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Presidential Address

John Edwards, Director, Drake University Law Library

*“MAALL members should
be pleased with what they
have accomplished”*

As I draft my final column as MAALL president, I am excited by what our members already have done this year and what they will accomplish before the end of the Carbondale meeting. It is very satisfying to work with such a talented group of officers and committee members. Their hard work helped MAALL achieve successes in many areas. A special thank you is due for their contributions.

One of the most exciting (and surprising, perhaps) events during the AALL meeting was MAALL's victory in West's Law Library Decathlon. Although details are found elsewhere in this issue, one special item of interest is that MAALL received \$2000 from West for its educational programs as a result of the gold medal performances of its decathlon contestants.

This issue of the newsletter is the first for new editor Eric Cooper of the University of Illinois. Melissa Serfass graciously stepped in to edit the June issue and did a superb job when the prior editor left. Beth Smith of the University of Nebraska will be providing assistance in future issues as Assistant Editor. We appreciate their willingness to volunteer. One challenge will be to keep the newsletter as interesting as possible to its readers. (Some have suggested that the President's Column may be the first place to start.) A "Final Notice" sent in the last newsletter to former members who had not paid dues did attract about 50 checks. As mentioned in the Executive Board minutes, MAALL plans to send separate invoices for 1997 dues rather than relying on the newsletter mailing.

Committees are working hard as fall approaches, so they should be able to report the accomplishment of many of their goals by the annual meeting. As reports elsewhere indicate, the Program and Local Arrangements details for the Carbondale meeting should be excellent. Judy Morgan and her Program Committee have developed a variety of programs to appeal to the various interests of MAALL members. The Local Arrangement events coordinated by Laurel Wendt should prove memorable. Transportation to Carbondale for those who are not driving is fairly easy from the St. Louis airport via shuttle (BART, The Shuttle or Saluki Shuttle) by making advance reservations. Frank Houdek reports that the BART bus is very reliable and takes about two hours.

Although this year has gone very quickly, MAALL members should be pleased with what they have accomplished. I will look forward to seeing you in Carbondale as I pass the gavel to Judy Morgan. Thanks again for your many efforts on behalf of MAALL.

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Editor's Comments

By the time you read this column, I am sure you will have noticed the 'slight' changes to the cover page of *MAALL Markings*. Let me offer an explanation for one of those changes: The MAALL logo. Although I enjoy watching tough guy movies, primarily for the wonderful lines, I am admittedly a little arachnophobic. When I see a huge spider crawling at me, my first reaction is to flee. To combat this fear, I made the MAALL logo, which resembles such a creature, smaller and much less intimidating.

Now that I have successfully offended those who created and are proud of our logo by talking about how it appears, I want to discuss for what it stands. The MAALL logo stands for the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries. An association whose members I have come to like and respect; an association which provides its membership excellent professional development opportunities; and an association in which I am proud to participate. *MAALL Markings* has and must continue to provide necessary information to MAALL members. Although I have made several formatting and aesthetic changes, the substance of this newsletter remains intact.

I want to thank those in the organization who have given me the opportunity to serve as *MAALL Markings* Editor. I also want to thank Melissa Serfass of the University of Arkansas at Little Rock for returning my calls and answering my questions concerning this publication. I hope everyone enjoys my inaugural issue.

Eric A. Cooper
MAALL Markings Editor

Contributions Are Welcome

If you wish to submit material for publication in the
MAALL Markings,
please contact the editor
prior to the submission deadline.

MAALL Team Wins Gold Medals

John Edwards

Ten law librarians came back from the AALL annual meeting in Indianapolis with much more than just the normal skills gleaned from educational programs. The MAALL team won West's Law Library Decathlon in a field of more than 20 other AALL chapters and brought home gold medals. MAALL will receive \$2000 for its educational programs as a result of the victory.

Decathlon events required team members to use their research skills and other special talents. In the "Relays" event, for example, participants had to find answers to questions using WESTLAW. The "Triple Jump" required team members to search the Internet to find answers to reference questions. Events were not all limited to intellectual pursuits, however. Librarians in the "Slalom" maneuvered a book truck through the library to find requested titles and returned them to the circulation desk. As the gold medal count indicated, team members finished first in the most competitive venues.

The gold medal winners were:

Discus -	Sandy Placzek, Drake
Javelin -	Joe Custer, KU
Triple Jump -	Joyce McCray Pearson, KU Sandy Placzek, Drake Julie Thomas, Drake
Long Jump -	Joyce McCray Pearson, KU
Gymnastics -	Julie Thomas, Drake
Sailing -	Lisa Hermann, Drake
Basketball -	Eric Cooper, Illinois
Slalom -	Beth Smith, Nebraska
Shot Put(t) -	Greg McNown, Spencer Fane Britt & Browne
Relays -	James Duggan, SIU Lisa Hermann, Drake John Edwards, Drake

Joe Custer served as a Co-Captain with Team Captain John Edwards.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

For The
23rd Annual Meeting of the
Mid-America Association of Law Libraries

The Millennium: Assessing, Advancing, Leading, Libraries (MAALL)

October 24-26, 1996
Carbondale, Illinois

Preparing for the 21st Century

is the theme of this year's meeting at the pastoral campus of Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. The meeting schedule covers the gamut of law librarians' concerns including planning the building of the future, the role of CD-ROM, relations with systems personnel, the current state of legal publishing, and who owns who or what.

