# Markings

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## **President's Column**

-- John Edwards

s I prepare this column many Midwesterners just recently experienced one of the worst blizzards in memory combined with some of the coldest temperatures on record. That was followed by a deluge of presidential candidates to Iowa. Perhaps by coincidence, a wave of hot air accompanied the candidates arrival in the state. Following the Iowa Caucuses the temperature dropped back to normal winter levels. When this issue of the MAALL Markings arrives we may be fondly thinking of spring and what lies ahead.

Plans are being made to attend the AALL meeting in Indianapolis from July 20-25 and the MAALL meeting in Carbondale from October 24-26. Additional information on those events is found elsewhere in this issue. Laurel Wendt and the local arrangements committee at SIU are developing exciting events to complement dynamic programs for the MAALL meeting. Judith Morgan's program committee is considering a wide range of educational sessions and would welcome your input concerning your preferences.

Also of interest is the list of 1996 MAALL committee assignments. A number of committees could use additional volunteers. Please review the list and let me know if you would be willing to serve on a committee this year. The willingness of members to work on committees is one of MAALL's greatest strengths.

This issue of MAALL Markings is the first one for new editor Anne Burnett. Her inaugural issue continues the standard for excellence set by Melissa Serfass. The editor's job, however, is made easier by the MAALL members who send contributions. Anne would welcome articles or other items of interest for the June issue.

A 1996 dues statement is enclosed for anyone who may have missed it in the December newsletter. The 1996 MAALL Directory will be based on the paid membership list so it is important to be recorded as paid as soon as possible. MAALL dues are a bargain at only \$10 per year and provide many benefits. If you know of other law librarians who are not MAALL members, please encourage them to join. As always, let me know if you have any suggestions of how MAALL can be more responsive to the needs of its members.

#### Top Ten Technology Terms Every Law Librarian Should Know

— compiled by James E. Duggan, Southern Illinois University School of Law Library

The list is admittedly rather eclectic in nature, but then, heck, so is technology.

#### 10. File Allocation Table (FAT)

"A table of numbers kept on every diskette or hard disk to keep track of the contents of each disk sector. Chains of numbers in this table report the sequences of sectors that make up individual files." from Peter Norton's PC Problem Solver 2nd ed., 1992

#### 9. LAN Charges/Concurrent Users

"Additional charges levied by CD-ROM or Diskette publisher for loading product on local area network, or for making product available to several users at once (often a per user or pre-set number of users charge)."

#### 8. Protocol

"A definition of how computers will act when talking to each other. Protocol definitions range from how bits are placed on a wire to the format of an electronic mail message. Standard protocols allow computers from different manufacturers to communicate; the computers can use completely different software, provided that the programs running on both ends agree on what the data means." from Ed Krol, The Whole Internet User's Guide & Catalog, 2nd ed.

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This is my first issue as editor. Many thanks to former editor, Melissa Serfass, for her quick responses to my many questions. Also, I thank Steve Wilkes, publications editor at the University of Arkansas –Fayetteville School of Law, for his good advice and wonderful assistance.

#### Top Ten Tech Terms ...

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#### 7. TCP/IP

"Transmission Control Protocol and Internet Protocol. This suite of protocols enables Internet computers to connect, send, and receive mail and files, and check and correct errors in information." from Bill Eager and Mary Ann Pike, Using the World Wide Web and Mosaic, 1995.

#### 6. SLIP/PPP

"Serial Line IP/Point-to-Point Protocol; protocols that allow the computer to use the TCP/IP (Internet) protocols (and become a full-fledged Internet member) with a standard telephone line and a high speed modem. SLIP is being superseded by PPP, but is still in use." from Ed Krol, The Whole Internet User's Guide & Catalog, 2nd ed.

#### 5. HTTP

"Hypertext transport protocol. HTTP works with web servers to provide a client-server environment for the Internet, and is the protocol used by WWW servers to provide rules for moving information across the Internet." From Bill Eager and Mary Ann Pike, Using the World Wide Web and Mosaic, 1995.

