were taken from the floor. Catherine Koenig of the University of Missouri - Kansas City was elected.

The President then entertained a motion on the location of the next annual meeting. The Program Committee suggested that it would be nice to start a tradition of holding the meeting at the city where the in-coming president lives, which would automatically settle the location of the meeting every other year and give the new president much more first-hand knowledge of the workings of the Association. The Vice-President/ President-Elect, Robert Kelly, Law Librarian at Creighton University, very graciously offered Omaha as the meeting site for 1978. The motion was made by Charles Dyer, seconded by Catherine Koenig, and passed unanimously. Carol Boast was appointed Program Chairman for the meeting.

The next item of business was a combination of old and new business. The old business was a discussion of possible projects on state publications and a discussion on co-operative

acquisitions. The new business was a report and discussion on the Co-operative Agreement. The Agreement, appended to the minutes, was composed by the Secretary in response to a request by some of the membership to have some sort of statement to present to their respective directors which would enable their libraries to become full participants in the Association's co-operative activities. The main purpose was to allow court and bar association libraries to interlibrary loan. However, some of the court and bar association librarians had already presented the Agreement to their boards. The response of the boards was generally negative. The evident feeling of these directors was that they were giving something away without gaining anything, since law school libraries already interlibrary loan. Some directors were very antagonistic. The general consensus was not to make the touchy situation worse by adopting the Agreement and forcing these librarians to return to their boards. So action on the Agreement was tabled unanimously. Then Charles Dyer moved and Elizabeth Slusser Kelly seconded that a committee be formed to begin listing activities anyway. "Listing activities" refers to the creation of union lists and special collection lists, with possible co-operative acquisitions agreements among the law school libraries. The motion passed unanimously.

Next, President Divilbiss raised an issue not present on the agenda. She asked for a resolution from the Association, as a chapter of AALL, to the AALL Executive Board concerning the elimination of publishers' sponsorship of events at the national meetings and, implicitly, at the chapter meetings. Rather lengthy discussion ensued. While the consensus was that the chapter as such was not affected directly, the AALL Executive Board's decision did have a persuasive or coercive effect on the chapter. However, most of the concern was over the effect on national meetings and the lack of input from the AALL membership in the Executive Board's decision. A motion was passed authorizing a resolution to be written subsequent to the meeting and forwarded to the AALL Executive Board. A copy of that resolution plus a copy of a summary of individual views also forwarded to the Executive Board are attached to these minutes.

The meeting was then temporarily adjourned for lunch. It later reconvened for a report on the new AALL Code of Ethics by Joel Burstein. Mr. Burstein then lead a discussion on the Code. He took the remarks and requests for clarification back to the AALL Ethics Committee. The Code of Ethics and the Charter for the Advisory Commission on Ethical Standards was published in the AALL Newsletter, vol. 9, no. 1 (September, 1977) and is not re-published here.

President Divilbiss then adjourned the meeting, which was, I understand, one of the longest the Association has ever had.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles R. Dyer, Secretary

Attachments:

MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The office of Secretary-Treasurer of this Association is becoming too large a chore for a single individual, especially considering that it is done on a voluntary basis,

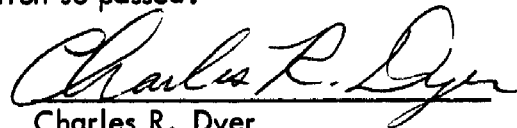
BE IT RESOLVED, by the Membership of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, that the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association be amended to reflect the splitting of the office of Secretary-Treasurer into two offices, to wit: the office of Secretary and the office of Treasurer. Copies of the Constitution and By-Laws reflecting these amendments are appended to this Resolution.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Membership of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, that Charles R. Dyer, the present Secretary-Treasurer of this Association, retain the office of Secretary after the adoption of this Resolution until that office is filled by election at the next regularly scheduled officer election in 1978.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Membership of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries, that upon adoption of this Resolution, the Membership, at the same meeting, shall elect a Treasurer to fill that office until the next regularly scheduled officer election in 1978. Nominations shall come from the floor. The Treasurer shall be elected by secret ballot, in accordance with Article IV, Section 3, of the By-Laws.