Please attend and mingle with your colleagues to plan for the future amid the autumn foliage in the beautiful hill country surrounding Carbondale. Registration packets are in the mail.

Questions on the program can be directed to Judy Morgan at Oklahoma City University,

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Questions concerning local arrangements or registration can be directed to Laurel Wendt at Southern Illinois University,

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Thursday, October 24

8:00a-5:00p

Hotel Registration - Holiday Inn

Meeting Registration - Student Center

11:00a

Shuttle Buses to Student Center

12:00n - 1:30p

Opening Luncheon - SIU Student Center

Keynote Speaker:

Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chair, US

National Commission on Libraries and
Information Science

1:45p - 3:30p

Plenary Program Session A

*Cyberlaw - Telecommunications Act
and Communications Decency Act*

Speakers:

Robert Spellman,

SIU School of Journalism

James Duggan, SIU Law Library

Jeanne Hurley Simon, Chair, US

National Commission on Libraries and
Information Science

3:45 - 5:00p

Plenary Program Session B

***Que Pasa? What's Going on in
Legal Publishing?***

Coordinator:

Jack G. Montgomery, University of
Missouri - Columbia

Speakers:

Kenneth L. Halajian - Bender

Dave Hoover - LOIS

Christopher Ainsley - CCH

Representative from West

6:00 - 8:00p

Reception

8:00p

Hospitality Suite - Holiday Inn

Friday, October 25

7:30 - 8:00a

Buses leave for Student Center

8:00 - 9:15a

Breakfast & Business Meeting
SIU Student Center

9:30 - 10:45a

Concurrent Programs - SIU Student Center

C1 - Buildings Part I:

Designing the New Library

Speaker:

Ray D. Greco, AIA

Senior Vice President,
Leonard Parker Associates,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Panel:

Rick Ducey, University of Tulsa

Ann Fessenden, 8th Circuit, St. Louis

Susan Siebers, Katten Muchin & Zavis,
Chicago

***C2 - The Internet: To Catalog or Not to
Catalog, That is the Question***

Coordinator:

Katherine Tooley, University of Tulsa

***C3 - Interns, Externs, and Summer Associ-
ates: Are they ready to face the real world?***

Moderator:

Sharon Hom, 10th Circuit, Kansas City

Speakers:

Shirley Canup,

Thompson and Mitchell, St. Louis

Patricia Ellingson, Northwestern

Mutual Life Insurance Co., Milwaukee

Laurel Wendt, Southern Illinois Univ.

11:00 - 12:15p

Concurrent Programs - SIU Student Center

***D1 - Buildings Part II - Continuing the
Dialog***

Speakers:

Ray Greco, Leonard Parker Associates

Rick Ducey, University of Tulsa

Ann Fessenden, 8th Circuit, St. Louis

Susan Siebers, Katten Muchin & Zavis,
Chicago

***D2 - Format Integration and Integration of
Formats Into Our Collections or What Do
We Do With All the Stuff?***

Coordinator:

Susan Goldner, UALR

***D3 - Tension and Teamwork: Librarian's
Partnerships with Information Systems
Managers and Other Computer Personnel***

Coordinator:

Sharon Hom, 10th Circuit, Kansas City

Speakers:

Mary Dzurinko, MK Dzurinko

Associates, Baltimore

Faye Jones, Hastings College of Law

Aris Woodham, Univ. of Missouri - KC

D4 - Designing and Marketing Your Website to Enhance the Library's Perception Within the Community

Speaker:

Eric A. Cooper, University of Illinois

12:15 1:45p

Luncheon

2:00 - 3:30p

Concurrent Programs - SIU Student Center

E1 - Electronic Textbooks

Coordinator:

Jean McKnight, Southern Illinois Univ.

Speakers:

Brian Larios, Lexis

Tim Moore, West

E2 - "Introduction to Web Page Design: A Beginner's Guide" or "Dragged Kicking and Screaming into the New Millennium, HTML and WEB Page Authoring for the Luddite."

Speakers:

Melissa Serfass, UALR

James Duggan, Southern Illinois Univ.

E3 - GPO Access: Is Depository Access in Jeopardy?

