President's Report

Spring is around the corner, and the first sure sign is not Punxsutawney Phil and his shadow, but the first published reminder that it is time to renew our MAALL memberships. As most of you know, our membership renewals run with the calendar year. Please respond using the form included in this mailing. We value each of our members, and want to continue to reach out to you through our newsletter, programs, grants, and placement contacts. If a colleague of yours is new to the MAALL region, or new to law libraries, please share a copy of the form with them, or have them contact me.

I am pleased to report that through the dedication and perseverance of Sally Wise, and the Civil Clinical Law Program at the University of Nebraska, we have recently received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service recognizing the tax exempt status of MAALL as a 501(c)(6) organization. This determination is the result of over eighteen months of letter writing and form filing. Many thanks also to our treasurer, Cheryl Nyberg, who supplied a lot of information needed for this endeavour. MAALL owes a debt of gratitude to each of you.

Behind the scenes, a number of MAALL Committees have been hard at work on programs and projects that benefit the membership. In this issue, you will find reports on the activities of the Membership Committee and their various outreach projects. This is a very active committee, and they have a number of new programs. Jim Milles includes an article on the initial efforts of our Internet Committee and the establishment of the MAALL discussion group. They are doing exciting things, which will be of interest to our experienced Internet users, and which will also help to mentor those of us who are new to this method of communication. You will also find an early report on the work of the Local Arrangements Committee for our annual meeting in Little Rock, October 14 - 16, 1993. They are planning some truly memorable special events for our entertainment. In

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keeping with MAALL’s tradition of ambitious continuing education activities, the Program Committee is planning sessions in the areas of technical services, reference/research, and management. A highlight of the conference will be a series of discussions on the topic of legal research led by Bob Berring. The June issue of MAALL Markings will provide additional details about the Little Rock program.

Tim Kelly, Reference Librarian at the Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, has asked me to inform you that he will be sending out a survey to the MAALL academic law librarians on their use of e-mail. Please watch for Tim’s survey.

In the way of reminders.....Please keep in mind that AALL’s Scholarship Committee is interested in promoting and expanding its scholarship efforts. If you are working toward a library or law degree, I encourage you to apply for an AALL-sponsored scholarship. Applications are available from AALL Headquarters and the deadline is April 1, 1993......Please also keep in mind the date for the MAALL summer business meeting in Boston. We will have a buffet lunch and business meeting on Tuesday, July 13th.

Finally, I would like to thank Debbie DeSpain, our Newsletter Editor, and Janet McKinney, the MAALL Advertising Manager for their hard work and creativity. This is the first MAALL Markings issue that they have worked on together. They have both done a terrific job.

Please let me hear from you if there is a program that you would like to see developed within MAALL or if you would like to get more involved in the work of the association. I hope you have a happy and productive spring!

Lori Weiss
1993 MAALL DUES

Please use this form to pay your dues! New mailing lists for the Newsletter and the Membership Directory are being compiled. Please don’t let your name or institution be dropped.

Dues are figured according to the following schedule, extracted from the MAALL By-Laws, Article III, Section 6:

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 January 1...

Please complete and mail this form along with your check to: Cheryl Rae Nyberg, MAALL Treasurer. ONE FORM PER MEMBER PLEASE, with each institutional member having a form so they will receive a newsletter and have their name appear in the Membership Directory.

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ADDRESS:  _________________________________________
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Dialog Information Services
75 E. Wacker Dr., Ste. 500
Chicago, IL 60601
March 3 - Company Intelligence 9am-12pm
March 3 - Market Intelligence 1pm-4:30pm
March 10 - How to Find Latin Amer. Info. (FREE) 12pm-1pm
April 7 - Patents 9am-4:30pm
April 8 - How to Use the New System Feature (FREE) 12pm-1pm
April 13 - How to Use the Federal News Service/File 660 (FREE) 12pm-1pm
April 29 - Company Intelligence 9am-12pm
April 29 - Market Intelligence 1pm-4:30pm
May 19 - Patents 9am-4:30pm

**KANSAS CITY**
Midwest Research Institute
425 Volker Bldg. - MAG Center
Kansas City, MO 64110
March 10 - Company Intelligence 9am-12pm
March 10 - Market Intelligence 1pm-4:30pm

**ST. LOUIS**
St. Louis College of Pharmacy
4588 Parkview Place
St. Louis, MO 63110
March 15 - Market Intelligence 1pm-4:30pm
May 10 - Company Intelligence 9am-12pm

**ST. PAUL**
College of St. Catherine’s
2004 Randolph Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55105
March 18 - Company Intelligence 9am-12pm
March 18 - Market Intelligence 1pm-4:30pm
April 28 - Patents 9am-4:30pm
May 25 - Refresher 9am-12pm

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**From the Editor**

Hello MAALL Members-

The March newsletter will be the first under my editorship. You may notice that this issue focuses on the Internet. We would like to suggest that the newsletter follow a theme each month. Included in this issue is a survey to find out what you would like to see in the newsletter.

The proposed theme for MAALL Markings newsletter for June is Cd-Rom’s. What are other timely topics would you like to see addressed? Using these components as a guide for the format of each issue: (1) One substantive article (2) Short Short Stories - i.e. (3) Bibliography (4) Book Review.

MAALL Markings will continue with the Standing Newsletter components: (1) President’s Column by Lori Weiss (2) OfNote/Membership (3) Calendar (4) Placement (5) Advertisements.

Creating a newsletter is like putting together a puzzle. As readers and contributors you supply the pieces. The final product is result of many people and each reader can have something important to add that will help complete the puzzle.

If you have a submission, it would be most helpful to receive the information as a Wordperfect document with plain vanilla format (i.e. no columns, tabs, indents). Persons may also send information by way of the Internet. The deadline dates for each issue are on the 15th of the month before the month of publication, i.e. May 15th and Aug. 15th, but your contributions are welcome at any time and will be used as soon as possible.

You heard it here first (or maybe on the MAALL list) the June issue focuses on cd-rom’s, and you tell me what you want for the September issue. We need you to write, call, or e-mail the message, “Yes, Debbie you can count on me for ...”. With your help, we will convey the messages of the Mid-America Association of Law Librarians in the most professional manner.

Debbie W. DeSpain
P.S. Special Thanks to Paula and Bridget! Couldn’t have done without you.
The Mentor Project brings together new AALL members with seasoned veterans who are willing to share their experiences. The purposes of the Project are three-fold: to provide an informal, personal source of information for newer members; to provide an avenue by which experienced law librarians, the Mentors, may meet promising new members of the profession; and to provide a network for members who are contemplating a move to another type of law library. The Mentor Project is open to librarians from all types of libraries and each participant will be assigned to a member whose profile matches, as closely as possible, his or her request. You can apply for more than one type of mentorship. Applications will be reviewed by the Special Committee on Mentoring. To become a participant, fill out the adjacent form and return it to AALL Headquarters by June 1, 1993.

*If you are applying to be a mentor and you have worked in more than one type of library, mark P by the type(s) of libraries you have worked for in the past and N by the type of library you work in now. If you're applying to be a mentee and are contemplating a move to another type of library, mark N by the type of library you work in now and F by the type of library you hope to move to in the future.
Mentor Committee

One of Mark Estes' long term goals is to be able to provide a mentor for every new member of AALL. Over a three month period, from June to September 1992, 123 new members joined AALL. Based on these four months of statistics, we expect that AALL will have about 350 new members this year: 145 from law firm libraries; 90 students; 25 from academic libraries; 20 from corporate libraries; 20 from county and other public libraries; 10 from court libraries; and 40 others (primarily from vendors). Obviously, we are going to need a lot of mentors.

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If you would like to have a mentor or if you would be willing to serve as a mentor, please fill out the form in this issue or contact one of the following people:

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Kaye, Scholer, Fierman
Hayes & Handler Law Library
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New York, NY 10022
(212) 836 8312
fax (212) 836 7155

Shelley Dowling
Supreme Court of the U.S.
Library
1 First St, N.E.
Washington, DC 20543
(202) 479 3037
fax (202) 479 3477

Mary Brandt Jensen
University of South Dakota
Law Library
414 E. Clark St.
Vermillion, SD 57069-2390
(605) 677 6363
(605) 677 5417

Lynn Connor
Baker & Daniels
300 N. Meridian St.
Suite 2700
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 896 6506

Gayle E. Webb
Riverside County Law Library
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Suite 100
Riverside, CA 92501
(714) 275 6395
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 LAW LIBRARY SUPPORT STAFF FEATURED IN NATIONAL PUBLICATION
Submitted by Mike Reynolds

"Support Staff in Law Libraries" was the featured topic in the January/February 1993 issue of Library Mosaics, a journal for and about library support staff.


INTERNET GROUP FOR SUPPORT STAFF

In the same issue, there was an announcement of a new Internet newsgroup for library support staff issues. To subscribe, send this message: SUB LIBSUP-L (your last name, first name) to: LIBSUP-L@UWAVM.

1993 MAALL Local Arrangements

The 1993 MAALL Annual Meeting will be held at the Excelsior Hotel, on the Arkansas River in downtown Little Rock. Free shuttles will be available to take you from the airport to the hotel. The hotel is located just next door to the Old State House, once the Capitol building and now an historic museum. Bill Clinton announced his run for the Presidency, and gave his victory speech, on its steps.

The Local Arrangements Committee is working hard to assure a memorable meeting. We have planned a riverboat cruise on the Arkansas River for Friday night—you will be able to see both "little rock" and "big rock."

One day of the meeting will be held at the UALR School of Law. Our new library has been featured on the cover of Library Journal, and we will be offering tours of it, as well as other law libraries in Little Rock. Free lessons in hog calling will also be offered in the hospitality suite. The Local Arrangements Committee is looking forward to being your hosts October 14 - 16.

Mentor and More from Membership

The Membership Committee has planned several projects for the 1992-1993 year designed to add new members and retain current members. They include a brochure which will include information about our chapter, cost of membership, and a membership form. We intend to have it available for AALL Activity Booth in Boston. We will also plan to distribute the brochure to members of AALL who do not belong to MAALL. We are also working on a poster to be distributed to member libraries, library schools, large law firms and court libraries which will include a tear sheet requesting information about MAALL. In addition to the brochure and poster, we will be sending a letter to new members welcoming them to our Chapter along with a Membership ID card and establishing a Mentor Program similar to that of AALL. A Mentor form is included with this issue of MAALL Markings.

Although this seems a bit ambitious, we think we will be able to accomplish these projects in what remains of our year.

Evelyn M. Gardner, Chair
egardner@creighton.edu (Internet)
Susan Bobo, Library School Liaison
Mary Brandt Jensen
Mike McReynolds
Marie Wiechman

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The Internet, the vast worldwide "network of networks"...  

The Internet, the vast worldwide "network of networks" that was originally designed by the federal government as an experiment in developing networking technology that could withstand enemy attack, is rapidly becoming an essential research tool and means of communication for librarians. For years, access to the Internet was limited to computer scientists and other high-technology researchers, but the opening up of the Internet in 1989 led to a phenomenal growth in its use. Millions of people now use the Internet daily--to correspond with colleagues, to engage in electronic conferences or "discussion lists" with their peers, to conduct bibliographic research in libraries throughout the world, and to tap new research tools that provide access to information never before available.

The Internet's three basic tools--electronic mail, remote login, and file transfer--are used widely by law librarians:

E-MAIL: Law librarians use the Internet to communicate with individual colleagues, or with hundreds of other law librarians through "discussion lists" such as LAW-LIB@UCDAVIS.EDU or other more specialized discussion lists such as TEKNOIDS@FATTY.LAW.CORNELL.EDU (for law school computer professionals) and INT-LAW@UMIN1.BITNET (for foreign and international law librarians). Law librarians also participate in general library discussions like CIRCPLUS@IDBSU.BITNET, LIBREF-L@KENTVM.BITNET, and LIBADMIN@UMAB.BITNET. On these discussion lists reference questions are shared and answered, policy issues discussed, and job postings distributed. There are even peer-reviewed "electronic journals" that are published only on the Internet.

REMOTE LOGIN: This function (called "telnet" on the Internet) allows users to search remote library catalogs, campus-wide information systems, even LEXIS and WESTLAW, at speeds of 19200 baud or better.

FILE TRANSFER: "Ftp" (or "file transfer protocol") makes possible the location and transfer of large files, from hard-to-find legal documents (the
North American Free Trade Agreement was available on the Internet weeks before it was available in print to “binary” files such as software programs or WordPerfect files, from one computer to another in seconds.

Building on these basics, developers have created several revolutionary new research tools that use the Internet to provide convenient access to “networked information,” regardless of where in the world that information is stored:

Gopher is a hierarchical menu-driven system that is widely used for campus-wide information systems. Gophers can be tailored to provide the specialized information needed by a particular group of users (for instance, course catalogs and events calendars for a college or university). What makes gopher so powerful is the fact that all of the hundreds of gophers throughout the world are interconnected, making it an increasingly popular tool for use by both non-profit and commercial organizations wishing to provide world-wide access to an enormous variety of specialized information.

WAIS (Wide-Area Information System) is a distributed database system which makes it possible to search multiple databases, in a variety of formats and located in geographically dispersed locations, simultaneously with a single search structure.

World-Wide Web (WWW or W3) is a hypertext system that links documents distributed throughout the Internet. Simply typing a number connects the user instantly to a document, whether the document is located in St. Louis or Sweden.

Until recently, all of these resources were available only to those at major research universities. In the last few years, however, almost every university and college in the United States has gained access to the Internet. Even more exciting, a number of commercial Internet access providers have sprung up, selling dial-up access to the Internet with all its capabilities at low monthly fees for individuals and small organizations.
"To Boldly Go Where No AALL Chapter Has Gone Before"

MAALL has taken the lead among law libraries in encouraging the use of the Internet among its members. In fact, we are the first chapter to have our own e-mail discussion list (coincidentally also named MAALL). Anyone can join; to subscribe, send an e-mail message containing one line: SUB MAALL Firstname Lastname to LISTSERV@WUVMD.wustl.edu (substitute your name for "Firstname Lastname"). To post a message to the MAALL list, send it to MAALL@WUVMD.WUSTL.EDU. (We also have a second list, named MALSLC, which is limited to the grant agents from the member schools of the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium.)

You do not have to have Internet access to join the MAALL list; if you have a subscription to MCImail, CompuServe, or one of the other popular electronic information services that offers e-mail, you already have an Internet address and you can send e-mail across the Internet. (Unfortunately, Prodigy does not yet have an Internet connection.) Here are instructions for sending e-mail to the Internet from some of the more popular electronic information services:

COMPUSERVE:

Send to >INTERNET:USER@DOMAIN1.DOMAIN2
For instance, to send a message to me (my Internet address is MILLESJG@SLUVCA.SLU.EDU), you would send to
>INTERNET:MILLESJG@SLUVCA.SLU.EDU

To subscribe to the MAALL discussion list, you would send a message containing the line
SUB MAALL Firstname Lastname
to >INTERNET:LISTSERV@WUVMD.WUSTL.EDU

Your Internet address is based on your CompuServe ID; simply replace the comma with a period and add @COMPUSERVE.COM to the end. For instance, if your CompuServe ID is 58032,256, your Internet address is 58032.256@COMPUSERVE.COM

MCIMAIL:

You have to go through a few extra steps to send Internet e-mail:

A) At the "To:" prompt, type the real name of the person you are writing to, followed by "(EMS)." (The EMS tells MCImail to send the message to an External Mail System.)
B) At the "EMS:" prompt, type INTERNET
C) At the "Mbx:" prompt, type USER@DOMAIN1.DOMAIN2

For instance, to send a message to me, type JIM MILLES (EMS) at the "To:" prompt. Then, at the "EMS:" prompt, type INTERNET. Finally, at the "Mbx:" prompt, type MILLESJG@SLVCA.SLU.EDU

Similarly, to subscribe to the MAALL list, type MAALL (EMS) at the "To:" prompt. Then, at the "EMS:" prompt, type INTERNET. Finally, at the "Mbx:" prompt, type LISTSERV@WUVMD.WUSTL.EDU

The message would consist of the line
SUB MAALL Firstname Lastname
ID, with @MCIMAIL.COM added to the end. For instance, if your MCIMail ID is 534-7896, your Internet address is 5347896@MCIMAIL.COM

"Each One, Teach One"

One way we can promote the use of the Internet among MAALL members is a "buddy system." Law librarians who know their way around the Internet can help others who are just learning. If you would like to volunteer to help guide another law librarian along, or if you would like a contact who can help you, call me. I will help match you up with an "Internet buddy."

Internet For Everyone

Of course, not all MAALL members currently have access to e-mail. And simple e-mail access through MCIMail or CompuServe, although it does allow you to communicate with others, does not give you the full range of essential Internet functions from basic telnet and ftp to the new and exciting systems like Gopher, WAIS, and the World-Wide Web. To fully take advantage of the Internet, you need something more: ideally, a direct network connection from your LAN to the Internet; at least, dial-up access through your university or one of the commercial Internet access providers - CLASS, The WELL, Delphi, Portal, Dial n' Cerf, and many others. The MAALL Internet Committee is currently studying several of these providers, and we hope to make recommendations very soon with the goal of providing low-cost but high-quality Internet access to all MAALL members.

The Internet opens the door for a tremendous expansion of our ability to share our greatest resource--our expertise. The better connected we are, the better we can serve our patrons. "I have seen the virtual library, and it is us!"
Mid-America Law School Libraries
Consortium

Jo Ann Humphreys has completed the revised edition of the Mid-America Law School Consortium e-mail directory. The directory will be sent to the MAALL discussion group. [editors note - see Jim Milles article, "MAALL and the Internet" for details on the MAALL discussion group via the Internet.] She will send the directory out on March 15th. One paper copy will be sent to the directors in the consortium. Please contact Jo Ann about additions and corrections.

E-Mail Directory

The Legal Information Institute at Cornell is interested in encouraging use of the Internet as a means of communication among law teachers. To this end, they are offering system "space" and support to any group of law faculty who wish to start a listserv list on topics related to law teaching, scholarly research and writing, or law school administration. Contact Thomas R. Bruce at: tom@law.mail.cornell.edu for details.

The Legal Information Institute has recently mounted a directory server from which you may obtain e-mail address information for faculty, librarians, and technical staff working in AALS law schools. Thus far, the directory includes listings for over 870 people. Eventually, it is hoped that the directory will be a super set of the AALS and AALL national directories. The directory can be accessed by a variety of means, including e-mail, Gopher, telnet, and dedicated client software.

If you're interested in being listed, or in obtaining information about accessing the directory, send e-mail to: change-request@fatty.law.cornell.edu.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank past state liaisons and welcome new state liaisons to the Membership News section of the MAALL Markings. One thing I have noticed in the past year of compiling "what's going on," in the chapter is a lack of news items from firm and government libraries. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage, beg, plead, etc. the firm and government libraries out there to contribute to this section of the newsletter. No matter what type of law libraries we work in, we are all law librarians and can benefit greatly from shared knowledge between different types of libraries. If you need information as to who is your state liaison or anything else about the Membership News section, feel free to contact me at 402-472-8306 (phone), 402-472-5185 (fax), or mitchf@unlib.unl.edu or fontenot@unlinfo.unl.edu (Internet e-mail). Thanks

Arkansas

The University of Arkansas Little Rock Law Library is on the cover of the December (Architectural) issue of American Libraries. All of the hard work of planning and moving received some well deserved recognition.

The Young Law Library at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville is busy with automation (Innovative), and gearing up for an April site visit by the American Bar Association.

Iowa

Drake University is planning to move into its new Law Library during spring break from March 20 to 28, 1993. The Law Library will be closed during the move but will reopen for normal hours by Monday, March 29. A formal dedication of the $8.5 million facility, the Dwight D. Opperman Hall and Law Library, is scheduled for Friday, April 16. After the move is completed, patrons may enter Opperman Hall from the existing law school building (Cartwright Hall), from the main entrance at 1306 26th Street or from the 27th Street side.

Kansas

Johnson County Law Library

J.W. Breyfogle reports that the Library moved from state to county jurisdiction beginning July 1, 1992. All of the staff are now county employees.

They have a library school student working with them this semester as part of her course work.

Betsy Stroup began with them around Thanksgiving, and will be there until spring.

University of Kansas

In November, Patty Meier, Circulation Manager, moved with her husband and Wal-Mart to California. Her position was filled by Michael Wilson, formerly with KU Watson Library in the Cataloging Department. We miss Patty, but are enjoying working with Michael.

Mary Burchill is back at work after her sabbatical semester. She has been devising a preservation plan for the University Libraries at KU including the Law Library.

Mary has also been working with the Kansas Library Network Board on the State Preservation Plan. The completed plan will be presented at Tri-Conference by Don Wilson, currently Archivist of the United States.

