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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT Jennifer Prilliman Associate Director and Law Library Professor, Chickasaw Nation Library at the Oklahoma City University School of Law

MAALL continues to grow, and our membership spans from Nebraska to Tennessee. As a diverse chapter, spread out over many states, we recognize that to continue to serve our members, we have to adapt and consider new technologies and opportunities for communication, service, and education. Part of this change includes using technology to support our chapter's efforts. The MAALL Technology Task Force submitted their report to the Executive Board with recommendations on how to capture and store our annual meeting programs and possibly support more online educational opportunities for MAALL members. The Board, the Continuing Education Committee, and the Local Arrangements Committee are each reviewing

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the recommendations. Once each of those groups have reviewed the report, the membership will also have an opportunity to review and comment on the recommendations before the Board votes.

Not only are we planning and counting on an exciting 2016 Annual Meeting in Oklahoma City, but we are already working on the 2017 and 2018 Annual Meetings as well. Our 2017 Annual Meeting—a joint meeting with the Chicago Association of Law Libraries (CALL), the Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin (LLAW), the Minnesota Association of Law Libraries (MALL), and the Michigan Association of Law Libraries (MichALL)—will be hosted by Marquette University School of Law in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We are really looking forward to working with our colleagues from other chapters to host a fantastic meeting. The 2018 Annual Meeting will be held in Memphis, Tennessee! This will be the first time MAALL has met in Tennessee.

Between now and our next annual meeting, I hope to see many of you at the 2016 American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Annual Meeting in Chicago. Please leave space in your calendar for the MAALL business meeting and luncheon Sunday, July 17 at 12:30. Registration and details about the lunch are now available at http://maall.wildapricot.org/event-2265326. This year's speaker is Michelle Falkoff. She is the Director and Associate Professor of Law in Northwestern's Communication and Legal Reasoning Faculty and a published fiction author. More information on her book is available at http://members. authorsguild.net/mfalkoff/. We are excited to hear and learn from her!

I look forward to seeing everyone in Chicago and Oklahoma City!



MESSAGE FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT

Susan M. Boland Associate Director of Public & Research Services, University of Cincinnati Robert S. Marx Law Library

As I write this column, our students have just finished their last final exam and our 3Ls are getting ready for graduation. Pent-up excitement and anticipation fill the air. The law students are not the only ones experiencing anticipation and excitement. Summer for me is a time for special projects, assessment and evaluation, and professional development. On my list of great professional development activities this summer is the MAALL Luncheon at AALL. It will be Sunday, July 17. I can't wait to see you all there!

Speaking of professional development, the MAALL meeting October 13-15, 2016 in Oklahoma City will be here before you know it. The Annual Meeting Program Committee and Local Arrangements Committee have been hard at work putting everything together. In keeping with our theme, "Expanding Circles," we have been striving to offer programming that will appeal to the expansive interests of the MAALL membership. Thanks to all of our wonderful program submissions, I believe we have succeeded. Thank you program submitters and presenters! Our keynote speaker is Deborah Tussey, Professor of Law at Oklahoma City University School of Law. Look for a complete listing and description of all the programs on the Annual Meeting website. This is going to be a fantastic meeting!

If you have any questions, please be sure and contact the Annual Meeting Program Committee at <u>maall.education@</u> <u>gmail.com</u>.

MAALL Annual Meeting Date: October 13 – 15, 2016 Where: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Hotel: Aloft Oklahoma City Downtown – Bricktown, <u>http://www.aloftoklahomacitybricktown.com/</u> Theme: Expanding Circles Meeting website: <u>http://maall.wildapricot.org/MAALL-Annual-Meeting-2016</u>



The MAALL Business Meeting Lunch at the 2016 AALL Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 17 at 12:30 - 2 p.m. in the Hyatt-Plaza Ballroom B.

2016 MAALL ANNUAL MEETING - LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Susan Urban

Head of Access Services

Chickasaw Nation Law Library at the Oklahoma City University School of Law

The MAALL Meeting Local Arrangements Committee is working hard to make the 2016 Annual Meeting one of the best yet! In addition to the programs the Annual Meeting Program Committee is organizing, Oklahoma City offers many amenities and activities for you to enjoy during the meeting.

