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Circuit

The Special of the Day is Duck Soup!

We have scheduled a room and received menus from the Peabody Orlando Hotel for our AALL July business lunch. Please read Needra's related column on food and costs on the last page. We need to decide what to eat and how much to spend.

An Archives Committee has been established. Cindy Shearer has agreed to chair the committee. We hope to establish standards for paper archives with the University of Illinois archivist. Electronic archives will also be discussed by the committee. We have material and files in several different locations that need to be saved. If you are aware of any relevant documents, please let the committee know.

The 2002 committees are set out on the next page. I was able to place volunteers on their preferred committee. Call me if you have questions. The 2002 local arrangements and program committees are still getting formalized with CALL (Chicago Association of Law Libraries). Don't forget

to mark November 7 – 9, 2002, on your calendars for our joint meeting with CALL at the University of Illinois. Contact Janis Johnston in Illinois if you have any ideas for the annual meeting. Barbara Fullerton has the MAALL contingent ready to go on the program committee. Watch the web page for meeting news.

The web page has moved. It's new address is www.aallnet.org/chapter/maall. See Barbara Ginsburg's internet committee report on developments. Minutes from the St. Louis business meeting will be posted on the web page for your approval. Send anything you think might be interesting to Barbara at KU for the web page.

Finally, we need to think about a dues increase. Ten dollars is just not enough to grow as an organization. The annual AALL lunch cost is high enough now that we cannot afford much except tea. In fact, since the Peabody is known for its flock of ducks, we may be having duck soup in Orlando!



-Tom
"Water

Yacovella,
Ballet"

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Membership News

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Arkansas

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville

Nancy L. Strohmeyer has joined the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville as the new Head of Public Services, replacing **David Gay**. She was at Loyola University New Orleans for over sixteen years before coming to Arkansas in February. Nancy was a student member of MAALL long ago when she was in law school at Southern Illinois University, and she is extremely happy to return. Hopefully, MAALL members who know her will feel the same way.

Illinois

Southern Illinois University School of Law Library

Southern Illinois University School of Law Library Faculty Assistant Professor **Adria P. Olmi** is the author of "Estate-Planning Internet Resources for Illinois Lawyers." 90 Illinois Bar Journal 49, 46, 48 (2002). She is also author of "Internet Resources for Illinois Personal Injury Lawyers", 90 Illinois Bar Journal 151-153 (2002).

Iowa

Drake University

Karen Wallace, Circulation/Reference Librarian, has co-authored the book, "The Responsive Public Library: How to Develop and Market a Winning Collection," published by Libraries Unlimited in January of 2002. Although primarily intended for public librarians, the book includes material that might be of interest to librarians of all types. For example, there are discussions of relationship marketing, planning, customer service issues, signage, promotion, the costs of library use, educating staff about marketing, and getting organizational support for marketing efforts.

Pioneer Hi-Bred International

Barbara Fullerton, Electronic Resources Librarian at Pioneer Hi-Bred International, along with Brian Neale, Oppenheimer's California IT Manager, and Susan Skyzinski, LexisNexis Librarian, will be presenting the Gadgets program at the Texas Library Association on April 24, 2002 in Dallas, Texas. Barbara, along with Brian Neale, Brian Roberts of LexisNexis, and Roger Skalbeck of George Mason University, will also be speaking at the AALL annual meeting in July in two programs: "And You Thought Gadgets Were Only for the Kitchen: Part II" and "Emergency Computer Tips".

Kansas

Johnson County Law Library

John Pickett, Johnson County Law Library Director, reports that this year the library is establishing an automated catalog, circulation system and web OPAC using EOSI GLAS software.

University of Kansas Law Library

Lynne Fothergill has joined The KU Law Library as Reference/Information Services Librarian. Her hours are primarily evenings and weekends. Lynne was a reference librarian in Jackson, Wyoming, before coming to the KU Law Library. Welcome Lynne!!!

Missouri

Welcome to Jan Medved, our newest Membership News State Liaison

Jackson County Law Library

Ruth Fraley, former Assistant Deputy Chief Administrator of the New York State Unified Court System and Consultant in Legal Information and Record Management, facilitated a one day session with JCLL's board of directors and library staff to develop a strategic plan for JCLL on January 26, 2002.