Washburn University

All public service personnel have been put on red alert. This is the semester of search and destroy, or Legal Research and Writing. What an opportunity to truly get to know our beautiful new library and its holdings!

John Christensen, Library Director, is teaching a class, Law and Computers, which is keeping everyone abreast on techniques and issues of emerging computer and information technology.
Pam Tull, Government Documents Assistant, can not seem to get enough of library talk. Pam is an active student at Emporia State working on her Library and Information Science degree. Good luck, Pam!

The library's expanding information technology is an exciting asset to the patrons and staff. Our new online public access catalog (Innovatives Innopac) is appreciated by both staff and patrons. The combined holdings of the Law Library, Washburns Mabee Library, and the Curriculum Resources Center are included on the system. Access to the catalog is available from dedicated terminals as well as networked PCs. The network menu includes the OPAC, various CD-ROM sources (Index to Legal Periodicals, Kansas Catalog, Marcive for Government Documents, Kansas Casebase, and some CCH, West, etc. publications), as well as access to in-house databases and software applications.

Networking is in full swing and Internet communication abounds. The reference staff is finding good use for the various sources included on the Internet. A current application is the retrieval of recent Supreme Court opinions otherwise not available to the general public or undergraduate student. The flexibility of Procomm is used to download opinions to the patrons diskette. This is an efficient use of academic library resources for both user and librarian.

These are truly exciting times for the information profession!

Missouri

University of Missouri Columbia

Anne Rice, Circulation Assistant, gave birth to a 8 pound, 1 ounce girl measuring 20.5 inches and possessing a head full of thick, black hair. The child will be named Heather Anne Rice. Anne is expected back in mid-March. Congratulations, Anne. As a result of a lovely wedding December 19, 1992, Wai-on Vianne Tang, Cataloging Librarian, will now be Wai-on Vianne Tang Sha. She otherwise remains her normal, sensible self.

St. Louis University Law Library

Jim Milles is working on a MAALL list for E-mail...to be included on the list or for more information, contact Jim at 314-658-2759.

Law Library Association of St. Louis Marks 155th Anniversary

One hundred and fifty-five years of continuous operation as a law library for the St. Louis legal community is being marked by the staff and the Board of Directors of the Law Library Association of St. Louis. In 1838 Charles Daniel Drake, later of Missouri constitutional fame during the Reconstruction, obtained signatures of nineteen other lawyers to establish a library similar to those he had used in the East. The Law Library, which since 1930 has been in the top floors of the of the Civil Courts Building at Tucker Boulevard and Market Street, began life in the buildings which were the predecessors of what is now called the Old Courthouse. During the Courthouse construction, the Library was moved from one wing to another, usually on a second floor location. The first order for books was for treatises from Little and Brown in Boston in 1838. The Library's first printed catalog listed 717 volumes in 1845.

Patterns of use and population shifts have affected the Library which has remained a membership practitioners library since its founding. However, there has been a free portion open to all lawyers and supported by civil filing fees since 1950. As technical innovations and other law libraries came into existence, the Law Library added Westlaw, Dialog, and telefacsimile, as well as remaining open 70 hours each week.

The founding members had among themselves four U.S. Senators, one Congressman, one Missouri Governor, one Missouri Secretary of State, two Missouri Senators, seven Missouri Representatives, two St. Louis Mayors, one Chief Justice of the U.S. Court of Claims, one Judge of the Supreme Court of Missouri, three St. Louis Circuit Judges, and one Judge of the St. Louis Criminal
Court. (Several gentlemen served in two or even three of these positions.)

**Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale**

It is with great regret that I send the news that **Helen R. Gibson** passed away on October 26, 1992. Helen was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and received her M.S.L.S. from Drexel. She worked in an international trade library and as a reference librarian in the public systems in Philadelphia.

Helen moved to St. Louis and began her law librarian career at Legal Services of Eastern Missouri and served with distinction for ten years at **Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale**. She was active with the St. Louis Area Law Librarians and is deeply missed. **Sally Crowley**, Helens assistant, has been named librarian at Greensfelder. She will complete her M.L.S. in December 1993.

**Nebraska**

**Creighton University Law Library**

**Trish Cervenka** will assume duties as the Director of the Law Library at Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law in Macon, Georgia. MAALL members will miss Trish very much, especially all those persons who worked with her day-to-day. May Trish enjoy the very best of success.

**Evelyn Gardner** has volunteered to be the Nebraska liaison for the MAALL Markings, so for future news to this column, please contact Evelyn at Creighton. Many thanks to Evelyn as she assumes this new responsibility.

**University of Nebraska**

The **Schmid Law Library** is busy processing active GPO serial records as the result of the first of several tape loads to their local system. The main library and the Law Library are jointly sharing in the Marcive GPO tape loading of over 270,000 bib records. The process will take 3-4 months to complete the loads and monthly loads will be put in the system as they arrive.

Students and library staff at the **Law College** enjoyed listening to oral arguments of some real live cases in both the **Nebraska Supreme Court** and the **Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals** recently.

The Library installed a new access tool to their OPAC (online public assess catalog). Its named **IRIS Plus**. IRIS Plus accesses the databases of all the University of Nebraska Libraries System, PLUS having the ability to access many other databases housed in CDs at the main library. Some of those other databases include:

ERIC, MEDLINE, PsycLIT, Social Science Index, US Government Documents, MLA bibliography, Business Periodicals Index, UnCover and CARL.

**Brian Striman** has abdicated his responsibilities as the Nebraska MAALL Markings liaison, profusely thanking Evelyn for taking over this responsibility. Its time a new person took this over. If you have any news bits for our newsletter, contact Evelyn Gardner.

Working with the **Nebraska State Bar Associations Computer Technology and the Practice of Law Committee**, the Schmid Law Library has volunteered to obtain, review and make available for use, information and some selected products dealing with legal research relevant to Nebraska practice. We are only in the beginning stages at this point.

The library recently received another installment of the **Nebraska Legislative History** on microfilm. These 33 reels include legislative committee reports, floor debates and hearings from 1991-1992 Unicameral activities.

**Oklahoma**

**Oklahoma City University**

**Nancy Fisher** joined the library staff at the end of August as Circulation/Reference Librarian. She received her M.L.S. from the University of Oklahoma from which she graduated Phi Beta Kappa.

Construction of a new law school is underway. It is expected to be completed in time for classes in the fall. Faculty offices and the Library will remain in the present building which will be renovated.

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We hope that many of you will take this opportunity to reflect upon the quality of this publication and assist us in planning its future. We are grateful to the many who have already made comments and suggestions, as well as contributing material, over the past few years. We hope that we can continue to serve you well. Your critiques and your support are deeply appreciated. Please send all comments, articles, editorials, cartoons, or whatever else to: D.W. DeSpain, Mckusick Law Library, USD Law School, 414 E. Clark Vermillion, SD 57069 ddespain@charlie.usd.edu
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Legal Research Teach-IN

The Research Instruction Caucus is sponsoring the first annual Legal Research Teach-In during National Library Week, April 18-24, 1993. The Teach-In will consist of research training events sponsored by law librarians simultaneously all over the country. A checklist to help you plan is available in the January issue of Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing from West Publishing. Call Michelle McCall at 612/687-5630 to receive a copy.
News from Other Chapter Newsletters

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Shelley Clement, who was the Circulation Librarian, transferred to become the Acquisitions Librarian. Robin Kickingbird, who was the Documents Librarian, left to attend law school at Oklahoma City University. Ginger Murray is the new Circulation/Reference Librarian at the University of Oklahoma Law Center. Ginger has a Master's of Library Science and a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma. She has owned her own advertising company and worked for the Pioneer Library System.

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March 25-27 ABA/ Law Practice Management Techshow, Chicago, IL.
April 15-17 SWALL Annual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM.
April 18-24 RIP (Research is Process)
April 20 Legislative Day.
April 27-May 1 Partnerships in Progress Illinois Library Association Annual Conference.
June 4-6 Technology & Applications Cincinnati, Ohio sponsored by the Special Libraries Association.
June 5-10 Special Libraries Association 84th Annual Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio.
June 24- July 1 American Library Association Annual Conference, New Orleans.
July 5-9 Basic Management AALL Summer Institute, Western New England College SchoolLaw, Springfield, Massachusetts. Information will be sent to members in early March, 1993.
July 6-9 International Organizations AALL Summer Institute, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts. Co-sponsored by Ocean Publications, Inc. Information will be sent to members in early March, 1993.
August 17-21 International Association of Law Libraries 12th Course, Spain, Europe, & Latin America: Regional Legal Systems & their Literature, Barcelona Spain.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

It's hard to believe that June is already here. This is a busy month for MAALL, and as a result, you will find this a larger issue than usual. Our summer business meeting and luncheon will be held at the AALL annual meeting in Boston on Tuesday, July 13th, at 12 noon. In order to encourage attendance, we are sending out a separate mailing regarding the luncheon meeting; you need only send in one form. We want to make sure that we get the word out to all interested members in a timely fashion. You will find more information and a reservation form included in this issue of the newsletter. I hope to see many of you there!

Speaking of Boston, I am willing to serve as a liaison to connect MAALL members seeking roommates for the annual meeting. If you need to find someone to share hotel expenses, please give me a call.

In this June issue, you will find two travel grant application forms. One form is for the MAALL travel grant to assist eligible MAALL members in attending the annual meeting. The other form is reserved for paraprofessional staff and supports attendance at the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium Paraprofessional Workshop and the MAALL annual meeting.

Plans for the fall meeting in Little Rock are progressing. The theme for this year's program is MAALL Anniversary: Twenty Years of Working Together. Lots of people are indeed "working together" to make this an educational and entertaining meeting.

The MAALL Executive Board has been conferring on a number of issues, including:

1. The decision to send a donation to the Drake Law Library in memory of Kaye Stoppel;
2. The report and recommendations of the Internet Committee
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Concerning Internet access for all MAALL members. This report outlines the current recommended full Internet commercial access providers for libraries in the MAALL region (a copy of the report is reprinted in this issue;

3. The possibility of a grant or subsidy program to encourage new Internet users; and

4. A decision to support the efforts of the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium (MALSLC) in their educational mission by reserving one MAALL travel grant for a law library paraprofessional to attend the fall annual meeting and Consortium workshop. (The Consortium will also be awarding one travel grant to a paraprofessional representative from a Consortium school.) The criteria for the MAALL paraprofessional travel grant differs slightly from MALSLC’s grant in the sense that it is open to paraprofessional staff from any type of law library, and that MAALL membership is required. One may use the MALSLC grant application form to apply for either source of funding, and the Consortium will pass along the qualified applications to the MAALL Grants Committee. We are happy that through the joint efforts of MAALL and MALSLC, we will be able to offer travel grants to two paraprofessionals.

Brief notes on Committee matters.....Tim Kelly has agreed to take over for Jim Milles as chair of the Pro Bono Committee. This will allow Jim to continue to focus on his work as chair of the Internet Committee. Jim will stay on as a regular member of the Pro Bono Committee. Many thanks to Tim for agreeing to coordinate this important work.....AALL has requested that the chapters designate a PR Liaison. Mike McReynolds has been appointed to serve as our MAALL PR Liaison.

In closing, I want to acknowledge the retirement of Susan Csaky, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law at the University of Missouri, Columbia, School of Law Library. Susan has generously shared her talent and energies with MAALL and is among the original founding members of our association. She has served as cochair for the Local Arrangements Committee for the 1983 Meeting at Tan-Tara and the 1991 Meeting in Columbia, Missouri. Susan was also a founding member of the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium and served as chair of the Consortium from 1990 - 1992. She has helped to further our profession by devoting her time and expertise to the Law Librarianship Program at UMC’s School of Library and Information Science. These are only a few of her many accomplishments. Susan has offered much to MAALL as leader, teacher and friend.

Again, I look forward to seeing many of you in Boston. I hope that you all have a happy, productive summer!

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An additional MAALL grant is specifically reserved for a paraprofessional staff member to support attendance at the annual meeting and the workshop sponsored by the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium (MALSLC). The Consortium will once again be sponsoring its own separate travel grant for paraprofessionals. Interested applicants need only fill out the Consortium's Paraprofessional travel grant form to be considered for either award. The MALSLC Travel Grant Application can be found elsewhere in this issue.

Criteria for awarding the general MAALL travel grants are: current membership in MAALL; usefulness of the meeting to the applicant; contributions of the applicant to MAALL and/or AALL; proven or potential abilities of the applicant, and financial need. Applications must be submitted by August 1, 1993. Entries postmarked after that date will not be eligible. Letters of reference are not required. The application is enclosed in this issue of MAALL Markings.

MAALL TRAVEL GRANT GUIDELINES

1. Travel Grants ($300) are to help defray expenses incurred by current MAALL members in attending the annual MAALL conference.
2. The type, number and size of MAALL grants are determined annually by the MAALL Executive Board.
3. Applicants for travel grants must be paid members of MAALL or a designated member of an institutional membership at the time the application is made.
4. Incomplete applications and those postmarked after the published deadline will be ineligible for consideration.
5. All funds must be used for the designated meeting.
6. The grant must be repaid to the Association if it cannot be spent as stipulated or if for reasons of personal disability a recipient cannot attend the program for which the grant is made. Grants are non-transferable.
7. A member may not receive a grant two years in succession.
8. In the event there are no applicants for a designated grant, the unused allocated funds shall be returned or disbursed at the discretion of the MAALL Executive Board and Grants Committee. Unused, allocated funds may be used to increase the awards for the following year.
9. Grant recipients will be selected by the members of the Grants Committee.
10. Grants will be awarded on the basis of:
   a) Financial need.
   b) Proven or potential ability of the applicant.
   c) Contributions to MAALL and/or the profession.
   d) Usefulness
Planning for our annual meeting is underway. It's titled THE MAALL ANNIVERSARY MEETING: 20 YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER and will take place in Little Rock October 14-16, 1993. The meeting will include legal research sessions featuring Bob Berring. These will be held jointly with the Arkansas Bar Association. We'll have a preconference workshop, local library tours, committee meetings, a consortium meeting, sessions on accessing and using the Internet, and we'll discuss personnel management issues. And it won't be all work. The hospitality suites will be stocked and we'll enjoy a river boat cruise Friday evening.

While most of the events will occur at the Excelsior hotel next door to where President Clinton announced his candidacy, one day’s programming will be at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law. Seeing their new library is worth the price of the trip alone!

The Program and Local Arrangement Committees are looking forward to seeing everyone in October.

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MAALL Nominations Committee

The MAALL Nominations Committee, composed of Kathie Belgum, CHAIR, Trish Cervenka, and James Duggan, has completed it's work for this year. The committee unanimously and highly recommends the following persons for the positions listed:

Vice-President/President Elect - Lynn Foster (Univ. of Arkansas)
Treasurer - Sharon Kern (Davis, Hockenberg, Wine, Brown, Koehn and Shors: Des Moines)

The committee greatly appreciates all input received from members in assisting in this task.
CD-Rom Government Publications and the Law Library

Rebecca Trammell
Associate Director/Head of Public Services
Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska - Lincoln.

Compact Disc or CD-Rom technology is everywhere today. CD's are available in popular record stores; car stereo systems include CD players; more and more print materials are available in CD format. West Publishing Co. is providing CD's to supplement and link with their Westlaw on-line service. RIA offers tax publications in CD format with the option of an on-line LEXIS link. And beginning in 1988, the U.S. Government has offered a number of government publications in CD format. This brief article will provide an overview of the government CD-Rom products available through the Depository Library Program (DPL), emphasizing those products most useful to law libraries, and will include a short, selective bibliography.

Government CD's are available to depository libraries through the Depository Library Program (DLP), and are also available for purchase from the Government Printing Office. They run on any IBM-compatible PC with 640k memory and a minimum of 1/2 megabyte hard disk space. There are several sources listing CD products available from the government. Electronic Information Products, Superintendent of Documents (GPO) GP3.22/5:, issued on an irregular basis, lists GPO electronic products with prices and ordering information. Brief summaries of the products are included in this listing. This list is done in the order in which the CD's were shipped to depository libraries and includes SuDoc number and OCLC number. Administrative Notes, GP 3.16/3-2, (furnished to all depository libraries) includes “The E-Report” as a regular feature. This “E-Report” gives the status of federal electronic information including whether or not the product will be a depository item, cost and ordering information if a non-depository item, and delays in production and/or shipment. Administrative Notes, 13 (April 30, 1992) pp 6-8 identifies all CD's shipped to depository libraries since 1988.

As the number and availability of these GPO CD’s increase, libraries are confronted with a variety of challenges. For both depository and non-depository libraries, the first issue is selection - which products should be included in the library collection. In making these collection development decisions considerations will include patron access involving number and location of workstations, printer access at these workstations, user guides, librarian and staff assistance to users, disk storage, upkeep, classification and cataloging, and possible publicity for these CD-Rom products. Depository librarians will also consider the requirement that they make GPO products accessible in a like manner to accessibility for non-depository items.

The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Schmid Law Library has elected to retain and actively promote only a few of the CD products offered through the DLP. One factor influencing this decision was the time and effort necessary to support these CD products. The second factor was the knowledge that the main University Library, a regional depository, would retain all government CD's thereby providing easy access to those products not selected at the Law library. The CD products selected by the Schmid Law Library include:
Our experience has indicated that the Congressional Record CD product is extremely difficult to use, and therefore we do not promote its use in the Law Library. We have integrated the other two CD products, National Trade Data Bank and OSHA into our existing CD-Rom workstation. In addition we purchase the United States Code in CD format from the Government Printing Office. This CD is available for about $30.00 to $35.00 per CD and is issued annually. The usefulness of the data available in these CD's, and their ready accessibility to patrons who cannot use Westlaw or Lexis, justify the additional reference time required to support the use of these CD's.

The most useful support for these government CD's comes from other libraries who acquire and use these products. One source for such information is available via the bitnet listserv Govdocs-L. This electronic discussion group provides information on government documents and depository libraries, and is available to anyone with internet/bitnet access. Another source for this information comes through the DLP. In 1989, the GPO began a column, "Electronic Corner," (later titled "ElectroniCorner") which appears in Administrative Notes. This column provides a variety of information related to government electronic products, and includes useful tips and hints from other librarians using these products. The following bibliography includes references to many of these columns.

Selective Bibliography of Government Electronic Product Information

CD-Rom Cataloging:

"Cd-Rom Cataloging Records on OCLC," Administrative Notes 12 (July 15, 1991) pp 3-8. This list includes GPO cataloging records on OCLC with item, number, SuDocs class number and Monthly Catalog entry number when available.

CD-Rom Hardware/Software:

"ElectroniCorner" Administrative Notes 12 (March 30, 1991) pp 2-3 lists a number of sources for software to support government CD-Rom products.

"Recommended Minimum Technical Guidelines for Federal Depository Libraries Revised November 1992," Administrative Notes 13 (November 15, 1992) pp 1-3. These are the most recent guidelines and estimated costs for CD-Rom hardware and software established by the LPS. They replace the guidelines issued in Administrative Notes 12 (August 31, 1991).
"Software for CD-Rom's," Administrative Notes 12 (September 30, 1991) pp 11-12. This article, contributed by Robert L. Bolin, University of Idaho, describes the use of a shell program, PreCursor, to facilitate access to government CD-Rom products.

**CD-Rom Product Support:**

"ElectroniCorner" Administrative Notes 12 (February 22, 1991) pp 9-10 includes a list of CD-Rom products, publishers and phone numbers for contacts who can provide support in using these products.

**CD-Rom User Assistance:**

Administrative Notes 14 (February 15, 1993) pp 7-8, presents a form developed by Debora Cheney, head of the Documents/Maps Section at Pennsylvania State University, Pattee Library. This form is used to identify and describe each electronic title received at the library, and provides assistance to already overworked reference librarians in directing patrons to these products.

"CDP File," Administrative Notes 13 (June 30, 1992) pp 15-18. Provided by Suzanne Wise of Appalachian state University Library, this user aid explains how to access the CDPFILE, a CD-Rom product published by the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.


"CD-Roms and Patron Self-Service," Administrative Notes 12 (September 15, 1991) pp 19-22. Contributed by Robert Lopresti from Western Washington University, this article describes an in-house system, Docbase, designed to facilitate patron self-service in accessing government CD-Rom products.

"Census Bureau Microdata on CD-Rom Let Researchers Be Creative!" Administrative Notes 12 (October 15, 1991) pp 14-16. This article, by the Census Bureau, is intended to facilitate use of the CD-Rom census data.

"City and County Databook 1988 on CD-Rom," Administrative Notes 12 (November 30, 1991) pp 5-8. Provided by Lynne Reasoner from the Rivera Library, University of California - Riverside, this is a user guide for the City and County Data Book on CD-Rom. Some directions in this guide are library specific for the providing library.
“Congressional Record,” Administrative Notes 12 (November 15, 1991) pp 13-17. This Cd-Rom guide for the Congressional Record was provided by Lynne Reasoner, Government Publications Librarian, University of California - Riverside. Some directions in this guide are library specific for the providing library.