#### 4. SGML/HTML

"Standard Generalized Markup Language — a standard that describes markup languages; Hypertext Markup Language — the language that defines the style and information in a WWW hypermedia document." from Bill Eager and Mary Ann Pike, Using the World Wide Web and Mosaic, 1995.

#### 3. MIME

"Multi-Purpose Internet Mail Extensions. Originally developed to extend the Internet e-mail standard (for textonly messages) to allow any type of data to be sent via e-mail. The basic MIME types identified by WWW browsers are text, audio, image, video, and application (a 'catch-all' category)." from Bill Eager and Mary Ann Pike, Using the World Wide Web and Mosaic, 1995.

#### 2. Yahoo

"A comprehensive database of WEB sites and pages. Web pages are organized into subject categories such as art, entertainment, and social sciences. The results of a yahoo search put links into these subject categories." from Bill Eager and Mary Ann Pike, Using the World Wide Web and Mosaic, 1995.

#### 1. Eddie Haskel

"The student who is always sneaking around, poking his nose into other people's business, and generally causing trouble. Every network has one." from Doug Lowe, Networking for Dummies, 1994.

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#### A Farewell to MAALL

In the late summer of that year ... (oh wait, that is the opening line of Hemingway's *A Farewell to Arms*)! I am supposed to be writing a farewell to the people of MAALL.

I have accepted the position of Computer Services Librarian at the Alyne Queener Massey Law Library at Vanderbilt University Law School effective April 8, 1996. My last day as Media/Computer Services & Reference Librarian at the David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library at Northern Illinois University College of Law will be April 1, 1996. For those of you who know me really well, April Fool's Day is somewhat fitting.

As I leave Mid-America and move into the Southeast, I thank the people of MAALL for four (five?) years of fun times and great learning experiences. Most notably, I thank Martha Dragich for allowing me to volunteer to be a panelist at the 1994 Annual Meeting in Des Moines; and John Edwards for letting me help plan and moderate program sessions at the 1995 Annual Meeting in Topeka.

I also thank all the people ever involved in Local Arrangements at the annual meetings. The people of Local Arrangements made it possible for me to do things I probably would not do on my own; most notably, the Treasures of the Czars exhibit in Topeka. I am disappointed that I will not be attending the 1996 Annual Meeting in Carbondale — I have always wanted to see a Saluki upclose and personal.

I am very excited about the opportunities and challenges that await me at Vanderbilt and in the Southeast, but I will miss the many friends I have made here in the Midwest and in MAALL.

#### Goodbye to all!

Sandra Lee Braber-Grove, Assistant Professor, Media/Computer Services and Reference Librarian, David C. Shapiro Memorial Law Library, Northern Illinois University College of Law

#### **≜**ocal Arrangements Update - MAALL in Carbondale

by Laurel Wendt Local Arrangements Chair

ocal arrangements are well underway to welcome you to Carbondale, Illinois, in October. Since there's no way we can compete with imperial artists and tsarist splendor, we will focus on what we're really good at —warm, relaxed hospitality in a lovely natural setting.

The Holiday Inn is our home base for accommodations. The room rate is less than \$50 per room. We have blocked off a number of doubles and singles for the meeting.

The Thursday and Friday meetings will be in the student center on the campus, which is fully accessible for anyone with mobility problems (as is the entire campus). The array of large and small rooms that we will be using are all on the same floor, making it easy to learn your way around. Saturday morning we will meet in the Lesar Law Building. We will have shuttles running at regular intervals etween the motel and that day's meeting sites, and will include schedule information in the registration packets. In addition, each registrant will receive a pass to the campus/city bus system which also runs on a regular schedule, and includes the area's shopping centers on its routes, to take care of any unforeseen needs that may arise.

For social activities, we are planning on Thursday evening to have a reception at a local winery, which overlooks the beautiful hill region just south of Carbondale. (The last glacier stopped right over the present site of the city, and left the rest of the land down to the Ohio River untouched. It's the site of a cluster of state parks and historical sites all enclosed in the Shawnee National Forest.) After the reception, we will have dinner 'on your own with a local host', allowing you to sample the city's wide array of cuisines. Since SIU has the 11th or 12th largest international student enrollment in the nation, there are a surprising number of locally run ethnic estaurants in the area. Currently, your noices include several Asian restaurants. one Greek, and one Mediterranean, as well as our own regional specialty, Mary Lou's, a cafe that still has a lunch counter with stools and linoleum countertops. (It's a breakfast favorite for students.)