Coordinator:

Brian Striman, University of Nebraska

3:45 - 5:00p

Special Interest Roundtables

Committee Meetings

Law School/Library Tours

MALSLC Consortium

5:00p - Buses return to Holiday Inn

5:30p - Buses leave Holiday Inn

6:00 8:00p

Dinner - "Touch of Nature"

8:00p -

Hospitality Suite - Holiday Inn

Saturday, October 26

7:30a -

Buses leave for Lesar Law Building

7:45 - 8:30a

Continental Breakfast

8:45 - 10:00a

Plenary Program Session F

CD-Rom Networks - What Works, What Doesn't, Problems/ Solutions

Speakers:

Sally Wise, University of Nebraska

Aris Woodham, Univ. of Missouri - KC

Mark Folmsbee, Washburn University

10:00 - 11:30a

Plenary Program Session G

Managing Your Boss

Speaker:

Janis L. Johnston, Notre Dame Law School, Kresge Law Library

11:30a

Meeting Closes. Shuttle Buses to Holiday Inn

MAALL Meeting Travel Grants

The Grants Committee awarded five travel grants for the fall meeting of MAALL in Carbondale. Four grants cover \$300 and the Editor's grant covers up to \$300. The following members were awarded grants:

Crata Castleberry-U.S. Court of Appeals Library, Little Rock, AR

Sharon Hom-U.S. Court of Appeals Library, Kansas City, MO

Anna Wyatt-Oklahoma City Univ Law Library

Gina Sorensen-Univ of Missouri Law Library, First Recipient of the Marian Gallagher Award

Eric Cooper Editor of *MAALL Markings*

Mary Ann Nelson, Chair, Grants Committee

Local Arrangements at Carbondale

Prepared by Laurel Wendt

By the time you read this, you may well have received the registration packet for the annual meeting in Carbondale in late October. Plans are moving along to welcome you with our brand of southern hospitality. The registration materials will be posted on the SIU Law Library home page the first week in September. And the request for the social security number is the result of a new Illinois statute that requires either that or a federal ID number for any refund (or other payment) checks from the state. We apologize for this, but cannot give a refund without it.

If you want to room or carpool with someone, or have other inquiries, you can use the MAALL listserv (MAALL@wuvmd.wustl.edu) as a message center or bulletin board. We will post any late breaking news there as well.

Dress casually. We will be going to a nearby civilized nature camp for Friday evening, so bring a jacket or sweater. 'Touch of Nature' is on the edge of the Shawnee National Forest and is surrounded by trees, so it is always cooler than the city.

The program materials say nothing about the Thursday evening event. Frank wants it to be memorable, and a little mystery is intriguing. There will be food and/or the opportunity to obtain it. Friday evening we will have a 'buffalo tro' which is a cook-out of specially prepared marinated beef. We will have an excellent local bluegrass duo for music. Meals will all be buffet, and vegetarian entrees will be prepared for those requesting it. Be sure to indicate any dietary needs on the registration form.

If you have any questions, my email is lwendt@siu.edu, nice and direct. Voice phone is (618)453-8780. Look for you in late October.

Whitewater: Just Another Day at the Office

By Crata Castleberry, U.S. Courts Branch Library, Little Rock, AR

The U. S. Courts Branch Library has not been the same since Bill Clinton was elected president. Arkansas became the center of the universe - although not in the way we had hoped. In the spring of 1993 over 100 reporters from around the world spent a week in front of our courthouse in eager anticipation of the Paula Jones sexual-harassment lawsuit.

Before long the Whitewater accusations began to roll in. Grand juries and indictments soon followed. It is apparent that reporters are not as interested in mail fraud and conspiracy as they are in a sexual-harassment lawsuit filed against a sitting President. Nonetheless, we have had a steady stream of reporters for the last year with nonstop coverage from February until late July. Because the library is located on the second floor directly above the front door of the courthouse, we often hear the commotion. During the Paula Jones ordeal, the noise was more than distracting. When our governor was found guilty this summer, it was interesting to look out the window and see reporters crawling under the evergreen tree to film a local activist who had just punched a CNN producer in the face. As you can imagine, walking out the front door is frequently hazardous, that is, if you can find room between the cameras. At the beginning of the trial for the governor and the other two "Whitewater conspirators," there were 180 potential jurors in the hallway in front of the library playing cards, etc. Once the trial began, we knew immediately when something had happened in the courtroom as the reporters would run down the hall in hopes of breaking the story "first."

Throughout it all, we have learned the answer to the question "Where is THE trial?" We have learned to act nonchalant when the special prosecutor and entourage walk through our library doors. Most of all, we have learned that it is just another day at the office.

Executive Board Nomination News

MAALL Nominations Committee

Rick Ducey, Chair

The Nominations Committee has collected some biographical information on our candidate for **Vice President/President-Elect, James Duggan**, and on our candidate for **Secretary, Marilyn Nicely**.

In the spirit of contributing to a more informed MAALL electorate, Rick Ducey, Chair of the Nominations Committee, posed some provocative questions to our nominees. The nominees were asked to answer their respective questions in the light-hearted spirit in which they were framed. It is hoped the candidates' enlightening answers will help you this fall as we elect our new officers.

Q: *[To James Duggan]* You may have heard that back in the late 1960's, a disc jockey told listeners to pay attention to fade-outs in certain Beatles songs and to play others backwards. The disc jockey said there were clues that Paul McCartney was dead. It turned out that Paul was not dead and that this had been a great hoax.