“ElectroniCorner,” Administrative Notes 12 (June 15, 1991) pp 2-3. Many of the government CD-Rom products contain files with important documentation of accessing the CD. This article done by Nani Ball, Documents Librarian from Miami University, Middleton, Ohio, explains how to re-format these files into professional looking documentation using WordPerfect.

“Extract,” Administrative Notes 12 (August 31, 1991) pp 7-11. This is an excellent guide to using Extract, the software designed to make the Bureau of the Census files accessible.

“Extract and STF 1A,” Administrative Notes 12 (December 31, 1991) pp 10-11. This article describes installation and use of the software Extract with the 1990 Census of Population and Housing CD-Rom product.

“Guides to Imports/Exports of Merchandise on Cd-Rom,” Administrative Notes 13 (May 15, 1992) pp 6-11. These guides are provided by Susan Haynes, Associate Librarian for Collection Services at George Mason University Library.

“How To Use the National Trade Data Bank Compact Disk,” Administrative Notes 13 (June 15, 1992) pp 23-27. This guide to the National Trade Data Bank CD was provided by Suzanne Wise, Documents Librarian at Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina.

“How To Use the 1987-1989 Toxic Release Inventory CD-Rom,” Administrative Notes 13 (August 15, 1992) pp 21-30. This search guide provided by Smitty Bolner, Business/Documents Librarian, Middleton Library, Louisiana State University is intended to supplement the CD-Rom user guide provided by GPO.

“National Trade Data Bank (NTDB) on CD-Rom,” Administrative Notes 13 (September 30, 1992) pp 5-11. This guide was provided by Pei Shiu, Government Publications Librarian at the University of California, Irvine.

“1987 Economic Census,” Administrative Notes 12 (October 15, 1991) pp 11-14. Lynne Reasoner, Government Publications Librarian at the University of California- Riverside provided this research guide developed for their library patrons. This guide covers the 1987 Economic Censuses, V.1, Release 1C and V.2, Release 2A. Some directions in this guide are library specific for the providing library.

“Removing Barriers to Access: Electronic Data & Documents at the University of Minnesota, Duluth Library,” James J. Vileta, Administrative Notes 14 (January 15, 1993):5-9. This useful article describes the difficulties confronted in attempting to provide user access to government CD’s and identifies successful solutions implemented at the UMD Library.

“Software on Census Bureau CD’s - Ready, Set, Go!” Administrative Notes 13 (November 30, 1992) pp 1-2. Reprinted from Census and You, November, 1992, these guidelines are intended to facilitate use of the Census Bureau CD-Rom products.

“Summary Tape File 1A Data on Cd-Rom,” Administrative Notes 13 (February 15, 1992) pp 12-21. This guide to the Census Summary Tape File 1A on CD-Rom includes a detailed explanation of the file contents and directions for accessing the files. It was provided by Grace York, documents librarian at the Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library Documents Center.

“Toxic Release Inventory on CD-ROM,” Administrative Notes 12 (June 3, 1991) pp 24-31. Prepared by Araby Green, Documents Librarian, University of North Carolina, Ashville, this user guide to the Toxic Release Inventory, provides excellent information for patrons and staff attempting to access the TRI on Cd-Rom.

“U.S. Imports of Merchandise U.S. Exports of Merchandise,” Administrative Notes 12 (December 15, 1991) pp 5-7. Provided by Lynne Reasoner, Government Publications Librarian at the University of California - Riverside, this guide introduces users to the U.S.
Imports of Merchandise and U.S. Exports of Merchandise CD-Rom. Some directions in this guide are library specific for the providing library.

Electronic Product Information:

This information appears in the “E-Report” section of Administrative Notes, and is identified by year and number, i.e. 1993-01. The “E-Report” is the best source of government CD product information indicating, agency, item #, class #, Title/Format and status. The first E-Report was 1991-01, and appeared in the Administrative Notes 12 (July 15, 1991) pp 2-3.

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OCLC's CAT CD450 LAW CATALOGING COLLECTION

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Description of system

OCLC introduced the CAT CD450, a micro-computer based CD-ROM cataloging system, in December 1988. Through it, a library gains the benefits of online and offline cataloging. The Law Cataloging Collection is one of the system sub-sets. Librarians search a single compact disc and edit bibliographic records offline.

The Law Cataloging Collection contains the 650,000 law-related records most frequently used from the OLUC--about 74% of the total law-related records in the OLUC. It includes LC and member created records in all bibliographic formats. Records are selected by LC and Dewey classification number for law-related topics (U.S. constitutional law, U.S. law, criminology, industrial law, public health law, and medical ethics) and by number of law library holdings attached.

There is a dial access connection to OLUC for records not found on the compact disc. These include the most current materials which date after quarterly updates. OCLC advertises that this offline and online combination means libraries can realize up to a 95% hit rate on bibliographic records for cataloging, while reducing their telecommunications and online costs. The dial access connection allows a library to maintain its holdings information and also to know holdings of other libraries.

A subscription to OCLC's CAT CD450 Law Cataloging Collection is for one year. It includes system software, documentation, computer-based training, and the LC Authorities collection, in addition to the compact disc containing the bibliographic records. Quarterly updates for the year are included in the subscription. Dial access is extra. OCLC membership is a pre-requisite for purchase.

Searching

Searches are easy to accomplish, speed of retrieval is good, and system prompts help you. A few commands are all that are necessary to learn. Text or numeric fields and qualifiers may be searched individually or in combination. Also, the expanded search options of keywords, phrases and Boolean logic let you find the record you need.
If you know only one thing about an item you can search, but if you include, for example, title and date there is quicker retrieval. Directions indicate that you should use the minimum number of terms needed to retrieve the records you need. If you know a numeric key, don't add other search terms, a numeric key is usually enough. Extra search terms slow the search. The response is either the record you wish, a list of truncated entries for records found, or the system respond with no matching records found.

When a search finds more records than the limit set for truncated entries, the system stops searching and displays the following message, --- records found so far. Do you wish to Continue the search? Discontinue search? You can view the results of records found so far if you follow the prompts.

Bibliographic records retrieved from CD files look slightly different from records in the OLUC, but moving around in the record and editing are not difficult.

**Other uses**

In addition to the main purpose of retrieving cataloging records for new books, the system is useful for updating cataloging records. For example, recently our library again purchased a subscription to the looseleaf service, *Aviation Law Reporter*. Because we had kept some of the materials (the cases) we still had cataloging from several years ago. I was able to determine the record for *Aviation Law Reporter* was still a good record and have it updated. On *Aviation Cases* I found a better record.

Knowing if old records have been changed and that ours need to be updated, verification, determining the best record, and searching for records to get OCLC# are all additional uses. It helps in original cataloging for finding possible subject headings and for ideas on classification numbers.

Law firm libraries or smaller law libraries who cannot afford to have a dedicated line to OCLC will like the Law/Cat. It has capabilities for card and label printing, too.

**Technical**

The OCLC CAT CD450 systems runs on:

An OCLC m310, m386/16, or M386sx Workstation or a non-OCLC MS-DOS based microcomputer (minimum 80286 processor recommended).

640K RAM

A 20MB or larger hard disk

One to four compact disc drives and controller (two drives recommended)

External dial-access modem and cable or OCLC Communications Controller
EGA or VGA monitor to display OCLC/ALA Extended Character Set
Printer (optional--parallel printers recommended)
DOS, Version 3.1 or higher
MS-DOS Extensions, any version except 1.01

We have learned that it is harder to load when you have multiple programs on CD-ROM. For example, our library uses the second compact disc drive to run the OED which runs under Windows. We run Lawcat form a hard disc menu instead of from Windows. We want to print screens of records from Lawcat and at this time a print screen in Lawcat is inhibited when running within Windows.

One real advantage of the system is you can use a non-OCLC MS-DOS based micro-computer. We have 80286 processor and it works, but a 386 is better.
NEBRASKA CD-ROM PRODUCTS

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There are many advantages to purchasing CD-ROM products for Nebraska statutes and cases. For example, the paper index to the Nebraska Statutes is very sparse, and the Nebraska Digest for cases is frustrating to use. Therefore, full text searching without online charges can be extremely rewarding for Nebraska research.

There are two companies that provide CD-ROM products for Nebraska cases and statutes: CD Media and Law-Ware. In the past, I have preferred CD Media’s products because of special features, accuracy, speed, and user friendly searches. Law-Ware is making improvements in July of this year.

CD MEDIA NEBRASKA STATUTES AND REPORTS

Dates of coverage: CD Media statutes are updated once a year. CD Media cases begin with 1961 and are updated twice a year. (CD Media keys their data and then verifies it electronically to maximize the accuracy.)

Search methods: CD Media allows boolean searches with unlimited combinations of words or phrases. Sideways searching in the statutes and cases allows the patron to highlight words or citations and begin a new search based on the highlighted segment.

Advantages: The Notepad function within the statutes and the cases can be used to copy text to be edited, added to your own text, or saved in a permanent file. The Bookmark function allows the patron to reach a specific page from a previous search without going through a new search. The print capabilities allow the user to print the search screen, results summary, a paragraph in Notepad, or any other items on the screen.

Disadvantages: CD Media’s statutes do not include annotations. Price: Prices are the same for academic law libraries and firms. The CD Media statutes disk is $399 and the CD Media Nebraska Reports is $399. Updates for the statutes are $125 a year, and updates for the cases are $250 each or $500 a year. Address: CD MEDIA, 5410 NW 44th ST., LINCOLN, NE 68524-2399, (402) 470-2620.
Dates of coverage: Law-Ware statutes are updated once a year. Law-Ware cases begin with 1957 and are updated twice a year. Law-Ware is improving its coverage from the past when updates were sporadic. (Law-Ware scans and OCR's their data and edits it visually.)

**Search methods:** The retrieval software for the Law-Ware statutes and cases is being changed to allow Lexis or Westlaw style searching. The biggest complaint in the past was that the search methods were very awkward. The patron will be able to choose either Westlaw or Lexis search methods from the menu screen. The patron may highlight words or citations and begin a new search based on the highlighted segment, although one can not jump from the cases to the statutes or vice versa with the new search.

**Advantages:** In addition to the improvement in retrieval software, another advantage to Law-Ware's product is that the statutes and reports are on one disk. The user must exit the statutes to select the reports and vice versa, but does not have to exit the program or change disks. Law-Ware also provides Notepad and Notebook functions. The print capabilities allow the user to print the search screen, results summary, a paragraph in Notepad, or any other items on the screen. The statutes include annotations.

**Disadvantages:** Most of the past disadvantages of Law-Ware's products may be eliminated with their changes in July.

**Price:** Law-Ware is currently offering its CD-ROM free to academic law libraries. A special limited time offer to attorneys is $499 the first year, which includes an IBM compatible PC with CD-ROM disk drive, and $495 for subsequent years for updates. After the limited time offer, the price will remain the same but the CD-ROM reader will not be included in the package.

Address: LAW-WARE PUBLISHING LTD., 1701 S 17th St., LINCOLN, NE 68504, (402) 477-5662
For as long as I can remember, I have enjoyed searching for the word which best conveys a notion. While I was a graduate student at the University of North Carolina, I began to use the *Oxford English Dictionary* to aid me in this endeavor. I very much enjoyed using this dictionary, and in time, I began to think that I might like to have my own *OED*. The thirteen volume set was not a consideration, so I tried the Book-of-the-Month Club offering of the one volume dictionary complete with magnifying glass. The glass allowed one to read the unbelievably small print. This was not an enjoyable way to use a dictionary, so I returned it.

In 1979, shortly after this little experiment, I began to work at the University of South Dakota’s McKusick Law Library. I soon requested that the library purchase the *Oxford English Dictionary*. Unfortunately, the library was struggling with a tight book budget and a severe shortage of space. The hopes of having an *OED* at arms-length was beginning to look very dim.

Almost twelve years of darkness followed my initial effort to get the library to purchase the *OED*. Then in 1991-1992 some new and hopeful circumstances began to come together. First, the library received a large one-time increase in the book budget; second, a new librarian position was created to work with all our computer problems; most importantly, some news reached my ears by way of a history professor who is in my car pool. He informed me that the *OED* had just come out in a second edition on a CD-ROM which was run by Windows.

Things had worked out better than I dared to hope. The CD-ROM took care of the space problem, the South Dakota legislature solved the money problem, and we had just
hired the librarian who could get the software up and running. It was a dream come true.

We have been using the CD-ROM version for about a year, and this is what I have found. There are many wonderful features on the CD-ROM version that make it easy to use, much easier than the twenty volume hard bound equivalent. As fast as you can spell a word, you can find it's definition in the dictionary. The windows display of the words and their variations and definitions are very easy to read and attractively displayed. If spelling is a problem for you, the program has a wild card feature that allows you to insert a wildcard (? or *) for unknown letters in a word or unknown words in a phrase search. The scroll feature allows you to look quickly through word and definition lists. You can also find the definition of any word within a displayed entry by using the cross reference feature which allows you to stack up to four entries.

Finally, I am impressed with the new words in the OED2. A fellow librarian and I were wondering about the definition of the word "dreadlock". We tried to find it in the American Heritage Dictionary (1st edition) and Webster's Third New International Dictionary, but we had no success. A quick look in the OED2 produced the definition we sought. It has been worth the long wait to have this version of the OED.
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Up to full staffing level for the first time in quite awhile, we have just welcomed Mr. David Gay as our new reference librarian. David comes to us from New Orleans Public, and will be the librarian in charge of government documents. His background includes business librarianship at New Orleans, as well as extensive documents experience, including work as a patent librarian at Texas A&M and Louisiana State University. We are surely glad to have him join the staff.

We just finished our American Bar Association accreditation visit in April, in time to start tearing down the walls in our Technical Services area to allow for expanded use of that space. As I write this, our technical services department is busily moving to temporary quarters for an anticipated six weeks, even as automation of acquisitions and cataloging continues. What was that old saying about chewing off as much as you can bite?

Illinois

Southern Illinois University

James Duggan, Computer Services Librarian at Southern Illinois University School of Law Library, has been awarded tenure and promoted to Associate Professor. James, who holds a JD from the University of Mississippi and MLS from Louisiana State University, has been with SIU since 1988.


Kathy Garner, Senior Reference Librarian at Southern Illinois University School of Law Library, spoke on a panel at the Southeastern Chapter's Annual Meeting in Charleston, West Virginia, in April. The panel was entitled “Pro Bono Service by Law Librarians: Ethical and Practical Considerations” and Kathy's presentation focused on the various ways in which law librarians could fulfill their obligation to perform such services.

Iowa

University of Iowa

The University of Iowa Law Library is about to begin a project to retrospectively barcode its entire collection. To date approximately 175,000 volumes have been barcoded. The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of the 1993/94 fiscal year.

The University of Iowa’s automated circulation system is expected to be brought up in August of this year.

Drake University

The Drake University Law Library moved into Dwight D. Opperman Hall and Law Library during the University's spring break, reopening for business on March 28th. The new building, which also
houses centers for Agricultural Law, Constitutional Law, and Law and Civic Education, was formally dedicated on April 16th. Hundreds of Drake alumni, friends, faculty, staff, and students attended the open house and dedication, with U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy the featured speaker.

**Kansas**

**Foulson & Siefkin**

May Liang, an attorney with Foulson & Siefkin spoke to the Wichita Area Library Association, April 22, on the subject “Copyright and the Texaco Decision.” The firm will employ seven clerks this summer, three second-year and four first-year students.

**Johnson County Law Library**

Johnson County Law Library has hired a third person, Pat Gillgannon, to work with them part-time. Pat formerly worked at the Forsyth Travel Library in Shawnee Mission.

**University of Kansas Law Library**

Four staff members from the University of Kansas School of Law Library, Katherine Greene, Joe Hewitt, Mike McReynolds, and Michael Wilson, attended the KLOA Conference in Salina, April 21. Mike wrote a report of this conference which appears elsewhere in this issue.

**Washburn University School of Law Library**

With the advent of Washburn University Libraries Information System (our Online Public Access Catalog), the library staff has had to reassess our service policy and goals. Many staff meetings were held while opinions were exchanged and ideas shared. Having the library’s resources revealed through computer access brings forth issues that concern each library department. It is important, when the collection is opened to all who want to see (and you know they will want what they see) to keep in mind the original goals of library service that have survived the test of time.

As the date for the automated circulation of our library holdings approaches (Summer Term 1993), the staff of Washburn Law School Library wishes to thank Circulation Manager, Linda Williams, for her relentless dedication to the detailed job at hand. Her leadership has proven that, through open communication, change within the library environment can lead not only to better service but also to staff congeniality.

**Missouri**

**Saint Louis University**

As of March 1993, SLU has begun contributing cataloging records to the Library of Congress database an LC "bibliographic workstation." We are both creating new records and finishing LC in-process records, thereby expediting their distribution. Examples of both types may be viewed by searching the following LCCNs: 93-131899 (original); 92-54472 (upgraded in process).

Betsy McKenzie will give the Middle Managers Breakfast Meeting presentation for the Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section at the American Association of Law Libraries meeting in

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Boston. Betsy recently took office as President of the Faculty Senate.

Jim Milles will be co-director of the AALL Workshop, "Moving Forward: Reconceiving Resources and Services in Recessionary Times." Jim will also conduct a workshop on "Low-Budget Solutions to Everything," and will be a panelist at a plenary session on "The Virtual Law Library," at the CALI-LEAP conference in Chicago.

Kathleen Casey won a grant for the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis to install a "talking computer." This 486 personal computer with OCR and voice synthesizer software is designed to assist vision-impaired law students. Students may use the computer for word processing, Lexis, Westlaw, CALI, and Internet.

The Law Library has two new additions to the staff: Mary Wescovich, in the Governments Documents department, and Hugh Hallett, Secretary/Briefs Assistant.

**Shook, Hardy & Bacon**

Marit D'Amico joins the Shook, Hardy & Bacon Law Library staff as Reference Librarian. Marit previously worked as a library assistant at Jackson County Law Library. Marit completed work on her Master of Library Science degree in December of 1992. Julie Parmenter has been promoted to the position of Head Reference Librarian. Janet Peters has become the Head of Technical Services. Scott Umphrey now occupies the position of Computer Services Librarian.

Shook, Hardy & Bacon joins the ranks of law firms that have obtained licenses with the Copyright Clearance Center. Lori Weiss reports that the library staff has recently participated in a thirty (30) day survey of photocopy activity.

**University of Missouri - Columbia**

The Law Library is pleased to announce that Martha Dragich has accepted the position as Director of the Library and Associated Professor of Law. Martha comes to us from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, where she was the Assistant Chief, Legal Research and Library Services Branch. She also has an extensive background in academic law libraries. She will begin work August 15th.

**University of Missouri - Kansas City**

Jan Pointer, formerly Director of Information Services at Gage & Tucker in Kansas City, is now Reference/Documents Librarian at the Leon E. Bloch Law Library, University of Missouri-Kansas City. Jan received her Master of Arts in Library Science in 1992 from the School of Library Science at University of Missouri-Columbia, and her Bachelor of Arts from Central Methodist College. She joined our staff February 15. We are enjoying getting to know her and appreciate the skills she brings.

**Nebraska**

**Creighton University**

Trish Cervenka and Evelyn Gardner, Creighton University Law Library attended the Omaha Area Chapter of Special Libraries Association's presentation for Library Week, "Censorship in Cyberspace: The Future is Now."
The following list consists of MAALL members who have paid their dues for 1993 and who provided email addresses on their dues renewal forms. This list was current as of March 8, 1993.

If your address is on this list, please check it for accuracy and report any corrections to Cheryl Nyberg at nyberg@uiucmvd or nyberg@vmd.cso.uiuc.edu.

If your address is not on this list and
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2. you have not paid your dues for 1993, please include your email address when you renew your membership.
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The list is in alphabetical order by last name and includes first and last names, institution, city and state, and email addresses.

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It is time to sign up for the MAALL Luncheon and Business Meeting in Boston! The luncheon will be held in the Hynes Convention Center on Tuesday, July 13th, at noon. The business meeting will be brief, allowing you time to catch up with old friends, learn more about our fall meeting in Little Rock, and hear about the activities of MAALL’s committees. Please send in the luncheon reservation form, and put the MAALL meeting on your calendar. Encourage any former MAALL members to attend. We hope to see you there.

If you have an issue that you would like to have placed on the agenda, please contact Lori Weiss before the meeting.

As in the past, lunch will be a deli buffet. Because food costs in a convention city are high, the Executive Board has agreed to underwrite part of the cost of the luncheon.

MAALL Luncheon in Boston, Tuesday, July 13, 1993 at 12 noon. COST: $14.00.

