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FROM THE EDITORS

Where has the summer gone? By the time you are reading this, the summer associates will have returned to their respective law schools. After a summer of hard work, we law firm librarians said our goodbyes and passed them back to the academic librarians--hopefully with fond memories of a summer filled with great legal research. We don't know about you, but this summer seemed to vanish. So too, the fall issue marks the beginning of a new association year for the *CALL Bulletin*. Do you recall everything CALL accomplished in the past year? For a refresher, you can read the Committee 2005-2006 Annual Reports in this issue as they recap the highlights of the year.

You'll be happy to know some of your favorite columnists are returning. Maria Willmer will continue to give us valuable insights into "Working Smarter"; Shari Lewis will continue to provide decisive guidelines to our profession in "Professional Reading"; and ace detective Bob Winger will continue to track down and report on "Whatever Happened to ..." some of our favorite former CALL members. Roberta Fox will continue to exert her expertise as co-editor of the *Bulletin*, and Christina Wagner will return as advertising manager.

This year Megan Butman and Kathleen Bruner have agreed to take over "People and Places." Julienne Grant will be contributing her knowledge and skill to a new column, "Off the Beaten Path." She will present "gems" that are free e-publications, but are often buried in peripheral publications, such as newsletters. Julienne includes topics of interest to all CALL members, such as legal education, solo law librarians, foreign law libraries and the celebration of National Library Week. Check out "Off the Beaten Path." Gail Hartzell will start as a new co-editor of the *Bulletin* and looks forward to the challenge. Any ideas and suggestions for the *Bulletin* are always welcome.

The 99th AALL Annual Meeting and Conference/Centennial Celebration: "Pioneering Change" took place in St. Louis, MO, from July 8 to July 12, 2006. CALL had several reasons to celebrate. First, Sally Holterhoff, a CALL member, was inducted as President of AALL and will "Rise to the Challenge!" during her reign in this centennial year. The Community Service Committee was named the 2006 winner of the Spirit of Law Librarianship Award, which was presented at a ceremony at AALL. Mike Ragen, our chapter VIP, presented a program, "Libraries, Advocacy and Technology – Working with Decision Makers" at AALL. As grant winners, Janice Collins, Mary Ann Lenzen and Eugene Giudice have reported on their experiences at AALL. We hope you will enjoy the pictures from the conference.

The year ahead promises to be exciting as CALL celebrates its 60th anniversary.

Roberta and Gail

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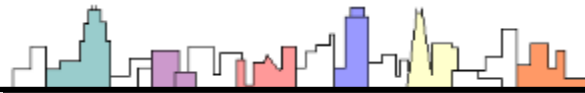
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President's Letter

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Welcome to the start of what will be CALL's 60th year in 2007. Because AALL's 100th anniversary was celebrated this summer, there was understandably an emphasis on history at the meeting this July. CALL was mentioned many times because it is the third chapter established. We are preceded only by the Southeastern Association of Law Libraries (SEALL) and the Law Library Society of Washington, DC (LLSDC).



CALL had a significant presence at the AALL meeting in St. Louis. On the first full day of the meeting, the **Community Service Committee** was honored at a reception with the Spirit of Law Librarianship award. On the final day of the meeting, **Sally Holterhoff**, past CALL President and the speaker at our May 2006 business meeting, officially became president of AALL for 2006/07. During the

course of the meeting, a number of CALL members served as moderators and presenters at educational programs. CALL sponsored our first VIP guest in many years, **Mike Ragen**, of the Illinois State Library who gave a well attended presentation. AALL Executive Board and CALL member **Lyonette Louis-Jacques**' name was credited a number of times for her outstanding leadership with the AALL annual calendar and speakers' bureau. And, of course, past CALL president **Jean Wenger** successfully chaired this year's Annual Meeting Program Committee.

Plans are being made for educational programs and meeting speakers for the coming year. This fall, a program on legislative process will be presented under the auspices of the Public Affairs and Continuing Education committees. We hope to have an increased emphasis on recruitment in the coming year, including encouraging current graduate library school students to attend our business meetings and educational programs at a reduced price. In July, Education co-chairs **Raizel Liebler** and **Julie Pabarja** prepared a survey that was sent to all CALL members asking for feedback on the kind of programs in which they are interested. This was your chance to voice your opinion, so I hope that many people took the opportunity.

I look forward to seeing many of you in the coming year and at the very least, communicating through the CALL discussion forum.

Mary Lu



2006 AALL. Photos courtesy of Mary Lu Linnane.

CALL would like to thank

Wolters Kluwer Law & Business for sponsoring the May meeting and
Library Professional Services for providing the door prizes.

CALL Executive Board Minutes Summary

By Julia Jackson, Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione

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Date: March 21, 2006

Place: AALL Headquarters

Members present: Naomi Goodman, JoAnn Hounshell, Juli Jackson, Mary Lu Linnane, Jamie Stewart, and Jean Wenger

Members not present: Janice Collins

Committee Chairs present: Laura Ikens, Joan Ogden, Public Relations Committee

I. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:08.

II. Approve the agenda

The agenda was approved as amended.

III. Approve Secretary's Minutes

The Secretary's minutes are approved as amended.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Income and deposits for February totaled \$625.00 and expenditures totaled \$3,113.70. Actual balance at the Harris Bank to reflect deposits and outstanding checks is \$29,056.78. The Northern Trust balance as of the 3rd of the month is \$4,094.20. Current paid membership is 300 and the current total membership is 319.

The Northern Trust CD matures on May 4, 2006. At the next meeting we will decide what to do with the CD. JoAnn is going to get current interest rates.

V. Public Relations Committee

Laura Ikens and Joan Ogden came in to discuss what their committee has been working on this year. They are working on a style guide and need some decisions from the board on colors and style. The purpose of the style guide is to establish some consistency in communications of the Association. It's important to have a consistent brand. It's more professional and makes us look more polished.

There appear to be two different versions of the logo - a line and the blocks. The one with the line is an older, official version. Some people are using Arial font and the block logo, while some are using Times New Roman (which is what is used on the Bulletin). The Directory has a totally different logo. The website uses the block logo. Joan thinks that it was difficult to get the line one on Internet. She believes that if we use the block logo on the website then that should be our main logo. We can modify what we use now to match this.

Colors that are in the box logo are used pretty consistently. It would be better to redo the stationary instead of changing the website because the line logo would not look effective on the web. It was decided to keep the web as it is and adopt a new official stationary. Also anyone making a flyer or brochure should use the same logo. Also the Committee recommended that Arial should be used for anything on the web and Times New Roman should be used for anything that is hard copy, including the Bulletin, because most members print off a copy. This is the recommended guideline by the committee and the Board. The official logo is the pastel one from the web.

The committee is also trying to get a generic e-mail address and has requested Board permission to get one. The Board suggested the committee use an address similar to what the Recruitment and Placement committee did and agreed the Public Relations Committee could get a generic e-mail address. The committee chair needs to keep track of the address and password and pass it down.

The Board asked the committee to look into purchasing lanyards for the CALL membership.

VI. Old Business

a. Elections update

Susan Siebers prepared an elections report. CALL's first electronic election was successfully completed March 15, 2006. The results were downloaded March 16 in the presence of two Elections Committee members and two other CALL members. The one paper ballot that was returned was added to that total. The newly elected members are:

- ▶ Deborah Rusin, Vice President/President Elect
- ▶ Anne Abramson, Treasurer
- ▶ Maureen Burns, Director

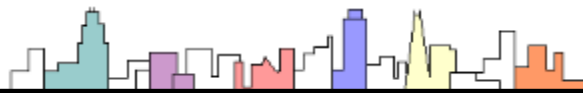
All candidates were notified and then the Board was informed via e-mail. President Naomi Goodman informed the membership. The official report will be made at the CALL meeting, March 23rd, at which time a motion will be made to destroy the paper ballot.

53% of the eligible membership voted

b. March business meeting

We have almost 100 people attending. It is a buffet. The Book Stall in Wilmette is the book shop that will be selling Steve Bogira's book. They should be there sometime between 12:30 and 1:00. They will use the same set up as registration. Steve Bogira will be there at 11:45 and will sign books after his speech.

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- c. Sunshine week program
("Are We Safer in the Dark") report

Thirteen people showed up for the program. Unfortunately, there was a problem with the video link. The official explanation for the problem was that the satellite was affected by the wind (it was really windy in Chicago that day).

All thirteen attendees were given their \$5 back. MLS is giving our \$100 fee back and OpentheGovernment organization is giving the \$200 fee we paid back.

A DVD of the conference is being made. We might get a copy for free or have to pay a small fee for a copy. Keith Ann Stiverson said she would sponsor a showing at her library, Chicago Kent.

- d. AALL VIP visitor

We have a slot for the first Monday morning of the AALL Annual meeting, if our VIP wants to give a presentation.

- e. Procedure for ratifying email votes

The procedure for ratifying email votes is:

The Board can vote electronically (i.e., by email), in accordance with our Bylaws and 805 ILCS 105/101.80(p) and 805 ILCS 105/108.45.

At the following Board meeting, the vote, including the exact wording of the approved motion and the date of the electronic vote, should be ratified and recorded in the minutes of that meeting. The minutes shall show that "This decision is ratified at this meeting."

A motion was made that the Board accepts the recommendation of the Corporate Memory Committee and the Bylaws Committee regarding ratifying Board votes taken by email at succeeding board meetings. The motion was approved

- f. Zoomerang access for Internet committee

CALL can use AALL access to Zoomerang for online surveys. Annette Cade and Pam LaMarca have the login/password information. We have free access and they are going to set up a test

VII. New business

- a. Membership directory - retain/delete subject index

There is a lot of work involved in keeping this section and it is very time intensive. Not many people use it anymore. A motion was made to get rid of the subject index - this motion passed.

- b. Membership renewal form - retain/delete committee preferences

Better responses are gained from the volunteer form and e-mails, under the assumption that people thought about

volunteering. There is a recommendation that the committee section on the membership form be taken off. A motion was made and passed.

- c. Meetings agenda, etc. For 2006-2007

The Board meetings (held at AALL Headquarters, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., 9th floor) for 2006/2007 are:

Tuesday, June 13, 2006

Thursday, August 3, 2006

Tuesday, September 12, 2006

Tuesday, October 10, 2006

Tuesday, November 14, 2006

Tuesday, December 12, 2006

Tuesday, January 9, 2007

Tuesday, February 13, 2007

Tuesday, March 13, 2007

Tuesday, April 10, 2007

Tuesday, May 8, 2007

The Business meetings are tentatively scheduled:

Thursday, September 21, 2006

Friday, November 17, 2006

Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19, 2007 (joint meeting with SLA)

Thursday, March 22, 2007

Friday, May 18, 2007

- c1. Law bulletin listing

This is just a listing in one of the Chicago Daily Law Bulletins. The listing would include the name of the organization, brief description of the organization, and a contact person. We think that PR committee did it last year. Jean is taking care of it for this year. We are trying to get a listing in the Law Day May 1st Bulletin. The cost is \$100.

- d. AALL archives access to current CALL bulletin

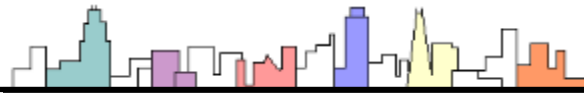
Moved until next month.

- e. Items on suggestions list for corporate memory committee

The Board went through the Corporate Memory Committee Suggestions Log. If there is a mention of a motion and approval, that took place today, March 21st. See the items below:

Membership: Have Board ratify that AALL keeps the membership list and does the printing of labels. Was there a contract? Was there an agreement for services?

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We don't know of any contract, it is a verbal agreement with AALL to keep CALL membership list. It is very informal. A motion was made to have AALL keep the CALL membership list and printing of labels. The motion was approved.

File Annual Report: This is due to the Illinois Secretary of State (SOS) before September 1, which is the beginning of our fiscal year. The SOS sends the form to the registered agent, currently Christina Wagner, at her home address. (The registered agent will change to Jean Wenger in September 2004, or to the Vice-President who follows her, if an Illinois resident.) The form is also available on the SOS web site, and our report and status can be checked there, too. All Board members must be listed and must sign, and the Treasurer needs to write a check. In practice, this is done at a Board meeting, but it is the Secretary's final responsibility. The SOS will send back a stamped copy to the registered agent, and the Secretary needs to make sure this is filed in the Corporate Records Book.

Previously, in a year when we changed the registered agent, we had to file a Change of Registered Agent form with the SOS. This year, they returned the form we sent. When I called the Springfield SOS office, they told me this form was not necessary since they took the information from the Annual Report, but that we needed to take the filed, stamped copy of the Annual Report to the Cook County Recorder of Deeds Office, 118 N. Clark, Room 120, Chicago, IL, 60602, (phone (312) 603-5050), with a check for \$26.50 for two pages, plus \$2 per page for additional pages. Both the Chicago SOS office and the Cook County Recorder of Deeds office confirmed this information.