Now assume that in 1996, a MAALL member suggests that if you speed up the video of the movie Terminator [Orion Pictures, 1984], Arnold Schwarzenegger sounds as if he is saying: "I'll be Bakke!", signalling Arnold's political conservatism and possible disagreement with certain preferences designed to remedy prior discrimination. The suggestion continues that Arnold wants to be elected to public office so he can become a government "eraser" [Eraser: Warner Bros., 1996] and say "Hasta la vista" [Terminator II- Judgment Day: TriStar Pictures, 1991] to preferences such as those challenged in the Regents of University of California v. Bakke case. What do you think about this? True? Lies? [True Lies: 20th Century Fox, 1994].

A: *[From James Duggan]* Well, that's just silly. Someone else could just as easily credit Clark Gable with computer network "miserliness" ("Frankly, my dear, I don't give a RAM") Gone With the Wind [MGM, 1939], or claim that conservative Clint Eastwood was able to see into the future twenty-five years later and shout his opposition to the minimum wage increase: "Go ahead, raise my pay!" Dirty Harry [Warner Bros., 1971].

Q: *[To James]* Do you have comments you would like to include with your biographical information?

A: *[From James]* Member of gold medal-winning MAALL team, West Decathlon, July 1996.

James D. Duggan

Education: J.D. 1986, University of Mississippi School of Law; M.L.I.S. 1987, Louisiana State University. Admitted, Mississippi Bar, 1987. **Experience:** Southern Illinois University School of Law Library: Reference Librarian and Assistant Professor, 1988-1990; Computer Services Librarian and Assistant Professor, 1990-1993; Computer Services Librarian and Associate Professor 1993-present. **MAALL offices:** MAALL Public Relations Liaison, 1994-96; Membership Committee, 1995-96; Grants Committee, 1993-94 (Chair, 1991-92); Nominations Committee, 1992-93; Program Committee, 1991-92; Directory Committee, 1989-91. **AALL offices:** AALL Professional Development Committee, 1996-1998; Placement Committee, 1994-96 (Chair, 1995-96); AALL Grants Committee, 1992-1994; AALL Scholarship Committee, 1990-1992; Social Responsibilities SIS, (Chair) 1995-1996; Academic Law Libraries Public Relations Committee, 1994-1996 (Chair, 1994-95); *AALL Newsletter* "Current Comments" Editor, 1995-1998, "Chapter News" Editor, 1990-1993.

- Q:** *[To Marilyn]* Recently, the Clinton Administration was surprised to learn that UN Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali was actively campaigning to be re-elected to a second five-year term. This raises some interesting questions. Do you think "Secretary-General" is a more appropriate title for the MAALL position for which you are nominated?
- A:** *[from Marilyn Nicely]* No, I don't. Perhaps Secretary of the Interior, to suggest my contemplative side. Of course personalizing the title, that would require renaming the position at the beginning of each term to capture the flavor of the incoming Secretary. Who would be Secretary of Defense? Secretary of War? Secretary of Minutia?
- Q:** *[To Marilyn]* Are you already looking ahead to a possible second term as Secretary?
- A:** *[From Marilyn]* No, my goal is to get a life. I want to see what's on the other side of my career. I want to find out what I can do with a sudden gift of 40 hours/week. But even if I change my mind, I believe its good to pass on those resume and promotion seeds to others.
- Q:** *[To Marilyn]* Should the person elected as MAALL Secretary have a five-year term?
- A:** *[From Marilyn]* This sounds like a serious question. I don't know the answer because I don't know the issues. But a 5 year term seems daunting to me and in the future would make recruiting for the office harder. How many people would be able to make a 5 year commitment? A year is a long time for some people.
- Q:** *[To Marilyn]* What can MAALL do to promote peace throughout our little piece of the world, i.e., Mid-America?
- A:** *[From Marilyn]* This question makes me feel like I'm in the Miss Mid-America pageant, especially now that we have the gold in the West Olympics. If elected I believe in order to achieve peace in our region, we should not talk about politics, religion, citation, or foreign ownership of American legal publishing.
- Q:** *[To Marilyn]* Do you have any other comments you would like to include with your biographical information?
- A:** *[From Marilyn]* I am very honored to have been asked to serve as Secretary to MAALL. I hold this association in the highest regard. I am very proud of its accomplishments collectively and individually. I believe MAALL is a dynamic, inspiring organization that brings energy and creativity to our profession. If elected, I will contribute my best effort to the service of its membership.

Marilyn K. Nicely:

Education: B.A. Ohio University, 1967 in Spanish; M.A. Arizona State University, 1973 in English as Second Language; M.L.S. University of Oklahoma, 1974. **MAALL offices:** Coordinator, Mid-American Consortium of Law School Libraries Union List, 1982-Present. **AALL offices:** Co-Director, 1985 AALL Cataloging Institute; AALL Technical Services S.I.S. (Chair), 1985-86; Membership Committee, AALL Academic Libraries Association (Chair), 1994. **Publications:** "MAUL: an OCLC Union List of Legal Periodicals," 76*Law Library Journal* 394 (1983); Oklahoma Legal and Law-Related Publications: a Selected Bibliography, 2nd ed. Chicago: AALL, 1995. **Hobbies:** playing the flute, painting.