The conference hotel is the new Aloft hotel in the <u>historic Deep Deuce</u> area of Oklahoma City, just north of the <u>Bricktown</u> entertainment district and east of <u>Downtown</u>. There are a multitude of fabulous dining and entertainment options in the immediate area. The Aloft itself is home to a lobby featuring modern décor and art, as well as a two-level bar and restaurant, where you can network with fellow attendees. Just next door, you can experience dining on gourmet corn dogs in a shipping container at Anchor Down. Across the street from the hotel, Urban Johnnie offers an upscale sports bar experience. Venturing just south from the hotel, you'll find Bricktown - home to breweries, restaurants of all varieties, and a movie theater. The opening reception on Thursday night has been booked at Vast, the restaurant and event space on the top floor of the Devon Tower. Fifty stories up, the space provides views of the skyline and all the way to the suburbs of OKC. We should have a nice sunset view to the west as the reception begins.

We hope you choose to attend in October to participate in the engaging conference sessions and to enjoy Oklahoma City!







The Lobby of the host hotel, Aloft, a view from the Aloft balcony of Downtown Oklahoma City, and the Myriad Gardens, within walking distance of Aloft.

DELANEY TOKYO PAPERS

Heather Buckwalter Serials/Acquisitions Librarian, Creighton University Law Library

To coincide with the 70th anniversary of the beginning of the International Military Tribunal for the Far East (IMTFE), the library has an exhibit of select pages from original documents of the trial, such as the Indictment, the Summary of the Prosecution, and the Individual Defense Summation of Hideki Tojo.



The documents in this exhibit are part of a collection of papers that were originally owned by Thomas Ronald Delaney (Creighton Law '30) and came into his possession during his participation as part of the Tojo prosecution team during the IMTFE from 1947-1948. He donated the papers to the Creighton School of Law Library in August 1985.

The online version of the complete collection is available at: <u>http://culibraries.creighton.edu/tokyopapers</u>.

CONFERENCE REPORT: DALL SPRING INSTITUTE AND SEAALL/SWALL CONFERENCE

Timothy Gatton Head of Reference Services, Chickasaw Nation Law Library at the Oklahoma City University School of Law

I had the pleasure of going to Dallas on April 14, 2016, for the Dallas Association of Law Librarians' (DALL) Spring Institute and the joint Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries (SEAALL) and Southwestern Association of Law Libraries (SWALL) Conference. At the Oklahoma City University School of Law, we have many students from Texas and even offer some Texas-specific courses. I joined DALL and SWALL so that I could keep up with new developments in Texas legal research, which made attending both the DALL Institute and the SEAALL/SWALL Conference a must.

Taking Dallas Area Rapid Transit from DFW to downtown was a breeze. I checked into the hotel and then raced over to the law school at University of North Texas (UNT)-Dallas just in time for breakfast at the DALL Institute. Ron Wheeler, Vice-President of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), gave the opening remarks. He reminded us that we solve problems and that we need to start leading the charge in a technology-driven future.

The first session of DALL was "Ethical Issues for Lawyers Using the Internet, Including Social Media and the Cloud." Peter Vogel from Gardere gave an insightful presentation. We learned about issues that I had never considered, like the importance of wiping out the hard drive on copy machines. I had no idea that was even a thing! Data breaches and cybercrime, on the other hand, were issues with which I was somewhat familiar. Malware, ransomware, and the ethics of

storing data in the cloud all gave me a lot to ponder.

The second session was "Creating a Community of Experts in the Law Firm" by Justin Hectus from Keesal, Young & Logan. He reiterated how technology should be woven into the law school curriculum. At his firm, attorneys receive certification on training in technology and they are developing a community of experts.

The third session was "Safeguarding Client Confidentiality in the Cyber Age" presented by Andy Sawyer, the Director of Security at Locke Lord LLP. We learned about the importance of cybersecurity and protecting confidential data for clients as well as the firm. He went over tips such as not friending strangers on Facebook and using multiple passwords or even passphrases instead of passwords.

After lunch, we heard from Sean Curry at Greenberg Traurig about the purpose and benefits of the International Legal Technology Association. He emphasized the peer support as well as the tech focus and the shared knowledge and shared successes. The first year of membership is free to non-firm members.

The final presentation of the DALL Institute was from Jennifer Wondracek at UNT-Dallas College of Law, with "Does Not Compute: Technologically Illiterate Law Students and Lawyers No More!" UNT-Dallas has a practice-related technology requirement. These skills range from law practice software to court presentation technologies and general Microsoft Office features.