The information about official papers required from CALL is scattered under Annual Report, Registering with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds 2003-12, and Registering with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds 2004-3. The Board would like to recommend to the Corporate Memory Committee to group this kind of information under "CALL Official Registrations" so it is not so hard to find. Further, where personal names are mentioned, also include the title.

60th Anniversary: Is CALL going to do something for its 60th Anniversary?

The 60th Anniversary is next year. It is not as big of a mile stone as the 50th Anniversary. Some event will probably be planned, but it has not yet been discussed.

Surveys: Reminder to the Board that surveys require Board approval.

A motion was made that any survey generated by a CALL Committee needs approval by the Committee liaison. The motion was approved.

Bylaws. Indicate date of amendment for all articles or sections that have been amended.

Request the Corporate Memory Committee to add dates to Bylaws sections affected by at least the last two Bylaws changes. If the Board receives this by June 1, could be incorporated into 2006/07 Handbook. If received by mid-August, could be incorporated in 2006/07 Directory.

The Board also discussed who to make registered agent. The incoming vice president should be made registered agent because they will still be on board when the form comes in. The name is put in the handbook too. The registered agent term should be changed to two years instead of three years. The incoming vice president is the registered agent for two years unless he/she is not an Illinois resident. In that case another Board member will be selected. The two year term ensures that the Illinois Secretary of State forms will be sent to a current board member. The board agrees that this should be the policy.

VIII. Committee reports

Grants Committee - Jean Wenger will make an announcement about grants at the March 23rd business meeting. No applications have come in yet. The Grants Committee will be doing a blitz to try and get people to apply for grants.

Bulletin Committee – the Board thought they had a great issue last time. CRIV Committee did an excellent job.

Membership - 319 members. Gail will greet the new person at the March 23rd business meeting.

Continuing Education Committee – they are having their program right now. Thirteen attendees at the program. Should a committee member be there for the whole program? This is something to think about for next year.

Archives - the committee should track down the papers from 2000- forward as it is important to have a paper trail for important CALL papers.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38

Submitted by: Juli Jackson
29. March 2006

As Amended: 11. April 2006



Date: April 11, 2006

Place: AALL Headquarters

Members present: Janice Collins; Naomi Goodman; JoAnn Hounshell; Juli Jackson; Mary Lu Linnane; Jamie Stewart

New Board Members: Anne Abramson; Debbie Rusin

Members present via phone: Jean Wenger

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April Exec. Board Minutes cont. from p.7**I. Meeting called to order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:04.

II. Approve the agenda

The agenda was approved as amended.

III. Approve Secretary's Minutes

The Secretary's minutes are approved as amended.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Income and deposits for March totaled \$2,284.00 and expenditures totaled \$2,267.56. Actual balance at the Harris Bank to reflect deposits and outstanding checks is \$29,143.47. The Northern Trust balance as of the 3rd of the month is \$4,121.01. Current paid membership is 310 and the current total membership is 320.

The Northern Trust CD matures on May 4, 2006. JoAnn looked around at other banks for rates (Northern Trust rate is 4.3%, LaSalle rate is 4.47% with a \$2000 minimum, Washington Mutual rate is 4.51% with a \$1000 minimum). The CD has been with Northern Trust since 2000 and it will roll over for a year if we do nothing. The Board decided that it does not seem worth closing the Northern Trust account and opening a new account with another bank. A motion was made to keep the CD at Northern Trust and have it roll over on May 4th. The motion passed.

V. Old Business**A. Elections update**

Susan Siebers wrote up a summary of the CALL electronic election for the Spectrum. The summary should appear sometime in the next couple months.

B. March business meeting

The March Business meeting at Lalo's was a great success. All comments were positive. The May meeting will be held at Maggiano's. Sally Holterhoff will be the speaker.

C. CALL lanyards for members

The Public Relations Committee recommends the 3/8th inch lanyard in royal blue with white writing for an approximate cost of \$720 dollar for 500. They are silk screen. This lanyard has a J clip that actually closes. The wider lanyard costs about \$860. The Board would like the Chicago Association of Law Libraries spelled out, with a j clip, and the wider version.

D. Law bulletin signature listing

The CALL notice should be in the May 1st Bulletin for Law Day. It will have Mary Lu Linnane's name listed as president.

E. Style guide from PR Committee

The Public Relations Committee is going to submit something to the Board for the May meeting so we can discuss and make a decision. They did send a sample with the pastel colors. Should the official logo be color? The Board decided that the official logo should not be in color as not everyone has a color printer.

Naomi will ask the committee for a smaller version and that the letterhead for letters be black & white. The website and the Bulletin will be the places for color.

F. AALL VIP Visitor

The Board is still discussing possible visitors to ask.

G. CALL annual reports from LLJ (for CALL Archives)

Frank Houdek from LLJ said it was alright if we scanned the annual reports from LLJ as long as we gave them credit. Naomi is sending Carol Klink a note about this decision.

VI. New Business**A. Membership committee - transfer of memberships to new employee at institution**

According to the CALL By-Laws, when an institution pays a membership, the membership can be transferred to the new person at the institution. The CALL membership stays with the firm and transfers to the new person, it does not go with the person that left. The Membership Committee thinks that the membership should know about this policy. It could go into the people/places section permanently and it could also go on the membership form when it is overhauled. Also, a message can be sent via the list serv to the membership. This suggestion will be implemented in the coming year.

B. Membership committee - track length of membership

The Board feels that it is a good idea to see how long someone has been a member. This information is useful for grants and for retired membership status. For next year, the Membership Committee will put something on the form that asks the member the year they joined. AALL has been recording year joined information since September, 2000.

C. Nominate Community Service Committee for award

The Spirit of Law Librarianship Award is an AALL award. The CALL Board would like to nominate the Community Service Committee because the work that the committee has done has given the whole membership the ability to participate in volunteerism. The response has been tremendous. It would be nice to be able to recognize this year and last years committee for all of their ideas and hard work. A motion was made to put their name forward. JoAnn is getting the details for nominating the committee.

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Business Meeting Roundup

By Julia Jackson

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The **May 25, 2006 CALL Business Meeting** was held at Maggiano's Little Italy. Wolters Kluwer Law & Business sponsored the meeting. Professionals Library Services donated the door prizes. Sally Holterhoff, AALL Vice-President/President Elect and long time CALL member, was the guest speaker.

Ms. Holterhoff discussed the state of affairs at AALL. She stressed that the success of the organization rests with the relationship with the Chapters. The 2006/2007 year is the AALL Centennial. This is a time for the Association to look back at what has been accomplished and look forward to see what else can be accomplished. There are three directions that AALL would like to take. They are education, leadership, and advocacy. AALL has put together a Speakers Directory and has recently unveiled the AALL Calendar to help educate the membership. New grant funding is available for organizations that would like a great speaker and need some help with funding. If a chapter thinks up a program, they can obtain help with funding and organization. These two programs are AALL steps to help the membership with leadership. Finally, AALL has organized a Special Committee on Pro Bono Partnerships with the hope of promoting cooperation between libraries and pro bono organizations. Ms. Holterhoff asked everyone to mark their calendars for the 2007 Annual conference which begins July 14th in New Orleans and is entitled, "Rise to the Challenge!"

President, Naomi Goodman, welcomed three new members,
Deanna Goetz
Christine Ross
Sam Wertime

President Goodman also thanked the retiring Board members: Jean Wenger, JoAnn Hounshell, and Jamie Stewart. She also introduced the new Board members: Debbie Rusin, Anne Abramson, and Maureen Burns. Finally, all of the Committee Chairs and Committee members were thanked for their time and commitment to CALL over the past year.

Jean Wenger, Grants and Chapter Awards Committee, announced the recipients of the three annual chapter awards. They are the Harvey Reed Award which was awarded to Annette Cade for her work on the CALL website. The Lifetime Achievement Award was awarded to Lenore Glanz for her many years of service to CALL. And the Best In-House Publication Award was awarded to the William J. Campbell Library of the US Courts and Seyfarth Shaw. Congratulations to all of this year's recipients.

Therese Clark Arado, Grants and Chapter Awards Committee, announced the recipients of the CALL grants. Four grants to attend the AALL meeting in St. Louis were awarded to Mary Ann Lenzen, Patricia Scott, Eugene Giudice, and Janice Collins. One grant was awarded to Deborah Ginsberg to attend the CALI conference.

Submitted by: Juli Jackson, CALL Secretary
August 3, 2006 ■

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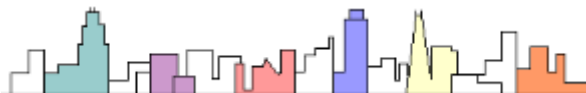
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CALL Meeting Schedule 2006-2007

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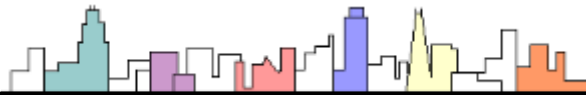
Business Meetings

Thursday, May 25, 2006
Thursday, September 21, 2006
 Friday, November 17, 2006
 Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19, 2007
 (joint meeting with SLA)
 Thursday, March 22, 2007
 Friday, May 18, 2007

Executive Board Meetings

Tuesday, June 13, 2006	Tuesday, January 9, 2007
Thursday, August 3, 2006	Tuesday, February 13, 2007
Tuesday, September 12, 2006	Tuesday, March 13, 2007
Tuesday, October 10, 2006	Tuesday, April 10, 2007
Tuesday, November 14, 2006	Tuesday, May 8, 2007 ■
Tuesday, December 12, 2006	

Details will be posted as they become available. Dates subject to change.



PIONEERING CHANGE: The Impressions of a First Time Conference Attendee

By Eugene M. Giudice, eugenejudice@sbcglobal.net

The theme of this year's AALL conference was Pioneering Change. This theme is an appropriate one, especially for me since I am changing careers from technology training to law librarianship. It is also appropriate because our chosen profession is going through enormous changes. We have seen a change from print to electronic materials as well as a change in staffing models for the libraries in which we serve. We have also seen a change in the nature of work we do as law librarians. From my own limited experience as a library intern at Schiff Hardin LLP, I know that law librarians are being asked to execute a broader range of research projects. One day the project can be researching avian flu, while the next day, the request can be to help locate experts in a particular field.

This idea of change is nothing new. Our profession has been changing ever since the first librarian placed a papyrus roll on a shelf. Throughout all these centuries of change the central question remains the same: How do we adapt ourselves to the changing environment so that we remain relevant to our constituency? Part of the answer can be found in the fact that groups like AALL and CALL are committed to the continuing development of law librarians and to promoting the profession. These organizations, individually and in concert with others, are committed to providing law librarians with the tools to preserve the profession as a necessary part of the legal landscape, whether that landscape be in a private law library, a law school or court library.

Before I continue on with my reflections on the conference, I would be remiss if I did not thank the CALL leadership and AALL President Claire Germain for the grants that I received which enabled me to attend the conference. Attendance at this conference was an extraordinary learning experience and has become a catalyst in the changes that are happening in my professional life.

On Saturday, July 8th, I attended CONELL which is the pre-conference meeting for newer law librarians. In my opinion, it is an absolute must for newer law librarians. In a few short hours, I was able to learn how to make the most of the time spent at the conference. A number of different speakers gave presentations on association life and how to make the most of one's membership in AALL and in the larger sense, how to make the most of one's profession as a law librarian. I was especially impressed with Cornell Winston's talk on how to make the most of the conference. He gave us three simple things to do during the conference. The first was to make sure to "get your stuff" from the vendors, be it a small desk toy, a tote bag or the extremely popular wheeled briefcase



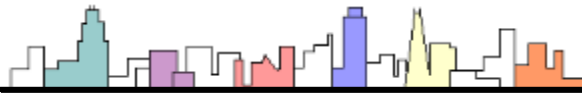
AALL 2006, photo courtesy of Debbie Rusin.

(even my wife who attended the conference with me was able to get one). The second point Cornell made was to meet at least five new people each day. That was not hard to do at all and once people saw that I was new to the conference and new to the profession, they made me feel more welcome. Finally, Cornell suggested attending one session that was outside of one's area. My area is public service and reference, so I attended a technical services session (more about that later).

For me, the CONELL meetings helped set the stage for the rest of the conference. It gave me a framework by which I was able to take an active part in the conference and not simply observe. In fact, it made me change my thinking of why I was at the conference and what I was "expected" to do, say, and learn. I thought since this was my first conference, I would spend most of my time just watching and observing. The way we were treated during CONELL made me realize that I had to take responsibility, in some incalculable amount, for the success of the conference. The bottom line was that I had to change, from passive spectator to being fully engaged.