Membership News

Prepared By Margaret Bearse
University of Kansas Law Library

IOWA

University of Iowa

The law library is introducing an Advanced Legal Research class into the curriculum for the first time in the Fall of 1996. Also, purchases during 1995/1996 have allowed the Library to complete its run of the microform Congressional Bills and Resolutions from the 1st Congress through the present. Finally, the Law Library is beginning a major replacement project for the 32 PCs available for student use. Those devices will now be Pentium platforms offering full Internet access, WESTLAW, LEXIS, LAN-based e-mail and word processing software.

Drake University

John Hutchinson joined the faculty of the Law Library as the new Computer Services/Reference Librarian on July 1. A native of Maine, John received his BA in political science at Carleton College (Northfield, MN) and his MLS from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. He comes to Drake from Iowa State University, where he served as Reference & Instructional Services Librarian for 2 years. His wife, Natalie, is Head of Reference, Bibliographic Instruction, and Interlibrary Loan at Central College in Pella, IA, where they live. John's professional interests include electoral politics and training users of print and electronic resources in libraries.

KANSAS

University of Kansas

Joe Custer has received an Interlibrary Loan Development program grant from Kansas Library Network to purchase books and microforms on American Indian law. His article "Basic Resources for Legal Research" appeared at 8 Against the Grain 49 (1996).

NEBRASKA

University of Nebraska Lincoln

Sally Wise and **Beth Smith** presented a legal research CD-ROM products workshop in March 1996 at a Nebraska Continuing Legal Education Seminar.

Rebecca Trammell was elected Secretary/Treasurer to AALL's Social Responsibilities SIS & appointed to AALL's publicity Committee.

Rosemary Gavin accepted a reference librarian position. Ms. Gavin is a recent graduate of the University of Washington's law librarianship program. She earned her J.D. at Arizona State University in 1982 and has extensive litigation experience as both prosecutor and public defender.

Billie Olsen has accepted a new position as reference/circulation librarian at Mercer Law Library in Macon, Georgia. She now works for former MAALL member **Trish Cervenka**.

Beth Smith is the new Assistant Editor of MAALL Markings. She recently published an article, *Access State Information on the Internet*, in the Nebraska State Bar Ass'n June newsletter.

Brian Strimanis working with the Library of Congress Law Team and **Larry Dersham**, reference librarian/computer research specialist, University of San Diego Legal Research Center, to enhance the "K" classification schedules. Brian also continues to work with the Online Bibliographic Services and Technical Services SISs to create a joint Research grant Award. The proposed grant would provide funding to law librarians whose research and publications contribute to technical services law librarianship.

NORTH DAKOTA

University of North Dakota

Don Olson, a new MAALL member, won the Westlaw drawing for a trip to Greece at the AALL convention in Indianapolis. Don has worked as a cataloger at UND for over 25 years.

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma City University

Kathy Broad began work this summer as the library's cataloger. She received her M.L.I.S. from the University of Oklahoma in 1994.

University of Oklahoma

The new dean of the University of Oklahoma College of Law is **Andy Coats**. He comes from the firm of Crowe and Dunleavy, the largest firm in Oklahoma. He was mayor of Oklahoma City from 1983-1987, Oklahoma County District Attorney from 1976-1980, and Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate in 1980.

University of Tulsa

During August the library staff was undergoing training for Triple I which will be followed by a test period. November 1, 1996 is the official date for the debut of the system which includes the OPAC, circulation, serials, and acquisitions components.

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to include in the MAALL Markings,
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Placement News

Prepared By Mary Kay Jung
Thompson & Mitchell, St. Louis

Serials/Acquisitions Librarian, Creighton University Law Library

REQUIREMENTS: MLS from accredited school; minimum two years experience with acquisitions, serials, or cataloging, preferably in a Law Library. Working knowledge of technical services techniques and practices.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Responsible for planning, supervising, and evaluating serials and acquisitions functions in a medium-sized academic Law Library. A complete position description is posted on the Creighton University Home Page at:

<http://www.creighton.edu/CULAW/lawlib/SERACQU.HTM>

Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. Standard benefits package includes TIAA-CREF retirement program and 22 days per year vacation. Screening of applications will begin July 16th and continue until position is filled. On-site interviews will be scheduled in August. (EEO/AA)

Applicants should submit a resume and the names of three references to:

Kay L. Andrus
Library Director and Professor of Law
Creighton University School of Law
2500 California Plaza
Omaha, NE 68178-0340

Fax: 402-280-2244
E-mail: andrus@culaw.creighton.edu

Catalog/Reference Librarian, Creighton University Law Library

Responsible for coordinating and directing the operation of cataloging functions in the Law Library. Management responsibilities include supervising one full-time assistant and student assistants. Duties include planning workflow, organizing projects, developing procedures, compiling departmental policies and procedures, designating staff duties and delegating responsibilities as necessary and staff training. In addition, the Catalog/Reference Librarian works approximately fifteen hours per week at the reference desk including one evening per week and about every fifth Saturday afternoon on a rotational basis.