The next morning, the SEAALL/SWALL Annual Conference ("Big D: Data, Discovery and Dicta") kicked off with an address by Alan C. Lowe, Director of the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum. He gave an informative



Timothy Gatton performing roving reference at the Oklahoma City University School of Law.

and entertaining presentation about what goes on with establishing and running a presidential library.

The first program I attended was "Competitive Intelligence Super Sleuth Secrets" by Carol Watson and Suzanne Graham from the University of Georgia Law Library. They provided so much great information! Our law library here at Oklahoma City University offers a session on people searching and fact finding, so this program was a great resource for me. I will be taking some of these tips and tools back with me for our students, from browsing incognito on Firefox to hiding my footprints on LinkedIn.

After that, I attended "Isn't This Class Just Dicta? Making Legal Research Relevant & Things You Wish You'd Have Known." A panel of six law librarians discussed their top five tips for teaching and interacting with the students. I took away useful information from each panelist—letting it go if something isn't working, not engaging in e-mail with students who keep challenging and questioning, having deadlines for questions, and building connections within the law school and other departments.

In the afternoon, I attended a session about preparing for an American Bar Association (ABA) site visit under the new ABA standards. While my school won't have a site visit again until 2019, it's never too early to get some tips! I was pleased to learn that our law library is already taking those positive steps with the ABA standards. Whew!

Later that afternoon, I watched Liz Johnson from Wake Forest University School of Law discuss ways to promote faculty scholarship. We are always trying to encourage and promote our faculty's works, so this was a great session for ideas. We already implement many of her suggestions, but learning new ways to increase exposure of faculty scholarship to a wider audience is always worthwhile. I was particularly intrigued by her suggestion to repurpose and repackage content in other types of journals.

Next, Rebekah Maxwell and Pamela Rogers Melton from the University of South Carolina School of Law discussed how they have partnered with outside legal groups to get real-world research problems for their Advanced Legal Research courses. At South Carolina, the librarians and students worked with South Carolina Legal Services and with the South Carolina Bar's Ask-A-Lawyer program. I loved this idea. We at Oklahoma City School of Law just started something similar with the City of Oklahoma City, the Norick Municipal Law Research Clinic, where students answer questions posed by the city's attorneys.

The final session I attended that day was "Increasing Value: Reaching Out to Your Law School." I was pleased to see that our law library is doing virtually everything suggested by the panelists. We reach out to law school staff, admissions, law career services, our clinical programs, our alumni, and probably even more groups that we serve without even thinking about it.

The next morning started with the Ignite Programs, with rapid-fire presentations on a variety of quick topics. I love this idea and found the presentations interesting. Subjects ranged from water law to library automation to researching federal income tax law.

I attended a session after that entitled "Leave Treasure Hunts to Pirates: Using Research Plans and Logs to Create Experiential Legal Research Courses." Speakers were Cassie Rae DuBay and Donna Wolff from the Underwood Law Library at Southern Methodist University (SMU), Robert Linz from the University of Colorado, and Anne Lucke from the Native American Rights Fund. I loved the focus on plans and logs. We have a Legal Research Award class on Developing a Legal Research Strategy, and these ideas fell right in line with that. This also matched well with our Norick Municipal Law Research Clinic.

Next, I sat in on Christina Glon's presentation on "Data, Discovery, and Teaching Technology." At Emory University School of Law, the librarians teach "Technology in Legal Practice." She went over what worked well, what things needed to be tweaked, and how the class focused on case/client management, billing software, e-discovery tools, and social media and marketing.

The final session of the conference for me was on "Making Legal Research an Epic Win: Using Games to Engage Lawyers and Students." The presenters showed different board games, video games, simulations, etc. I loved the Passing the Bar board game, and was intrigued with the Bluebook Thunderdome idea!

I was anxious to get back home so I could share what I learned with my colleagues and with our students. SWALL and DALL meetings are so incredibly useful for me and I love the collegiality of the members. Presentation topics are always right on point with what I need to know for continued growth and improvement as a teacher, mentor, and colleague. I expect a similarly interesting time at the MAALL conference in Oklahoma City in October. We are excited about hosting this event and are looking forward to seeing everyone!



PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN MEMORABILIA EXHIBIT Heather Buckwalter Serials/Acquisitions Librarian, Creighton University Law Library

To commemorate the four-year cycle of U.S. presidential campaigns, the Creighton Law Library has an exhibit of past and current presidential campaign memorabilia. The exhibit is part of the collection of Corinne and Jay Jacox. Corinne is the Catalog/Reference Librarian at

the library. While heavy on campaign buttons, the display also includes representative yard signs, bumper stickers, and convention paraphernalia. Items in this display date from 1900 to the present, not only from the major parties, but also from candidates of numerous minor parties and independent runs.

U.S. presidential campaign "buttons" are as old as George Washington, when supporters would literally sew "GW" buttons onto their clothing. The modern "pin-back" metal button debuted for William McKinley during his 1896 race against William Jennings Bryan. Bryan caught up with his own "pin-back" button during the 1900 re-match between the two candidates. Since that time, button variations have been endless.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm welcome to the newest members of MAALL:

- Nicholas Birdsong, Faculty Services Senior Researcher, University of Kansas School of Law
- Bruce Chandler, Technical Services Manager, University of Kansas School of Law
- Kathleen Dunagin, Director of Library Services, Thompson Coburn
- Barbara Gonzalez, Research Librarian, Littler Mendelson
- Katherine Hanley, Scholarly Communications Assistant, UC Davis School of Law, Mabie Law Library

- Joseph Mitzenmacher, Reference & Electronic Services Librarian, Loyola University Chicago School of Law Library
- Anne Mostad Jensen, Head of Faculty Services, University of North Dakota School of Law
- Sherrie Norwood, Systems and Metadata Librarian, University of Arkansas – Little Rock, Bowen Law Library
- Steve Richardson, Information Services Librarian, University of Memphis School of Law Library

The MAALL Grants Committee is pleased to announce a \$300 grant to attend CONELL is being awarded to LeighAnne Thompson. LeighAnne is currently a library student and a new member of MAALL. Congratulations, LeighAnne!

MEMBER NEWS



University of Arkansas – Fayetteville

The Young Law Library welcomes two new employees. Perry Brown assumes the responsibilities of Yen Nguyen who left in April. Perry is the Coordinator for Distance Education. Sonya Mayner is our new Serials Assistant, replacing Emmy Bullock.

On June 18, Randy Thompson will run in the Midnight Marathon in Anchorage, Alaska. This will complete Randy's goal of running a marathon in each of the 50 states!

Kansas Supreme Court Law Library

Kansas Supreme Court Law Library welcomes Daniel Dougherty as Acquisitions/Reference Librarian.

Wheat Law Library, KU

We celebrated National Library Week with cake, gold stars for the staff, and a display, including a certificate from the Superintendent of Documents honoring our 45th year as a Federal Depository Library. The Legal Services



for Students office moved into the newly renovated space just off our Reference Area, and they're great neighbors. Have a great summer, everyone, and we hope to see some of you in Chicago!

Washburn University

John E. Christensen will retire June 30. He came to Washburn in 1979 as the Library Director, expecting to stay three to seven years. That turned into 37 years. He was recently awarded Emeritus Professor of Law status. He will be on a trip to Peru June 2-22. He was in "boot camp" at Tarlton Law Library (University of Texas at Austin) from 1976-79 after completing his MLS at UC-Berkeley in 1976. While attending law school at the University of Utah (JD, 1975) he saw an AALL poster in the library, "Have you ever considered a career in law librarianship?" That encounter changed his life. John served as MAALL President (2006-2007) and President of the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium (1984-86 and 2000-2001).

Deloris M. (Dee) Barker will also retire June 30. She began work at the Washburn Law Library in February 1999 as a Library Assistant II in the U.S. Government Documents Selective Depository. She has served faculty, students, and members of the public (including attorneys) capably by processing U.S. and Kansas government documents and assisting researchers in using the collection. While working at Washburn, she completed a B.A. degree in Computer Science (May 2007). She also earned the Masters of Library Science degree from Emporia State (August 2011). Her duties expanded to include day-to-day operation of the electronic discussion groups hosted at the law school. She also was responsible for maintaining the attorney directory and editing links in WashLaw Web. In recent years, she has opened the library each weekday at 7 a.m. and provided early morning reference service. Dee was recently awarded the Eminentes Universitatis designation.