The sessions I attended impressed me a great deal and gave me more insights into the changes occurring in our profession. The first session I attended focused on competitive intelligence and it impressed me in that the law librarian is in an excellent position to assist the law firm with new business development. This session revealed to me how the law librarian can be proactive in the development of business and in the long term, the success and viability of the firm. To do this, we as law librarians need to become more aware our firm's needs and be able to recommend tools and strategies to meet these needs. One of the librarian models

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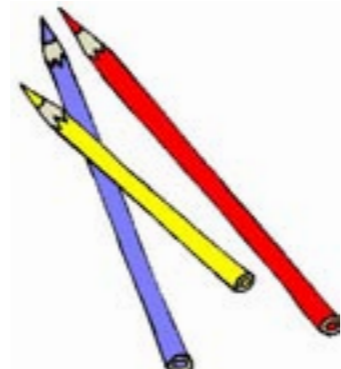
that might be useful in this regard is the clinical librarian found in many academic health care settings. The clinical librarian or clinical information specialist is a member of the medical team and provides attending physicians as well as residents with case specific clinical information. Often times, the clinical librarian will attend rounds and morning report.

I also attended a session led by our own Debbie Ginsberg on the technology of blogs. Blogs, along with its popular cousin, podcasting, can be a great help to attorneys, especially in the areas of collaboration within a firm and the attorneys' continuing education. Various practice groups can establish their own blogs with the assistance of the librarian where they can discuss legal issues. The librarian intern can monitor these blogs and provide resources and information that will be valuable to the attorneys. The librarian can also create podcasts on various subjects such as new resources in the library, legal research instruction or tips on using LexisNexis or Westlaw. These podcasts can be downloaded by the attorney and listened to on his or her IPOD at their convenience.

I had the chance to listen to Mike Ragen speak on library advocacy. Mike is Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Library and was CALL's VIP attendee at the conference. Mike's talk and the question and answer session after his presentation was, in my opinion, a clarion call for librarians to be more active in advocating for libraries by demonstrating in practical ways the value libraries can bring. The competition for resources will continue to be great and we as librarians have to be at the forefront if we want libraries to survive.

These were just a few of the insights that I drew by attending this year's conference. I was pleased to meet many of the professionals that I will be crossing paths with throughout my career and I wish to thank all who showed great hospitality to me and my wife. Transitions are never easy, especially when it comes to one's career. Attendance at this conference and my membership in CALL and AALL has made the transition much less stressful and I am encouraged for my own new career and for our profession as a whole. ■

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**John J. Cullerton, State Senator for the 6th District and
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**Additional details will be placed on the CALL
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Spotlight on Programs at AALL Conference

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Mary Ann Lenzen

A very worthwhile PLL program was “Marketing 101: Five Easy Steps to Successful Library Marketing.” It was presented by **Abigail F. Ellsworth Ross**, of Keller and Heckman, LLP, and **Cindy Carlson** of West. This presentation gave practical, useful examples of how to market your library and librarians.

The speaker used five steps to demonstrate “Marketing 101.”

Step 1 Get a Clue

You have to know what your users need. If you promote programs that no one cares about, no one will attend. Ms Ross suggests sending out surveys to your attorneys, such as a summer associates legal research survey as a needs assessment, and a fall associates online legal research survey. Both of these are good marketing opportunities. It is also important to talk to the “people in the know,” such as the legal assistants coordinator or practice group/department heads, and to make the most of “elevator moments” with attorneys.

Step 2 Have a Plan

It only needs to be a few pages, but it will help clarify what you will do, and how you will go about it. List the event, purpose, target audience, preparation, cost and results. Target discreet, manageable groups, such as specific practice groups or summer associates.

Step 3 Implement the Plan

Spread the word about new things, such as a catalog rollout, new staff areas of expertise, new products and services training and library improvements. Use the firm intranet, newsletters, print postings and word of mouth (those elevator moments, remember?). One librarian put announcements for National Library Week activities on the inside of restroom stalls. Prepare a monthly report of what the library has done. This is also a great way to record items that can easily become your annual report at the end of the year. It helps you remember what you did monthly, instead of trying to remember everything at the end of December. Attending the monthly meetings of practice groups is a good way to stay aware of what they need and keeps you visible.

Step 4 Evaluate and Adjust

Always follow up with surveys, conversations, or other opportunities. Keep statistics, and really do something with them. Track the type of requests that you receive, intranet

page use, and catalog use. Develop reference request forms and have attorneys tell you where they already looked so that you don't waste time. Give attendees evaluation forms after training programs and lunches, so that you can get valuable feedback. If an attorney doesn't respond, go ask them whether or not it was a worthwhile program.

Step 5 Brag on Yourself

Maintain an ego file, full of your best successes. Again, highlight these in your annual report, and during National Library Week. Quote your happy customers, and don't forget to spin! Try to talk to two partners every day. Do training yourself, if possible; it makes you look like an authority on the topic. In your evaluation form for the programs, ask them what was the most valuable thing that they learned. Buy the PLL SIS toolkit for marketing, and “steal from others” for marketing ideas, such as the web site for the law schools. Use the PLL-SIS web site for handouts and surveys: <http://aallnet.org/sis/pllsis/whatsnew.asp>.

You know you're a great resource.
Now tell them.



Janice Collins

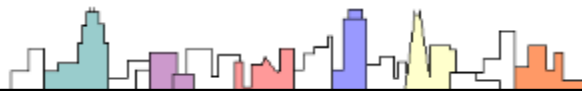
Of the many workshops I attended at AALL this year, the most informative was the one on Competitive Intelligence. The four presenters provided a well rounded program on what CI is, how it can function in a law firm, and what librarians who are transitioning into it need to consider.

Silvia L. Coulter was the first speaker and her main emphasis was how law firms can use CI to keep abreast of events happening with their present clients. The firm then uses this information to offer new services to the clients.

Cynthia C. Correia, the second speaker, focused on transitioning from librarians to analysts. She discussed what CI is and is not, the resources needed to perform it, and the skills needed to be a good analyst. She closed her portion by suggesting some organizations which provide support and training for those working in the field.

The last two speakers were **Marsha L. Fulton** and **Jan M. Rivers** who are firm librarians responsible for CI in their firms. Their programs focused on what is involved in the day to day performance of Competitive Intelligence.

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CALL Presents — LIBRARIES, ADVOCACY AND TECHNOLOGY: WORKING WITH DECISION MAKERS

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Mike Ragen, CALL's VIP ("Valuable Invited Participant"), has a strong interest in advocacy and access to government information. He



believes in thinking globally and acting locally in the

context of "advocacy is politics and politics is advocacy." He posed an often-asked question: Why do we need libraries when we have Google? Librarians need to convince decision makers and legislators why they need libraries and promote the value of librarians. In other words, decision makers need to know what law librarians do.

Ragen gave examples of grass roots politics at its best. His first example was Justice Alito's nomination to the Supreme Court. Both sides for and against the nomination used retail politics or advertising on the Internet and other media with the White House using pressure politics. The second example is immigration reform. The protest rally in Southern California spread information on the rally via disc jockeys on the radio. The result was the largest rally ever in southern California, much more than the original expectation. His advice is to communicate with decision makers or get in their faces and ask for funds and resources.

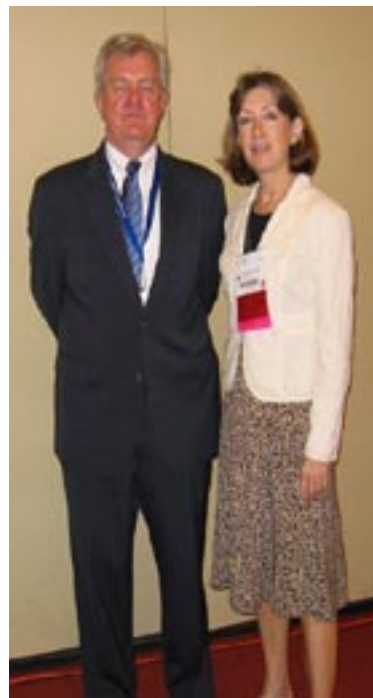
Ragen then expanded on library advocacy and what librarians can do. First, librarians should reach out to decision makers – legislators, members of Congress, committee chairs, academic trustees – and remember that they like to be noticed. By email or other methods of communication, send your opinions on issues and case laws that apply. You can invite these decision makers to your institution or organization for a visit. Second, librarians should urge lobbyist groups to help your cause. Lobbyists include ABA, state ABA organizations and trial lawyer associations. It is valuable to get retired librarians in AARP involved as they have the time to show up on lobby days while you are at work.

Third, check your state constitutions for opportunities. For example, Illinois law calls for a constitutional convention every twenty years. In 1998 there was nothing on record for libraries or freedom of information. The opportunity exists to advocate for these issues in 2008. Finally, librarians need to promote their skills. Librarians do not talk enough about what they do as law librarians, such as provide information and help students, businesses and the legal community.

Next Ragen addressed technology and information gathering. He discussed blogs, which are used by corporations, and gave other examples of technology used to disseminate information online, whether for free or fee. IPODs are the latest technology and whole cities are becoming wireless.

The trend in technology is for information to become individualized as never before and sold on an individual basis. People pay for online access to newspapers and use ATMs that are now fee based if owned by another bank. Librarians are faced with the daunting and unprecedented task of trying to identify and use technology to the benefit of patrons and to convince decision makers that more resources are needed to accomplish this task. Librarians can be a port for technology and use it for advocacy purposes. For example, librarians can adapt and use IPODs to podcast library tours and various instructional purposes.

Ragen ended with a Winston Churchill quotation: "Politics are almost as exciting as war, and quite as dangerous. In war you can only be killed once, but in politics many times."



Mike Ragen, CALL 2006 VIP, and Sally Holterhoff, 2006/07 AALL President
Photo courtesy of Sally Holterhoff

Mike Ragen is presently the chief Deputy director of the Illinois State Library. In that capacity he assists in the overall mission of the State Library to interact with the 4000-plus libraries of Illinois and foster the relationship of libraries with decision makers. Mike holds an MLS from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Illinois at Springfield. ■

2005/06 Committee Annual Reports

Archives Committee:

The Archives committee has been very active this year. We have made great progress in sorting, weeding, and organizing the materials that were formerly housed in two file cabinets, eleven storage boxes, and fifteen three-ring binders. The materials are arranged in chronological order by committee name or office. We will continue this process for new files that should arrive now that another year has ended. A memo will appear in the June issue of the *CALL Bulletin* reminding committee chairs and officers to forward their files to the Archives committee.

The Bulletins, Handbooks, and Membership Directories have been scanned for the Website. Next year we will plan to scan more materials for the website.

We did not have any expenses this year. We have sufficient archival boxes on hand. I would recommend keeping the budget the same for next year.

Chair: Carol Klink

Members: Lenore Glanz, Gail Hartzell, Jayne McQuoid

Liaison: Julia Jackson

Bulletin Committee:

This is the third year that the *CALL Bulletin* has been published electronically. For those members who do not have Internet or e-mail access (there are/were seven) photocopied versions of the *Bulletin* were mailed. By the end of the 2005-2006 fiscal year, the *Bulletin* Committee will have published four issues (No. 197, Fall 2005 – No. 200 Summer 2006).

The Fall 2005 issue was 33 pages long, the Winter issue was 24 pages long, and the Spring issue was 34 pages long.

Even though this was our third year to publish electronically the basic format of the *Bulletin* pretty much stayed the same. We continued with our regular columns: “Working Smarter,” “Professional Reading,” “People and Places,” and “Whatever Happened to . . .” Last year, the “Whatever Happened to . . .” column had not made it into the Spring and Summer 2005 issues after Sally Holterhoff, who was a regular columnist for this feature resigned after being elected to the office of AALL Vice President/President Elect. Fortunately, Bob Winger, volunteered to resume with the writing of the “Whatever Happened to . . .” column this past Fall and the column has once again appeared in each issue of the *Bulletin*. Unfortunately, the “Internet Moment,” column has not appeared in the *CALL Bulletin* since the Summer 2005 issue when Susan Boland resigned from writing the column.

This year, one of our four issues was a special issue: “Virtual Interactions?” (Winter 2006). A large part of the Fall 2005 issue was dedicated to the publishing of the Committees 2004/2005 annual reports. The Spring 2006 issue contained the biographies and photos of the candidates for the *CALL* election.