Please send reservation and check, made out to MAALL, by JUNE 30th, to:

Cheryl Nyberg,
MAALL Treasurer
University of Illinois Law Library
104 Law Bldg.
504 E. Pennsylvania Ave.
Champaign, IL 61820

NAME: ____________________________

INSTITUTION: ________________________

IF YOUR RESERVATION AND CHECK CANNOT ARRIVE IN CHAMPAIGN BY JUNE 30TH, CONTACT CHERYL (217)244-3044 AND BRING YOUR MONEY TO THE LUNCHEON!!!!!
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: Mary Kay Jung, Thompson & Mitchell Library, One Mercantile Center, St. Louis, Missouri 63101 (314) 342-1698; FAX (314) 342-1717; Internet 72002.1020.@compuserve.com.

Assistant Law Librarian & Assistant Lecturer (Cataloging).

The position requires an ALA-accredited MLS; experiences as a cataloger are preferred. The deadline for applications is June 15, 1993; the minimum salary is $22,500 with substantial fringe benefits. Applications with the names of three references and the applicant’s social security number should be sent to: Timothy L. Coggins, Director; Law Library; University of Alabama; Box 870383; Tuscaloosa, AL 35487. tccoggins@ualvm.ua.edu 205-348-5927 FAX 205-348-1112

Computer Services Librarian

Responsibilities: The Computer Services Librarian is responsible for the Library’s public services computer operations. Responsible for planning, coordinating, and assisting in online research and computer training for students, faculty, and staff; assists in acquisitions decisions for online and electronic format materials; maintains Library Computer Lab (12 IBMs and clones, 2 Mac Classics--no network at present but one in the preliminary discussion stage); supervises Computer Lab monitors during the academic year; prepares guides to use of Computer Lab and online services; provides reference services to faculty, students, and outside patrons. Works one weekend day each week.

Requirements: MLS from ALA-accredited library school; familiarity with Westlaw/LEXIS and other electronic databases; demonstrated familiarity with and interest in trends in law library computing, including the use of Internet resources; familiarity with MS-DOS and Macintosh computers; enthusiasm; excellent communication skills. Prefer: JD; law library experience.
EVENING REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

RESPONSIBILITIES: The Evening Reference Librarian is responsible for the operation of the Library four evenings and one weekend day. Provides reference service to law school faculty, students, and outside patrons; coordinates the Library’s current awareness activities; participates in Westlaw and LEXIS training; prepares library guides; supervises two full-time library assistants and student shlevers; coordinates collection management activities including shelving and collection maintenance.

REQUIREMENTS: MLS from an ALA-accredited library school; demonstrated legal research skills; enthusiasm; excellent communication skills. PREFER: JD; law library experience; general familiarity with computers.

To apply for either position, send letter of application, resume, and the names of three references to:

Christopher Simoni
Associate Director/Head of Public Services
Northwestern University Law Library
357 East Chicago Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60611
312/503-8449 (voice)
312/503-9230 (fax)
c-simoni@nwu.edu

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the positions are filled.

Northwestern University is an EEO/AA employer. Work eligibility verified upon employment. Minorities are especially encouraged to apply.

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN

"Contract" position for one year. The person should have an MLS, law library experience, and be fluent in Spanish.

For details and to apply contact:

Pedro A. Padilla-Rosa
Foreign and Int’l Law Librarian
University of Puerto Rico Law School
Box 21582 UPR Station
Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico
00931-1582
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cartographic materials, and electronic databases strongly preferred. Excellent communication skills, ability to work effectively with staff, colleagues and library users, and a demonstrated commitment to government publications librarianship required. SALARY: $36,000+ based on qualifications. Available immediately. Send application, resume, and names of three references to Lance Query, Acting Personnel Librarian, Northwestern University Library, Evanston, IL 60208-2300. To ensure consideration, applications should be received by June 1, 1993.

Northwestern University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the United States.

ASSISTANT TECHNICAL SERVICES LIBRARIAN

Southern Illinois University School of Law Library has an opening for an Assistant Technical Services Librarian.

Requirements: MLS from ALA accredited school; 3 years cataloging experience using automated system; familiarity with automated library systems. Duties: oversees daily performance of various technical services functions, with primary responsibility in the areas of cataloging and online catalog maintenance; supervise support staff; writing and professional activities in accordance with promotion and tenure guidelines.

Salary: competitive, commensurate with qualifications.

Available: July 1, 1993. Review of applications begins May 15, 1993 and continues until position is filled.

Contact: Send letter of application and resume to: Frank Houdek, SIU School of Law Library, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901.

(618) 453-8788
FAX: (618) 453-8728
Internet: HOUDEK@SIUCVMB:
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JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

University of Tulsa is accepting applications for the position of Access Services Librarian. The person in this position will be responsible for public services functions of Circulation, Reserve, Interlibrary Loan, Photocopy Services, and Reading Room/Stack Maintenance. An MLS from an ALA accredited library school, one year experience in a law library or a graduate course in legal research or law librarianship, excellent verbal and written communication skills, and a strong service orientation are essential for the successful candidate. This is an entry level professional position with a starting salary of $20,000. Screening of applications will begin 6/28/93 and continue until the position is filled. The University of Tulsa is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer committed to diversifying its faculty and staff. Members of underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply.
Assistant or Senior Assistant Librarian


Qualifications:

Required: MLS and JD degrees from accredited schools; strong service orientation; ability to communicate effectively and work well with faculty, students, and staff; flexibility; good problem-solving skills; knowledge of legal bibliography.


Applications requested by July 15, 1993. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Contact: Send cover letter, and resume with names, addresses and phone numbers of three references to Ann Dyckman, Director of Human Resources, 201 Olin Library, Cornell University Library, Ithaca, NY 14853-5301.


MAALL Newsletter Deadlines

September 15
December 15
November 15

Thank you for electronic format!

From the Editor

I held my breath- and thought, "oh what have I got into now". I knew without contributions from the you, the newsletter would go bust. You guys have been great. We’ve got a lot of good articles on CD-ROM for this issue. We got so much good stuff, it wouldn’t all fit in this newsletter. So, September issue is already under way. The September issue will focus on Microcomputer Software in the Law Library. As you can see, the CD-ROM topic is quite interesting addressed from different perspectives. Your short, short story may be just the thread for a talk it up. So think about the September issue. Hope to hear from you. Debbie.
Extending Internet Access to All MAALL Members: Options for Connectivity
A Summary of the Report and Recommendations of the MAALL Internet Committee

April 30, 1993

In December 1992 the MAALL Internet Committee began to examine ways that the Internet can be better integrated into the work of MAALL and its members. Specifically, the Committee was charged with three tasks: (1) developing a "buddy" or "mentor" system whereby those who already have Internet access and some expertise could help train other MAALL members in how to use e-mail and other Internet resources; (2) exploring and presenting options for access to the Internet by all MAALL members, not just those in academic law libraries; and (3) exploring how MAALL, as an association, could use the MAALL Discussion List (MAALL@WUVMD.wustl.edu) most effectively.

Initial steps have been taken toward developing an "Internet buddy" system. An announcement of the project and a request for volunteers was made, first on the MAALL Discussion List, and then in MAALL Markings. At least one new user has been successfully matched with an experienced colleague in this way.

The second task--presenting options for Internet access for all MAALL members--is the most crucial one. For many reasons, Internet access has traditionally been seen as limited to academics. For most university-affiliated users, the costs of Internet access are subsidized by their institution. This has created a serious potential for conflict among law librarians; academics law librarians have increasingly come to rely on the Internet as a quick and efficient means of communication, but non-academics are increasingly left "out of the loop." For a regional chapter like MAALL, this situation hurts everyone: private and court librarians are cut off from much of the information-sharing going on among their academic colleagues, and the academics are deprived of the expertise and perspectives of their associates in the other libraries. Moreover, the private and court librarians who wanted to gain access to the Internet, since they lacked the technical support and other resources available in universities, often did not know how to start. Therefore, it was one of the Committee's main tasks to facilitate access to the Internet by all MAALL members by studying the options for access and presenting recommendations to the MAALL membership.

The committee used published lists of commercial Internet access providers, personal recommendations, and other sources, to compile a list of nine nationwide Internet access providers (there are a number of state or regional Internet access providers serving other parts of the country, but at this time, none in the MAALL region). After these providers were identified, the committee issued requests (via several Internet discussion lists) for comments from users of these services. Finally, for comparison purposes, the Committee tabulated the estimated costs of one year of Internet access, at several different levels of use, for each of the nine providers (see Table). Costs were found to vary greatly, and because of the different pricing structures and connection options used by the various providers, the true costs were not always apparent at first glance. Eventually, however, the Committee was able to identify several options for
low cost access to the Internet which should be affordable for all MAALL members. For several reasons, group membership in a single access provider does not seem feasible. There are too many variables to make one Internet access option the best for everyone. Each of the commercial Internet providers handles long-distance and local access differently in different cities, so costs vary greatly from one city in the MAALL region to the next. Furthermore, the administrative burden of billing MAALL centrally, and then invoicing individual libraries, is more than MAALL is set up to handle. Therefore, rather than selecting one Internet provider for everyone, the Committee has come up with a series of recommendations. Individual libraries may determine the suitability of each of these options for their own situation.

Recommended Options for Internet Access

(1) In some instances, it may be possible to obtain free or low-cost “courtesy accounts” at a university through your local law school library. Ask your colleagues at your local law school library about the availability of free or low-cost “courtesy accounts” through the university. Internet access fees for universities are going up, so they may be less willing to provide this service than they were a few years ago, but it is worth exploring. Academic law librarians can contact the computing services departments at their universities to present the idea; they can provide support for the request by pointing out the benefits to the university of resource sharing with other libraries, including access to the specialized expertise of law firm librarians.

(2) If courtesy accounts through the university are unavailable, the most inexpensive full-service Internet access providers are The Well and Delphi.

The Well charges $15 per month, plus $6 per hour ($2/hour basic usage fee, $4/hour telecommunications charge through Compuserve packet network). For membership in The Well, call (415) 332-4335.

Delphi offers two plans: the 10/4 Plan ($10/month, which includes 4 hours of use; additional use is $4/hour), and the 20/20 Plan (20 hours of use per month, for $20/month; additional use is $1.80/hour). Under both plans, Internet access is an additional $3 per month. Telecommunications charges vary; the basic charge for Sprintnet access is $9 per hour. However, Delphi has a local access number in Kansas City, so there is no telecommunications charge for users there. In addition, there is no telecommunications charge for Sprintnet between 6:00 PM and 7:00 AM Monday through Friday, and all day Saturday and Sunday. Users who can shift a substantial amount of their use to those hours can thereby avoid telecommunications charges. (Costs for Delphi in the attached Table include full Sprintnet telecommunications charges, so these represent maximum costs.) For membership in Delphi, call (617) 491-3393, or write Delphi, 1030 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA 02138-5302.
Mid-America Law School Library Consortium
Fourth Annual Workshop
Paraprofessionals & Support Staff
ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANT AND APPLICATION
(Grant Application Deadline Aug. 1, 1993)

Guidelines

1. This year, two grants of $300.00 each will be awarded to help defray travel, lodging and registration expenses.

2. Librarians are not eligible to receive grants. One grant will be awarded to a MALL member from any type of library. The other grant will be awarded to an employee of a library that is a member of MALSLC.

3. Incomplete applications and those postmarked after the published deadline will be ineligible for consideration.

4. All grant funds awarded must be used to attend this Fourth Annual Workshop.

5. Each grant recipient shall submit to the Grants Committee a brief descriptive evaluation of the Workshop which may be published at the discretion of the officials of MALSLC.

6. The grant must be repaid to the Consortium if it cannot be spent as stipulated, or if for reasons of personal disability a recipient cannot attend the program for which the grant is awarded. Grants are non-transferable.

7. No person may receive a grant in two consecutive years.

8. Grant Committee members are not eligible to award grants to their immediate employees.

9. Grants will be awarded on the basis of:
   a) Financial need – with special consideration given to geographic distance, and
   b) The applicant’s potential for contribution to the MALSLC Workshop and/or the law library community.

Grant Application

1. Name ____________________________________________

2. Title ____________________________________________

3. Institution/Address ________________________________

4. Phone ___________________________________________

5. Length of Service (at present position) _______________

5a. Are you a Mid-America Law Libraries (MALL) member? __________

6. List any previous employment in Law Librarianship:

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8. List all job-related organization activities (attach additional sheets if necessary)

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Estimate transportation and conference expenses:

What is your career goal?

How do you feel you will benefit from attendance at this Workshop?

Previous MALSLC support staff workshops attended:

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If I do NOT receive a grant:

I will definitely NOT be able to attend.
I may not be able to attend.
I will still attend.
I will still attend, but I will have to cover my expenses.

What percentage of your Workshop expenses will your employer pay?

Briefly state your Library's policy relating to reimbursement of travel expenses to conference and conventions.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

I have not received a MALSLC grant in the past year. If I receive a grant for this Workshop and for any reason cannot attend, I shall return the money to the MALSLC Grants Committee.

(Applicant's Signature) (Date)

One letter of recommendation is required and must be sent with your application. Ideally, this letter should come from your Law Library Director or immediate supervisor.

APPLICATION AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION MUST REACH THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE BY SEPTEMBER 15, 1993. APPLICANTS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSURING THAT ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED IS RECEIVED BEFORE THE DEADLINE. IN FAIRNESS TO OTHERS, LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.

APPLICATION AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE ON 8 1/2" X 11" PAPER.

Send application and letters of recommendation to:

Maria Pratt
Grants Committee
OU Law Library
300 Timberdell Road
Norman, OK 73019
1993 MAALL ANNUAL MEETING TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION

Name: ___________________________ Work Phone: ________________________

Title: ____________________________

Institution/Employer: ____________________________

Work Address: ____________________________

1. Are you currently a member of MAALL? _______ How long? ________________________

2. Are you a member of AALL? ____________________________

3. How many MAALL Annual Meetings, if any, have you attended? ________________________

4. List MAALL or AALL activities, if any, in which you have participated:

5. How many years have you worked in law libraries? ____________________________

6. List previous employment in law librarianship:

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8. Briefly describe the duties and responsibilities in your current law library position, and your career goals.

9. How do you feel you will benefit from attendance at this annual meeting?

10. Briefly state your library’s policy relating to reimbursement of travel expenses to conferences and conventions.

PLEASE READ AND SIGN

If for any reason I cannot attend the MAALL Annual Meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska, I will notify the Grants Committee and return the money.

__________________________  ________________________
(Applicant’s signature)   (Date)

Please return this application by August 1, 1993 to: Judith A. Morgan, Director, Law Library
Oklahoma City University Law Library
2501 N. Blackwelder
Oklahoma City, OK 73106
American Association of Law Libraries

The times that try us the most—economically and experientially—are also the times when professional networks can bring us the most rewards. But to reap those rewards we have to belong. Now is the time to join the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), or renew your AALL membership.

What will AALL provide for its members in 1993-94? Benefits will include:

- the Annual Directory and Handbook... with complete member listings (including E-Mail addresses), geographical lists, the Directory of Minority Law Librarians, lists of Committee and Special Interest Section members, Award winners, and much more...
- the 1993 Salary Survey... the first complete profile of AALL members relating salary to education, experience, type of library, region, and other key characteristics...
- a full year (ten issues) of the AALL Newsletter... the single best source for keeping up with your Association and your fellow members, filled with pertinent and timely articles, new product information, tips and tidbits...
- a full year of the quarterly Law Library Journal... featuring substantive articles on matters relating to your interests and concerns as a law librarian...
- special member rates for Annual Meeting registration... almost 20% lower than non-member rates...
- and, most importantly, a world-wide network of colleagues who can help you be the best possible law librarian you can be.

Your $115 membership dues will bring you over $200 worth of publications alone, plus savings of $45 on Annual Meeting registration—you can’t afford not to be a part of AALL in the coming year. The Association needs you, and you need the Association. Please make sure we hear from you soon—you won’t want to miss anything!

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Ms/Mr.

Name (please print or type) Title

Firm/Institution Firm/Institution Address

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Telephone Telefax

Indicate your employer category:

- Corporate
- Court
- Government
- Independent
- Law Firm
- Law School
- Other

Mailing Address (if different from above)

Membership Categories and Dues Structure (Check desired category) The membership year begins on June 1. Rates are for one year. Dues may be prorated for new members. For more information, contact AALL Headquarters, 312/939-4764.

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- Individual Associate ($115)
- Retired ($32.50)
- Student ($25)
- SIS Membership(s) ($12 each; indicate sections by circling codes below)

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$ Make checks payable to American Association of Law Libraries and mail to:

AALL P.O. Box 94340 Chicago, IL 60678-4340

☐ I am a member of an ethnic minority group and would like to be included in the Minority Law Librarians Directory.

For more information call Membership at the American Association of Law Libraries, 312/939-4764.
MAALL Support for Internet Access for All

Although the annual costs for access to the Internet through either The Well or Delphi are quite reasonable, we realize that even these costs may be difficult for some MAALL members to justify to their administrators. For this reason, the Committee proposes that MAALL subsidize the basic membership fees (not usage or telecommunications charges) for one year for new subscribers. For subscribers to The Well, this would be $180/year; for Delphi, it would be $156 (10/4 Plan) or $276 (20/20 Plan).

In addition to this financial support, the MAALL Internet Committee would provide support in other ways: by continuing and expanding the "Internet buddy" system; by providing training at MAALL annual meetings; and by continuing evaluation of the quality of service provided by The Well and Delphi, with the possibility of recommending other options if these two do not prove satisfactory.

MAALL Internet Committee
James Milles, Chair
John Christensen
Debbie DeSpain
Mitch Fontenot
Scott Umphrey
Aris Lee Woodham

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Support Staff Workshop Focuses on Imaging
by Maria Protti, Associate Law Librarian
University of Oklahoma Law Center Library

All support staff are invited to the Fourth Annual Workshop geared especially for library workers who are not librarians. The theme of this year's workshop is preparing for imaging technology. Imaging is the electronic transmission of pictures, photographs, diagrams, and other representations showing the exact placement of characters on a page. Imaging is the latest technology to be used in law libraries and soon may become a routine means of transferring information. The workshop will be sponsored by the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium and is coordinated by Professor Patricia Harris O'Connor of the Law Library at University of Missouri at Kansas City. The workshop is currently scheduled for the morning of Friday, October 15, 1993.

Workshop attenders must pay the registration fee for the MAALL Meeting to attend the workshop. They may register for the whole conference or for the single day of the workshop. The MAALL Executive Board has generously donated $300.00 this year to sponsor the attendance of a support staff member of any type of library. Only MAALL members are eligible for this grant award. (See Laurie's President Letter in this issue.) In addition this year, the Mid-America Law School Consortium will award a $300.00 grant to a non-librarian who is employed in an academic library that is a member of MSLSLC. Each of these grants will be further awarded on the basis of financial need and contribution to the MSLSLC workshop or the law library community. The application form for a grant is included in this issue of MAALL Markings. For more information on the grant award process, feel free to contact Maria Protti, Associate Law Librarian, University of Oklahoma Law Center Library, 300 Timberdell Road, Norman, Oklahoma, 73019-0701.
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2. Users in Kansas City have a local number, and no $9/hour telecommunications surcharge.
3. Users in St. Louis who subscribe to Delphi through PoSTLink (10/4 Plan only) have no $9/hour telecommunications surcharge.
4. Includes $100 setup fee, plus $5/month, for P.O. billing; also includes $7.50/hour for Tymnet; does not include hard-to-estimate transmission/data charges or file storage charges.
5. See PSIlink list of Class B cities. In the MAALL region, these are Des Moines, IA; Kansas City, MO; Lawton, OK; Little Rock, AR; Oklahoma City, OK; Omaha, NE; St. Louis, MO; and Wichita, KS.
6. Includes $7.50/hour for Tymnet access.
7. Includes $4/hour for dial access through Compuserve packet network.
8. Includes $8.50/hour for 800 number access; users may also use regular long distance service; also includes $2/hour fee for hours over 20/month.
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Memorials

Ellen Kaye Stoppel

Ellen Kaye Stoppel, Associate Law Librarian and Professor of Librarianship for the Drake University Law Library, died of cancer on March 5, 1993. Kaye served Drake University with distinction for 19 years and was held in high regard by her colleagues, who elected her president of the Faculty Senate for 1989-1990. She also served several terms as president of the Drake chapter of the American Association of University Professors. Throughout her career she was a consummate professional, admired by all who worked with her. Anyone who served on an AALL committee with Kaye knew that she would exceed every expectation and make sure that the committee's goals were met.

Kaye was an active member of AALL, serving most recently as the chair of the Law Library Journal/AALL Newsletter Advisory Committee for 1992-93. Her publication skills were evident in a number of positions, including editorship of the Technical Services Law Librarian from 1988 to 1990. She also wrote several articles for Law Library Journal as well as other publications. Her book reviews appeared in Library Journal from 1972 until her death.