On Friday night, we will have a cook-out with blue-grass music at Touch of Nature, an environmental study camp combined with a conference center, owned and operated by the University. It blends the wildness of a national forest with smooth paths, indoor running water, electricity, and all the other attributes of good hospitality. We will provide motor coach transportation for all attendees, although it is an easy drive to 'Touch'.

We will offer vegetarian menus for those who prefer them, and can accommodate a wide variety of dietary needs. (Once again, that international enrollment factor comes into play.)

Getting to Carbondale is not too difficult. Many of you will probably drive, since we are only 15 miles off Interstate 57. We will provide details later of an alternate route on state roads from St. Louis that most of us take when we drive. If you wish to fly, Marion is the local airport. There is also local ground transportation from St. Louis to Carbondale

for \$90 (current price) round trip; it picks you up at the baggage carousel and drops you off at the motel. We often use it, as it's less expensive than the connecting flight from St. Louis to Marion.

October is one of the finest months in southern Illinois. The days are usually warm, the nights brisk, and the fall color is at its best. The area is part of the Mississippi flyway, the bird migration path down the middle of the continent. The Canada geese will probably either already be here or will be coming in, depending on weather farther north. There are many other natural and historical sights and sites in the locale, including a cypress swamp, the Liberty Bell of the West, the juncture of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and geology aplenty. And for those who share an interest in my current addiction, we are an hour away from Paducah, Kentucky. (Those to whom Paducah has no meaning are perfectly wonderful people, too, and need feel no shame about it.)

Hmmm. A touch of mystery. What is the significance of Paducah?

More next issue.

# Contributions Welcome

I welcome contributions!

Please send submissions for the June 1996 issue by May 15 to me at:

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The AALL Nominations Committee has begun the process of identifying possible candidates for the 1997 election. Candidates are needed for the office of Vice-President/President Elect and two Executive Board members.

The Committee, to the best of its ability, must present a slate of candidates that reflects the diversity of AALL's membership. Candidates must, along with currently elected officers, maintain a balance as to library type, geography, gender, and minority representation.

Each AALL member is encouraged to submit names to be considered for potential candidacy. Please do so by writing any member of the Nominations Committee or AALL Headquarters by April 15, 1996.

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Any law library that has a position open should contact the Placement Chair. Anyone interested in law library positions is invited to register with Placement. Job notices will be sent to registrants as soon as they are received by the Placement Chair. Contact: Mary Kay Jung, Thompson & Mitchell Library, One Mercantile Center, St. Louis, Missouri 63101, (314) 342-1698; Fax (314) 342-1717; Internet mkjung@crl.com.

#### Computer Services/Reference Librarian

David C. Shapiro Memorial Library Northern Illinois University College of Law

Assistant Professor in the Law Library

Master's degree in library science from an ALA-accredited library school required; J.D. from an ABA-accredited law school desired; extensive knowledge of traditional and computer-assisted legal research, PC applications, CD-ROM technology, and networks. Experience in a law library, especially with an emphasis on public and electronic services, is highly desirable. Other desired qualifications include a strong service orientation, good communications skills, and an interest in being a forceful proponent for the use of information technologies in law libraries and legal education. It is important that candidates have the ability to work both independently and as part of a team.

#### **MAALL Placement**

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This is a twelve-month tenure track position. The salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience. Available August 1, 1996.

Send a resume and the names of three references no later than May 1, 1996 to:

Thomas A. Woxland, Director, David C. Shapiro Law Library, Northern Illinois University College of Law, DeKalb, Illinois 60115.

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Saint Louis University School of Law Library

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#### **MAALL Placement**

The person in this position coordinates the provision of instruction, tours and guides to the library for the Legal Research and Writing Instructors, law school professors, university professors and outside institutions. In cooperation with other law librarians, the Head of Public Services team teaches a legal research course in the University's graduate school.