While we have achieved the goal of having the *CALL Bulletin* posted in PDF directly in the Members Only password protected section of the website, we have yet to put out a splash page for each issue of the *Bulletin*. In order to accomplish this goal, the *Bulletin* Committee will need to work closely with the Internet Committee to come up with a plan as to the best way to make this happen. The *Bulletin* committee has also talked about changing some of the format of the *Bulletin* to keep it fresh and interesting although this has yet to happen.

Each issue came out roughly on schedule. The deadlines for content submission are:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Fall	August 1 st
Winter	November 1 st
Spring	February 1 st
Summer	May 1 st

These deadlines will remain the same for next year. So far, for three issues, we have needed to use \$708.13 of our \$3,000 budget. ($\$2,000 - \$2,708.13 = \$708.13$ [\$2,550.00 for the cost of layout, \$95.55 to make photocopies of the Fall, Winter and Spring issues for those that did not have Internet or e-mail access, and \$62.58 was spent on postage thus to mail the Fall, Winter and Spring issues to those without Internet or e-mail access]). For three of the four issues published so far, the Committee billed \$2,000.00 for advertising and had approximately \$2,708.13 in expenses. The expenses include layout and the cost of photocopies and postage for those members without Internet or e-mail access. The cost of each issue is running approximately \$902.71 Advertising revenue have been running about \$450.00 - \$900.00 billed per issue. Our advertising revenue has dropped slightly because LexisNexis has made a decision not to advertise any longer in chapter publications.

The co-editors would like to thank the following people for helping to make the publication of the *Bulletin* happen: The Internet Committee and the Membership Committee. Thanks to the coordination between the *Bulletin*, Internet and Membership Committee we were once again able to deliver the *Bulletin* electronically. Thank you to Marie Greenhagen for being patient with all of the numerous editorial changes and doing a fantastic job with layout; Annette Cade, Web Master and co-chair of the Internet Committee for dealing with the challenges of posting the *Bulletin* and advertisements to the *CALL* website; Christina Wagner, advertising manager, for reeling in the ads. Last but not least, we would like to also thank the Public Relations Committee for “being there” ready with camera in hand to capture all the great photos they supplied throughout the year.

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Bylaws Committee:

The committee reviewed the current bylaws at the request of the Board and in conjunction with the Elections Committee, to verify that the bylaws permitted electronic balloting. One of the principal reasons for the last revision was to make sure that the bylaws allowed electronic balloting as permitted by statute. After review, while there could have been a few minor changes in wording, the bylaws were determined to permit electronic balloting. During the review process there were a few other possible changes noted which would fine-tune the bylaws. However, nothing was important enough to suggest a bylaws revision at this time; if something should arise in the future requiring bylaws revision, then there could be some more fine-tuning.

Chair: Frank Drake. Liaison: Naomi Goodman

Community Service Committee:

General Matters

- * The Committee's name was officially designated as the "Community Service" Committee (instead of "Community Services" Committee).
- * The Community Service Committee became the custodian of the CALL hand truck which the Committee will use in conjunction with donation drives. All other CALL committees are welcome to use the hand truck when needed. The hand truck will be passed on to the new committee chair each year.

Projects — Ongoing:

- * This year, the Committee accepted donations by CALL members on behalf of the American Red Cross. This year, all donations were earmarked for disaster recovery and relief. In total, the Committee collected \$377.47 for the "Dollars for Disaster" campaign.

Special "Outside Meeting" Project:

- * In honor of Earth Day, the Committee joined with Friends of the Parks to help cleanup and beautify one of Chicago's city parks. This year, CALL members Anne Abramson, Stephanie Crawford, Holly Lakatos, Mary Lu Linnane, Kevin McClure, Susan Schaefer, Keith Ann Stiverson, and Sam Wertime joined other park volunteers to beautify Lake Shore Park by mulching and preparing flower beds for new plants.

* September Meeting:

- * The Committee sponsored a school supply drive at our first business meeting (9/15) to benefit Chicago Public School's Homeless Education Program that collected 16 boxes of needed materials. Displaced students from Katrina-devastated areas who were temporarily relocated to Chicago received the supplies, in addition to the almost 9,000 other homeless students who normally live in Chicago. The supplies we collected provided these students with age and grade appropriate materials needed to complete their schoolwork.

* November Meeting:

- * The Committee sponsored a food collection to benefit the Greater Chicago Food Depository. In total, CALL members gave 180 pounds of food.

* SLA Joint Meeting:

- * CALL members joined SLA members in giving to the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

* March Meeting:

- * The Committee sponsored a toiletry drive to benefit the Chicago Abused Women's Coalition's Greenhouse Shelter. While at the Greenhouse Shelter women and their children are provided with food, clothing, and counseling. Additional services include legal advocacy, job training and housing referrals. In total, CALL members donated 475 band-aids; 101 bars of soap; 2 bottles of hand soap; 1 basket; 26 tubes of toothpaste; 40 toothbrushes; 12 bottles of shampoo; 6 bottles of conditioner; 4 bottles of lotion; 10 bottles of hydrogen peroxide; 1 container of powder; 4 containers of baby wipes; 150 diapers; 2 containers of simlac; 11 boxes of tissues; 1 first aid kit; 4 pot holders; and 1 container of nail polish remover.

* May Meeting:

- * The Committee is sponsoring a paperback book drive to benefit Chicago Books to Women in Prison in conjunction with the May meeting.

[Follow-up note: The CALL Board nominated the 2004/05 and the 2005/06 Community Service Committee for the Spirit of Law Librarianship Award for their work. In May, we learned that the committee was named the winner of the award, in recognition of their enabling CALL members to support local and national charitable organizations. Holly Lakatos, 2005/06 chair, and Julie Pabarja, 2004/05 chair, accepted the award at the Tarlton Law Library reception at the 2006 AALL Meeting in St. Louis, on behalf of the committee.]

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Chair: Holly Lakatos

Members: Ann Abramson, Kathleen Bruner, Nicole Casner,
Stephanie Crawford, Kevin McClure, Julie Pabarja,
Susan Retzer, Susan Schaefer

Liaison: JoAnn Hounshell

Continuing Education Committee:

The Continuing Education committee organized and presented five programs in the 2005-2006 year. Back in August, the committee discussed using a brown bag lunch format for some of the programs and asked CALL members to offer their conference rooms as sites for the programs in order to save on rental costs. The committee also conducted a short survey to the membership asking what topics they would be interested in attending. The committee took the responses into consideration when planning the programs. Since the committee did not receive a budget, the registration cost had to cover all expenses incurred for each of the programs. The committee also applied CALL's no show policy to their programs.

"FRBR (Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Record) is the Buzz but what is it?" was the first (brown-bag) program of the year. It was held on October 20, 2005, at Neal Gerber & Eisenberg and the speaker was Lori Murphy, Cataloging Coordinator for DePaul University and current chairperson of the Illinois OCLC User Group. Her speaker fee was \$125.00. The cost to attend the program was \$10. There were 27 people registered which included reference and technical services librarians. The format/setting was well received by the attendees. The session lasted one hour and everyone brought their own lunch. Neal Gerber was kind enough to provide drinks and dessert.

A second brown-bag program on Blogs/RSS was presented on November 10, 2005 at DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary. The presenter, Aaron Schimdt, is a Reference Librarian at the Thomas Ford Memorial Library in Western Springs and a recipient of Library Journal's Movers and Shakers award in 2005. His speaker fee was \$100 plus \$15 for transportation costs. There were 36 attendees who paid the \$5.00 registration fee for this one hour program. Overall, the attendees found the program to be worthwhile and educational. The attendees brought their lunch and DLA Piper provided drinks and beverages.

The committee next presented "So, You want to be a Director?" on January 31, 2006, at the office of Foley & Lardner. This three hour presentation included a group of library directors from the private law firm, academic and government sectors who answered questions on topics that included how they became library directors, issues they face, and offered advice to those who want to be library directors. The panelists were all CALL members: Chris Simoni, Judith

Wright, Karin Donahue, Monice Kaczorowski, Mitch Klaich, and Gretchen Van Dam. There were no expenses incurred for this program. 25 people registered for this program and paid a \$10.00 fee. Foley & Lardner provided lunch for the panelists and attendees. The attendees were impressed by the panelists and learned so much from them.

An all day program was held on March 21, 2006 at Depaul University Law Library on "Introduction to Print Legal Materials: Cases, Statutes, Secondary Sources, and Looseleafs." Attendees had the option to sign up for the entire day or do a morning or afternoon session only. The presenters for this program were CALL members Julienne Grant, Gretchen Van Dam, Tom Keefe, and Brian Silbernagel. The presenters did an overview on the print materials and gave the attendees a chance to gain hands-on experience while researching questions. The attendees thought the program was good and informative. The cost to attend the program was \$20.00 for a half day session or \$35.00 for the entire day.

Based on the responses from the survey, the committee organized its final function of the year - a tour of the 7th Circuit Library. On May 10, 2006, 17 CALL members toured the 7th circuit library as well as the private collection held in a judge's chambers. A special thanks goes to Gretchen Van Dam and her staff for educating the attendees on the organization and operations of the circuit libraries and opening up their library for CALL members to view.

Overall the programs were well attended and well received by the membership. The CALL treasury benefited from the programs as well with minimal expenses incurred on the programs. The committee utilized the CALL website and listserv to advertise the programs and mailed out print copies of the flyers to those members without an e-mail address. Unfortunately, Chris Morong and Julie Pabarja will be stepping down as co-chairs but will continue as committee members. Raizel Liebler, a committee member who planned the legal materials program has agreed to co-chair the committee next year. We are still looking for someone else who could co-chair with Raizel. A copy of the handouts and feedback forms were sent to Archives for historical purposes. The co-chairs plan on passing along a folder with committee notes, tips, and suggestions to Raizel Liebler.

Chairs: Christine Morong, Julie Pabarja

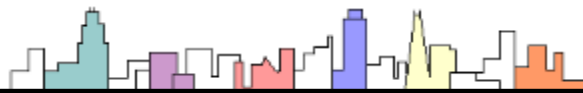
Members: Anne Abramson, Sally Baker, Ruth Bridges,
Sheri Lewis, Raizel Liebler, Molly McKenna, Lucy
Moss, Doris Nuding, Phyllis Whitcomb

Liaison: Jamie Stewart

Corporate Memory Committee:

The committee met twice this year to review CALL Board minutes for possible additions to the policy log, which records decisions made by the Board over the years. In

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In addition to the policy log the committee also maintains a log of handbook suggestions and general suggestions that are reported to the Board for consideration. Review of these logs have resulted in the implementation and clarification of several Board policies.

My thanks to committee members Susan Siebers, John Klaus, and Juli Jackson for their hard work this year.

Chair: Frank Drake

Members: John Klaus, Susan Siebers

Liaison: Julia Jackson

Elections Committee:

The Elections Committee had a busy and successful year. The committee was first charged with investigating the legality, feasibility and details of holding the next CALL election by electronic ballot. The Committee's recommendation that it should be done and that AALL should provide the technical support was approved by the CALL Board at its October meeting.

Electronic voting began on February 20, 2006 and ended March 15. Paper ballots were mailed to those without e-mail or valid e-mail addresses so they would be received when the electronic election began. The results were downloaded March 16 in the presence of two Elections Committee members and two other CALL members. 140 ballots were cast (139 electronic, one paper)

Newly elected:

- * Deborah Rusin, Vice President / President Elect
- * Anne Abramson, Treasurer
- * Maureen Burns, Director

The official report was made at the CALL meeting March 23 at which time a motion was passed to destroy the paper ballot.

Detailed written reports were made to the CALL Board in October and March. The first included details of the process and timetable; the second, a recap of the election process and responses to the two feedback questions. The committee chair also wrote "Chapter Tips: Electronic Elections" which will be published in the July 2006 AALL Spectrum Chapter News column as a sidebar.

In April, the Board approved a motion submitted by the Elections Committee to conduct future CALL elections electronically using AALL's platform and include an amount in the budget each year to cover the costs.

Chair: Susan Siebers

Members: John Austin, Lenore Glanz, Eugene Giudice,

Julie Pabarja

Liaison: Naomi Goodman

Grants and Chapter Awards Committee:

Chapter Awards:

The Chapter Awards Committee solicited nominations for awards on the CALL website and via the CALL discussion forum. The deadline for submission of nominations was April 7. The Committee presented four awards at the May 25 CALL Business Meeting.

Outstanding Lifetime Achievement:

Lenore Glanz for her long career as a law librarian and special librarian and her dedication to the Chicago law librarian community.

Agnes and Harvey T. Reid Award for Outstanding Contribution to Law Librarianship:

Annette J. Cade for her work on the CALL Website

Outstanding In-House Publication:

Bill's Bulletin, William J. Campbell Library of the U.S. Courts

Outstanding In-House Publication:

Seyfarth Shaw Library Newsletter,
Seyfarth Shaw LLP Library

Submitted by Jean Wenger.