Comments from the University's memorial service may help illustrate Kaye's influence on many lives. Drake President Michael R. Ferrari reflected the feelings of those who knew Kaye in saying:

Many of you will remember her dedication to the highest professional standards of librarianship. Others will recall her unselfish commitment of time and energy in supporting and furthering the teaching and scholarly aspirations of faculty and students in the Law School. All of us will remember her warm smile, her gracious disposition, her bright eyes, her precise language, her sense of humor and her formidable organizational skills.

As I reflected during the past few days on what Kaye Stoppel has meant to Drake, I recalled the ancient Athenian admonition that we give our graduates each spring as they leave our university: "I swear to leave this Republic stronger, richer and more beautiful than it was when they gave it to me." Kaye left this academic community far stronger, richer and more beautiful than it was when they gave it to her, and we will be forever grateful that she graced our halls of learning. This University is indebted to the legacy of Kaye Stoppel: a caring
and gifted educator, an effective University leader, a loyal professional, and a good friend. She will be sorely missed.

Kaye is survived by her husband, William Stoppel, who is Drake’s Director of Libraries, and her brother Dennis Vickers. She died only two weeks before the move into the new Dwight D. Opperman Hall and Law Library, a project to which she contributed immensely. Her sense of dedication was evident in all tasks she performed. Kaye worked in the library every day until the week she died. Her death was a tremendous loss that stunned the campus.

John D. Edwards

Kaye

Kaye Stoppel was a good friend to me. I recognize that there are others who more rightly deserve the opportunity to write of her achievements and contributions. I want to speak of the warm, lovely woman who existed behind the very private professional librarian and professor.

I first met Kaye in 1981 when I interviewed with her for the position of Reference/Circulation Librarian at the Drake University Law School Library. We discovered that our respective roots sprang from the same plot of Missouri soil and that we shared a commonality of names, places, experiences and, even, winter birthdays. A kinship was born. We became friends and allies.

Kaye had so much to share and generously extended her insight and friendship to me. Kaye was very active at Drake and I relied on her advice regarding academic protocol and law school politics. Her contributions to librarianship were awesome and I remember how she guided my professional development. When she encouraged me to write for the Iowa Library Quarterly and MAALL newsletter, I did. (She also offered to review my work. I depended on her sharp eyes to catch my mistakes and wasn’t disappointed.) On those occasions when we attended meetings together, Kaye graciously introduced me to other MAALL members and saw to it that I “mingled”. I followed her recommendations and applied for committees, grants, and scholarships.

I especially appreciated Kaye’s wisdom and loyalty on those occasions when she guided me through decisions which affected my career and personal life. Not only was she supportive of my decision to attend law school, but upon my graduation and as a favor to me, she attended the first Drake Law School convocation. She rejoiced when she learned that I had passed the bar. (Kaye received this news by way of a late night phone call after I had done some “rejoicing” of my own.)

Although Kaye was, in my estimate, the epitome of class, I also recall her dry humor and quick wit. I like to believe that with me, she found someone with whom she could laugh and relax a little. Her death came too soon for so many of us. The world lost a fine librarian and I lost an irreplaceable friend.

Susan Catterall
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MAALL CALENDER

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Special Libraries Association 84th Annual Conference, Cincinnati Ohio.

June 8-11  

June 10-11  

June 24  

June 24-26  
American Library Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.

June 25  
COLT (Council on Library/Media Technicians, Inc.) 26th Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.

June 25  

July 6-9  
"International Organizations", AALL Summer Institute, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Co-sponsored by Oceana Publications, Inc.

July 10-15  

July 18-23  
"Library Administrators Management Development Program," Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. For more information contact the Center for Management Development, Richard T. Farmer School of Business Administration, Miami University, 114-J Laws Hall, Oxford, Ohio 45056-1675; Telephone: 513-529-2132 E-Mail: cmdmail@miamiu.acs.muohio.edu.

July 22-30  

August 1-6  

August 5-8  
ABA Law Practice Management Section Annual Meeting, New York, NY.

August 17-21  
International Association of Law Libraries 12th Course

August 18-20  

August 22-26  
IFLA Annual Conference, Barcelona, Spain.
PRESIDENT'S Column

I have truly enjoyed serving as your President during the past year. I have had the privilege of working with a wonderfully talented and dedicated group of librarians who have served as officers and worked on MAALL’s many committees. I have also had an opportunity to hear from quite a number of MAALL members on a wide range of matters. Involvement at the regional chapter level is an enriching experience and helps to develop contacts that can be personally and professionally rewarding. I have had a wonderful time, and thank you all for the experience of participating as an officer in this organization.

I encourage you to become involved with the good work of our association by volunteering to serve on a committee for the 1993/94 membership year. A committee appointment form is included in this issue of MAALL Markings.

I hope to see many of you at Little Rock! The Program and Local Arrangements Committees have done a terrific job of putting together a great combination of educational programs on a wide range of topics; and have organized meals and social functions that will be truly enjoyable. In filling out your registration forms, it is very important that you indicate the meals and programs that you plan to attend. We need this information in order to avoid paying unnecessarily for extra meals and to allocate the proper amount of seating for each of the programs.

On Thursday afternoon, there will be a session titled “After 20 Years of Working Together, Looking Back and Looking Ahead, a Town Hall Meeting.” This session is designed to let YOU, our members, share with the current and future officers of MAALL your ideas on the programs and services that you would like to see developed. We need feedback from you in order to make sure that we advance programs and support services that meet the needs of our diverse membership.
Please bring your ideas on programming, communication, membership growth, and public relations on behalf of the organization and our profession. We are interested to know if there are additional ways in which we can support the professional development of our members. What are your views on how we can more easily identify members who are willing to serve as speakers for our educational programs, submit articles to MAALL Markings, or serve on committees? MAALL is the first AALL chapter to have its own discussion list on Internet. We need to be creative and explore the various ways in which our discussion list can be used. Please feel free to call, fax or e-mail me with your ideas and concerns, or bring them to the town meeting. Your officers need to hear from you, so that we can advance programs and services to ensure that MAALL’s future is as bright as its past!

The Executive Board has been conferring on the following issues:

1. The Executive Board has approved the Internet Committee’s Revised Proposal on Internet Grants, dated July 6, 1993. The proposal provides that up to three grants of $100 each be awarded to MAALL member libraries to facilitate access for new Internet users. All grant recipients will be paired with an “Internet buddy” to assist in training. Though not required, it is recommended that Executive Board members be Internet users. An additional $100.00 grant will be made available to facilitate initial access for a Board member in cases of financial hardship. The Internet Committee will begin developing grant guidelines and will be responsible for selecting the grant recipients. Promotion of the Internet grant program will be handled by the Internet Committee during the upcoming MAALL term.

2. The site of the 1995 meeting has been established at Washburn University of Topeka School of Law Library. The Law School has recently added an extension to the Library, and has completely remodelled the interior of that facility. Washburn’s Law Library is also the repository for AALL’s Lawnet; the association’s electronic “library” on Internet. The Executive Board appreciates John Christensen’s gracious offer to act as host for the 1995 meeting.

3. Registration fees for exhibitors at the annual meeting in Little Rock were approved at $100.

4. The Executive Board approved the award of a total of five regular travel grants for the meeting in Little Rock. This number includes the travel grant traditionally reserved for the newsletter
editor. In addition, one paraprofessional travel grant was approved. There was a decision to hold over for further review an examination of the criteria for the award of the Marian G. Gallagher Travel Grant and the Paraprofessional Travel Grant.

5. As reported at the Boston business meeting, the UCLA School of Library Science is at risk of being closed. The UCLA School of Library Science is forwarding an information packet to Lori Weiss. Once received, the Executive Board will draft either a letter of support or a proclamation in support of the school. Final action regarding MAALL’s support for the UCLA School of Library Science will be taken at the annual meeting.

In closing, I want to thank you all again for helping me have such a fun year. This is a terrific organization with a very dynamic, professional group of members. I really appreciate the chance I have had to get to know more of you better through association work. Ann Fessenden will serve you well as an energetic and caring President. I look forward to MAALL’s future and I know that the good work will continue. Best wishes to Ann and the incoming officers for the new MAALL term. See you in Little Rock!

Lori Weiss
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Thursday 14 October 1993

1. 8:00 - 4:45 Registration
2. 12:00 - 1:30 Opening Lunch (Speaker)
3. 1:30 - 3:00 Program 1 Preparing for Emergencies
4. 3:00 - 3:15 Break
5. 3:15 - 4:15 Program 2 After 20 Years of Working Together, Looking Back and Looking Ahead, A Town Hall Meeting
6. 3:15 - 5:30 MALSLC meeting
7. 3:15 - 4:45 Committee meetings

Friday 15 October 1993
(Programs conducted at UALR Law School)

8. 7:15 - Noon Registration
9. 7:30 - 8:45 Breakfast Business Meeting (Excelsior)
10. 9:00 - 9:30 Buses to UALR Law School
11. 9:30 - 12:30 MALSLC Support Staff Workshop on Imaging
12. 9:30 - 11:00 Program 3 Legal information and libraries in the 21st Century, Bob Berring
13. 11:15 - 12:30 Program 4 CALR & Electronic Legal Information: an Overview, Bob Berring
14. 11:15 - 12:30 Program 5 Standards for Technical Services in Law Firm Libraries, Carol Dawe
15. 2:00 - 3:30 Program 6 Choices for Arkansas Practitioners, Lynn Foster
16. 2:00 - 3:30 Program 8 The Impact of the Civil Rights Act Personnel Management, Pat Kehoe
17. 1:00 - 5:00 Program 7 Using the Internet, Jim Milles
18. 3:45 - 5:30 Library tours
19. 3:45 - 5:30 MAALL committee meetings

Saturday 16 October 1993

20. 8:45 - 10:15 Program 9 Accessing the Internet, Jim Milles
21. 8:45 - 10:15 Program 10 After Automation: Changes in Technical Services, a Roundtable Discussion
22. 10:30 - 12:00 Program 11 Personnel Management Panel, Pat Kehoe & Myra Runyon.
Programs appearing (like this) are tentative.
MAALL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS 1993/1994

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Please check the committees(s) that you would like to be on:

_____ BYLAWS: Propose and submit any changes, additions, deletions to MAALL’s Bylaws.

_____ DIRECTORY: Prepare the MAALL Directory.

_____ GRANTS: Establish criteria for awards of grants, publicizes availability, and selects recipients.

_____ INTERNET: Examines ways that the Internet can be better integrated into the work of MAALL and its members.

_____ LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS, Des Moines, IA (1994): Prepare local arrangements. (Chair, John Edwards)

_____ LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS, Topeka, KS (1995): Prepare local arrangements. (Chair, John Christensen)

_____ MEMBERSHIP: Identify and contact perspective members.

_____ NEWSLETTER: Work with the MAALL MARKINGS editor and be liaison to gather membership information.

_____ NOMINATIONS: Select slate of candidates for elected officers.

_____ PLACEMENT: Maintain active resume file for employees and prospective employers. Publicize information.

_____ PRO BONO PROJECT: Explore and develop ways that law librarians can provide pro bono services. (Chair, Tim Kelly)

_____ PROGRAM (1994): Prepare the 1994 program. (Chair, Lynn Foster)

_____ RESOURCE SHARING: Explore and develop ways that the membership may more effectively share information resources.

_____ AALL PR LIAISON: Liaison from MAALL to work with the AALL Public Relations Coordinator.

_____ LIBRARY SCHOOL LIAISON: Assist Membership Committee in recruiting new members into MAALL and the law library profession.

_____ NTIS LIAISON: Liaison from MAALL to the National Technical Information Service on issues of concern to libraries, particularly law libraries.

Please return the completed form by October 1, 1993 to:

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Candidates for the MAALL 1993 Elections

The candidates for the MAALL 1993 elections are:

Vice-President/President Elect: Lynn Foster (Univ. of Arkansas, Little Rock)

Treasurer: Sharon Kern (Davis, Hockenberg, Brown, Koehn and Shors, Des Moines)

The election will take place at the annual meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas. "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." MAALL By-Laws, Art. VI., sec. 2.

Nominating Committee Members: Katherine Belgum, Chair, James Duggan, Trish Cervenka.

Lynn Foster: Received M.S. 1975 from University of Illinois; J.D. 1982 from Southern Illinois University. Held positions of Circulation/Reference Librarian and Documents/Reference Librarian at University of Illinois Law Library, 1975/79; Associate Librarian at University of Idaho Law Library, 1981-82; Reference Librarian at Southern Illinois University Law Library, 1982-83; Law Library Director and Associate Professor of Law at Ohio Northern University, 1983-86; Law Library Director and Professor of Law at University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 1986-present. The UALR/Pulaski County Law Library is the only combined academic/county law library in the U.S. Co-author of 1st ed. of Subject Compilations of State Laws, and of all editions of Legal Research Exercises. Winner, Joseph L. Andrews Award, 1982. MAALL member 1977-79, 1982-83 and 1986-present. Chair, MAALL Constitution and Bylaws Committee, 1988-92, 1993 Local Arrangements Committee.


MAALL Travel Grants

Recipients of Travel Grants to the 1993 MAALL annual meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas are:

Debbie DeSpain Marian Gallagher Travel Grant. Editor MAALL MARKINGS, University of South Dakota Law School Library

Barbara Fullerton Environmental Law Librarian, Black & Veatch Engineering Firm, Overland Park, Kansas

Sharon L. Hom Kansas Satellite Librarian, 10th Circuit Wichita, Kansas

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INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEMS DEMONSTRATIONS: MY RECENT EXPERIENCE
by Janet McKinney
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Background

In February, 1992, the libraries of the University of Missouri System developed a document entitled, “Information Technology and UM Libraries: A Five-Year Plan”. One aspect of this plan involved replacing the currently-used online catalog, LUMIN (Libraries of the University of Missouri Information Network), with an integrated library system. LUMIN was purchased from the Washington Library Network (WLN), and its use at the University of Missouri began in 1983-1984. The Library Systems Office has access to the source code, and has been developing enhancements as well as maintaining the system. The recently-defunct Tapestry Project was a means of expanding the WLN systems throughout the world by having different WLN sites develop additional modules. The UM Library Systems Office (LSO) developed the Circulation/Reserve module, but some of the other sites in the project did not follow through with the other modules. In terms of automation of the other library functions, each of the six libraries (Columbia, Columbia Law, Kansas City, Kansas City Law, Rolla, and St. Louis), has chosen its own levels and routes.

With its ten-year-old technology, LUMIN is generally not well-liked (despite its strong authorities-control features), and the librarians and LSO wanted to investigate systems that operate on different, newer platforms such as UNIX and client-server architecture. One result of the presentation of the “Information Technology” document to the UM Board of Curators was the allowance of moneys for two task forces, the Client-Server Architecture Task Force and the Integrated Library Systems Task Force.

The Integrated Library Systems Task Force was formed in August, 1992, and began meeting in December, 1992. The membership consists of librarians from technical services and public services at differing levels of management, but no directors are members. The task force identified a number of vendors that had the potential of providing a system to fit the needs of UM, and sent letters to these vendors requesting information. The task force established a schedule for demonstrations from the eight vendors that responded. Each demonstration lasted 1-2 days, and the schedule went from March 8 through May 20, 1993. All directors were invited to the demos, but Prof. O’Connor was teaching that semester and sent me in her place.
DEMONSTRATIONS

I did very little formal preparation for the demonstrations. I personally had vague ideas that I didn’t bother to articulate in writing. Our acquisitions, fund accounting, and serials are automated with modules from one of the demonstrating vendors, and we are very pleased with it, so it was my yardstick in those areas. The Cataloging Librarian trusted her fellow catalogers at the demos to ask good cataloging questions, but she mentioned the need for good documentation. The Reference/Circulation Librarian was interested in a system that was flexible enough to accommodate our variety of patron types, since we circulate to local firm librarians and local members of the bar, as well as faculty and students.

The vendor representatives brought their own equipment, usually laptop computers and LCD displays for overhead projectors. The demonstrations were held at different locations in Columbia, some on the UMC campus and some not, mostly due to room availability. Although many vendors brought self-contained systems with small databases, most also accessed other sites, either other libraries or their own computer system at headquarters through telecommunication lines. The telecommunications reliability varied, but the different locations may have been a factor there. A couple of the vendors went to the trouble of customizing their materials to the situation, and one even brought ‘freebies’ (notepads, Post-it Notes, pens, totebags, and mints). One vendor presented a very smooth demo because of the foresight of bringing two laptops and LCD displays. If an answer to one of our questions had to be demonstrated by leaving the screen the representative was on, the other representative quickly accessed that portion of the system on the other laptop. I think many of the representatives were surprised by the questions asked. In general, we asked a lot of detailed, really-getting-deep-into-the-system (maybe even picky) questions. In retrospect, I think that is just what we should have done. For one thing, it gave us an idea of how well the representatives knew their own system. For another, it showed the representatives that we would not be satisfied with a system that looked good but didn’t function well. Finally, I think many of us knew that sometimes it’s those “picky” things that can make using a system pleasurable or frustrating, and we wanted to use those things as another measuring stick for decision-making.

I discovered that I had taken a couple of expectations with me when the demonstrations began. I thought each system would be different from the others, and that each system would have its pro’s and con’s that would make choosing a system difficult. For the most part, I was wrong. Basically, each system does the same thing, and each vendor is working on the same new developments (although at various stages). The differences were usually subtle ones that lay in the way
in which each system performed a function. While it is true that each system has its pro's and con's, a handful of them rose above the others. Within this preferred group, the gap between advantages and disadvantages is generally slight. I have to say that from one campus to another, the systems in the preferred group are not the same, though there are only four in all. One system quickly fell out of contention.

SYSTEMS

All the systems have five basic modules: OPAC (online public access catalog), circulation, cataloging, acquisitions, and serials. Each module performed the general functions required of them. The following is a list of features that most of the systems have or are developing: Inter-/intralibrary loan, patron-initiated holds, document delivery, connecting to other libraries (within a vendor’s network and/or through Z39.50 connections), patron access to their own patron records at an OPAC terminal, authority records that can be mapped/copied, dynamically updating bibliographic records, e-mail for circulation notices, saving search results to disk on an OPAC terminal, support for image files, automated telephone circulation notices (one vendor called it “LVIS”), MARC holdings records, loading other databases (commercial or local), online context-sensitive help, ‘search on related terms’, and graphical user interfaces (Windows-like screens).

THE NEXT STEPS

Those of us from the Kansas City campus that attended the demonstrations met to discuss the systems and choose our top three. We agreed that the “benchmarks” for us were: The ability to do full-screen editing of bibliographic records, the quality of the fund accounting, and the availability of authority files and control. Also in our minds was the extent to which a system is integrated. Integration between the modules of the systems varied despite the fact that they are all “integrated library systems”. Did all modules allow bibliographic record editing? Some systems function as if there are separate databases for each module. For example, a bibliographic record created in the acquisitions module would have to be ‘moved’ from acquisitions to the cataloging module then to the online catalog. Did serial holdings, at the summary and issue levels, display in the OPAC, and were they automatically or manually updated? To what extent were the serials and acquisitions modules integrated? In my position, this last question was the “clincher”. If you have ever had to verify payment information against receipt information, even in a
You can probably understand. In one of the systems, the order records for serials were in the serials module, and the order records for monographs were in the acquisitions module. In others, the order records for either type of material were not accessible from the check-in records. Finally, as you might imagine, I asked each vendor (except my own) how to create check-in records for multiple formats and receipt patterns for the same title. The ability to do so, or do so elegantly, varied.

The Integrated Library Systems Task Force and Library Systems Office will be writing a Request for Proposal this summer. I do not know if the RFPs will be going to all eight vendors since I am not a member of the task force. The evaluation of the proposal is scheduled to take place toward the end of the year. Other activities that will occur before the decision is made include scripted on-campus demonstrations for faculty and library staff, site visits, telephone interviews, and of course, financial analysis. We are a long way from having a new integrated library system, and with today's and tomorrow's technology, each campus could select different systems yet still communicate with the others.

RECOMMENDATIONS

I feel confident that I could not give any advice about selecting an integrated library system that could not be found in the literature. Perhaps I can provide a summary of factors to consider when preparing and attending demonstrations.

First, do some reading. A good overview of the business of library systems is published every year in Library Journal, usually in April, entitled “Automated System Marketplace”. This year the article was divided into two parts, one for minicomputers and one for microcomputers. Another good article was published in the March 1, 1993, issue of Library Journal by Frank R. Bridge, entitled “Selecting a Library Automation Vendor”. It focuses on telephone interviews, site visits, and in-house demonstrations. Use the general library science indexes for more information. However, a search on LegalTrac did not yield many articles.

You may want to contact people you know who work in libraries that have automated systems installed. Besides asking about the particular systems, you can glean advice about the process. In addition, there are discussion lists on the Internet for users groups of almost all the major systems. Subscribing to the lists could give you an idea of the questions and problems the users have and how well they are solved.