The workshop began with an environmental scan of world and local events impacting JCLL's future role to the 16th Circuit Court of Jackson County, MO and library members. It concluded over a late lunch where board members and staff articulated their visions for the Library's future.

Linda Roser, Reference Librarian, presented a CLE program for the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association on March

07, 2002. *QuickNet: Statutes, Regulations & Ordinances* was offered in the computer training classroom at the KCMBA and offered participants tips and tricks for using the Internet to locate primary law. The program is approved for CLE credit in Missouri and Kansas.

Roser will present a CLE class to the judges and clerks of the 16th Circuit Court of Jackson County, MO in late March. She will demonstrate the electronic research resources available to court users and offer suggestions and strategies regarding the appropriate resource for specific research questions.

Debbie Steele, Technical Services Librarian, is enrolled in "Legal Bibliography and Reference" an online course via the Internet offered through the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Shook, Hardy & Bacon, LLP

Evalyn Bollinger, former MAALL member, is working as a part-time contract employee for SHB's office located in Houston, Texas.

Bollinger worked at the Jackson County Law Library, the law library at the law firm of Gage & Tucker, now Lathrop & Gage, and the Leon E. Bloch Law Library at the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Bollinger volunteered on the 1999 MAALL Local Arrangements Committee before moving to Houston in 2000.

Janet McKinney, Computer Services Librarian at SHB, published an article on LLRX.com on February 01, 2002 entitled "Shaking Up Shook: A Case Study in Implementing Lawport Portal" at <http://www.llrx.com/features/lawport.htm>.

It reviews a commercial intranet product and presents a case study of its implementation at Shook, Hardy & Bacon.

University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law Library

Randy Diamond, MU School of Law, **Trish Cervenka**, Saint Louis University School of Law, and **Jeff Sewell**, Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, are teaching Legal Bibliography and Reference for the MU School of Information Science & Learning Technologies in winter semester 2002. The course is offered through [MU Direct](#) using [Blackboard](#) course software and [ERES](#) (the Electronic Reserve System at MU). A total of twenty-seven students are enrolled in sections in Columbia, Kansas City and St. Louis. The class includes both MLS students and practicing librarians who are taking the course for continuing education. Students have access to Lexis and Westlaw. The course meets in four Saturday face-to-face sessions and online for weekly assignments and discussion forums.

University of Missouri-Kansas City -- Leon E. Bloch Law Library

Lissa Lord, Director of Electronic Communications, reports that the law school search committee is nearing completion of the search for a library director. **Patricia Harris O'Connor** vacated the position to accept a full-time faculty appointment.

The staff's congratulations and welcome will accompany a brief biography of the new director in the next issue of *MAALL Markings*.

The UMKC Law Library staff worked with faculty to produce an online index of faculty scholarly writings and activities. **Lord** states that "it is truly impressive to see the number and quality of articles, books, presentations and professional opportunities in which our law faculty engages." This resource is an excellent tool for librarians to use when ordering new research materials

for faculty. Also, liaison librarians can track past research initiatives of faculty and plug into new sources of information for continuing research. The index site is located at <http://www1.law.umkc.edu/faculty/facultywritings/>

INTERNET COMMITTEE DOIN'S

The MAALL web site is now located at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/maall/>. On the website you will find news and announcements from various committees and members, organization information, the *MAALL Markings*, and current information about the upcoming meetings. Some items we will be posting soon are: Meeting minutes from the 2001 annual meeting, an updated membership directory, and information about the 2002 annual meeting at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Of course the web site cannot be complete without input from MAALL members. Please contact me with suggestions or corrections at ginzburg@ku.edu.



MAALL /CALL FALL, Y'ALL

Fall in central Illinois is a beautiful time of year and a great time for us to host the MAALL / CALL joint meeting! We are getting ready to welcome you with gracious hospitality, good food, and fun activities. The University of Illinois has many attractions from the third largest academic library in the nation to the world class Kranneret Center for the Performing Arts where the Chicago Symphony comes to record . Our meeting will be held primarily at the Urbana Holiday Inn, our largest and newest conference hotel, and at the college of law.