This Resolution requires two-thirds vote in favor of all the members present and voting. A quorum of fifteen members is required. American Association of Law Libraries Executive Board approval is also required. SO RESOLVED AND ADOPTED, this 22nd day of October, 1977, by the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries by a vote of 22 yea, 0 no.

This is a true and exact copy of the Resolution so passed.



Charles R. Dyer
Secretary-Treasurer

MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. NAME.

The name of this organization shall be: MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES.

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

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.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

There shall be such officers and committees as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE V. AMENDMENTS.

Section 1. Any proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be filed with the Secretary at least thirty days before a business meeting, and notice shall be sent to all members at least ten days prior to such meeting.

Section 2. If two-thirds of the members present and voting at such meeting be in favor of such amendment, it shall stand adopted.

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.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS.

Meetings shall be held as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII. EFFECT.

The Constitution and By-Laws shall take effect upon adoption.

BY-LAWS

MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. Individual Members.

Any person officially connected with a law library, or with a separately maintained law section in any library may become an active individual member upon determination of eligibility by the Secretary and payment of annual dues. An adverse determination may be appealed to the Executive Board.

Section 2. Institutional Members.

Any law library may become an institutional member upon payment of annual dues. The Executive Board is empowered to determine whether the institution applying is a law library.

Section 3. Associate Members

Persons not connected with law libraries may be elected to associate membership by the Executive Board and shall pay annual dues.

Section 4. Rights and Privileges.

The right to hold office shall be restricted to active individual and institutionally designated members. Rights of voting shall be restricted to active individual and institutionally designated members.

Section 5. Dues.

- a. The annual dues for individual membership and associate membership shall be \$5.00.
- b. The institutional membership dues shall be at a minimum rate of \$10.00, entitling one (1) member; additional designated members will be at a rate of \$5.00, with no library to pay annual dues in excess of \$50.00.

- c. The year for dues shall begin January 1, and the fiscal year shall begin on January 1.

ARTICLE II. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

Section 1. Officers.

- a. The officers of this Association shall consist of: President; Vice-President-President Elect; Secretary; and Treasurer; who shall hold office for two years, at which time their respective successors shall be elected.
- b. In the event that the President resigns prior to the completion of a regular term, or is otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office in the judgment of the Executive Board, the Vice President-President Elect shall automatically assume the Presidency and shall serve therein until his original Presidential term would have expired, or for no more than three years, whichever is shorter. A special election would be held to fill the office of Vice President-President Elect upon the assumption of the office of President by the Vice President-President Elect.

Section 2. Duties of officers.

- a. The President, Vice President-President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their respective offices.
- b. The Executive Board shall consist of the current officers and the immediate past President, and shall be responsible for executing the policies of the Association.

Section 3. Committees.

- a. There shall be such committees as the Association or the Executive Board may establish from time to time.
- b. The President shall appoint all members of committees.

ARTICLE III. MEETINGS.

Section 1. Annual Meeting.

An annual meeting of the Association shall be held either in October or November at such time and place as the Executive Board shall determine.

Section 2. Other Meetings.

The President shall call other meetings of the Association as deemed necessary, or when requested to do so by the Executive Board.

Section 3. Conduct of Meetings.

Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order except as otherwise specified by the By-Laws.

Section 4. Quorum.

A quorum for a business meeting of the Association shall consist of fifteen members.

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 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.

Section 2. Additional Nominations.

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.

Section 3. Method of Election.

The officers of the Association shall be elected by secret ballot at each even year annual meeting.

Attachment 2.