Determine what you need and what you want in a library system. What kind of hardware will you need? Will you need to find a system that can utilize the equipment you already have? Does the
size of your operation require a minicomputer rather than a PC? Investigate the possibility of tying into established computers or networks. Decide if you want to begin with a complete system, if you need just certain modules, or if you need to add modules over time. Consider your requirements in the functionality of the system, in other words, how well it performs the tasks you do on it. The processing of legal materials, especially serials, presents a different set of requirements. How important is it to you that the system does so elegantly?

Review your collection and your operation. Are there established procedures that cannot be changed to accommodate a new library system? Which procedures are flexible enough to accommodate a new system? What particular aspects about your collection and/or operation dictate that a system work in a certain way or have the ability to do certain things? For example, do you have multiple locations/branches, do you have multiple patron types, do you have multiple funds, do you have enough of those single titles with bound volumes, pocket parts, looseleaf updates, and softcover supplements to require the ability of the system to create one bibliographic record with multiple check-in records? These questions will come up at different point in the selection process, but I think that the more you consider at the outset, the better prepared you will be to get the answers along the way.

As for the demonstrations themselves, my advice is to think about what you want to see, then ask if the representative does not show it as a part of their routine. Maybe it’s my technical services background, but it seemed to me that the vendors place their emphasis in development and demonstrations on the public services modules, the ones that are seen most by patrons and administrators. Don’t hesitate to ask to see how a system performs technical services tasks. Many of the representatives did not know the answers to some of the more detailed questions we asked, but they made notes and promised to find the answers. If this happens with you, follow up if you haven’t heard in a reasonable period of time. After all, none of these systems is inexpensive, and after a system is installed it will probably be there for years, so you have a right to learn as much as you can before you commit yourself.

Finally, I will mention finances. If the University of Missouri libraries were to purchase a complete integrated library system today, the cost would be well into the seven-digit range. However, many of the vendors we have contacted provide microcomputer-based versions of the same systems. It’s helpful to know how much, if any, money will be available when the selection is made. On the other hand, you may have to use the system to sell itself to the decision-makers in your organization. In that case, it may be worth some compromise on your part in terms of functionality or...
A Review:

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In ancient history (pre-1970's), law library staffs ordered, checked-in, checked-out, searched, cataloged, and paid for library materials by hand. Staffs also kept track of all those processes with painstaking records and statistics. The advent of the microcomputer and library-specific software has now freed many law libraries from the drudgery of manual processing by replacing it with the high-speed drudgery of automated processing. Is your library considering "the next step?" If so, Catherine Pennington's Microcomputer Software Selection For the Law Library: Part Two: Library and Legal Software is just the guide you need for making initial decisions about automating with microcomputers, upgrading to minicomputers or mainframes, or even staying with the manual systems that have served law library needs so well over the past 100 or so years.

Part of Glanville Publishing's "Law Library Information Reports" series, Library and Legal Software covers software created specifically for libraries and continues the general discussion started with part one (1987, dealing with general business software applications for law libraries). The title of this second volume may be misleading, however, as "legal software" brings to mind products that automate law office functions or provide high-tech "formbooks," none of which are covered in the book. Still, Pennington (Director of Library Services, Chadbourne & Parke, New York) provides a thorough exposition of "library" software, including an engrossing overview of the various library functions that can be automated, and offers excellent advice on which software features are "de rigueur" and those that are merely "nice to have."

Library-specific software is discussed for most functions, including individual chapters on cataloging and online catalogs;
serials control and routing; accounting and acquisitions; circulation and interlibrary loans; reference; and integrated library systems. Although short bibliographies with annotations (titled "for more information") appear at the end of each chapter, a separate general bibliography is provided in the appendices, as well as a glossary and a rather unhelpful index (for example, "record" is listed on 27 separate pages without any subject indication). Illustrations of selected vendor screens and flow charts accompanying the text are valuable additions.

Easily the most effective component of Library and Legal Software is the guidance Pennington offers throughout; making choices about what types of automation to consider can is simplified by the unique questionnaire format she provides. The text includes basic guidelines on hardware and software purchases, with useful, well-written counsel on everything from acquisition control to upgrading a circulation system. Pennington’s refreshing sense of humor (she includes the best sample overdue notice I’ve ever seen) makes reading what could be duller than dirt actually quite enjoyable.

Look elsewhere if you desire vendor recommendations for specific automation projects. While individual vendors/products are mentioned when discussing certain software functions, Pennington refrains from making endorsements. Also keep in mind that $100 for 146 pages of extremely large type may make purchasing Library and Legal Software a difficult decision for law libraries watching those budget dollars.

Many law firm libraries will find this book worthwhile, as will most small-to-medium sized law libraries that have not yet considered automation. Most large academic law libraries have already done so, and should buy only if automating a new function is contemplated.
GIVE IT A TRY: THE 28 MILLIONTH RECORD

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When I read the news in the August 1992 issue of MLNC Quickflash that the University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign had catalogued the 26 millionth record (the 3rd golden record they input) in OCLC Online Union Catalog, an idea suddenly flashed through my mind. I know it is easier for big libraries to hit the milestone record because they have more catalogers and more original material to catalog. But why shouldn’t a law library give it a try?

In January 1993, while reviewing our cataloging statistics for the past year, I made up my mind. Even though our library (University of Missouri-Columbia, School of Law Library) is relatively small in collection and staff size, we input more than 100 original records for GPO microfiche reproduction each month by one full time and one 25% FTE support staff for the past two months. Other months we have had close to 90 original inputs. In addition, I have many retrospective conversion records and other microfiche reproductions that are very likely originals. I concluded we could hit the next golden record, but planning would be necessary. According to previous history, one million records will take libraries approximately one-half year to input. The 27 millionth record had been logged not long ago. The 28 millionth record would be a good target. So, I set up a schedule to check the progress of the OCLC record numbers, and started concentrating on the original cataloging for the next few months. Our Government Document Assistant, Jeanne Burke, and the Rare Book Assistant, Mary Lou Davis, tried to process and pass on books and microfiches (they were usually original records) as quickly as possible to help us achieve our target. I recorded the date, time, and OCLC record number each time when I logged an original record. Based on these statistics, I was almost sure that the next milestone record would show up in either late April or early May.

When the week finally came, I was very excited. My Cataloging Assistant, Don Murr, who is also a quick and capable cataloger, and our other experienced part time cataloger, Mireya del Castillo, helped me keep track of the record numbers. I stayed in the library until ten o’clock the night before the 28 millionth record appeared because it was so close to the golden number. But the numbers turned very slowly that
night. Probably other competing libraries had lots of experience about the last moment. They wanted to save the inputs for the final hit. On April 28, 1993 (Wednesday), the record numbers suddenly turned faster than the past few days. Between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., more than 5000 records had been input. Don and I started plunging in records at 5:40 p.m. when we saw the record number turn to the last 100. Every minute, we could see more than 30 records being logged in. At around six o’clock, I input the #27999977 record. When I hit the keyboard to send the next one, it turned back #28000007 already. Don got the #27999991 record. He was a few seconds early and I was a few seconds late.

Although we didn’t make it this time, it was certainly a very good experience for us. The process was fun and exciting. First of all, it made the staff of our Technical Services work more closely and cooperatively. Secondly, the desire to achieve a goal made cataloging more interesting. Moreover, I had to read more literature to interpret the cataloging rules and I got more chances to discuss cataloging and classification questions with other catalogers through Internet since I came across more problems when dealing with more original records. I think I almost became a microfiche cataloging specialist during this wonderful experience. In addition, our cataloging statistics reached it’s peak point for four years (maybe more). We cataloged almost 280 original records in a month. We will certainly give it another try in the future. No matter whether we make it or not, it is worthwhile.
WANTED: INTERNET ACCESS!

The AALL Executivr Board recently created the AALL Task Force on Internet. The charges of this Task Force are to 1) Identify the various options available to libraries and to individuals to access the Internet; 2) Publicize through the AALL Newsletter and other appropriate methods, those options for access; 3) Explore the financial impediments to access by all AALL members and identify and describe solutions.

The Task Force believes that the key to widespread, successful use of the Internet by the Association members will depend upon active participation at the local level and sharing of information about the Internet.

The Task Force has asked each AALL Chapter President to appoint a Chapter Internet Coordinator. This Chapter Coordinator would then solicit and coordinate chapter members who are experienced on the Internet to serve as mentors for newcomers to the system.

The Task Force would also like to hear “war stories” from those who have already taken the leap into the Internet: how did you get started? what arguments worked to get the funding? what training approaches were successful? The Task Force will gather these together and disseminate them through the AALL Newsletter throughout the winter months.

We welcome your comments and your concerns. Our goal is to provide enough information and inspiration to our membership that access to Internet will be greatly increased. Please feel free to contact any of the Task Force members with your ideas, successes and concerns.

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Our OPAC, Infolink, is up and running. We're on the way to having other parts of the library automated as well. Renovation of the technical services area was completed in June, and greatly improves workspace layout. We have also set up a gopher service, affectionately named the Razorback Gopher, which will soon be available to off-campus users.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

For MAALL, here are some items—we'll meet at the Excelsior Hotel, on the Arkansas River and adjacent to the Old State House, where Clinton announced his candidacy and also gave his victory speech. The Thursday night reception will be at the Arkansas Law center building, also the past home of the law school. The Friday portion of the meeting will take place at the new law school building. Friday night we will go on a riverboat cruise, and see the actual Little Rock and Big Rock as well. Little Rock is a beautiful city, with fantastic restaurants, and we hope to see lots of MAALL members in October!

The UALR Law Library will be hosting an intern from the University of Washington law librarianship program from July 19 to August 6. Her name is Kelly Browne.

Illinois

Southern Illinois University

Wei Luo commenced work as the new Assistant Technical Services Librarian at Southern Illinois University School of Law Library on September 1, 1993. Wei is a 1993 graduate of the University of Washington's Graduate School of Library and Information Science (M.L.S., Certificate of Law Librarianship). He also holds a J.D. from Lewis and Clark, Northwestern School of Law, in Portland, Oregon, and a B.A. in Economics from Xiamen University in the People's Republic of China.

SIUers were active at the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston: Frank Houdek organized and coordinated the "Public Relations Roster Session;" Heija Ryoo was coordinator of "The Legal Systems and Trade Laws of Thailand and Vietnam: Facilitating the Next Generation of Trade in Southeast Asia;" James Duggan was coordinator and moderator of "The Computer Services Librarian: The Next Generation is Now;" and Kathy Garner was co-coordinator and speaker at "Law Libraries and Legal Literacy: The Next Generation."

Iowa

Drake University

Aris Lee Woodham is the new Information Services Librarian at the Drake University Law Library. She previously was the Reference/Computer Services Law Librarian at the Creighton University Law Library. Aris holds an MLIS from the University of Texas and a JD from Baylor.

Marsha S. Skoman is the new Acquisitions Librarian for the Drake University Law Library. She served as Serials Librarian at Drake's Cowles Library before joining the Law Library staff. Her MILS degree is from the University of Michigan, where she also worked in the law library. She earned her BA at Western Michigan University.

University of Iowa

Val Russell, who joined the University of Iowa Law Library staff in the spring of 1992, has been promoted to Head of Public Services. Val came to Iowa via UCLA Law Library and the Northwestern University Law Library. At the moment, Val and Caitlin
Robinson are deeply involved in bringing up automated circulation, the final phase of the NOTIS system at Iowa.

Missouri

University of Missouri - Columbia

Our new director, Martha Dragich, showed up for work August 16th and has been here every business day since. Her phone number will remain the same as the previous director; her Internet and Bitnet addresses have been posted to the MAALL listserv.

We are pleased to announce the hiring of Joni Blake as our circulation supervisor. Joni comes to us from Creighton University Law Library, where she served in a similar capacity. She brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm with her. Welcome, Joni.

We bid farewell to Erlene Rickerson, who has left us to accept an appointment as the director of William Woods University's Library, and Anne Rice, who left to spend more time with her newborn. While we will miss them, we wish them the best in these and any future endeavors.

Missouri Supreme Court Library, Jefferson City, Missouri

D.A. Divilbiss, Director of the Library, reports that all is well there (they are on high ground) after several weeks of being cut off or rerouted trying to get to neighboring communities (Jefferson City sits right on the Missouri River). D.A. had some personal experiences with the hardships of commuting when her daughter got married in a northern community. Be sure she tells you the story at MAALL in October...by then she will be able to laugh about it.

Nebraska

Creighton University

Ann C. Fletcher began work as the new Associate Law Library Director on August 9th. She was formerly the Assistant Law Librarian for Public Services at the University of Oregon Law Library. Welcome, Ann!

Joni M. Blake, Circulation Manager, has an opportunity to work as "Head of Circulation Services" at the University of Missouri-Columbia Law Library. This move will position her to begin work on an M.L.S. degree at the same time. Congratulations, Joni!

Legal Information Services, Inc.

Legal Information Services, Inc. is a new business started by Carol Gendler and Sandy Lundholm formerly from Douglas County Law Library. Legal Information Services, Inc. publishes four unique services: Nebraska Bankruptcy Service, Iowa Bankruptcy Service, Eighth Circuit Weekly, Nebraska Federal Court report. All of these services make available full-text opinions as well as indexing. For further information, please call Carol or Sandy at (402) 330-8123.

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City University

Construction of the new law school will be completed in October of 1993, classes will be held there beginning spring semester 1993. Faculty offices and the Law Library will remain in the Gold Star Building which will be renovated at a later date.

The computers located in the wordprocessing lab have all been upgraded to 386DX computers running under Windows. There will be a knowledgeable library employee available in the lab on Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. All other times help is available through the Circulation Desk.

Nancy Fisher, Circulation Services Librarian, and Debra Spindle, part time Weekend Circulation Assistant, were both initiated into Beta Phi Mu, the library science honorary, on Friday, April 23rd.
Oklahoma City University’s Law Library will host the SWALL chapter meeting in April 1995. Nancy Fisher was the recipient of Kate Mara Award which is awarded to a person attending her first SWALL meeting. She attended the SWALL meeting April 15-17, 1993 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

University of Oklahoma

An AV Special Equipment Lab has been established for student use. The equipment includes an H-P scanner using Omni Page scanning software, videos and audio cassettes with ear phones. There is equipment for the visually impaired which vocalizes the text.

The new dean is Peter C. Gopelrud who comes from Southern Illinois University. He assumed his duties on July 1, 1993. He was Interim Law School Dean from 1988-90 at Southern Illinois and Visiting Professor from 1990-91 at Saint Louis University School of Law.

Scott B. Pagel, Director, left the University of Oklahoma Law Library at the end of May. He will assume the position of Director at George Washington University Law Library effective July 1, 1993.

Nina Miley has been appointed Acting Director at the University of Oklahoma Law Library. She has been Reference Librarian there for two years. Prior to graduating from Washburn University’s Law School, Nina had a long career in the private sector running her own business enterprise. Her Library School degree was attained at the University of Illinois. The staff is enjoying Nina’s energy and enthusiasm in her new role as acting Director.

University of Tulsa

Katherine Tooley, Technical Services Librarian, has been elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect of the Technical Services Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Nanette Moses is occupying the new position of Access Services Librarian which was formerly a support position. She supervises circulation and reserves. Her M.L.S. is from the University of Oklahoma.

Leslie McGuire will begin September 1st in the new position of Public Services/Computer Assisted Research Librarian. Her J.D. is from Stetson University and her M.L.S. is from Florida State University in Tallahassee.

A Cost Recovery Project has been initiated in the computer lab. Vendacard is installed on all four laser printers; these printers are not networked. The charge per page is 2.5 cents using Vendacard and 5 cents paying cash. The same copycard which is used for photocopying can be used for laser printing.

Hello From the Editor

This issue of the newsletter focused on software and systems and included several items about the conference in Little Rock. Around the dates of the conference, the Fall Foliage in Arkansas is known for the beautiful bursts of colors. A trip by way of Amtrac may be just the ticket for a little R & R to and from Little Rock.

The December issue needs a topic. What about an issue on “What I (place your name here :) ) did at the conference in Little Rock?” Hope to hear from with you with ayes or nays or comments from the floor! Debbie

P.S. This issue of MAALL Markings was printed on recycled paper. Minutes from JoAnn mention that it is a little bit more. Around $35 total. But on the other hand, we now have the center fold and side staple and fortunately this has not been an additional cost.
COMPUTER SERVICES LIBRARIAN

This position will require an MLS and substantial knowledge of and aptitude for computer technology, particularly microcomputers and networking. Additionally, we will prefer someone with a JD and substantial law library and supervisory experience.

Responsibilities will include managing the Law Library’s extensive and growing computer services, including overall supervision of several computer labs, overseeing expansion of a Novell LAN (which extends throughout the Law School and links to a campus network), providing instruction and computer assistance to faculty, staff and students, and representing the Library’s computer technology interests at the campus level and beyond.

Salary and benefits will be competitive.
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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: Mary Kay Jung, Thompson & Mitchell Library, One Mercantile Center, St. Louis, Missouri 63101 (314) 342-1698; FAX (314) 342-1717; Internet 72002.1020@compuserve.com.
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Minutes of the MAALL Business Meeting  
July 13, 1993  
Hynes Convention Center, Boston

The business meeting of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries was called to order on Tuesday, July 13, 1993, at 12:15 p.m. by President Lori Weiss.

The minutes of the business meeting held in Lincoln, Nebraska on October 23, 1992 were approved as printed in the December issue of the MAALL Markings.

Cheryl Rae Nyberg, Treasurer, presented a printed report of the financial standing of the Association.

President Lori Weiss reported for the Executive Board. In addition to the regular travel grants that are given for the annual MAALL meeting, two additional grants will be given. MAALL and the Consortium will each be funding an additional grant for a paraprofessional to attend the Little Rock meeting. There is an August 1 deadline to apply for these grants. Criteria will be developed for the grant that AALL will be funding for a MAALL member to attend the 1994 meeting in Seattle.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1993 Local Arrangements: Lynn Foster reported on the MAALL meeting to be held in Little Rock on October 14-16, 1993. Events planned include a river boat cruise, a reception at the Arkansas Bar Center, and seeing the new law school building which was featured on the cover of the December issue of Library Journal.

1993 Program: Glen-Peter Ahlers reported on the programs for the Little Rock meeting. Topics include Internet, personnel management, and a legal research program by Bob Berring.


Directory: Jo Ann Humphreys announced that the MAALL Directory was mailed to all members at the first of July.

Newsletter/Advertising: Debbie DeSpain, the newsletter editor, reported that each issue of the newsletter will discuss a specific topic. Janet McKinney announced that we have five vendors advertising in the newsletter.

Placement: Mary Kay Jung reported that there are 3 resumes on file and that job announcements are also being pulled off of the LAW-LIB and the MAALL lists on Internet.

Membership: There has been a lot of activity by this committee. Evelyn Gardner mailed letters to all members who had not renewed and as a result received ten renewals. In August, posters and other information promoting MAALL will be sent to academic directors and law firm librarians at large firms. A membership card and a brochure have been produced, and there has been a MAALL table in
the Boston activities area. Mary Brandt Jensen is in charge of the mentor program and will be matching people up by geographic area.

Nominations: Kathy Belgum thanked her committee and announced that the slate of officers is Lynn Foster for Vice President/President Elect and Sharon Kern for Treasurer.

Grants: Judy Morgan announced that the grant deadline is August 1 and that information about the consortium grant was sent to all libraries.

Pro Bono: Tim Kelly will be contacting members in August.
Internet: Jim Milles announced the start of the MAALL discussion list and the setting up Internet "buddies". The committee has also produced a report and recommendations on gaining Internet access.

Bylaws: Tranne Pearce recommended that our fiscal year be changed from January 1 to October 1. A motion was made and seconded to make the following change:

ARTICLE III, Section 6

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

A discussion followed. Sally Wise explained why this change is necessary. When we applied for 501C6 status, it was recommended at that time that in terms of how our records are kept it would be easier if the fiscal year begins on October 1. It would also be easier for the incoming treasurer because all the paperwork would be done before that person took office. Motion passed.

AALL PR Liaison: Frank Houdek announced that AALL is establishing a PR liaison network with chapters. There will be more support coming from the national to the local level. Library Science Liaison: Susan Bobo thanked Cheryl Nyberg for getting the addresses for the deans of the library science schools. The deans have been added to the newsletter mailing list. In the fall, kits will be sent out to each library science school.

NTIS Liaison: Carol Moody reported that a new list of laws of Eastern Europe is available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Several new members introduced themselves. There was no report from the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium.