Grants:

Grants Awarded:

The CALL Grants Committee has awarded four grants for the upcoming AALL Annual Meeting in St. Louis. This year a specific announcement was made that grants were available for AALL and each would be in the amount of \$500.

The four \$500 grants were awarded to **Mary Ann Lenzen** from the law firm of Bell, Boyd & Lloyd, **Patricia Scott** from Loyola University of Chicago School of Law Library, **Eugene Giudice** from the Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine Library and **Janice Collins** from the law firm of Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal.

Additionally a \$200 grant was awarded to **Debbie Ginsberg** for the CALI conference.

In the fall of 2005 grants were offered for ORALL. However the recipient was subsequently unable to attend, so no grants were given for that meeting.

The response this year was greater than any of the past several years during which I have been co-chair. This may be due to the proximity of the annual meeting to Chicago. Regardless we were able to provide assistance to some very active newer and long-term members.

As occurred in previous years the rating sheets proved a bit problematic. I have hoped to update those in the past and will work on that this summer. Since last summer I was preparing fall materials early due to a planned maternity leave I did not get to that task.

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Looking Ahead

In the coming year as always we hope to advertise the availability of grants more frequently and better inform CALL members of their existence for continuing education besides the AALL Annual meeting. I plan to update the Criteria and Application pages. This was planned for the current year however, time and circumstances prevent the completion of this task.

Submitted by Therese Clarke Arado.

Chairs: Therese Clarke Arado, Jean Wenger

Members: Kathryn Hensiak Amato, John Austin, Susan Boland, Jeffrey Meyerowitz, Pat Sayre-McCoy, Phyllis Whitcomb

Liaison: Jean Wenger

Internet Committee:

The Internet Committee continued to improve the CALL website and update content. In Fall 2006, we hope to reorganize the content to better serve CALL members.

Late last year, Eugene Giudice began managing the CALL listserv when Debbie Ginsberg went on maternity leave. He's done such a good job, we think he should stay on!

Annette Cade has been working with Pam LaMarca on using Zoomerang to create online registration forms. We hope to have a working form available for the first or second meeting this fall.

The site continues to use Site Meter to track usage of the website. As of May 15, 2006 there were 10,957 visits with a daily average of 24 visits.

Chairs: Annette Cade, Deborah Ginsberg

Members: Frederick Barnhart, Eugene Giudice, Helen King-Desai, Pamela LaMarca, Lynn Leinartas, William Schwesig, Lynn Stram, Bob Winger

Liaison: Janice Collins

Meetings Committee:

This year the Meetings Committee organized four business meetings. The fifth meeting was a joint meeting with SLA/Illinois. The Vice President/President Elect is responsible for finding speakers and securing sponsorship.

The September meeting was held at the Hotel Allegro. One hundred thirteen members attended the first meeting of the year. The guest speaker was Mike Conklin, a reporter for the Chicago Tribune. Law Bulletin Information Network sponsored the meeting.

The November meeting is usually a breakfast meeting. This year we were back at the Chicago Bar Association where sixty nine members enjoyed a breakfast buffet. The guest speaker was Dr. David E. Guinn, Executive Director, Inter-

national Human Rights Law Institute, DePaul University College of Law. InfoCurrent sponsored the meeting.

The January meeting was held at the Union League Club of Chicago. It was the joint meeting with SLA/Illinois and they handled all the meeting arrangements. One hundred and fifty one CALL and SLA members attended. CALL secured the speaker, Carolyn Anthony, Director of the Skokie Public Library. BNA was CALL's sponsor for the meeting.

We tried a new location, Lalo's Mexican Restaurant, for the March meeting and it proved to be very successful. Ninety three members enjoyed a Mexican buffet. The speaker was Steve Bogira, author of *Courtroom 302*. LexisNexis sponsored the meeting.

The May meeting will be held at Maggiano's. It is the perennial favorite for the final meeting of the year. Past years show this is the most heavily attended meeting of the year. Sally Holterhoff, AALL President Elect and CALL member will be the guest speaker. Wolters Kluwer Law and Business (CCH) is sponsoring the meeting.

This year, for each business meeting, the Meetings Committee started using a new form to help keep better track of expenses. It is based on the quarterly expense report. The form along with the checks collected at each meeting, are turned over to the Treasurer. Using the form has helped keep the finances of the meeting organized.

Chairs: Denise Glynn, Mike Wilson

Members: Ellen Bull, Michael Brown, Holly Lakatos, Mary Ann Lenzen, Jeffrey Shapiro, Lorna Tang, Miranda Wagoner

Liaison: Mary Lu Linnane

Membership Committee:

As of May 1, 2006 CALL had 320 members. This is an increase of four over the number of members in 2004-05. These members fall into the following categories:

Regular members	286
Associate members	25
Student members	4
Retired members	5

The committee handed out renewal packets to members at the May 2005 business meeting to save on postage and will do so again this year.

The committee sends out Photo Permission forms to new members. The forms are kept on file and a list of CALL members not giving permission is available.

The *CALL Membership Directory* is updated four times a year on the CALL website: September 1, November 1, February 1, and May 1 (through AALL, which maintains our membership lists.). Once corrections/updates are edited by the Membership Committee, the update is sent to the Internet Committee by AALL to download to the CALL website.

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The *CALL Membership Directory* will still be printed. The 2005-2006 *CALL Membership Directory* was proofed, printed and distributed at the September business meeting.

The *CALL Membership Directory* will no longer include the subject index. Most libraries use OCLC and other available resources for ILL and no longer rely on this index. The CALL Executive Board agreed in their March 2006 meeting to discontinue this index.

Contact information for new members is emailed to the Executive Board/Committee Chair listserv. The email addresses are sent to the Internet Committee. A Welcome email and *CALL Membership Directory* with a Volunteer form and photo permission form are sent to each new member.

The renewal forms were revised this year. The volunteer information was deleted to avoid confusion and duplication. A separate volunteer sheet will be sent with the renewal packet sent to members.

The committee kept a list of new members receiving free meals at CALL business meetings.

The committee prepared the "People and Places" column for each CALL Bulletin with a list of new members and changes to CALL members. This serves as a supplement to the Membership Directory.

The committee is greeting, introducing, and sitting with new members who attend CALL business meetings. A yellow "New Member" label is attached to the nametag of the new member by the Meetings Committee to identify new members at meetings.

With the sudden departure of the AALL Membership Coordinator, several Membership Committee items were put on hold or delayed this year. These items include:

- Updating the CALL Directory on the website (the Directory was only updated on November 1, 2005.)
- Creating new renewal forms that conform with AALL forms. This idea was discussed with AALL and committee chairs but not brought before the CALL Executive Board.

Changing the *Directory* to a solely electronic format was discussed among Membership Committee members but not brought before the CALL Executive Board.

Chairs: Megan Butman, Gail Hartzell

Members: Carolyn Hayes, Nancy Henry, Christine Klobucar, Scot Onak, Mary Persyn, Jeffrey Shapiro, Michael Tebbe, Karen Tschanz

Liaison: Jamie Stewart

Nominations Committee:

The following members accepted nomination for CALL Board positions.

Vice President/President/Past President:

- Holly Lakatos, Director of Public Services, Chicago-Kent Law Library (Illinois Institute of Technology)
- Deborah L. Rusin, Reference Librarian, Latham & Watkins LLP [Elected]

Treasurer:

- Anne L. Abramson, Reference Librarian, The John Marshall Law School, Louis L. Biro Law Library [Elected]
- Therese A. Clarke Arado, Reference and Instructional Services Librarian/Assistant Professor, Northern Illinois University College of Law Library

Director at Large:

- Kathleen Bruner, Reference Librarian, Barack Ferrazzano Kirschbaum Perlman & Nagelberg LLP
- Maureen M. Burns, Assistant Library Services Manager, Jones Day [Elected]

Chair: Betty Roeske

Members: Pegeen Bassett, Nancy Faust, Denise Glynn, Mary Ann Lenzen

Liaison: Naomi Goodman

Placement/Recruitment Committee:

The committee established a policy for posting position advertisements on the CALL website. The committee also created a committee email address for the committee (rather than using an individual's email) so there can be continuity.

The committee created a recruitment/public relations brochure which will be submitted to the Board for approval in 2006/07. They also established a policy for posting advertisements, which will also be submitted to the Board.

Chairs: John Fox, Katie Leonard

Members: Maureen Burns, Stephanie Crawford, Julienne Grant, John Klasey, Valerie Kropf, Sonja Nordstrom, Joan Ogden

Liaison: JoAnn Hounshell

Printing Committee:

The Board voted to disband the Printing Committee in June, 2006, because of lack of business for this committee. Guidelines for Notification and Distribution will be included in the 2006/07 *Handbook*.

Chair: Mary Ann Lenzen

Liaison: Naomi Goodman

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Public Affairs Committee:

The Public Affairs Committee met at Chicago-Kent School of Law Library (courtesy of Keith Ann Stiverson) on the following dates: August 18, 2005, November 3, 2005, March 16, 2006, May 11, 2006. In addition, the co-chairs attended the CALL Executive Board meeting on November 8, 2005.

Activities:

Updates for Business Meetings: The Committee produced and distributed at each CALL business meeting during the course of the year a Public Affairs Committee update covering legislative and judicial areas of interest to the Chicago law librarian community. Topics included the publication of the Illinois Administrative Code, GPO and FDLP issues, permanent public access issues, FOIA issues, the USA PATRIOT Act, the naming of Senator Richard J. Durbin as CALL Legislator of the Year (see below), Sunshine Week, Illinois Library Day and the Chicago Municipal Code. Each update was posted to the CALL website.

Calls to Action: As a part of keeping the membership updated on legislative issues, the Committee passed on to the CALL listserv calls for action received from Mary Alice Baish, AALL Washington representative, during the course of the year.

Programs and Other Activities:

Sunshine Week: The Committee sponsored one education program for the CALL membership. "Are We Safer in the Dark?," a Sunshine Week national teleconference, was broadcast from the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. on Monday, March 13. The teleconference was sponsored by AALL, ALA, ARL, SLA, and a variety of other organizations. CALL was a host site for the teleconference, held at the Metropolitan Library System Office on South Michigan Avenue from noon till 1:30 p.m.

Tom Blanton, Director of the National Security Archive, Tom Susman, of Ropes & Gray, and Barbara Petersen, Executive Director of the Florida First Amendment Foundation, spoke, and Geneva Overholser of the Missouri School of Journalism was the moderator. The speakers relayed valuable information about ways in which government secrecy has been harmful to people, and debated whether the Freedom of Information Act has actually been helpful in making government more open. The program was very interesting; unfortunately, technical problems, caused by high winds, prevented us from enjoying the entire program.

A DVD of the teleconference will be sent to us when it is available. It will be available for loan to CALL members who would like to see it.

The Committee also proposed another half-day program on the legislative process in Illinois, to cover both the actual process of how things get done in Springfield and what documents are produced in the course of the process and their availability. We hoped to partner with the Educational Committee in this effort; their schedule was too crowded. This proposal has been tabled until 2006-2007 when the Committee plans to follow through on it.

Kevin McClure attended Library Day in Springfield on March 1 and reported to the Committee on the legislative advocacy activities that took place; he also commented on his experiences in the update for the March CALL business meeting. The Committee hopes to have a larger delegation attend this event next year; this year Library Day was held a month earlier than previous years, putting it out of sync with our meeting schedule and more difficult to publicize.

Legislator of the Year: The Committee took notice of the exceptional contributions made by Senator Richard J. Durbin to advocacy for issues of interest to the library community, particularly in the context of the reauthorization of the USA PATRIOT Act, and determined to honor those contributions by urging the Executive Board to pass a resolution naming him as CALL Legislator of the Year. The co-chairs presented the resolution to the Executive Board at their November 2005 meeting. It was passed, and, at the January CALL Business Meeting a plaque was presented to Clarisol Duque, the Executive Director of Senator Durbin's Chicago office, who accepted the plaque on Senator Durbin's behalf. Senator Durbin was the first legislator to be honored by this new award. In the future the Committee has the responsibility to identify other appropriate honorees and suggest them to the CALL Executive Board. It is not anticipated that a legislator of the year will be named each year, but rather only when the Committee believes that there is a deserving candidate.

The Committee contributed an article to the *CALL Bulletin* regarding this event. The article was also submitted to the AALL Spectrum and forwarded to Mary Alice Baish, AALL Associate Washington Representative.