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Applicant must hold an MLS from an ALA accredited program; JD preferred. Basic computer literacy with an enthusiasm for learning more is required. Extensive knowledge of legal research tools and methodology, including traditional and online services is crucial. Experience with an integrated library system is highly preferred. Teaching and supervisory experiences are highly desirable. Experience with international materials and foreign language ability are desirable. Effective oral and written communication skills and good people skills are essential.

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#### **MAALL Update -- Last Minute News!**

#### **Editor Resigns -- New Editor Sought!**

MAALL Markings Editor Anne Burnett will join the staff at the University of Georgia in May. Because of the difficulty in continuing as editor from that location, Anne is resigning as editor with this issue. Please contact MAALL President John Edwards (je0371r@acad.drake.edu or 515-271-2141) if you have nominations or interest in editing MAALL's quarterly newsletter. Former editor Melissa Serfass has graciously agreed to edit the June issue while a new editor is sought. Please send your contributions for the June MAALL Markings by May 15 to:

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#### West Announces Law Library Decathlon

MAALL has the opportunity to participate in the West Law Library Decathlon at the AALL meeting in Indianapolis on Monday evening, July 22. The top three chapters will be awarded prizes of \$2000, \$1000 and \$500, respectively. Participants also will receive a team shirt as a memento of the occasion. A team must have a minimum of 5 members and a maximum of 14.

The planned events include:

Discus - CD-ROM toss; Shot Put(t) - golf putt; Javelin - dart contest; Triple Jump - Internet relay; Basketball - free throws; Long Jump - bean bag catapult; Gymnastics - ring toss; Relays - WESTLAW research; Sailing - propel ships by air; Slalom - book truck slalom.

Please contact John Edwards (je0371r@acad.drake.edu or 515-271-2141) by April 10 if you would like to participate. Also indicate your shirt size and the events in which you are interested. Volunteers for captain and co-captain also are needed.

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#### **AALL Grants for Annual Meeting & Summer Institute**

Attending an AALL Annual Meeting or Summer Institute is an extremely rewarding professional experience. Money woes? Don't fret financial grants are available. To be awarded a grant an applicant must be a member of AALL or an AALL Chapter, not have received an AALL grant in the past and submit a timely, complete application. The grant application has been published in the February issue of the AALL Newsletter and will also be published in the March and April issues of the AALL Newsletter. Pay particular attention to the April 1 deadline for submission of the grant application and accompanying documentation.

Grant applications are evaluated to ensure that newer members who show promise in the profession will bear less of a financial burden in attending one of their first professional educational events. Applicants are judged by the following criteria: AALL or Chapter membership, years of experience, financial need, letters of recommendation and personal statement. Please note that the travel grant is for airline tickets that will be issued by AALL's travel agent.

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#### TRAVEL GRANT TO CARBONDALE MEETING

The Mid-America Association of Law Libraries will be awarding travel grants to the 1996 annual meeting in Carbondale, Illinois.

Criteria for awarding the grants are: MAALL membership, financial need, usefulness of the meeting to the applicant, contribution of the applicant to MAALL and/or AALL, and proven or potential ability of the applicant.

An application form is included with this newsletter. Three copies of a completed application form must be submitted by July 1, 1996. Entries postmarked after that date will not be eligible. Letters of reference are not required. Please mail all applications to:

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Dr. Richard Amelung, Chair, Search Committee, Saint Louis University Law School Library, 3700 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63108

#### **Program Plans for Carbondale Meeting**

by Judy Morgan Program Chair

Plans for the Fall 1996 MAALL meeting in Carbondale, Illinois are currently underway. Southern Illinois University will host the 23rd Annual Meeting from Oct. 24-26, 1996. The Local Arrangements and Program Committees are planning a number of exciting events and interesting programs, from the opening lunch on Thursday until the conclusion of the meeting at noon on Saturday. For those arriving early, there are tentative plans for a LEADERSHIP & TEAM BUILDING seminar Thursday morning.