NEW BUSINESS: Evelyn Gardener suggested that MAALL send a letter of support for the UCLA Library Science program. Lori Weiss announced that a host is needed for the 1995 MAALL meeting. The meeting has not been held in Illinois or Oklahoma for awhile. It was also suggested that we meet at a school that is doing some developments with technology. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Submitted By, Jo Ann Humphreys Secretary

MAALL Markings March 1993
Minutes of the MAALL Executive Board  
July 13, 1993  
Hynes Convention Center, Boston

Present were: President Lori Hunt Weiss, Vice-President Ann Fessenden, Treasurer Cheryl Nyberg, Past President Sally Wise and Secretary Jo Ann Humphreys.

ANNUAL MEETINGS: Little Rock Meeting: Lori reported that the planning for the meeting is going well. The projected expenses for the meeting are $10,829.00. We have received some donations from various vendors. MAALL may have to underwrite a small portion of the cost of the meeting. It was suggested that we send information about the meeting to the AALL newsletter, to the LAW-LIB Internet discussion group, to ALA, SLA, the Legal Administrators group, and to the 8 state bar associations.

Des Moines Meeting: The meeting will be held at the Hotel Savery

COMMITTEE INFORMATION:

Directory: Lori thanked Jo Ann for her work on the MAALL Directory

Membership: This committee has done a good job. We have a new brochure that will be easy to update. Susan Bobo has sent information about MAALL to the various library science schools. Evelyn Gardner has produced a poster promoting MAALL that will be sent to the large law firms, the academic directors, and the library science schools.

Mentor: Mary Jensen has lots of mentors and will soon be matching people up.

Nominations: The nominees are Lynn Foster for Vice President/President Elect and Sharon Kern for Treasurer.

Grants: There is an August 1 deadline for the travel grants. Maria Protti will forward the appropriate application for the MALSLC grant for a paraprofessional to the MAALL Grants Committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

1995 MAALL Meeting: We are looking for a host for the 1995 meeting. Ann Fessenden reported on the AALL Chapter President training. AALL is thinking about packaging AALL meetings and sending them out to other chapters. AALL wants to do a trial with a regional meeting or a meeting held in a location that would attract more people. MAALL might want to consider a regional meeting again. We also might want to consider a workshop on legal research for newer law librarians or non-law librarians. This might also help us make more money to fund our educational programs. A town meeting is planned for Little Rock to discuss how MAALL can meet it strategic plans and goals.
MAALL Markings: One vendor wants a discount for multiple advertisements. The Board agreed to a 10% discount for multiple ads. Debbie Despain has asked about producing the MAALL Markings on recycled paper. It is a little more expensive. The Board approved the use of this kind of paper. We might consider making the newsletter available electronically and giving members a choice that they can select on the dues renewal form.

AALL Annual Meeting Grant: AALL is giving a grant to assist a person in attending the Seattle meeting. This grant will pay for registration. We need to submit a name by April 15, 1994. The Grants Committee will be consulted in Little Rock about drafting criteria for this grant.

Internet Committee: Lori gave out a proposal submitted by the Internet Committee. She will communicate by e-mail and phone to reach a decision on this proposal.

Sally Wise received from the IRS a request to pay for employees. Sally sent a letter saying that MAALL does not have any employees.

Our by-laws need to be approved by AALL in order for them to be official. AALL was to address this in Boston.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By,
Jo Ann Humphreys Secretary

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AALL Winter Institute

1. Topic: Perservation
2. Grant Application Due - Nov. 15th
3. See AALL newsletter for more details
NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTER NEWSLETTERS

CD-ROM


COMPUTERS


INTERNET


LEGAL RESEARCH


LEGAL RESEARCH INSTRUCTION

O’Connor, Linda Karr, “Bridge the Gap at Cornell,” ALLUNY Newsletter, June, 1993, Volume 18, No. 2, pages 9 - 10. [Discusses Cornell program to prepare students for first summer clerk jobs.]

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Grant Application (Institute)

Deadline: November 15, 1993

Purpose: The purpose of the AALL Grants Program is to financially assist librarians who hold promise of future involvement in the law library profession. Funds are provided by vendors, AALL, and AALL members. By a decision of the AALL Executive Board, grants may be used to support attendance at any Association-sponsored educational activity including the Annual Meeting, Institutes, and Workshops. Preference will be given to newer, active members of AALL or members of an AALL Chapter.

Qualifications: An applicant must be a member of AALL or of an AALL Chapter. Prior AALL grant recipients are not eligible for an award. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. In the event circumstances prevent the use of the grant by a grant recipient, the grant reverts to the Committee for disposition at the discretion of the Chair. If a recipient does not use the grant, (s)he may apply again in another year.

* Your Institute application must be pending in order to be considered for a grant.

1. Name: ____________________________

2. Home Address and Telephone: ____________________________

EMPLOYMENT
(Please do not attach resume.)

3. Present Employment (employer, address, telephone, title of your position, dates of service):

   __________________________________________________________

4. Please list your previous five years of employment (employers, titles of your positions, dates of service):

   __________________________________________________________

5a. Will your employer pay any expenses?   ○ Yes    ○ No

5b. If yes, what Institute expenses will your employer pay? (Please circle and complete all that apply):

   Registration    Travel    Per Diem    and/or _____ % of all expenses.

5c. Do you have any other source of funding? If yes, please explain. ____________________________________________

6. Are you a member of AALL? If yes, please circle membership category and list year joined:

   _____ Individual Member    _____ Institutional Associate

   _____ Institutional Member    _____ Retired

   _____ Individual Associate    _____ Student

Honorary
7. Are you a member of an AALL Chapter? If yes, please list Chapter and year joined:

8. Indicate the Institute for which you are requesting a grant:

9. Please check the applicable statement:
   - I have not applied for an AALL grant in the past.
   - I previously applied and was not awarded a grant.
   - I previously applied and was awarded a grant, but was unable to use it.
   - I previously applied and was awarded a grant.

If I receive a grant for this Institute and for any reason cannot attend, I shall return the money to the AALL Grants Committee.

   (Applicant’s signature) (Date)

PERSONAL STATEMENT

10. Please describe in 250 words or less why you feel you should be awarded a grant. How does attending this Institute relate to your current job and career goals? What AALL or AALL Chapter activities have you been involved in? What do you feel is important for the Grants Committee to know about you? (Please attach an additional sheet, if necessary.)

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

Applications and letters of recommendation must be 8½" x 11" paper. They must reach the Committee Chair by November 15, 1993. Applications assume full responsibility for insuring that all information requested is received before the deadline. In fairness to others, late or incomplete applications will not be processed.

Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard and envelope to be used to notify you that your application has been received and of the Committee’s decision.

Send the original and seven copies of the application, letters of recommendation, stamped, self-addressed postcard and envelope to:

Rhea A-L Ballard, Chair
Grants Committee
American Association of Law Libraries
53 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 940
Chicago, Illinois 60604

FINAL CHECKLIST: HAVE YOU DONE THE FOLLOWING?...

- Applied for the Institute
- Included the original and seven copies of your Grants Application
- Included letters of recommendation
- Included a stamped, self-addressed postcard and envelope


Oct. 14-16  MAALL Annual Meeting, Little Rock
REGISTRATION/TRAVEL GRANT FOR 1994

AALL SEATTLE MEETING

MAALL is pleased to announce that AALL has funded a special one-time registration grant for the AALL Annual Meeting, Seattle (July 9-14, 1994). The recipient of this grant (valued at $225) will also receive a $300 travel grant from MAALL.

Applicants must be members of AALL and MAALL, and have never attended an AALL annual meeting. Applications and all supporting documents must be received by the committee by February 1, 1994. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. The grant recipient designation will be made by February 15, 1994.

The decision to award the grant will be based on the following factors:

1. Membership in AALL and MAALL required.

2. Applicant must not have attended an AALL Annual Meeting.

3. Service to MAALL (e.g., offices held, committee work, writing for newsletter, speaking at MAALL program, etc.)

4. Degree of financial assistance/need required.

5. Recommendation from employer, instructor, or peer.

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PRESIDENT'S Column

My first reaction when confronted with the idea of writing a President's Column was primarily a combination of disinterest and panic—"I have nothing to say, no one will want to read it (I rarely read them), but ohmygosh, I have to write one anyway!"

Much of this reaction still stands, but I did discover, as the time got closer, that, amazingly, there was information I needed or wanted to convey to you. Nonetheless, I still feel that this column is definitely not the most important thing in the newsletter, and to reflect this I have asked Debbie to move it off the front page. I hope to keep these columns short, so maybe they won't be too boring to read!

Little Rock meeting. The Little Rock meeting was great! Thanks so much to Lynn Foster, Susan Goldner, Glen-Peter Ahlers and the members of the local arrangements and program committees. One of the vendors, who has been to a great many chapter meetings, told me that it was one of the best organized he'd seen, and that every time he needed directions, there was a local arrangements person ready to assist. Even the weather cooperated, despite the thunderstorms that were predicted each day (I guess now that Little Rock is the center of the universe the inhabitants have special pull.)

Thanks also to our outgoing officers, Lori Weiss and Cheryl Nyberg, for their years of service to MAALL. Of course, Lori continues on the Executive Board. Never one to rest, she has volunteered to update the officers' manual. She has been a tremendous help in getting me started—full of suggestions, reminders, and helpful hints, without which I'd be lost.

Internet and AALL Grants. This issue of MAALL Markings contains applications for two special grant opportunities. Grants of $100 each will be offered to help first-time Internet users get started. If you've been thinking about Internet, now's a great time to take the plunge! Also, AALL is offering chapters, on a rotating basis, a free registration to the AALL annual meeting to someone who has never before attended. MAALL will match this with a $300 travel grant to help make a trip to Seattle more affordable. So if your employer has never been willing to fund your participation AALL, now may be your chance.

Town Hall follow-up. The Little Rock Town Hall meeting generated a lot of great ideas on such diverse topics as electronic MAALL Markings, program ideas, meeting schedule, and committees needed. The Board will try to follow-up on these ideas by sending out a survey to determine the membership's interest in some of this possibilities. We will also be using the survey to try to learn more about you—topics you're interested in, research you've been doing, subjects you teach. Watch for it with your dues statement, which will be sent out in January.

The year ahead. Some people asked me in Little Rock if I had any particular goals or vision for MAALL. I confess that I haven't; I would mainly hope to keep us moving in the excellent direction already set by Lori and her predecessors. I had a great response to my appeal in Little Rock for additional committee members, and most committees are now fully staffed with very capable volunteers. I look forward to working with all of you.

I think that I bring to the presidency a somewhat unique appreciation of our geographic diversity. As Circuit Librarian for the U.S. 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, I serve judges in Arkansas, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and the Dakotas (as well as that other MALL—Minnesota). We have branch libraries throughout the region, and I visit them periodically. I also grew up in another MAALL state, Oklahoma. Therefore, I feel somewhat at home in all the far-flung MAALL territories. I hope I can use that understanding to help further the work of MAALL.

Best wishes for the holidays.

Ann Fessenden
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MIDWEST AGREEMENT
By Kathie Belgum

I have just received the latest statistics from Midwest concerning the purchase agreement of the MALSLC libraries. The total amount spent by MALSLC libraries for the first quarter of fiscal year 1993-94 was $53,845.60. During the month of October an additional $30,843.15 was spent. Thus the total amount spent for acquisitions through Midwest through October was $84,688.75. This is 42% of our stated goal of $200,000 for the year. Everyone should keep up the good work. At this rate we will accomplish our goal. If you have affiliated libraries which wish to join our efforts please send me a letter so I may get permission from Midwest. The more players the better off we will be.

Spirit of Law Librarianship Award

November, 1993, Littleton, CO- Nominations are now being accepted for the 1994 Spirit of Law Librarianship Award. This coveted award will be presented to a member of the American Association of Law Libraries who, through his or her position, makes a significant contribution toward the improvement of a social condition or the increased awareness of a social concern.

The award, funded by the proceeds earned by the title Spirit of Law Librarianship: A Reader, is presented to the recipient in the form of a memento. This memento is donated by Roy M. Mersky and Richard A. Leiter, authors of the Reader, and by Fred B. Rothman & Co., the publisher.

The first award was presented to Westwell R. Daniels, Professor of Law and Director of the University of Miami Law Library. Professor Daniels was honored for his extensive work on behalf of the homeless in the Miami area.

Nominations and a statement of justification should be submitted no later than May 1, 1994 to:

Professor Roy M. Mersky
Hyder Centennial Professor
of Law and Director of Research
University of Texas at Austin
Tartlon Law Library
727 E. 26th Street
Austin, TX 78705

The Spirit of Law Librarianship Award Committee members for 1994 are Roy Mersky, Rich Leiter, Wes Daniels and Paul Rothman.
**AALL ESTABLISHES GRANTS TO SUPPORT RESEARCH AGENDA**

November 23, 1993 — The Executive Board of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) has authorized the distribution of grants totaling $10,000 for projects that support its newly established *RESEARCH AGENDA*. AALL’s Standing Committee on Research, chaired by Nancy Carol Carter, Director of the University of San Diego Legal Research Center, is developing guidelines for the awarding of the grants; they will be announced shortly.

The purpose of the research agenda, approved last Spring by the Executive Board, is to promote the exploration of questions and issues that have a practical impact on the improvement of law libraries to the legal profession. The agenda sets research priorities in the areas of provision of legal information services, law library collections, legal research, the profession of law librarianship, and law library administration. Within these broad areas, over thirty individual topics have been developed from suggestions made by librarians from all types of law libraries located throughout the country. The Standing Committee welcomes comments on the agenda and ideas for future additions to the list.

The Standing Committee expects to award the first research grants in 1994. For further information on the grant program and copies of the AALL Research Agenda, contact Nancy Carol Carter, University of San Diego Legal Research Center, 619/260-4603.

The American Association of Law Libraries exists to provide leadership in the field of legal information, to foster the professional growth of law librarians, to develop the profession of law librarianship, and to enhance the value of law libraries to the legal community and to the public. Founded in 1906 for both educational and scientific purposes, the Association represents 5,000 law librarians affiliated with law firms, law schools, corporate legal departments, courts, and local, state and federal governments. The Association is headquartered in Chicago and has thirty city and regional chapters throughout the country.

Peter Beck

**REGISTRATION/TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION FOR 1994 AALL SEATTLE MEETING**

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Attendance at the Seattle Annual Meeting is required. If the grant recipient is unable to attend the Seattle Annual Meeting, the grant recipient must notify the MAALL Grants Committee and return any award money received. The grant recipient shall submit to the Grants Committee a brief descriptive evaluation of the Seattle Annual Meeting, which may be published at the discretion of the MAALL Markings Newsletter Editor.

The grant application and letter of recommendation should be sent to:

James E. Duggan, Chair
MAALL Grants Committee
Southern Illinois University School of Law Library
Lesar Law Building

Grant application located on pages 22-23
The opportunity to stretch one's viewpoint beyond the narrow borders of one's own duties, beyond even the mechanics of the library itself, into the more tenuous realm of the technological possibilities facing libraries today is a rare treat for a paraprofessional person. The workshop on Imaging given by Patricia Harris O’Connor at the annual MAALL meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas this October was such an opportunity. This workshop contained an overview of the two scanning technologies currently existing, OCR and Digital Imaging. Discussed were the advantages and disadvantages of each, the process of Digital Imaging, the advantages and disadvantages of imaging library collections, current studies in the areas of scanning, and the importance and potential impact of such studies to libraries and library staff.

From the perspective of a neophyte user, OCR stands for Optical Character Recognition and can be roughly defined as a technology in which the programing attempts to “read” a text and retrieves it based on that “reading”. Unfortunately this programing has two strong drawbacks. It can only “read” text and it has a 5-95% accuracy rate. Digital Imaging, on the other hand, is based less on programing and more on bit mapping. A good model of this technology is the television screen. The more dots filled in on the screen, the clearer the picture. Although Digital Imaging is not limited to text and can reproduce anything from etchings to pictures, it requires a record tag to be able to retrieve the item. Also the amount of disk space required for storage is quite large.

The reason why librarians should consider imaging their collections is closely tied to the studies being conducted in scanning and the potential impact of these studies. Three immediate considerations that come to mind are: preservation, access, and shelf space. The benefits of transferring materials to optical disks for archival purposes are self-apparent. Material contained on formats that are becoming difficult to use or obsolete are another potential category for digital imaging. An added boon would be the increased access patrons would have to archival materials as well as any items placed on optical disks. Such access would be increased if the materials could be accessed through a network. The third consideration could be an option in decreasing the amount of shelf space being consumed by large continuations, thereby increasing access to a larger number of these continuations.
The least thought of, and possibly the least economically justifiable reason for imaging a library collection, is to be current with the evolution of technology and to involve libraries in that evolution. The current studies being conducted are in the enhancement and possible integration of the two technologies. One study focuses on building a large scale document retrieval system with a huge database. One of these studies is being financed by a large corporation.

At this point, the workshop began to question possibilities and venture into side issues that when combined may develop into concerns for libraries in the future. If the study funded by the corporation is successful, will the technology be copyrighted and can libraries afford the cost? If there is a mega database network, can libraries afford to subscribe? With the attempts to copyright public domain materials in Missouri and the United Nations, will information be that much more difficult to obtain and afford? How will the changes occurring in GPO affect libraries in the future? Admittedly, these questions lie entirely in the area of speculation and the last two do not necessarily relate to evolving technology at all. But when technology becomes the medium for sharing information, the impact of copyright issues; freedom of information; and the cost and repercussions of evolving technology becomes a combined and complex issue librarians should consider.

Choosing between OCR and Digital Imaging now could pose a risk of choosing the “wrong” technology and becoming obsolete in a short period of time. Even choosing the “right” technology doesn’t guarantee the ability to convert at a later time. However, waiting to see what happens and choosing then could possibly be the least desirable choice in the long run. Are there other options for librarians or even library associations, as a whole, to consider? To predict the future is not an enviable task, but considering the possibilities and options is almost a required one.

The workshop also focused on the procedure of imaging and the eventual impact imaging will have on support staff. With materials stored on optical disks and linked to a network, will there be direct access for interlibrary loan purposes and how will the duties change for interlibrary loan personnel? Will binding needs go down? Depending on the size of the collection imaged, will the need for shelvers decrease? If the two technologies are not integrated, and digital imaging
is used, will the cataloger also be a reference librarian in order to tag the information correctly. Or will the two areas of cataloging and reference somehow be bridged? As more and more material is contained internally on optical disks, will there eventually be less external material for staff to handle and rehandle in the normal "life" of material? How will the duties of support staff be redefined?

Patricia Harris O’Conner’s workshop on imaging varied from the micros to the macros in information. The answers that were provided only raised more questions, which left one thoughtful of what may come in the future. The exercise in stretching one’s perspective out of the everyday into the gray area of possibilities facing libraries, is one that many paraprofessionals would enjoy.

by Hyla Bondareff, Reference/Acquisitions Librarian
Washington University Law Library

These are the cassette tapes you have been reading about in the news, the ones that have the Supreme Court of the United States upset and contemplating filing suit. You will, however, probably have to join the end of a line to check them out. Just in case you have been too busy to read the newspapers or listen to NPR, or you just want to know more about May it Please the Court, please read on.

Few people are aware that the Supreme Court began taping its oral arguments in 1955 by order of then Chief Justice Earl Warren. The tapes, however, are stored in the National Archives and access to them is difficult at best. Peter Irons has now made portions of the live recordings of twenty-three landmark cases available.

May it Please the Court is a set of six cassette tapes containing excerpts from the oral arguments of twenty-three significant cases before the United States Supreme Court. The accompanying book contains the excerpted transcripts. The cases all involve the Bill of Rights and concern five major issues: governmental powers, privacy rights, equal protection, the First Amendment and criminal law. Some of the included cases are Baker v. Carr, United States v. Nixon, New York Times v. United States, Gideon v. Wainwright, Miranda v. Arizona, Regents v. Bakke, Roe v. Wade, and Bowers v. Hardwick.

The first part of the book (and the first part of the first tape) provides a brief introduction to the Supreme Court. Those of you familiar with Constitutional law will not likely find this chapter very interesting. It does, however, provide a good overview of how cases get to come before the Supreme Court, the types of cases the Court
accepts for review, submitting a brief to the Court, preparing for oral argument, etc. This review is made more interesting and lively by its format; in addition to the narrator’s comments we hear the thoughts of Sarah Weddington, attorney for Jane Roe in *Roe v. Wade*, Donald Sullivan, attorney for Joshua DeShaney in *Deshaney v. Winnebago County* and Annamarie Levins, former clerk to Justice Lewis Powell.

In each case you will hear the Chief Justice bring the Court to order and announce the case to be heard. The narrator then provides a history of the case and an introduction to the legal and political times where relevant. The petitioner’s attorney is then welcomed and the arguments begun. The narrator interjects comments throughout to help explain the arguments. Following the conclusion of the arguments, the narrator provides a summary of the conclusions and then excerpts from the opinion are reprinted in the book (the opinion excerpts are not on the tapes).