REQUIREMENTS: MLS or equivalent from an ALA accredited library program, recent cataloging experience using AACR2, LC classification, subject headings and MARC format. Familiarity with OCLC. Demonstrated managerial and supervisory skill essential. A complete position description is posted at:

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Submit resume and names of three references to:

Kay L. Andrus
Library Director and Professor of Law
Creighton University School of Law
2500 California Plaza
Omaha, NE 68178.

experience in an automated environment; experience with html (WEB design); and Innovative Interfaces library automation system; experience with Lexis, Westlaw, Internet, OCLC.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES: Submit letter of application, transcripts, and resume (including 3 references) to:

Mark Folmsbee (Associate Director)
Washburn University School of Law Library
1700 College, Topeka, KS 66621
(913) 231-1010 ext 1088, Fax (913) 232-8087

This is a full-time, twelve month position with a minimum salary of \$29,000.

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REQUIREMENTS: M.L.S. and J.D. and significant academic law library experience; strongly prefer previous supervisory experience. Must have considerable familiarity with traditional and electronic research resources, including those available over the Internet, and a commitment to helping develop innovative services for Library patrons. Prefer strong familiarity with computer-based applications in law libraries. Must have excellent interpersonal, communication, and organizational skills and be able to function effectively as part of a strong Public Services team.

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Send letter of application, resume, and the names, addresses, and phone numbers of three references to: Marcia Lehr / Search Committee Chair / Northwestern University Law Library / 357 E. Chicago Avenue / Chicago, IL 60611

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News From Other Chapters

*Prepared By Mike McReynolds
Shook Hardy & Bacon, Kansas City*

The **Law Library Association of Maryland** sponsored a discussion of vendor neutral citation in the Spring. The program featured Jamie Love of the Tax Payer Assets project and Robert L. Oakley, director of the law school library at Georgetown University. The discussion which covered a range of related topics including citation format, copyright and access to information was covered thoroughly in this article in the association's newsletter. Diamond, Valerie, "Vendor Neutral Citation," Law Library Association of Maryland NEWS, Vol. 14, no. 3, March, 1996, Pp. 4-6.

The **librarian at the New York State Supreme Court library** published the first of three articles which will be essentially an annotated bibliography of Web sites for agencies in New York State government. In the first installment, she not only lists the Web addresses, but includes a synopsis of the contents she has found on each site. Stella, Colleen, "Legislative Update," ALLUNY Newsletter, Vol. 21, no.2, June, 1996, Pp. 12-13.

The **Law Library Association of Greater New York (LLAGNY)** and the American Society for Information Science (ASIS) jointly sponsored a seminar on voice recognition software and applications. One LLAGNY member published an interesting article covering the highlights of the seminar, which included the technical aspects of these products and some of their practical applications for librarians and legal researchers. Van Beek, Susan, "Voice Recognition Software and Applications Seminar LLAGNY/ASIS," Law Lines, Vol. 20, no. 3, May/June, 1996, Pp. 1 & 9.

Earlier in the year, LLAGNY also co-sponsored a program on outsourcing and closing of private libraries with the local chapter of SLA. The program was an attempt to look pragmatically at the reasons for downsizing and outsourcing and to help librarians deal effectively with changing economic conditions, information needs and technologies. Richardson, Tammy, "Program Report: 'Ask not for whom the Bell Tolls,'" Law Lines, Vol. 20, no.3, May/June, 1996, Pp. 11-13.

On the topic of outsourcing, a **Chicago law librarian** compiled a review of recent articles on the outsourcing of cataloging. Parker, Eric, "Technical Services: Outsourcing Cataloging Argued in Journals," CALL Bulletin, No. 160, June, 1996, p.16.

The **Chicago Association of Law Libraries** has addressed an often neglected aspect in library staffing, the continuing education of the paraprofessional staff. To this end, CALL has established a standing committee for paraprofessional staff which will work jointly with the program committee to see that at least one program each year is devoted to the continuing education needs of law library paraprofessional staff. "Enhancing Paraprofessional Involvement in CALL," CALL Bulletin, No. 160, June, 1996, Pp. 23-24.

For copies of any of the articles cited in this column, please contact

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MAALL Committee Volunteer Form for 1997

Please check the committee(s) that you would like to be on or send an email message to
John Edwards at je0371r@acad.drake.edu.

Name _____ Library _____

Address _____

Phone# _____ Fax# _____ E-Mail _____

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| _____ Bylaws: | Propose and submit any changes, additions, deletions to MAALL's bylaws. |
| _____ Directory: | Prepare the MAALL Directory. |
| _____ Grants: | Establish criteria for award of grants, publicize availability, and select recipients. |
| _____ Internet: | Examines ways that the Internet can be better integrated into the work of MAALL and its members. |
| _____ Local Arrangements: | Prepare local arrangements for Omaha, 1997 meeting. |
| _____ Membership: | Identify and contact prospective 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 law librarians can provide pro bono services. |
| _____ Program | Prepare the 1997 Program. |
| _____ 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, Hazel Johnson. |
| _____ Library School Liaison: | Assist Membership Committee in recruiting new members into MAALL and the Law Library profession. |

Please return the completed form to:

Judith Morgan, MAALL Vice President / President Elect
Oklahoma City University Law Library
2501 North Blackwelder Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK 73106
Phone (405) 521-5062, Fax (405) 521-5172

Minutes of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries Executive Board Meeting

July 21, 1996
Indianapolis, Indiana

In attendance were President John Edwards, Vice President Judith Morgan, Past President Lynn Foster, and Treasurer Jack Montgomery

Either a donation of \$100 or a plaque were approved as a memorial to honor Evelyn Gardner. John Edwards will consult with Kay Andrus as to which would be more appropriate.