MID-AMERICA ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES
COOPERATIVE MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

The Mid-America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL), an unincorporated business league of law libraries in Arkansas, southern Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska, with regional chapter status under the American Association of Law Libraries, and

of

city

state

hereinafter referred to as Member, do hereby stipulate as follows:

WHEREAS, the acquisition of legal materials is becoming progressively more expensive each year, and

WHEREAS, no MAALL member library is large enough nor is likely to become large enough to meet all the information needs of its users, and,

WHEREAS, no law library should expect to fill information requests by using another library's facilities without reciprocating in kind, and

WHEREAS, MAALL has undertaken the task of compiling informational listings of the various library resources of its members, with special observance being given to the unusual and hard-to-obtain materials, as well as the expensive sets, and

WHEREAS, the objective of all members of MAALL is to make legal information available to the largest number of users possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Member, MAALL, and all other MAALL member libraries who sign a Cooperative Membership Agreement, declare their intent to work together toward the development of an active regional library information network, and do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Member agrees to cooperate in the listing activities of MAALL for all materials within the Member library, except materials developed in-house which are of a private nature.

2. The Member agrees to make available for interlibrary loan all materials within the Member library excepting those excepted in Clause 1, following the rules of the Interlibrary Loan Code of the American Library Association, with amendments promulgated by MAALL.

3. MAALL agrees to make available to all Member libraries the results of its listing activities and other network activities.

4. MAALL agrees to see to it that all other MAALL member libraries who sign a Cooperative Membership Agreement conform to that Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Member and MAALL have caused this agreement to be executed by a duly authorized officer of each party. Agreement made this _____

day of _____ 197 ____.

By _____

Mid-America Association
of Law Libraries (MAALL)

D.A. Divilbiss, President

By _____

Member

Name

Title

Attachment 3.

RESOLUTION TO THE AALL EXECUTIVE BOARD

RESOLVED; That the policy adopted in June by the AALL Executive Board eliminating publishers sponsorship of social events at the AALL annual meetings not be implemented until all the members of the AALL have an opportunity to discuss and express their views on this change. This opportunity for debate and discussion should be available to the members at the annual meeting to be held in Rochester, New York, in June, 1978.

Reasons:

1. The speedy action of the Executive Board in adopting such a drastic change in policy has eliminated the opportunity for debate and discussion by association members.
2. This break with tradition was passed without input from the chapters, although suggestions had been invited by former President Jack Ellenberger in his editorial in the February, 1977 Law Library Journal.
3. It is basically unfair to the chapters who have already accepted the responsibility of "host chapter" for the 1979 and 1980 AALL Annual meetings, under the impression that the traditional policy for entertainment would apply, to suddenly find that this policy is no longer in effect.

Authorization for this resolution was passed by the members of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries at their annual meeting October 22nd, by a vote of 17 to 1 with 4 abstaining.

Also the following views were expressed by individual members of MAALL. Some of these may have been influential to the vote, but in order to obtain consensus for the resolution they were left out of the final draft.

Individual views:

1. The unilateral action of the Executive Board expresses an opinion of the ethics of the membership which may not be warranted in fact and should not be assumed without investigation. The membership on the whole may indeed be able to make the distinction between a sponsored special event and a bribe or a kickback.
2. Placing considerable emphasis on scholarships may inadvertently make the Scholarship Committee a political boondoggle. Less-well-paid AALL members who do not have expense accounts may prefer the democratically-distributed largesse of special sponsored events to the chance of a scholarship which may be biased, consciously or unconsciously, in favor of some members over others. (The composition of the Scholarship Committee changes over time, and the fair-minded committee of today may not exist tomorrow.) This point was of a particular concern because "less-well-paid" members, as a class, are not represented on the Executive Board.
3. The Executive Board cannot be sure that publishers will be willing to throw funds into a general coffer. Everyone is aware of the lavish dinners thrown by Information Handling Services, Warren, Gorham & Lamont, etc., for the privileged few when those publishers make small contributions to the general program. Perhaps all publishers would start acting that way. Then the "ethical considerations" may indeed be something to worry about.

To be fair, it must be stated that some members were in general agreement with the actions of the Executive Board, in spite of the above statements. However, some of those also would have preferred an open, association-wide debate before acting.

THE BIG MEETIN' IN ROCHESTER

Nina H. Fleitas, Co-Chairman, AALL Publicity asked us to include the following items on the national meeting:

The Americana and the Holiday Inn are completely reserved for the AALL Annual Meeting. No other conventions will be there so we won't have to compete with organ companies, drug salesmen, dog catcher unions, etc.! I think it's going to be the best meeting AALL ever held. The two hotels are connected by a walk-bridge spanning the Genesee River. Since the meetings and events will be divided between the two hotels, it will give us a chance to walk in the fresh air. Many people at these meetings never have time to get out of the convention hotel for some air, but this year will certainly be different. (from the ALLUNY Newsletter.)