Chairs: Margaret Schilt, Keith Ann Stiverson

Members: Heidi Kuehl, Fred LeBaron, Kevin McClure,

Christopher Simoni

Liaison: Janice Collins

Public Relations Committee:

During 2005-2006 the committee has accomplished the following:

- Developed and submitted to the Board the **CALL Style Guide**. Once the Guide is completed it will be published to the CALL web site. It will include approved logos, taglines, fonts, colors, etc. Samples of stationery, brochures, and logos will also be included.

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- Worked with the Board to price and order lanyards for the CALL membership.
- Wrote and published “So You Want to Publish an Article” FAQ to the CALL web site. Members’ bibliography lists on the web site were also updated.
- Took pictures at each 2005-2006 CALL meetings. Pictures were developed and distributed along with photo capture sheets and press releases to the CALL Bulletin, AALL Spectrum, and the Internet committee. Several pictures were published in each publication throughout the year and on the CALL web site.
- Maintained the CALL photo album with labeled pictures taken by the committee at CALL events. The album also includes the press releases and photo capture sheets that were sent to each media outlet throughout the year.
- Planned, set up, and maintained the CALL exhibit table at the 2005 AALL Conference in San Antonio. The display included CALL photos & awards, CALL bookmarks, candy from Chicago companies, CALL brochures, the CALL photo album of events, and a raffle for Chicago memorabilia.
- Sent announcements to local media about upcoming CALL events.

Next year the committee plans to continue this work. Additionally, we hope to implement the use of a PR Committee e-mail account for Committee Communications.

Chairs: Laura Ikens, Lynn Leinartas

Members: Kathleen Bruner, Rebecca Corliss, Joan Ogden, Veronda Pitchford, Christina Wagner, Julia Wentz

Liaison: Jean Wenger

Relations with Information Vendors (CRIV)

Committee:

The Committee met twice during the past year—October 28, 2005, and January 20, 2006—at the Loyola University School of Law Library.

The CRIV Committee had a very productive year and focused on two major activities:

- 1) Special Section in the Spring 2006 *CALL Bulletin*; and,
- 2) CCH Reverse Site Visits.

The Special Section included four articles that five CRIV members authored, or co-authored. The articles were: “Loislaw and Versuslaw” by Therese Clarke Arado; “Changes at LexisNexis” by Tom Keefe; “Hein’s Monograph Changes” by Gail Hartzell; and, “Update on LLMC-Digital,” which Eugene Giudice and Julienne Grant co-authored. Feedback on these articles was extremely positive, and Julienne is looking into the possibility of having these reprinted in AALL’s *CRIV Sheet*.

In February/March, the CRIV Committee sponsored three reverse site visits with CCH (now Wolters Kluwer Law & Business). Two CRIV members attended each of the visits, and four to six representatives from Wolters Kluwer also participated. The Allstate Insurance Law Library, Chicago-Kent College of Law Library, and Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP Library hosted the visits. CRIV members who observed the visits (Kathy Hough, Julienne Grant, Tom Keefe, Eric Parker, Patricia Scott, and Gail Hartzell) wrote reports that appeared in the Summer 2006 *CALL Bulletin*. Wolters Kluwer’s Sean Sieczka, also authored a report of the visits that appeared in the same *Bulletin* issue. The Wolters Kluwer group is additionally planning a follow-up article for the Fall 2006 *Bulletin*. Julienne is likewise looking into the possibility of having the CRIV summaries reprinted in AALL’s *CRIV Sheet*.

Along with the aforementioned activities, member Gail Hartzell, and former CRIV chair, Lorna Tang, forwarded various listserv messages to Julienne for possible posting on the CALL listserv. Gail forwarded messages from LAW-ACQ, and Lorna sent postings from ACQNET. Julienne forwarded several of these messages on to the CALL listserv, after determining they would likely be of interest to the general CALL membership.

Chair’s Note: This was my first experience chairing a CALL Committee, and I want to thank all of the CRIV members for their help. This was definitely a team effort.

[Follow-up note: In August 2006, we learned that the four articles published as a Special Section in the Spring 2006 *Bulletin* will be reprinted in AALL’s *The CRIV Sheet: the Newsletter of the Committee on Relations with Information Vendors*, in the *AALL Spectrum* in February, 2007.]

Chair: Julienne Grant

Members: Therese Clarke Arado, Tom Gaylord, Eugene Giudice, Gail Hartzell, Kathryn Hough, Tom Keefe, Eric Parker, and Patricia Scott

Liaison: Julia Jackson

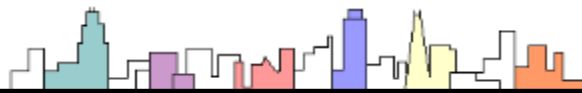
Union List:

In February 2006 OCLC migrated its local holdings creation and updating functionality from Passport software to the Connexion browser. The CALL Board decided to postpone making any decision about the future of the Call Union List until OCLC announces availability, format and price information for its forthcoming off-line union list products. As of late April 2006, the library community is awaiting OCLC’s announcement.

Chair: Linda DeVaan

Members: Valerie Kropf, Betty Roeske

Liaison: JoAnn Hounshell ■



WHATEVER HAPPENED TO SPENCER SIMONS?

“An Extremely Busy Existence”

By Bob Winger, rwinger@mcguirewoods.com

You may remember Spencer Simons from his days at the Chicago-Kent College of Law Library. Spencer's life post-CALL has been very hectic (yet rewarding) as Director of the Law Library at the University of Houston.

Spencer was born and spent most of his formative years in the Seattle area, and although he spent his childhood in various places, including Baltimore, he considers himself a Northwesterner. He received his undergraduate degrees in Psychology and Anthropology as well as his JD and MBA in Finance from the University of Washington. When finished with his graduate degrees, Spencer became an oil and gas banker in the early eighties. When the bottom fell out of that industry, he transformed himself into an oil and gas industry Chapter 11 expert. After awhile, he tired of this career and tried various other pursuits, including teaching fly-fishing.

Spencer characterizes his next career leap as being presented to him in the form of the proverbial “light bulb” going off in his head. In 1994, he entered the MLS program at the University of Washington, taking advantage of the certificate program in law librarianship at the University's Law Library under the tutelage of Penny Hazelton and her staff. He found the program challenging and loved the experience.

One of the requirements of the program was attendance at the annual business meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries, which was held in Pittsburgh in July of 1995. While there, Spencer learned of an opening for a reference librarian at the Chicago-Kent College of Law Library. He began the interview process at the conference and on September 1st, he started his new career as a law librarian.

At Chicago-Kent, Spencer found himself wearing different hats. For a short time, he was the *de facto* Head of Cataloging. He says that the structure of the staff's duties gave him a great opportunity for cross training in various aspects of law librarianship. He later became the Head of Reference in 2001, and was promoted to Head of Public Services, where he worked under Director Keith Stiverson for the next two years.

However, Spencer's career was to take a new turn. In late May of 2003, he received a call from the University of Houston, inviting him to apply for the position as head of that institution's law library. By early September, he was hired as the director. By the second week of January 2004, he and his wife Alexandra relocated to Texas, and he started his new position.

In addition to Spencer's new responsibilities as director of the law library and assistant professor of law, he inherited the Book Replacement Project. In 2001, Houston was hit by tropical storm Allison; approximately 175,000 volumes of the law library, or roughly half the collection, was then located in a sub-ground level of the library. The resulting flooding from the storm ruined this part of the library's collection, which included several key resources. Through a contract with FEMA, the project was started in 2002 as the major program for rebuilding the law school's library in the wake of Allison's destruction. The official phase of the project has now finished, but Spencer says that it added 20 hours to his work week on top of his permanent duties.

As a member of the law school's faculty, Spencer teaches two courses to primarily second and third year law students: Accounting and Finance for Lawyers, and Advanced Legal Research are each 3 semester-hour courses. He says that the students are motivated, largely because they understand the importance of the subjects. This makes for a positive experience for both him and his students. As the library's director he is responsible for administering a staff of 21, including an associate director. He describes these duties as being typical of a fairly traditional academic law library structure.

Spencer adds that he has been able to bring some new ideas to the law school. He has put an emphasis on increasing the delivery of current awareness services to the faculty, which has been well-received by both the faculty and the school's administration.

Now that he has settled into his position, Spencer has also taken on a significant role in the administrative functions of the school. He has been a member of the Curriculum, Library, Facilities, Strategic Plan, and Executive Committees, the last of which serves primarily to consult with the law school's dean on financial matters.

These responsibilities have kept Spencer from being as involved as he would like to be in the local chapters of AALL, including the South Western Association of Law Libraries (SWALL), and the Houston Association of Law Libraries (HALL). Although he did have the opportunity to present a program recently on health law research through Internet resources at SWALL's annual meeting. With the culmination of the Book Replacement Project, he feels that he will now have more time for participation in these chapters, as well as in the national association.

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Professional Reading

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American Library Association, "The State of America's Libraries." Available at www.ala.org/ala/pressreleases2006/march2006/stateofflibraries.htm

This inaugural report was released in spring of this year. Its focus is to show the continued value of libraries in the digital age. It documents a strong citizen approval of public libraries with increases in circulation and an expansion of collections in various formats. The report further reveals public library funding issues and challenges dealing with social issues and illiteracy. Generally, the portrayal is a positive and vibrant view of the societal role of the library.

Band, Jonathan, "The Google Library Project: Both Sides of the Story." *Plagiary* vol. 1 no. 2 (8 February 2006): 1-17. Available at www.plagiary.org/Google-Library-Project.pdf

Mr. Band's well-written article is an excellent overview of Google's digitization project. In addition to providing factual background and a primer on the copyright issues, the author gives a balanced analysis of the relevant caselaw and its possible application to Google's book publishing efforts and related lawsuits.

Carter, Terry. "Revising Law Review." *ABA Journal* vol. 92 no. 2 (July 2006): 20-22.

The byline to this article – Journals Struggle for Relevancy in a Field Redefined by the Internet – summarizes the author's thesis that the traditional law review is waning in its predominance in legal academia. Carter focuses on the more timely delivery methods of scholarly ideas through blogs and online repositories for working papers, such as SSRN. He further points out that students editing the law reviews are themselves realizing the limitations of the format with even the most prestigious journals, such as the *Yale Law Journal*, now having online companion publications such as *Yale's the Pocket Part*. The piece is food for thought for librarians as we anticipate the forward looking needs of our law researchers. Available at taxprof.typepad.com/taxprof_blog/files/aba_journal_july_2006_pages_2021.pdf

Cohen, Alan. "Beyond the Books." *The American Lawyer* vol. 8 no. 7 (July 2006): 65-68.

Mr. Cohen describes the recent evolution of law firm librarians from their declining role in managing book resources and doing legal research to an evolving place in the organization. Providing new services in

market research, competitive intelligence and records management, firm librarians are increasing their institutional value even as they move away from more traditional librarian work.

Gordon, Rachel Singer. "Next Generation Librarianship." *American Libraries* vol. 37 no. 3 (March 2006): 36-38.

Ms. Gordon attempts to characterize the librarian generation currently entering the field – NextGen librarians. In so doing, she highlights the strengths of the group, especially in technology skills and their ability to understand patron expectations, and the opportunities available to them in an aging profession. The article may be an effective reference for library school students and those considering librarianship as a career.

Greenhouse, Linda. "Writing Justice Blackmun." *LLRX.COM* (posted July 15, 2006). Available at www.llrx.com/features/writingjusticeblackmun.htm

This transcript of Ms. Greenhouse's plenary session at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries is made available at this site. Even if you had the privilege of attending this talk in person, her account of extensive original research through the late Justice's papers is worth revisiting. Ms. Greenhouse provides an engaging and provocative chronology of work on her 2005 book – *Becoming Justice Blackmun*.

Hough, Brenda, "Teaching People to be Savvy Travelers in a Technological World." *Computers in Libraries* vol. 26, no. 5 (May 2006): 8-12.

The author argues that technological literacy should be the goal of any research training. Specifically, she recommends not teaching specific skills, but rather, techniques that can be flexible and applicable to a variety of research scenarios and which reinforce independent thinking and creativity. Hough effectively uses the savvy traveler analogy to emphasize the importance of the practical approach to teaching.

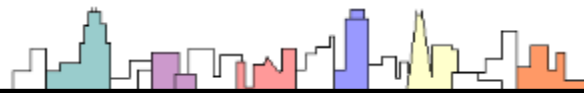
Kennedy, Dennis. "Joining Blogomania Without Becoming a Blogger." *Law Office Computing* vol. 16 no. 3 (June/July 2006): 57-61.

Kennedy describes the reasons why law professionals should be interested in blogging and how to start a blog without being a technology expert. He highlights the ease of posting via a blog, by contrast with maintaining a web page, and also gives a step by step guide for beginners.