The Program Committee is busy getting organized and is eager to hear any suggestions and ideas members may have for session topics. Themes being considered focus on the "Law Library in the 21st Century" and "Moving Toward the Millennium". Possible topics to be developed under these themes include:

BUILDINGS — Working with Architects/Procurement/Space Planners, and Justifying Space for Books;

PERSONNEL — Changing Job Descriptions;

THE COLLECTION — Changing Media Formats, CD's Versus Looseleafs, Top Ten CD's, and Managing All of the Formats;

LAW FIRMS — Mergers & Survival;

LEGAL PUBLISHING — Shrinking Independents and Growing Monopolies;

TECHNOLOGY — Interactive Video, Computer Labs, CD Roms, and Working with Systems Personnel;

RESEARCH — Teaching Legal Research in the 21st Century, Working with Law School Interns; and, of course,

The INTERNET — Homepages, Security Issues, Training, and Different Modes of Accessing.

If you would like to present at or organize a session, please contact the Program Chair or any of the committee members. We need your help! Program Committee members are: Glen-Peter Ahlers, Susan Goldner, Sharon Hom, Jean McKnight, and Mary Stultz. Program suggestions or ideas can be sent to Judy Morgan, Program Chair, at the Oklahoma City University Law Library (jmorgan@frodo.okcu.edu or fax 405-521-5172, phone 521-5062).

#### **Volunteers Needed for AALL-Indianapolis**

It may seem hard to believe, but the AALL annual meeting in Indianapolis is only a few short months away. Preparations have been ongoing for a long time, but much still needs to be done to make this meeting a successful one. When you see the volunteer sign-up form in the AALL Newsletter, would you take a moment to consider how you can help? Volunteers are always needed to help with registration, the daily newspaper, and the Internet Room, but these are by no means the only areas in which you can lend your time and talents. Assistance is also needed with AALL activities, the opening reception, the closing banquet, and other functions. If there is a specific activity that you would like be involved with, please note it on the sign-up form.

Any questions can be directed to me at the following address:

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Thanks in advance for your help, and we will be looking forward to seeing you in Indianapolis this July!

#### **Membership News**

#### Arkansas Supreme Court Library

The Arkansas Supreme Court Library is pleased to announce the opening of its web page. Among other things, the new web page contains the text of recent Arkansas Supreme Court and Court of Appeals decisions. It can be found at http://www.state.ar.us/supremecourt/

#### Northern Illinois University

Sandy Braber-Grove has accepted the position of Computer Services Librarian at the Alyne-Queener Massey Law Library at Vanderbilt University School of Law. Her last day at Northern Illinois will be April 1. She thanks the people in MAALL for four years of fun times and great learning experiences.

#### Southern Illinois University

James E. Duggan, Computer Services Librarian and Associate Professor, spoke on "The Texas Connection: Politics, Power and Pageantry" for the panel presentation "Of Pageants and Performance" at the Annual Meeting of the Speech Communication Association, Theatre Division, San Antonio, Texas, October 18, 1995.

#### University of Illinois

The University of Illinois Law Library is happy to announce that Eric Cooper will be joining the library faculty as reference librarian on April 4. Eric has been reference/electronic services librarian at the University of Oklahoma Law Library since September 1994. He holds both MLS and JD degrees from Indiana University at Bloomington.

Susan Hemp, Reference/Micrographics Librarian of the University of Illinois Law Library is publishing an article/bibliography entitled "Librarians and the Legally Underserved" in the April 1996 issue of Against the Grain. Against the Grain is a professional magazine targeted to the library and publishing communities. The article will appear in the "Juris Libris" column.

#### **Membership News**

#### University of Kansas

Joyce Pearson participated in a debate on affirmative action and the Adarand Constructors, Inc. v. Pena as part of the Noon Forum series sponsored by the Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy. The debate will be followed by an article by Ms. Pearson in the spring 1996 issue of the journal, titled "Adarand: Now Narrowly Tailored to Prevent Monopoly and Competition."

#### Washburn University

Washburn welcomes new staff member, Anna Harvey, as Looseleaf Filing Manager. Ms. Harvey will manage the looseleaf collection while attending Emporia State University in the School of Library and Information Management. Welcome, Anna.

Linda Gutierrez, Daytime Circulation Manager, was recognized in the January, 1996, issue of Kansas Libraries. Linda is the home page administrator for the Kansas Library Operation Associates Roundtable (KLOA) at http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/kloa/kloa.html.