Contact Colleen Lahan, Supreme Court Library at Buffalo, 92 Franklin St. Buffalo, NY 14202 for a pre-registration packet, if you need one. The next page gives the program for the meeting.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES

71st ANNUAL MEETING

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

FRIDAY – JUNE 23, 1978

5:00 – 7:30 CONELL Registration

SATURDAY – JUNE 24, 1978

8:00 – 5:30 CONELL Registration and Program

9:00 – 5:00 AALL Executive Board Meeting

2:00 – 5:00 AALL Registration

SUNDAY – JUNE 25, 1978

9:00 – 7:00 AALL Registration

8:00 – 2:00 State, Court and County Law Libraries (SCCLL)

1. Computer Legal Research
2. Library Standards and Statistics

9:00 – 11:00 Automation

1. Business Meeting
2. Lexis for Law Schools

10:00 – 12:30 Private Law Libraries

1. Business Meeting
2. Lexis for Law Firms

10:00 – 12:00 Contemporary Social Problems

1. Business Meeting

12:00 – 2:00 OCLC Program

1:00 – 2:00 Services to Institutions

1. Business Meeting

2:00 – 4:00 Committee Meetings

4:00 – 6:00 Committee Meetings

7:00 – 9:00 Opening Reception

MONDAY – JUNE 26, 1978

9:00 – 5:00 AALL Registration

7:30 – 9:00 SIS/Committee Breakfast Meetings

9:00 – 11:30 Business Meeting

12:00 – 2:00 Opening Luncheon

2:30 – 4:30 Program: Fiscal Management

4:30 – 6:30 Committee Meetings

8:00 – 10:00 Discussion Groups

1. Accounting and Bookkeeping
2. Budgeting
3. Proposal Drafting
4. Report Writing
5. Time/Cost Studies

TUESDAY – JUNE 27, 1978

7:30 – 9:00 Chapter Breakfasts

8:00 – 12:00 AALL Registration

9:00 – 10:30 Concurrent Programs

1. Billing a Client Librarian's Research Time
2. Judicial Legislative Activity – The Impact of Law Library Budgets
3. Moving a Law Library

11:00 – 12:30

Concurrent Programs

1. Certification for Law Librarians
2. Clinical Legal Education
3. Non-Legal Data Bases

2:30 – 4:30

SIS Programs

1. Rights of Handicapped
2. Government Documents
 - a) Depository Collection Management
 - b) Administrative Regulations
 - c) G.P.O.
3. Defining Legal Services
4. Planning for Change

5:00 – 9:00

Tour of Lawyers Co-operative Publishing Co.

WEDNESDAY – JUNE 28, 1978

9:00 – 10:30 Business Meeting

11:00 – 12:30

Concurrent Programs

1. Anglo-American Cataloging Rules 2nd Edition
2. Training Paralegals in Law Library Skills
3. Utilization of Audio-Visual and Micro-form Equipment

2:30 – 4:00

Concurrent Programs

1. Network for the Small Law Library
2. Proposed Legal Education Library
3. Reference Service vs. Practising Law

4:00 – 6:00

Committee Meetings

6:30 – 7:30

Reception

7:30 –

Annual Banquet

THURSDAY – JUNE 29, 1978

9:00 – 5:00 Executive Board Meeting

9:00 – 5:00 Education Workshops (Separate Registration)

1. Indexing Legal Memoranda
2. Environmental Law
3. Space Planning

NOTE: All Program Sessions occur simultaneously.

Directions to Convention Hotels:

Americana Rochester -

Thruway from the east - Exit 45 to Route 490 West.
Exit Clinton Avenue, turn left onto Broad Street, right
onto Exchange, proceed to Americana, 2 blocks on the
right. From Thruway west - Exit 47 to Route 490 East.
Exit Plymouth Avenue, turn left onto Plymouth, make
first right onto Church Street, turn right onto State
Street, Americana on left. From Route 15 - To Clinton
Avenue, then same as above from Clinton.