Lavoie, Brian. "A Service Framework for Libraries." *D-Lib Magazine* vol. 12 no. 7/8 (July/August 2006). Available at www.dlib.org/dlib/july06/lavoie/07lavoie.html

This theoretical piece focuses on the very practical need for libraries to leverage their resources to develop services that will meet the needs of the 21st century researcher.

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Lavoie explains the work of the Digital Library Federation in this regard with its formation of the Service Framework Group. Specifically, he outlines a business-type model to develop a service-oriented architecture for library systems.

Lenhart, Amanda and Fox, Susannah. "A Portrait of the Internet's New Storytellers." Pew Internet and American Life Project. Posted July 19, 2006. Available at www.pewinternet.org/pdfs/PIP%20Bloggers%20Report%20July%2019%202006.pdf

The authors provide a very thorough look at blogs focusing, in particular, on what motivates bloggers and their specific habits. The study includes a broad range of statistics on bloggers.

Lockton, Laurence. "Students Beat the Queue and Produce Their Own Library Cards." *Computers in Libraries* vol. 26, no. 6 (June 2006): 10-12, 50-52.

Self check out may only be the beginning. The Library and Learning Centre at the University of Bath takes self service a step further with the ability for student patrons to create their own IDs. This article documents the procedures which include the ability to take one's own picture and verify personal data.

Lupien, Pascal. "Virtual Reference in the Age of Pop-Up Blockers, Firewalls, and Service Pack 2." *Online* vol. 30, no. 4 (July/August 2006): 14-19. Available at www.infotoday.com/online/jul06/Lupien.shtml

Lupien suggests that technology maybe its own enemy when it comes to the lack of success of virtual reference services. Specifically, the author points out that browser vulnerability to viruses and hackers makes the most desirable forms of virtual reference – chat, co-browsing, and instant messaging – difficult to maintain without frequent software and version updates. While identifying the challenge, Lupien, unfortunately, offers little to help librarians with solutions.

Tomaiuolo, Nick. "DOIs, URLs, LoCKSS, and Missing Links." *Searcher* vol.14, no. 7 (July/August 2006): 18-23.

The phenomenon of link mortality is one that researchers have faced since the early days of the Internet. Tomaiuolo suggests that the optimal solution lies not in projects such as the Wayback Machine which seek to preserve a copy of a site. But rather, he suggests that the preferred model is one which creates a unique address for an item, such as via OpenURL or DOI, digital object identifier. He further advocates preservation projects such as LOCKSS which serve as an additional method of archiving for longevity. ■

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D. Invite Dominican students to the CALL annual meeting

The students used to be invited to the annual business meeting in May. The Board feels this is something we should do. A motion was made to invite the students and not give them a discount.

E. CALL dinner at AALL

We have traditionally had a no-host dinner. Mary Lu has been thinking about this and was wondering if one of the Directors could take on the responsibility of planning this dinner or for anyone else. Juli is taking this on.

F. AALL Archives access to current CALL Bulletin

AALL archives our Bulletin. They now take it from our website when it becomes available to the public. The public version does not include the biographical information for the candidates.

G. Recognizing/thanking CALL members

Jamie thinks it would be nice to put an ad in the last Bulletin thanking everyone. Jamie is going to put together a draft.

G1 - Committee Liaisons

Mary Lu is working on getting the chairs set. She asks that the Board start thinking about who should be on the Nominations Committee.

H. Corporate Memory Suggestions

Tabled until next month.

VII. Committee Reports

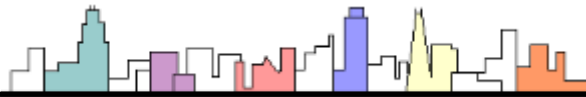
Community Service Committee – the women's shelter was very happy with the items they received. They gave the items out the same day as the meeting. The Earth Day event is adopting a park at 800 N. Lake Shore Dr. The Park District is very happy that we adopted this park as no other organization has adopted it in many years.

Union List Committee – it is unlikely that CALL will have another union list. OCLC is not offering the same information.

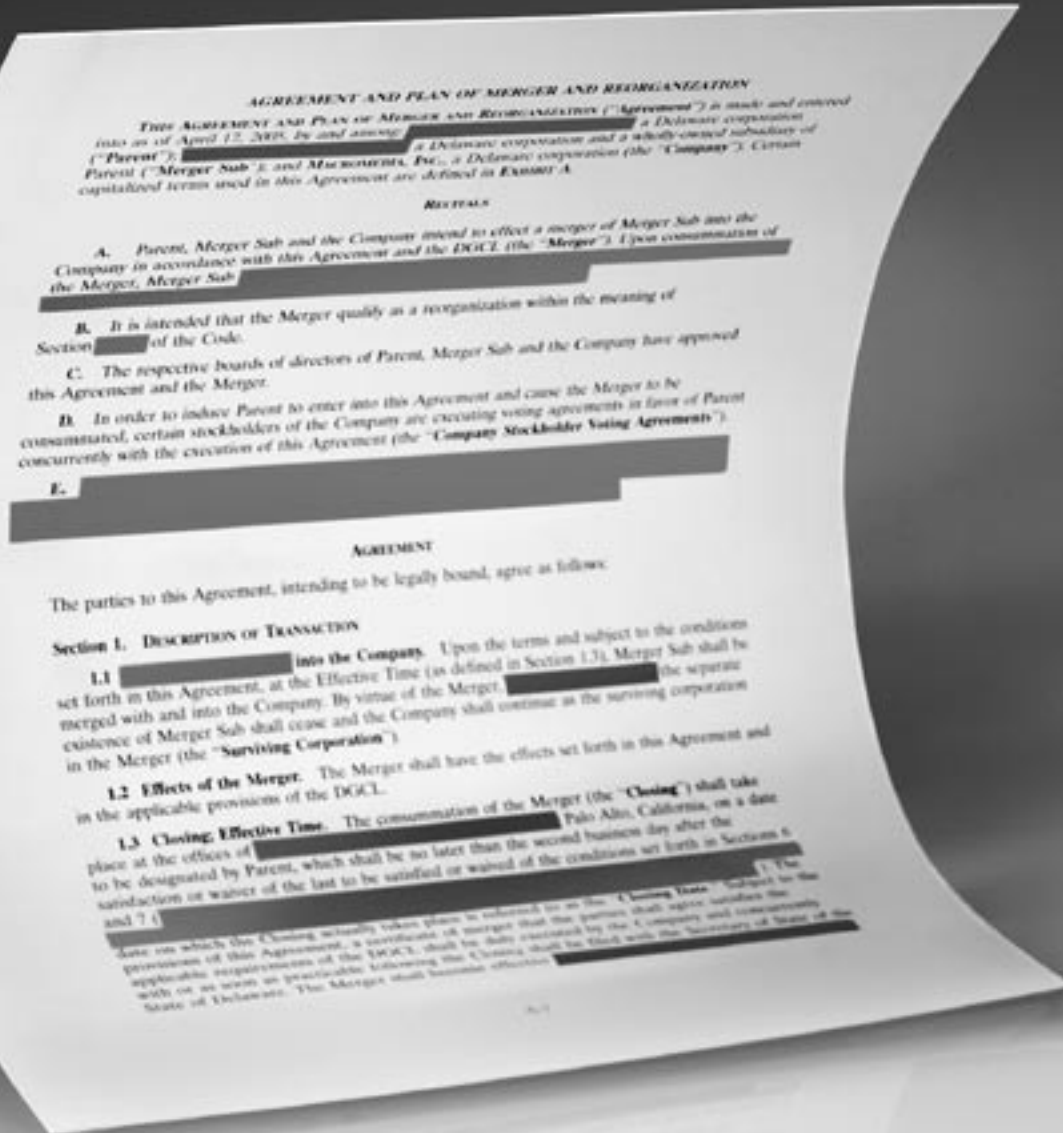
Continuing Education Committee – the last program was a great success. The participants got a packet and they had to go do research. A tour of 7th Circuit Library is scheduled for May 10th and is limited to 15 people.

Internet Committee – Debbie Ginsberg liked SurveyMonkey better than Zoomerang. Janice will send an e-mail regarding the differences between the two. The committee will be asked to give a recommendation as to which product to use.

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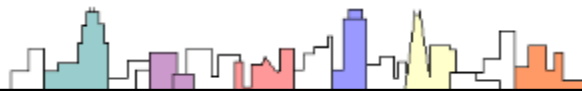
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Membership Committee – the Committee is distributing the membership renewal packets at the Annual meeting in May.

Public Affairs Committee – the committee would like to do a legislative workshop, probably with the Continuing Education committee. It will more than likely be next year.

Grants/Awards Committee – they have received nominations for the three annual awards, so they have a good selection. No applications for grants have come in yet.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35

Submitted by: Juli Jackson
21. April 2006

As Amended: 9. May 2006



Date: May 9, 2006

Place: AALL Headquarters

Members present: Janice Collins; Naomi Goodman; JoAnn Hounshell; Juli Jackson; Mary Lu Linnane; Jamie Stewart; Jean Wenger

New Board Members: Anne Abramson; Maureen Burns; Debbie Rusin

I. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:02.

II. Approve the agenda

The agenda was approved as amended.

III. Approve Secretary's Minutes

The Secretary's minutes are approved as amended.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Income and deposits for April totaled \$498.00 and expenditures totaled \$3,333.18. Actual balance at the Harris Bank to reflect deposits and outstanding checks is \$25,821.65. The Northern Trust balance as of the 3rd of the month is \$4,130.28. Current paid membership is 311 and the current total membership is 323.

The Northern Trust CD matured on May 4th and was automatically renewed.

Naomi suggests that the financial committee set up a special initiatives account for next year. This way money can be set aside for items that come up during the year (i.e., the lanyards could have gone into this kind of account).

The issue of allowing electronic payments for CALL dues and meetings fees has come up. CALL cannot really do this because of the way we are set up. We do not have access

electronically to our account. This is due to security issues. In order to have electronic access we would need to share password and access information. This would make our account less secure. So at this time, CALL can not accept electronic payments.

V. Old Business

A. May Business meeting and AALL Board member visit

Sally Holterhoff will be the speaker at the May meeting. She will not be coming in early to visit libraries as she is so familiar with CALL already.

Wolters Kluwer is the sponsor. Mike Wilson is in charge of this meeting. We are expecting about 150 people to attend.

B. CALL lanyards for members

The Public Relations Committee decided to go with the vendor EPromos instead of Oriental Trading. The Board did not have any objections to this.

C. Law Bulletin signature listing

Our ad appeared in the April 22nd edition of the Law Bulletin on p. 40 (last page). It looks pretty nice and the cost was \$100. It has Naomi's name and e-mail.

D. Style guide from PR Committee

The Style guide is not finished yet. It still needs an Appendix A. The Board recommends that in the Introduction the word marketing be changed to published. The Board would also like to see the names of the people responsible for the style guide on the introduction page. On page 2 under Association Colors, it should be "Chicago Association of Law Libraries" in the second paragraph. On page 3 under Association Typeface, it should read:

Arial is the preferred font used on the Association website. The CALL Bulletin is in Times New Roman, because it is primarily a print publication. Times New Roman is to be used for all other Association print publications.

Under the Logo Usage section, the second sentence in the first paragraph should begin with downloadable. In the third paragraph, the second sentence should be, "Any use should be submitted to the Board through the Committee liaison for approval prior to use."

Committees can always use the Association logos, however they would need to obtain approval from their liaison prior to use. The liaison can always, if necessary, bring the request before the Board. The downloadable logos should be in the members only section.

We must have the tagline "A Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries" - in certain circumstances. It is in the AALL bylaws. It is on the letterhead (at the bottom). Naomi is looking into and will let us know.

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Under the Photography section, it should read:

A form regarding permission to use members' photos with identifying names has been enclosed with the membership renewal forms. Members are asked to check either a "yes" or "no" box. The Membership Committee keeps the original forms, and creates a list of those giving permission. The Committee sends copies of the list to the Internet and Bulletin Committees, and any other committees that require this information.

E. AALL VIP visitor

Mike Ragen from the Illinois State Library is going to be our VIP visitor. He can't be there for the Sat. VIP dinner, but he will be there for 3 days (we are paying for two nights in a hotel). His presentation is entitled, "Library Advocacy-Working With Government Officials." The presentation will be on Monday, July 10th from 10:15 – 11:30. We will have to advertise this program. We will be putting a note in the daily conference newspapers. There are lots of advertising options.

F. Nominate Community Service Committee for award

JoAnn put together a very nice letter nominating the Community Service Committee for the AALL Spirit of Law Librarian Award. Some of the recipients of the goods collected wrote letters for the award too and items from the Bulletin and Spectrum were included.