To hear the actual voices of the Supreme Court Justices is thrilling. Hearing the Justices’ intonation, laughter, side comments, etc., provides an insight into their personalities not otherwise available to the majority of us. In addition to the impressiveness of the live recordings, it is just plain fun to listen to (and/or read) these pivotal cases in a more lively manner than just reading the text of the opinions. If, however, your interest is of a more serious nature, be forewarned that the set is not a scholarly piece of work. The tapes and transcripts of the oral arguments and the reprints of the judicial opinions are excerpted at the editors’ discretion, footnotes or other citations are not included, and there are plenty of typographical errors. Additionally, although the narrator’s comments were often helpful in providing a context or frame of reference for the case, they were also sometimes distracting and disruptive. In conclusion, if your intent in reading and listening to this item is enjoyment and general interest, you will probably not be disappointed.

This review to be published in Volume 1, Number 3 of *Fiat Lux*, the Washington University Law Library Guide.
Illinois

University of Illinois

The hard hats and heavy machinery are gone but not forgotten. The new construction surrounding the Law Building has been completed; new offices for faculty, staff, library staff, and student organizations have been finished. In addition, a student commons and cafeteria are open for business and leisure. Full occupation of all new space is on hold pending the arrival of furniture.

The major part of the library will undergo a multi-year refurbishing, with new paint, lighting fixtures, and flooring to be installed over the next several years.

The librarians are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their new furniture (the first since the building was built in 1965) and their new computers, which will be plugged into the building network (also a first) and connected to the University of Illinois backbone network with full Internet capabilities.


Sue Hemp is a member of the new Elder Law Journal. ELJ is the second law review published at the University of Illinois; its inaugural issue appeared this fall.

Cheryl Nyberg participated in the Conference on the Future of Federal Government Information in Chicago, October 29-31. She is also a member of the five-person editing team which is revising the report of that conference. Look for the completed report to be posted on LawLib and GovDoc-L in mid-November.

Southern Illinois University

The Law Library staff welcomed a new addition on Wednesday, September 1, when Wei Luo officially came on board as the library's new Assistant Technical Services Librarian. Wei holds an economics degree from Xiamen University, People's Republic of China, a J.D. from Lewis and Clark, Northwestern School of Law in Portland, Oregon, and an M.L.S. from the University of Washington Graduate School of Library and Information Science. The latter degree comes with a specialization in law librarianship, part of which included a recently completed internship at Columbia University Law Library in New York City.

Wei will be working with Heija Ryoo, Head of Technical Services, and the rest of the staff, in a variety of areas, but with primary emphasis on cataloging and maintenance of the library's online public catalog.
"Solopac". The addition of Wei brings the law library back up to full staff for the first time since the retirement of Elizabeth Matthews in December 1992.

In other staff news, Senior Reference Librarian Kathy Garner attended an intensive five day seminar on family law mediation, August 27-31. Reference Librarian Jean McKnight is directing a new law school sponsored program that provides assistance by law students and others for the elderly with problems relating to health insurance. The program is called the Seniors Health Insurance Project.

Iowa
University of Iowa

The University of Iowa recently loaded retrospective MARCIVE tapes into its online catalog (OASIS). Both regional and selective depository holdings are now available online. Also recently loaded were the CIS records for hearings from the 23rd Congress (1833) through the 91st Congress (1969). The OASIS online catalog is accessible via the Internet.

Kansas
Johnson County Law Library

At a reception on November 12, Johnson County Law Library dedicated one of its reference/study rooms in memory of Bernis Gene Terry, a longtime attorney in the area who died last year of cancer. Though his office was across the street, people usually called the Law Library to reach him. There he worked on appellate briefs, always at the same table — Gene’s table — which no one else ever used. The staff will miss him and the wonderful stories he used to tell.

University of Kansas School of Law Library

University of Kansas School of Law Library has had more staff changes. Michael Wilson decided to head West and our new circulation manager is Su Cunningham. She came to us from the Authorities Control unit at the main library. Gale Troth, who has been Library Director Peter Schanck’s secretary part-time for several years, was hired for the rest of her time as Interlibrary Loan Assistant.

Mike McReynolds accepted a new job with Thompson and Mitchell in St. Louis. He actually works in a branch in Belleville, Illinois. Barbara Curnes, who replaced him as Cataloging Assistant, was a May graduate from KU, who had worked as an undergraduate at KU libraries, among them the Law Library.

This fall semester, members of the library staff worked with the T.A.’s (teaching assistants) in the small sections of Legal Research. Different individuals cooperated in different ways, but all found it a very positive experience, helping students get to know the staff better and resolving some complications of the research assignment in advance.

Missouri
University of Missouri - Columbia

The University of Missouri - Columbia School of Law Library welcomes Jack Montgomery as Acquisitions Librarian. He comes to us from

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Minutes of the MAALL Business Meeting  
October 15, 1993  
Excelsior Hotel - Little Rock, Arkansas

The business meeting of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries was called to order on Friday, October 15, 1993 at 8:00 a.m. by President Lori Weiss.

Lori Weiss reported on business of the Executive Board as reported in the September issue of the MAALL Markings. Three $100 grants will be given to help MAALL libraries get connected to Internet. The 1995 MAALL meeting will be held in Topeka, Kansas with John Christensen as local arrangements chair. AALL has approved the MAALL by-laws. We have turned in our first tax return as a 501(c)(6) non-profit organization.

The minutes of the business meeting held in Boston on July 13, 1993 were approved as printed in the September issue of the MAALL Markings.

Sharon Kern in Cheryl Nyberg’s absence presented a printed report of the financial standing of the Association.

In Boston, it was recommended that MAALL send a resolution in support for the UCLA Library Science program. There was no discussion on the resolution, and it passed.

A Distinguished Service Award was presented to Susan D. Csaky for her years of service to MAALL and the Mid-America Law School Library Consortium. In Susan’s absence, Jo Ann Humphreys accepted the award for her.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Grants: Judy Morgan reported that the recipients of the MAALL travel grants were Debbie Despain (Marian G. Gallagher Grant), Barbara Fullerton, Sharon Hom, Nancy Stancel, and Virginia Murray (had to decline). Maria Protti reported that two grants were given to support staff to enable them to attend the MALSLC workshop. One grant was given by the Consortium and one grant was given by MAALL. Theresa Simms from the University of Missouri-Kansas City Law Library received the MALSLC grant, and Karen Seidel from Creighton received the MAALL grant.

Internet: Jim Milles reported that the application and guidelines for the three $100 grants for Internet access will be in the December issue of the newsletter. An Internet buddy system is being set up to match new Internet users with experienced users.

1993 Local Arrangements: Lynn Foster recognized the members of the committee.

1994 Local Arrangements: John Edwards announced that the 1994 MAALL meeting will take place on October 13-15 and will at the Hotel Savery in Des Moines.

1995 Local Arrangements: John Christensen reported that the 1995 meeting will be held in
Topeka, Kansas. No exact date has been set yet but will probably be
the second or third week in October.

Membership: Marie Wiechman reported for Evelyn Gardner. A new membership packet is
being put together.

Newsletter: Debbie Despain thanked Mary Jensen (equipment upgrade), Katherine Tooley,
Lori Weiss, Mitch Fontenot (coordinator for membership news and state liaisons), and the article
contributors for their help with the newsletter.

Placement Committee: Shirley Canup reported for Mary Kay Jung. Job listings have been
posted on the MAALL discussion list and in the newsletter for those who do not have Internet
access. Jobs have been pulled from the LAW-LIB list also. There are two resumes on file.

1993 Program: Lori Weiss recognized the members of the committee.

Mid-America Law School Library Consortium: Rick Ducey welcomed participants to the
imaging workshop. The Consortium continues to expand its efforts towards cooperation.

Nominating Committee/Election of Officers: James Duggan presented a slate of Lynn
Foster for Vice-President/President Elect and Sharon Kern for Treasurer. There were no other
nominations for either position, and both were elected.

OTHERBUSINESS:

Lori Weiss turned the meeting over to Ann Fessenden, the incoming MAALL President.

New President's Report: Ann thanked Lori for her three years of services; 2 as Vice Presi-
dent and one as President. She also announced that committee volunteers were still needed.
There was no new business.

Introduction of New Members: Several new members of MAALL introduced themselves.

Other Announcements: Lynn Foster asked for a brief moment of silence in memory of
Diana Vincent-Daviss, director of the Yale Law Library.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Submitted By,
Jo Ann Humphreys
Secretary
Minutes of the MAALL Executive Board Meeting
October 15, 1993
Excelsior Hotel - Little Rock, Arkansas

Present were: President Ann Fessenden, Vice-President Lynn Foster, Treasurer Sharon Kern, Past President Lori Weiss, and Secretary Jo Ann Humphreys.

It was decided that the Legal Records Management Workshop is not the right topic for us. We will not export this AALL Workshop to MAALL in 1994.

The Grants Committee has asked for guidelines from the Executive Board for the various grants that MAALL gives.

1. AALL registration waiver for the 1994 Seattle meeting: AALL requirements are that the person must be a newer AALL member and has never attended an AALL meeting. The MAALL Grants Committee should also consider MAALL service (committee membership, articles in the newsletter, and speaking) and also whether the person would be able to attend the meeting if he/she did not receive a grant. It was decided that MAALL would combine the registration waiver with a $300 travel grant.

2. Marian G. Gallagher Travel Grant: It was decided that this grant should go to the newest MAALL member of the selected winners. This would be appropriate in view of Marian Gallagher’s emphasis on educating students to be librarians.

3. MAALL Paraprofessional Travel Grant: It was decided to remove the requirement for MAALL membership and encourage paraprofessionals from all types of law libraries to apply. It was decided that the Consortium should also select the person to receive this grant since they will also be selecting for the MALSLC Paraprofessional Travel Grant.

Electronic Distribution of MAALL Markings: MAALL will continue to distribute the paper copy to everyone in 1993-1994. It will also be distributed on the MAALL list via Internet as early as this can be done. The Internet Committee should work with Debbie Despain, and someone from that committee should take the responsibility for posting the newsletter on the MAALL list.

Items From The Town Hall Meeting:

1. A discussion was held on adding items to the dues renewal form. To add are research interests, electronic distribution of the newsletter, committee program topics, and changing the days for the annual meeting. It was decided that mailing for the dues would be a good idea. Ann will develop a form with the questions on it, and Jo Ann will mail out.
2. We will not set up a Government Information Committee yet. This could be a possible item for the dues renewal form or a possible program idea. Another possibility would be to include the NTIS Liaison on the Government Information Committee if and when it is created.

Updating Manuals:

1. Lori and Sally will work on updating the MAALL Policy and Procedures manual. Outgoing officers should also update any information they have before new officers start.

2. Lynn will update the MAALL Meeting Manual.

Bylaw: Our bylaws have been approved by AALL, and Lori will send a copy to them. These should also be printed in the December issue of the MAALL Markings.

Taxes: MAALL will not have to fill out a tax return as long as treasury stays under $25,000. If we go over the $25,000 figure, MAALL may have to pay taxes.

Registered Agent: Jo Ann is now the registered agent. Since MAALL is incorporated in Missouri, the registered agent needs to be someone residing in Missouri.

Other Business: Lori will write a letter and send to Jo Ann to accompany the plaque to go to Susan Csaky. She will also do a letter of thanks to the sponsors of the Little Rock meeting. Ann will send the resolution in support of the UCLA Library Science School.

Submitted By,
Jo Ann Humphreys
Secretary

From the Editor:

This issue is my last as editor for MAALL Markings. Thank you all for the opportunity to work as editor. MAALL is a wonderful organization. I've enjoyed working with everyone. Wishing each of you Peace in the new year ahead.

Debbie W. DeSpain

Newsletter Inserts:

1. American Association of Law Libraries: Call for Papers
2. American Association of Law Libraries: Scholarship Information
The University of Kansas is a major educational and research institution with more than 28,000 students and 1,900 faculty members dedicated to serving the state of Kansas and the nation. The School of Law, which was founded in 1893, is one of fourteen major academic divisions within the University. It is a charter member of the Association of American Law Schools and is fully accredited by the American Bar Association. The Dean of the School of Law is the principal administrator of the school, which has an enrollment of 535 and a full-time faculty of 27, plus the director of the Library and the Dean.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The Dean, as principal administrative officer of the School of Law, is responsible for providing academic leadership and effective administrative support to the School. Included among the responsibilities of the Dean are the following: Foster academic excellence in established courses and programs and explore innovative approaches to teaching; act as a representative of and advocate for the School with the University's central administration; facilitate the recruitment, development, and retention of an outstanding and diverse faculty in which women and minorities are fully represented; assist in the recruitment and retention of outstanding students, particularly outstanding Kansas residents and minority students; provide leadership in maintaining the vigor of faculty research, scholarship, and other activities; formulate, defend, and manage efficiently and fairly the budget of the School, with the aim of securing resources for the support of the School's activities and of allocating those resources in accordance with the best interests of the School; solicit and obtain financial support for the school from both public and private sources; foster productive relationships with alumni and the bargaining unit; and recruit, organize,

MAALLPLACEMENT

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: Mary Kay Jung, Thompson & Mitchell Library, One Mercantile Center, St. Louis, Missouri 63101 (314) 342-1698; FAX (314) 342-1717; Internet 72002.1020@compuserve.com.
and direct an effective staff who can assist the Dean in the accomplishment of these responsibilities. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: A J.D. from an accredited institution; eligibility for appointment as full professor with tenure based either on the School's criteria for promotion or tenure (which include excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service) or on an equivalent demonstration of outstanding professional scholarship, teaching, service and leadership. EFFECTIVE DATE—SALARY—APPLICATIONS: The position is available beginning July 1, 1994. Salary will be commensurate with qualification and experience and it will be competitive.

The screening process will begin on December 1, 1993, with applications accepted until the position is filled. Nominations are welcomed. Applications must include a resume, statement of interest, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three references who may be contacted. No further reference checks will be made without approval of the applicant. Applications and nominations should be sent to Professor Keith G. Meyer c/o Office of Academic Affairs, 132 Strong Hall, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045-1515

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA - SCHMID LAW LIBRARY

The Marvin Virginia Schmid Law Library of the University of Nebraska serves a law student body of 450, a full-time faculty of 30, a part-time faculty of 10, the university community, the legal profession in Nebraska and the public. It is the largest law library in the state with over 300,000 volumes and volume equivalents. The library staff is composed of five professional librarians (including the director), 5.5 fte support staff, and student assistants. The librarians participate in teaching the research section of the first year course on Legal Research and Writing. The Schmid Law Library has Lexis and Westlaw Permanent Learning Centers and a law student personal computer laboratory. The Law Library and the University Libraries, an Association of Research Libraries member, have successfully shared an Innovative Interfaces Inc. system since 1990. The University is located in Lincoln which has a population of approximately 200,000 and is the state capital. Lincoln is located in the southeast section of the state and is approximately 1 hour from Omaha and 3 1/2 hours from Kansas City. Qualifications: Required: Master's degree from an ALA accredited library school, Juris Doctor from an ABA accredited law school; Strong service orientation, strong problemsolving and organizational skills; effective oral and written communication skills. Preferred: Knowledge of electronic mail, the Internet, WESTLAW, LEXIS, NEXIS, DIALOG and other online databases, microcomputers, and experience in a law library are highly desired qualifications. Duties: Shared responsibility for extensive reference services to faculty, students, attorneys and the general public. Challenging environment combining the use of new technologies and a tradition of excellent reference service. Involved in audio-visual services and in law student computer laboratory services. Involved in the teaching of legal research and computer-assisted legal research. Rotating evening and weekend reference hours. Reports to the Associate Director/Head of Public Services. Salary: Commensurate with qualifications and experience. Excellent fringe benefits. Starting Date:
January 1, 1994  Application Deadline: Screening of applications will begin November 15, 1993 and continue until the position is filled. To apply: Submit resume, including three names of references to: Sally H. Wise, Director of the Law Library, Marvin Virginia Schmid Law Library, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE 68583-0902. For further information: Contact Sally Wise - (402) 472-5737 or sallyw@unlib.unl.edu. The University of Nebraska is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

The University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign has an opening for an Assistant Law Librarian for Acquisitions & Cataloging. AVAILABLE: January 21, 1994. A full-time, regular tenure track position.

QUALIFICATIONS: Required: Master's degree in Library Science from an ALA accredited library school or equivalent degree; coursework or experience in acquisitions and cataloging; evidence of ability to deal effectively with a research-oriented faculty and student body; evidence of research orientation and ability to meet tenure. Desired: Law library public services experience.

SALARY/RANK: Appointment at the Assistant Professor level. Salary $23,500. upward, depending on qualifications and experience.

APPLY: Send letter of application and complete resume with the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five references to Allen G. Dries, Library Personnel Manager, Library Personnel Office, 127 Library, University of Illinois Library at Urbana-Champaign, 1408 West Gregory Drive, Urbana, IL 61801. Phone (217) 333-5494.

DEADLINE: December 1, 1993.

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University of Missouri - Columbia
the Robert S. Marx Law Library of the University of Cincinnati School of Law. Jack will begin work January 3rd, 1994; we are happy to have him.

The Law Library will have a new reference phone number as of November 12, 1993. The number is 314-884-6362. All other phone numbers remain the same.

Nebraska
University of Nebraska
Tim Kelly, Assistant Professor of the Law Library and Reference Librarian, has accepted the position of Reference Librarian at Willamette University College of Law Library in Salem, Oregon. Tim has been at the Schmid Law Library for three and a half years and will be sorely missed. We offer him our congratulations and best wishes and hope to see Veggie University (his public access vegetarian cooking show) resurrected in Salem. Congratulations and good luck Tim!!!

Arkansas
University of Arkansas - Fayetteville
David Gay was elected Vice Chair/Chair Elect of the Arkansas Library Association Government Documents Round Table. The Young Law Library became a full Arkansas documents depository.


University of Arkansas - Little Rock
Crata Castleberry will take over the U.S. Courts Branch Library in Little Rock on December 13th. Crata holds a BA in History Education from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, and a Masters in Library and Information Management from the University of Southern California. She will be leaving the UALR Law Library.

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REGISTRATION/TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION
FOR 1994 AALL SEATTLE MEETING

[PLEASE TYPE]

Name: __________________________ Work Phone: __________________________

Title: __________________________________________________________________

Institution/Employer: __________________________________________________________________

Work/Mailing Address: __________________________________________________________________

1. Are you a member of AALL? _____ YES _____ NO Year Joined ____

2. Are you a member of MAALL? _____ YES _____ NO Year Joined ____

3. Have you ever attended an AALL Annual Meeting? _____ YES _____ NO

4. Have you ever received a MAALL grant? _____ YES _____ NO If so, state the
   amount(s) and year(s):

5. Describe your educational background [school(s); degree(s); date(s)]:

6. List previous employment in law librarianship:
   Employer/Institution          Title          Length of Service
   a) ____________________________ ____________________________
   b) ____________________________ ____________________________
   c) ____________________________ ____________________________

7. List all MAALL activities (e.g., offices held, committee work, writing for newsletter,
   speaking at MAALL program, attended MAALL meetings, etc.):

   ____________________________________________________________________
8. Will your employer pay any or all of your expenses? If so, what dollar amount?:

9. If I do NOT receive this grant:
   _____ I will definitely NOT be able to attend. _____ I may not be able to attend.
   _____ I will still attend  _____ I will still attend, but I will have to personally cover expenses.

10. Briefly state your employer's policy relating to reimbursement of travel expenses of conference meetings:

11. How do you feel you would benefit from attendance at the 1994 Seattle Annual Meeting?:

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

I am currently an AALL and MAALL member and have never attended an AALL annual meeting. If for any reason I cannot attend the 1994 AALL Annual Meeting (Seattle) I will notify the MAALL Grants Committee and return any award money received.

(Applicant's Signature)  (Date)

One letter of recommendation is required and must be sent with your application. Ideally, this letter should come from your employer or instructor.

APPLICATION AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE BY FEBRUARY 1, 1994. APPLICANTS ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ASSURING THAT ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED IS RECEIVED BY THE APPLICATION DEADLINE. INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

The grant application and letter of recommendation should be sent to:

James E. Duggan, Chair
MAALL Grants Committee
Southern Illinois University School of Law Library
Lesar Law Building
Carbondale, Illinois 62901
Telephone (618/453-8791) FAX (618/453-8728)
MAALL CALENDAR

January 5-9 "The Legal Educator: Who We Are, What We Do and Why We Do It," Association of American Law schools, Orlando, Florida. AALS Section on Libraries

January 18-23 "Preservation Planning," 1994 AALL Winter Institute, Austin, TX. For information contact Martha Brown at (312)939-4764; email, LAWSMSB@Orion.DePaul.edu.


January 26-28 Special Libraries Association Winter Meeting, Dallas, Texas.

February 2-9 ABA Law Practice Management Section Midyear Meeting, Kansas City, MO.

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