Genesee Plaza Holiday Inn (Downtown) -

Thruway from the east - Exit 45 to Route 490 West.
Exit Clinton Avenue, turn left onto Mortimer Street -
2 blocks. Thruway from the west - Exit 47 to Route 490
East, Exit Plymouth Avenue, turn right onto Plymouth,
left onto Main, proceed on Main to Holiday.

Directions to and from the Airport to the hotels will be noted
in the AALL Newsletter.

NOTE: The decision by the AALL Executive Board to stop publishers'
sponsorship of convention events has been suspended by subsequent
action of the Board in its meeting in Atlanta in December, 1977.
The topic will be on the agenda for the business meetings at the
Rochester meeting, so that the membership will have some input.
(So you might want to go to the business meetings for once this year!)

DUES STATEMENT

Those of you who did not pay the 1978 dues at the October, 1977,
meeting in Carbondale should use this form in order to pay. Dues
are five dollars (\$5.00) per person. Those of you desiring a
separate institutional invoice with all members listed together
should write the Treasurer. Please consult By-Laws, art. 1, sec. 5b,
for an explanation of institutional membership dues. (Page 7 of
this Mid-Year Update.)

Name _____ New _____ Renewal _____

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Affiliation _____

Title _____

Please make check payable to Mid-America Association of Law
Libraries. Return to: Catherine Koenig, Treasurer, Mid-America
Association of Law Libraries, UMKC Law Library, Kansas City, MO 64110.

M.A.A.L.L. ANNUAL MEETING - OCTOBER 13-14, 1978, OMAHA, NEBRASKA

SAVE THESE DATES!

Questionnaire to Members

The questionnaires in the past have been extremely valuable in planning the M.A.A.L.L. programs. Last year equal interest was shown in administrative law and in resources outside one's own library. As those who came to Carbondale know, we had a successful program on administrative law. Now the program committee needs to know if you are still interested in outside resources (regardless of our program theme, Roger F. Jacobs has been invited to speak to us on the Supreme Court Library) or want to pursue some other topic. Please send your comments soon so the committee can meet in Rochester with the results and start arranging speakers. If anyone would like to meet with the committee or be considered as a possible speaker by the committee, indicate so in the last question and you will be contacted. One goal of M.A.A.L.L. has been to provide a small, friendly audience to individuals new to speaking. Return the questionnaire to Carol Boast, 104M Law Library, University of Illinois, Champaign, IL 61820 before June 23 - please.

A.1. Did you attend the 1977 M.A.A.L.L. Carbondale meeting on administrative law?

2. Did you find the meeting informative? enjoyable?

3. What in particular stands out as the most valuable features of the meeting?

B.4. Would you like a meeting on organizing small libraries?

5. What should be covered? cataloging_____ subject headings_____
classification schemes_____ circulation systems_____ filing systems_____
physical maintenance of books_____ other:_____

C.6. Would you like a meeting on how to find resources outside your own library?

7. What should be covered? University resources_____ government
agencies_____ Congressmen_____ Consumer organizations_____
computer services_____ other:_____

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D.8. Would you like a whole meeting on computerized data bases? _____

Just Law? _____ Law and General? _____

9. What data bases should be covered? LEXIS _____ Westlaw _____
Others: _____

10. Should other aspects of computers be covered? _____
Management in a law firm or law school _____ Contracts _____
Other: _____

E.11. Would you like a meeting on substantive law and materials?

12. On what topic?

F.13. This year's meeting is in Omaha, Nebraska. Do you have a preference
for where we meet the next year: Carbondale _____ Champaign _____
Kansas City _____ St. Louis _____ Other: _____

14. Would you like to meet with the M.A.A.L.L. program committee in
Rochester? _____
If yes, where will you be staying?

15. Would you like to speak at a M.A.A.L.L. meeting? _____
Any particular topic?

16. Can you recommend any speakers (indicate topic if appropriate)?