The Washburn University School of Law now has a site on the WWW. The development of this site was coordinated by Lloyd Herrera and Martin Wisneski of the Library's staff. The address is: http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washburn/school.law/welcome.html.

Mark Folmsbee, Associate Library Director, presented a CLE titled "Law On-Line: Expanding Legal Resources with the World Wide Web" at Washburn University School of Law on February 27, 1996.

Lissa Lord (formerly Holzhausen), Head of Reference and Circulation Services, along with Mark Lord, is working with a statewide committee to establish a home page for Kids Voting Kansas. The committee includes businesses, teachers, school children, and government officials, as well as two librarians. Lissa is working on the home page and Mark is forming discussion groups to be used and accessed for this statewide commitment to education and the political process.

#### **Membership News**

#### **KCALL**

The Kansas City Association of Law Libraries held its annual meeting and election on January 4, 1996 at the UMKC Law School. 1995 President Larry McLachlan of UMKC Law Library handed over the official gavel to incoming President Barbara Fullerton of Shook, Hardy & Bacon.

In the elections, John Pickett, law librarian at the U.S. Attorney's Office, became the new Vice President / President-elect. Karin Weaver, Librarian at Polsinelli, White, Vardeman & Shalton, is the new Secretary and Evalyn Bollinger of UMKC Law Library is the new Treasurer. Jan Pointer, Librarian at the Jackson County Law Library, was elected to a two-year term on the Association's Board of Directors.

#### University of Missouri-Kansas City

Janet McKinney, Acquisitions/Serials Librarian for the UMKC Law Library will be publishing an article entitled "Preparing for an Audit" in the April, 1996 issue (volume 8) of Against the Grain. The article will appear in the "BIZ of ACQ" column.

#### University of Missouri-Columbia

Vianne Tang Sha, Catalog Librarian for the University of Missouri-Columbia Law Library, presented a paper, "The Traditional Library and the National Information Infrastructure" at the American Library Association Midwinter Meeting OCLC Colloquium in San Antonio, Texas, on January 19, 1996.

#### St. Louis University

Betsy McKenzie, formerly head of Reader Services at Saint Louis University School of Law, has accepted the position of Director of the Law Library at Suffolk University Law School. She will begin full time at Suffolk in June, 1996.

Ms. McKenzie also spoke recently at the following meetings:

Southwestern Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting at Oklahoma City, OK, March 30-April 1, 1995: She spoke with Carol Elliot of University of

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Arizona on "Restructuring the Organization" on March 30.

Central States Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting at St. Louis, MO, October 12-14, 1995: She spoke on "Monopolies of Knowledge" on October 14.

Mid-America Association of Law Libraries at Topeka, KS, Oct. 19-22, 1995: She presented as part of a three person panel including Cheryl Nyberg and Shirley Canup on "Targeting Patron Needs: Guides, Pathfinders and Services" on Friday, Oct. 20. She also presented a lecture to a law library class of seven students from Emporia State University (one of approximately fifteen speakers over a two-day workshop) on "Finding Federal Case Law" on Saturday, Oct. 21.

#### Oklahoma City University

Anna M. Wyatt, who received JD and MLIS degrees from the University of klahoma, joined the reference staff on February 7, 1996. She served on the American Indian Law Review during 1992-93.

#### University of Tulsa

The Law Library is migrating to the III library system.

The Minolta Imaging System is arriving the week of February 19, 1996, as part of the MALSLC's Telecomputing Technology grant. The law libraries at Oklahoma City University, the University of Oklahoma, and the University of Tulsa, as the first members to utilize the equipment, are surveying members of their faculties as well as other experts in the field of Native American Law to decide which materials to image and to set priorities.

The Law Library will add 28,000 gross square feet and change its name to the Legal Information Center. The target date for the ground breaking is November 1, 1996, at the earliest.

Compiled by Margaret Bearse
 University of Kansas Law Library

#### News from other chapters

Christopher Anglim of South Texas College of Law has prepared an indepth article on disaster preparation in libraries. The information is useful to all types of libraries. Anglim, Christopher, "Disaster Preparedness at SWALL-Affiliated Law Schools," SWALL Bulletin, Vol. 27, no. 2, Jan., 1996, Pp. 16-19.