Creighton Miller was recently named Acting Director of the Law Library. He came to Washburn in 2009 from the University of Alabama School of Law, where he was Head of Reference (2005-2009). He received his JD degree from Tulane (1997) where he was on law review. His MLIS degree is from Louisiana State University (1998). At Washburn, Creighton has served as Librarian for Research and Bibliographic Instruction. He is active in AALL (e.g., Chair, Innovations in Technology Award jury (2015-2016); book review co-editor for *Law Library Journal* (2009-2012); Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section webmaster since 2010).



Polsinelli Law Firm

St. Louis County Law Library

After two years of planning, the Saint Louis County Law Library completed a move into their new space on the 6th floor of the County Courthouse. During this time, the library's Director, Lacy Rakestraw, also had an article accepted for publication in the Journal of the Missouri Bar. The article, titled "The Value of Law Libraries," will be published in the May/June issue.

Jenny Sutherland, Research Librarian at Polsinelli, PC, and MAALL Board Member-at-Large, married Liza Pacheco on Saturday, May 7th, at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Mission, KS. Please join us in wishing Jenny and Liza a lifetime of happiness together!

Creighton University

The Creighton University Libraries have migrated to Ex Libris' ALMA/Primo. Go Live was May 16, 2016. We look forward to using a new and more powerful discovery and delivery tool in assisting our patrons with their research. Also this summer, the law school is in phase 2 of its HVAC renovation. The library has made a temporary entrance on the Lower Level, as the Main entrance will be closed. Many of the law school staff and faculty are temporarily housed in library study rooms.





University of South Dakota School of Law

In May 2016, Eric Young joined the University of South Dakota School of Law as its Law Library Director, Assistant Dean, and Senior Lecturer. Immediately prior to his appointment at USD, he served for five-and-a-half years as the Assistant Dean for Law Library & Technology Services and Assistant Professor of Law at the Shepard Broad College of Law, Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

SEND US YOUR NEWS!

Want to share some exciting news from your library? Contact your State Member News Liaison and share the good news in the next issue of *MAALL Markings*.

MAALL Markings will be honoring retiring MAALL members in its September issue. Please send retirement news to Philip Johnson, Membership Committee Chair, at pjohnso@jmls.edu by June 30, 2016.

MAALL Markings will be honoring deceased MAALL members on an ongoing basis. Please send obituary notices to <u>maall.newsletter@gmail.com</u>.



GREETINGS FROM MARBURY & MADISON!

We've taken a break from traveling this spring (everyone needs a staycation once in a while), but we'll be back on the road this summer. We're heading to the 2016 American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Annual Conference in Chicago, and we hope that plenty of MAALL'ers will be there to represent Mid-America along with us!

What will we be doing in Chicago? How do you get a picture with us? Great questions! We will be staffing the table at the CONELL Marketplace on Saturday morning. If you're a new law librarian and attending, you'll get a chance to meet with us one-on-one in advance of the clamor for our attention in the Exhibit Hall. We'll be in the hall in person during the open events, and in spirit and picture the rest of the time.

We are also super excited to see so many of our MAALL colleagues on the conference schedule! We will be bouncing back and forth between all the exciting programs, poster sessions, coffee talks and more, at which MAALL folks are presenting. We're looking forward to learning a lot from our genius peers.

Of course we will be putting in an appearance at the MAALL Business Meeting and Luncheon on Sunday. Good food, familiar faces, and a great speaker. What more could we ask for? Plus, we're hoping for a sneak peek of #MAALL16 in Oklahoma City.

We're going to have to get a few Chicago-y things in while we're there too: pictures with the Bean, a walk out on the Skydeck, shopping on the Magnificent Mile, and a Ferris wheel ride at Navy Pier. Some of our relatives stay at the Lincoln Park Zoo, so we'll be spending an extra day or so to visit with them at the end of our trip.

As always, we L-O-V-E to travel. Let our assistant Corie (<u>cdugas@slu.edu</u>) know if you want us to come and visit you. We hope to see many of you at AALL in Chicago this summer!

Peace, Love, and Prairie Dogs, Marbury & Madison

FROM THE EDITOR

"Right Here, Write Now!" – Annual Article Contest Reminder

The next issue of MAALL Markings, September 2016, is your last chance to submit an article for this year's \$50 prize! Remember, you can nominate articles for consideration after each issue (watch the MAALL listserv for more details), and all nominated articles will be submitted for a popular vote by MAALL members. The winner will be announced and the prize delivered at the Annual MAALL Meeting in October each year.

Have questions? E-mail me at <u>sadavis@okcu.edu</u> for answers!



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