Regarding 1998 meeting location, a joint meeting of regional associations including CALL, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, MAALL, and ORALL is being considered. The idea was approved dependent on location. Chicago was suggested as a possible site outside MAALL. St. Louis and Kansas City were mentioned as possible locations.

Travel Grants: In the past, five separate awards were given at \$300 each, we will do the same this year as long as the applicants have paid current memberships. Jack verified applicants against a current list and all applicants but one were eligible.

Regarding an official AALL "visitor" for the Carbondale meeting: Cost has to be split between MAALL and AALL. It was agreed that MAALL would pay lodging and that the Executive Board member (AALL) should ideally contribute to the program being presented.

Establishment of a MAALL archives: Should the archives be housed with the official AALL archives at the University of Illinois? Lynn Foster stated that it is very important that regional records be kept separate. Jack Montgomery suggested that financial records could be archived if not required for tax purposes. Housing MAALL archives at Illinois was approved, so long as they have an identity separate from the AALL archives.

Dues: It was decided that a more effective method of dues collection would involve sending out an invoice in December by January 31st. It was also decided to establish a deadline of March 1st for their collection and return.

It was decided, if an institutional membership, the invoice would be mailed to the director and if an individual membership, the invoice will be sent to the member. Jack Montgomery will be in charge of the invoicing. For non-paying members in 1996, no invoice will be sent.

Newsletter Editor: Eric Cooper will assume the editorship of the MAALL Markings. A new position of Assistant Editor will be created as a way to groom the next editor. Elizabeth Smith will assume this new position.

Agenda items for Tuesday Meeting:

- 1) All those members attending luncheon who have not paid their membership, must pay their dues at the door.
- 2) Programs for Carbondale: Jack Montgomery suggested a panel presentation from legal publishers whose companies have merged or been sold or changed dramatically in the past several years.

The topic will be a presentation on the State of Legal Publishing Now and in the Future. Suggested representatives would be from Matthew Bender, Thompson/West, LOIS, and CCH. Jack Montgomery could serve as a moderator. Judith Morgan will contact Jack Montgomery for confirmation and details next week.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,

Jack Montgomery, on behalf of Jo Ann Humphreys, Secretary

Minutes of MAALL Business Meeting

July 23, 1996

Westin Grand Ballroom III - Indianapolis, Indiana

The meeting was called to order by MAALL President John Edwards at 12:35 pm. John announced that MAALL had won the West Decathlon and received the first place award of \$2,000. Minutes of the October 1995 business meeting in Topeka, were approved as printed in the December 1995 issue of *MAALL Markings*.

Jack Montgomery gave the Treasurer's Report. As of July 15, 1996, there is an account balance of \$9,582.07. He asked to be notified by members who had recently paid their dues so they could be included in the next directory. Members who do not want their name on the vendors sell list should also contact him.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Local Arrangements 1996: Laurel Wendt gave the report for the local arrangements committee for the Carbondale meeting. She stated that attendees should plan on casual attire for the meeting. One event planned for the meeting will be a buffalo tro (cookout). Travel information and other scenic information about Southern Illinois will be forthcoming.

Program 1996: Judy Morgan, Chair of the Program Committee reported that although they are still accepting ideas for the meeting, sessions on the following topics are likely to be chosen: the telecommunications and decency act; the current state of legal publishing; CD-ROM technology; and cataloging the Internet.

Local Arrangements 1997: Kay Andrus was not available to report on local arrangements for the 1997 meeting in Omaha, Nebraska. John polled the members present to see if there was interest in a regional meeting with other chapters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1998. The response was affirmative and details will be forthcoming.

Directory: The report was given by Needra Jackson for Jo Ann Humphreys. Any member who did not receive a copy of the Directory, or who was not listed, or who needs a correction to their listing should contact Jo Ann Humphreys.

Grants: The grants committee received five applications for travel grants to the Carbondale meeting. Mary Ann Nelson reported that the committee has decided to award grants to all applicants who were eligible.

Internet: John Christensen reminded members to sign up for the MAALL Listserv. Dorie Bertram gave the address for subscribing "MAALL@wuvmd.wustl.edu". Eric Cooper stated that the Internet committee is considering the creation of a home page for MAALL.

Membership: Joyce Pearson reported for the Membership Committee. The committee extended its thanks to James Duggan for his assistance with the creation of a new MAALL brochure. This brochure was available on the MAALL table in the exhibit hall. As a recruitment activity, the Membership Committee was also considering the creation of a list of AALL members from the MAALL Region who were not currently members of MAALL.