In this same issue, Dorie Bertram of Washington University Law Library published an article based on her presentation at last Fall's MAALL meeting in Topeka. Bertram, Dorie R., "U.S. Government CD-ROM Collection Development," <u>SWALL Bulletin</u>, Vol. 27, no. 2, Jan., 1996, Pp. 21-23.

Also in this same issue was a potentially useful, but unannotated, list of recent publications on library management. The bibliography is divided into smaller lists by topics. Wellinger, Patricia, "Library Administration and Management: A Selected Bibliography for Law Librarians," <u>SWALL Bulletin</u>, Vol. 27, no. 2, Jan., 1996, Pp. 28-33.

The Government Printing Office has plans to convert most of its publications to electronic format. A discussion of the plan was in a recent issue of the newsletter from Minnesota. "GPO Announces Electronic Transition Plan," MALL Newsletter, Vol. 22, no.3, Jan./Feb., 1996., Pp. 5-6.

A group of law librarians in Colorado has volunteered to be subject specialist resources for their colleagues.

The areas of specialization include areas such as intellectual property, tax, international and foreign law. There are also volunteer specialists in various library service areas including circulation, automation, document delivery and collection development. The complete list, by topic, includes the volunteers' names, phone numbers and email addresses. "Members Helping Members," Coall Scuttle, Vol. 6, no. 1, Oct., 1995, p. 13.

Carla Pritchett prepared an article describing the Internet law resources that she uses. Some of the resources are listserves, some are web cites. She talks a little about the content of each source and tells how to access each. Pritchett, Carla, "Electronic Bulletin Boards," New Orleans Law Librarian, Vol. 9, no. 2, Nov., 1995, Pp. 8-10.

If you think the Internet is frustrating, try cataloging it! That is the topic of an article by Shirrl Barker. The article covers the lively presentation at last Summer's AALL meeting, which included MAALL member Brian Striman. It appears there were more questions than answers, but it is a thought-provoking article for librarians attempting to put order in the chaos we call the "Net." Barker, Shirrl, "A Technical Services Perspective," WPLLA Newsletter, Special Issue, [Fall], 1995.

 Compiled by Mike McReynolds Shook, Hardy & Bacon

#### MAALL Luncheon planned for Tuesday, July 23



The MAALL Luncheon and Business Meeting at AALL in Indianapolis is scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, 1996, from noon to 1:30. A reservation form for the luncheon will appear in the June MAALL Markings. Please return it as soon as possible following the arrival of the June newsletter to ensure that adequate seating and meals are available.

# 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:

- The annual dues for individual membership and associate membership shall be \$10.
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- c. The year for annual dues shall begin January 1.

Please complete and mail this form along with your check to: Jack Montgomery, MAALL Treasurer. ONE FORM PER MEM-BER PLEASE. Each institutional designated member should complete a form, so that every person will receive a newsletter and his/her name will appear in the Membership Directory.

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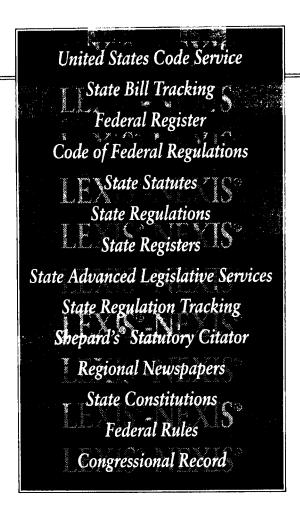
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"Beyond Boundaries: Law Libraries Linking the World's Information," SEALL/SWALL Meeting, Austin, Texas. The meeting will be preceded by a Time Management Institute on March 28.

National Library Week

Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) Conference, Scottsdale, Arizona. Sponsored by LEXIS/NEXIS. For information, contact Cindy Spohr at (513) 865-7883.

ALA Legislative Day, Washington, D.C.

Association of Research Libraries Meeting, Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Medical Libraries Association Annual Conference, Kansas City, Missouri

Special Libraries Association Annual Conference, Boston, Massachusetts