Champaign-Urbana is an easy drive from St. Louis and Chicago. We're located right at the junction of three interstate highways (I 57, I 72, I 74). The University's modern Willard Airports is served by American and Northwest airlines with frequent connections to St. Louis, Chicago and Detroit. It is not hard to get here so we hope you will come! The program committee is hard at work putting together great educational sessions with top speakers on timely topics. And your local arrangements crew plans to provide you with a lively introduction to a great campus and community.



Foellinger Auditorium

AND BY THE WAY...

The Program Committee is still looking for volunteers to help plan the program for the MAALL / CALL annual meeting in November. The meeting will take place Thursday, November 7th through Saturday, November 9th at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Please contact Barbara Fullerton (contact information below) if you would like to volunteer. Thanks!!

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NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

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Shook, Hardy & Bacon Law Library

Law Libraries and the Aftermath of Sept. 11

Several chapter newsletters published since Sept. 11, 2001 included articles written in response to the tragedy.

Hazelton, Penny A., "Grief in the Workplace," Law Library Lights, vol. 45, no. 2, Winter 2001, pgs. 1,3-6. Professor Hazelton discusses at length the grieving process, especially as it relates to coping with the loss of friends and co-workers.

Murphy, Jim., "Responding to Terrorism Victims: Oklahoma City and Beyond / Office for Victims of Crime, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Dept. Of Justice-Washington, D.C. (2000)," LLAGNY Law Lines, vol. 25, no. 2, Dec. 2001, pgs. 13-14.

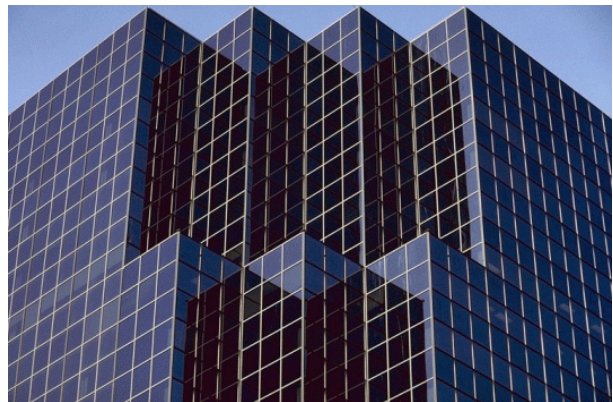
Gabriel, Raquel, "Anti Terrorism Web Site Resources," LLAGNY Law Lines, vol. 25, no. 2, Dec. 2001, pgs. 6-9. The author prepared a bibliography of various official and unofficial Web sites dealing with terrorism.

Alexander, Jessica R., "The President and Congress – Aftermath of September 11," Houston Area Law Librarians Newsletter, vol. 19, no. 1, Jan./Feb. 2002, pgs. 10-11.

This article provides a list of official documents and Web sites promulgated as a result of the attacks. The article is also available on South Texas College of Law's Web site at:

<http://www.stcl.edu/library/FN13-6September11.html>

Selby, Barbie, "Access 2001: Information Lockdown? A report from the Virginia Coalition of Open Government's 2001 meeting," VALL Newsletter, vol.17, no. 3, Winter 2001, pgs. 3-6. The author reports on a meeting concerned with continued access to public information in the light of new security concerns.



International Law

Szymczak, Victoria J., "Nifty NAFTA Sites," LLAGNY Law Lines, vol. 25, no. 2, Dec. 2001, pgs. 15-16. This article was the result of research done by the author to prepare for a course on the North American Free Trade Agreement. In it she discusses several Web sites that explain NAFTA and its rules and procedures.

The Chicago Association of Law Libraries hosted a session on International Law Sources. Lyonette Louis-Jacques, Foreign and International Law Librarian at the University of Chicago law library was the presenter. Her power point presentation entitled, "Flexing Your International Legal Research Muscle," can be found on her Web site: <http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/~llou>

Gold, Rhonda, "World News on the Worldwide Web," SFALL Newsletter, vol. 25, no. 2, Winter 2002, pgs 3-4. A librarian who specializes in International Law at Nova Southeastern University wrote this article which includes the Web site to a number of Web sites for international news.