Newsletter: John Edwards expressed MAALL's appreciation to Melissa Serfass for being the editor of the current issue of MAALL Markings and introduced the new editor, Eric Cooper from the University of Illinois and assistant editor, Beth Smith from the University of Nebraska.

Nominations: The Nominations Committee's candidates are James Duggan (SIU-Carbondale) for Vice President/President Elect and Marilyn Nicely (University of Oklahoma) for Secretary.

Placement: Mary Kay Jung spoke on the role of the Placement committee in forwarding job notices to the MAALL Listserv.

Resource Sharing: Needra Jackson, Chair of the Resource Sharing Committee encouraged members to consider participating in the staff exchange program. Any MAALL member who is involved in an interesting project should contact her. Application forms were available on the tables and will also appear in the September issue of MAALL Markings.

Pro Bono: The Pro Bono Committee stated that it was trying to increase involvement by members.

Liaisons: Tranne Pearce was not present to give a report on liaisons activities with library schools.

James Duggan reported for public relations. The winner of the door prizes were Angela Lange (a basket from Hundley House in southern Illinois) and Paul Hill (a copy of the book "Land Between the Rivers").

MALSLC: Sally Wise gave the report for the Mid-America Consortium. Kay Andrus will be the new Chair of the Consortium. The Consortium has a homepage on the Washburn server. The imaging project to scan unique materials from different schools is proceeding. The University of Tulsa and University of Oklahoma will be scanning Native American materials. Midwest's contract as consortium vendor/book jobber is being re-evaluated. The Department of Education grant will expire December 30, 1996.

OTHER BUSINESS:

In other business, John Edwards reported that the executive board had decided to give a plaque to Kay Andrus (Creighton) as a memorial for Evelyn Gardner.

Invoices for membership dues will be mailed to members with the deadline being March 1, 1997.

New members, Phil Berwick, Washington University, Kaaren Pupino, University of North Dakota and Sandra Placzek, Drake University were introduced.

The members of the Decathlon team were recognized for their winning performance.

The luncheon meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Submitted By,
Needra Jackson for Jo Ann Humphreys, Secretary

Staff Exchange Program

The MAALL Resource Sharing Committee would like to encourage members to participate in the staff exchange program. An application form for the staff exchange program and travel grant is included on the next page.

The committee would like to hear from schools who are involved in projects that would be of interest to others in the MAALL region. Please take a moment and let MAALL members know what's happening in your organization.

If you have further questions about the program, please contact:

Needra Jackson
Chair, MAALL Resource Sharing Committee
University of Missouri Law Library
226 Hulston Hall
Columbia, MO 65211

MAALL STAFF EXCHANGE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Name _____ Date _____
Position _____ Since _____
Library _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Library to be Visited _____
Proposed dates of visit: 1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____

Departments of interest:

All _____ Administration _____ Cataloging _____ Circulation _____ Reference _____
Acquisitions _____ Serials _____ Computer Services _____ Other _____

Work Experience: If you have law library experience prior to your current employment, please list.
Include employer, position, and dates:

Education: List education beyond high school. Include schools attended, dates and degrees awarded.

Are any of the following prerequisites for the visit?

- a. Housing provided by host library or staff member? yes ___ no ___
- b. Some meals provided by host library or staff member? yes ___ no ___
- c. Receipt of a MAALL travel grant? yes ___ no ___

If not, would you prefer to:

- a. Have accommodations provided by the host library or staff member: yes ___ no ___
- b. Have some meals provided by the host library or staff member: yes ___ no ___

Do you need someone to meet your: plane/train/bus? yes ___ no ___

Estimated time of arrival: _____ departure: _____

MAALL STAFF EXCHANGE PROGRAM TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION

Are you a member of MAALL? yes ___ no ___ If so, when did you become a member?

List current and previous MAALL activities: _____

Have you received a MAALL travel grant previously? yes ___ no ___ If so, when? _____

Will you employer pay any of your travel expenses to visit another library? yes ___ no ___

If so, what portion? _____

Estimated travel expenses and means of transportation: _____

Estimated distance to travel _____

Please enclose a one page or less description of how the MAALL Staff Exchange Program will benefit you and/or your library and brief statement of your career goals. Also include two letters of recommendation from: 1) your library director and 2) someone who knows you professionally. RETURN TO:

Needra Jackson, Chair, MAALL Resource Sharing Committee,
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Joyce A. McCray Pearson
Chair, Membership Committee
University of Kansas Law Library
Lawrence, KS 66045
jpearson@law.wpo.ukans.edu

Calendar for Continuing Education & Events

October 1-4:	Library Management Skills Institute I, Chicago, IL
October 17-20:	Third Northeast Regional Meeting, Toronto, Canada
October 21-24:	ASIS Annual Conference, Baltimore, MD
October 24-26:	MAALL Annual Conference, Carbondale, IL
November 19-21:	Women In Library Leadership, Safety Harbor, FL

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