Jack, Bill, "The Internet Column: Public International Law Research," vol. 28, no. 3, Nov./Dec. 2001, pgs. 12-13. In this article the author discusses several public Web sites that provide information on the European Union and other international law topics.

Access for the Hearing and Speech Impaired

"Maryland State Law Library Heightens Access to Its Services for the Deaf, Hearing and Speech Disabled," LLAM News, vol. 20, no. 1-2, Sept./Dec. 2001, p. 5. The Chief Justice of the Maryland state courts has been a proponent of providing access to the state courts for the disabled. Part of this effort has resulted in better access to legal information by the hearing and speech impaired. The state law library now has special equipment for outside callers and for people in the library that allows them to communicate more effectively with the library staff.

Information in Electronic Format

Lawless, Helen, "The Incredible Shrinking Law Library?" LLAGNY Law Lines, vol. 25, no. 2, Dec. 2001. This author points out the various challenges in moving from print to electronic only sources. These challenges include having staff, patrons, support personnel (like information technology staff) involved in the decision making, in the training and sharing of information.

The Virtual Law Library was the title of a special section of the Chicago Area Law Libraries newsletter last year. The special section was a compilation of articles by various information professionals. These included: "A Feasible Virtual Law Library: Scenario," by Teri Ross Embrey; "Virtual Law Librarian: Adding Value in a Digital World," by David Whelan; "Working Smarter: How to Develop a Digital Reference Desk," by Joan Ogden; "The Virtual Law Library in the Illinois Trial Court Setting," by David Bender; "Virtual Library May Not Equal Complete Library," by Michael Bushbaum; "Going Electronic with Current Awareness Resources," by Rober Winger; "Everything You Wanted to Ask the Legal Information Providers ...," by Christina Wagner; "Internet Librarian 2000," by Michael Reddy; "The Virtual Depository Library," by Pegeen G. Bassett; and "Professional Reading," a bibliography by Jean M. Wenger. CALL Bulletin, Spring 2001, pgs. 16-28.

For copies of any of the above articles, please contact the compiler at: mmcreynolds@falconfight.com

DUCK SOUP II?

The menus from the Peabody Hotel in Orlando are summarized below. The cost is higher this year, so we thought the members might like to comment on the selections and possibly help us decide. Each of the choices can contain vegetarian selections. How do you feel about a box lunch—or would you rather have a buffet? MAALL has helped with the cost in the past, but this year even with help our cost will be higher. Let us know what you think!

The annual conference menu choices vary in selection and pricing. I have only listed those menus which have prices under \$40.00. I have included a brief description of the categories from which we can choose. If anyone needs further information, please let me know. All prices at the Peabody Hotel include a 20% service charge and 6% tax. Prices will not be final until a contract is signed.

Hot Luncheon Entrees

\$28.00 - \$38.50 per person

Chilled Luncheon Entrees

\$26.75 - \$35.00 per person

\$75.00 service charge for guarantees less than 15

Both the hot and chilled luncheon entrees include: a choice of soup or salad, peabody rolls/butter, dessert, regular and decaf coffee and herbal tea.

Luncheon Buffets

Heart Healthy Garden Salad Buffet

\$31.75 per person - minimum
100 guests

Includes homemade soup, fruit, cucumber/dill salad, mushroom/artichoke salad, potato/onion salad, chicken/pecan/apple salad, tahouleh salad, orzo/shrimp salad, ham/asparagus salad, garden greens w/cROUTONS, bacon bits, cheese, cucumbers, carrots, chick peas and olives, sweet assortment, breads/rolls, regular/decaf coffee and tea

Deli Buffet

\$34.00 per person - minimum
of 15 guests

Includes field greens/dressing, fruit/berries, potato/onion salad, pasta salad, cucumber, tomato, feta cheese salad, deli meats (salami, ham, turkey, beef, swiss and cheddar cheese), deli breads, brownies, chocolate chip, oatmeal and chocolate nut cookies, regular/decaf coffee and tea.

REMINDER: MAALL Dues for 2002 need to be paid by April 15 for individual to be included in 2002 MAALL Directory. The renewal form can be found on the MAALL website <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/maall/>.