G. Invite Dominican students to Annual Meeting

It was agreed that we would invite Dominican students, but not give them a discount. It was thought the students would not come because the cost was prohibitive.

H. CALL dinner at AALL

We have reserved a room at the Morgan Street Brewery. More details will follow.

I. Internet Committee – recommend SurveyMonkey or Zoomerang

Janet has not heard anything. She will follow through with the committee.

VI. New Business**A. Community Service Committee – give receipts for gifts of goods**

CALL can not give out receipts for items donated to the Community Service Committee as we are just the go between and are not a charitable organization. We are a 501(c)(6) - we do not want to do anything that will draw the attention of the IRS and we don't want to jeopardize our charter.

The position of the Board is that we should not get into any aspect of receipts. A motion was made that we do not give out receipts for items donated to the Community Service Committee. Motion passed.

Anyone who donates money should make the check out to the organization rather than to CALL. Naomi is going to put this in the *Handbook* for next year.

B. CALL display at AALL

Mary Lu is going to take care of this. We have space in the activities area. We borrowed the board from MLS. Mary Lu is driving down - so she can just take the information with instead of shipping.

C. CALL represented at CONELL Marketplace

CONELL Marketplace is where different associations set up booths and people see what their organization is all about. Naomi talked to different people and the opinion is that it is not appropriate for CALL. People are looking to see what AALL is about and this is a more appropriate place for SIS. We will not participate.

D. Leadership training for committee chairs and Board members

The date of the Leadership training program is Tuesday, June 20th from 8:30 – noon. It will be at the MLS headquarters, 6th floor in the Santa Fe building. There will be a light breakfast.

E. Committee liaison list for 2006/07

Mary Lu put together a list of the new Liasons for next year.

F. Items on Suggestions List from Corporate Memory Committee

Excellence in Marketing Award. Note this award, received for CALL's 50th anniversary celebration and publicity, on our website, and in the Directory and Handbook.

This should be noted in our handbook, membership directory and on the web somewhere. Everyone agrees this is a good idea.

Meetings Sponsorship. Add "two sponsor" rate (\$800 each) to Vice-President section of Handbook (if this rate still applies.)

The cost of one sponsor is \$1500. If we have two sponsors then the rate should be 1/2 of the one sponsor - the official is \$750.

AALL Reports: The September 1997 minutes include a summary of the "roundtable" meetings attended by CALL members at the AALL Annual Meeting, e.g., Internet, Government Relations, Treasurers. Suggest doing this in future, perhaps including the reports as an addendum.

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WORKING SMARTER — Our AALL 100th Meeting RECAP, REGROUP & RETURN

By Maria Willmer, DePaul University College of Law, mwillmer@depaul.edu



This summer I felt that our AALL annual meeting was one of the best meetings I have ever attended. Bob Berring's talk was one of the highlights. Bob began his talk by quoting Mao Tse-tung, "Everything under heaven is in utter chaos; the situation is excellent" and employed this quote towards the law library world. What I gathered from the talk was that even though the information world is in chaos, librarians are keeping pace and capitalizing on opportunities to bring that chaos to order. To recap the meeting, to regroup after the meeting and to return to work a little more knowledgeable always helps me to work smarter.

AALL's annual meeting in St. Louis this year had a very good variety of programs that addressed what many librarians are facing today. Programs included: help for what librarians need to nurture within themselves (Emotional Intelligence, Public Speaking, Which Rung They Fit on the Career Ladder...); new information on technologies that help librarians organize, manage and present their work product (Wikis, Blogs, Podcasting & Gadgets...) and ideas on ways to deliver top notch services to their clientele (Competitive Intelligence, Marketing their Library, Increasing Your Visibility and Value to Firm Management & Serving Pro Bono Clients...).

So much information, so little time to take it all in — so a need to regroup after the meeting (no matter how long it takes) is usually necessary for me. All the handouts, the ideas we receive from the SIS groups and local chapters along with all the exhibit hall information can at times be overwhelming. Organizing and "taking in" all this material is one way we personally bring the chaos of the information world into order.

Returning to work then, we come back better equipped to handle the larger information world. After attending the programs, we come back with new ideas on how we can become better librarians. Whether we need to work on personal growth, new technology applications, learn a new subject or how better to deliver customer service, we have now been exposed to what is happening all over the country if not the world. We are now better able to do our jobs.

The AALL meeting is over for another year. After enjoying some time with old colleagues and new ones, attending informative presentations and having some fun as well, I feel better equipped to handle my job. The information world may be in chaos but with the great networking and information we receive from these yearly visits, we librarians are doing everything we can to keep the situation excellent. ■

CALL Meeting Schedule 2006-2007

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/calendar/calendarindex.html>

Business Meetings

Thursday, May 25, 2006
Thursday, September 21, 2006
Friday, November 17, 2006
Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19, 2007
(joint meeting with SLA)
Thursday, March 22, 2007
Friday, May 18, 2007

Details will be posted as they become available.
Dates subject to change.

Executive Board Meetings

Tuesday, June 13, 2006
Thursday, August 3, 2006
Tuesday, September 12, 2006
Tuesday, October 10, 2006
Tuesday, November 14, 2006
Tuesday, December 12, 2006
Tuesday, January 9, 2007
Tuesday, February 13, 2007
Tuesday, March 13, 2007
Tuesday, April 10, 2007
Tuesday, May 8, 2007 ■

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CALL No Host Dinner at AALL.
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November 2003

Community Service Committee

By Holly Lakatos

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The CALL Community Service Committee has been fortunate to be able to go beyond our library buildings and library's digital world and help others in our community who desperately need more than an answer to a question or a fun book to read. By joining together, CALL members have fed the hungry, provided reading materials to the incarcerated, given homeless children the materials they need to succeed in school, and sponsored a whole host of other charitable acts.

Last year CALL & the Community Service Committee had a spectacular year. In addition to conducting six successful projects (American Red Cross, Greater Chicago Food Depository, Greenhouse Women's Shelter, Friends of the Parks, & Chicago Books to Women in Prison Project), we were honored with the **Spirit of Law Librarianship Award** for "outstanding accomplishments in keeping its members active in support of a wide variety of local and national charities."



Community Service Committee members: Holly Lakatos (Chair 2005/06), Stephanie Crawford (holding the award), Julie Pabarja (Chair 2004/05) & Katie Leonard (Thompson-West). Photo courtesy of Mary Lu Linnane

This award is given to a law librarian, or group of librarians, who have used their position and skills to make a meaningful contribution to a social cause, or used their professional training in service of others in some significant way. The award was established by Roy Mersky and Richard Leiter in lieu of royalties from their book, *The Spirit of Law Librarianship*. Alert Publications, publishers of the new edition of the book, also granted us \$300 for a project yet to be determined.

The Committee is pleased to share this award with all CALL members who have graciously given their time and money in support of our projects.

We hope to keep up the momentum by sponsoring more projects this year. Our first project of the new CALL year will be a school supply drive in support of the Chicago Public School's Homeless Education Program. As you might remember from our previous years, over 6,000 homeless children attend public school in Chicago. They cannot afford the basic necessities of life, much less of school supplies. By donating notebook paper, crayons, pencils, pens, calculators, and other basic school supplies, you can make a tremendous difference in the lives of these children. As we get closer to the meeting, the Committee will send out an announcement with a more detailed list of needed goods. For more information on the Homeless Education Program, please visit their website at:

<http://www.oism.cps.k12.il.us/hep.shtml>

If you have any questions about this project, or if you have any suggestions for future projects, please contact the chair of the committee, Holly Lakatos (hlakatos@kentlaw.edu or 312-906-5690) or anyone else on the committee. Thank you once again for all your support! ■

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Marsha's presentation included a discussion on what kinds of reports could be compiled in an allotted number of hours. Jan stressed the importance of having administrative support because the work cannot be billed to clients, only to overhead. Both librarians admitted the job could be very stressful and at times involved lots of overtime.

I found this program helpful in understanding the difference between competitive research and competitive intelligence, which goes one step further in providing an analytic component to the data provided by the library. I further learned for a CI program coming from the library to be successful in any law firm, the librarian must be proactive, a part of practice group meetings and have the support of administration. As a consequence of the interest in CI, the PLL SIS has formed a caucus and a list serv on this topic. ■

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Both Spencer and Alexandra love the Houston area. They find the community to be cosmopolitan, active, diverse, and tolerant. Living near the downtown area makes for a short drive to the University, so Spencer is able to avoid the traffic headaches of some longer commutes.

They do get down to the Gulf from time to time, where Spencer throws a line for speckled trout and redbfish. He highly recommends the Gulf Coast to anyone who is in the area. You may contact Spencer by email at SSimons@Central.UH.EDU. ■

OFF THE BEATEN PATH

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Many of us had some unusual summer jobs in our college years, and I definitely fit into that category. For several summers, I worked as a reader for an international business publisher. Although this sounds glamorous, I can assure you it wasn't. This publisher's "headquarters" was located in a converted single family home in a Chicago suburb, and the "print shop" (actually, a mimeograph machine with a hand crank) was out in the garage. The business, however, was highly successful, and I learned a great deal about gathering information during my tenure as a reader.

My job as a reader was essentially to peruse a myriad of international business publications, searching for a specific type of information. I read everything from the mainstream financial press, to highly specialized business newsletters from Latin America, trying to pinpoint information that was of value to our subscribers. There were no websites then, and no global search functions; everything was in print, and it was tedious work.

Despite the tedious nature of the job, I did emerge from my misery with a valuable skill, and some newfound knowledge. To begin with, I developed a rather uncanny "talent" for rapidly combing through voluminous amounts of information and locating specific facts. Additionally, I quickly learned that professionals have a limited amount of time to read professional literature. Finally, and probably most importantly, I realized that the mainstream press sometimes misses things, and that information "gems" are often buried in peripheral publications, such as newsletters and trade magazines.

So, when Gail Hartzell approached me about authoring a column for the CALL Bulletin, I decided to impart the wisdom, and utilize the skill, that I gained so long ago in suburbia. My column, therefore, will regularly present a small collection of "gems," gleaned from the pages of publications that law librarians might not necessarily look at, or have time to read. Yes, I'm talking about all of those AALL special interest sections and chapter newsletters, along with some Illinois and international library publications thrown into the mix. I've organized the articles by subject, and I'm only including free e-publications, so you can quickly link to something you might be interested in. Some of the articles are indeed a bit offbeat, but I am hopeful that you will find some buried treasures in each column installment.

In this first installment, I've chosen ten articles from publications ranging from Illinois Libraries, to the newsletter of the Law Librarians of Puget Sound. I think my favorite piece of the bunch appears in the Summer issue of the former, a publication of the Illinois State Library. The article describes the history of Western Illinois University's legal library, which exists partly because the local courthouse library was about to collapse on the courtroom below. Another personal favorite is the piece on how law libraries in the Puget Sound chapter celebrated National Library Week. I thought our activities at Loyola were pretty clever (à la the "mystery librarian" bulletin board), but the West Coast law librarians also came up with some rather impressive material. Finally, if you think your job is hard, try putting together a new research center for the Scottish Parliament—a task described in a section newsletter of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions.

FOREIGN LAW LIBRARIES

Seaton, Janet. "21st Century Challenges: the View from the Scottish Parliament." Circular Newsletter, Section on Library and Research Services for Parliaments, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions vol. 24 no. 12-13 (January 2006): 48-53. Available at <http://www.ifla.org/VII/s3/news/s3-newsletter-Jan06.pdf>

This is a fascinating look at the author's role in establishing SPICe, the Scottish Parliament Information Centre, which opened in 1999 to serve the newly formed Scottish Parliament. Seaton, SPICe's Head of Research and Information Services, describes the challenges involved in creating a research center from scratch for a government body that had not convened since the 18th century. She also details the many services that SPICe now provides for Parliament members and their staffs, including fact sheets and research briefings. The aforementioned materials, which are available at <http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/business/research/index.htm>, have helped to enhance the Centre's profile and reputation both within and outside the Parliament.

ILLINOIS LAW LIBRARIES

Malone, Charles E., "The History of the Law Library at Western Illinois University." Illinois Libraries vol. 86 no. 2 (Summer 2006): 4-10. Available at http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/publications/pdf_publications/lda1043.pdf

You're thinking that Western Illinois doesn't have a law school, and you're right. This is an interesting, and somewhat humorous article about how the Western Illinois University Library in Macomb ended up housing a rather remarkable legal reference collection. The collection, part of the Library's Government and Legal Information Unit, is heavily used by undergraduates, local attorneys, and members of the public.

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John Marshall librarians, I think, will find this piece particularly relevant, as the Unit serves as a branch law library for the local county bar association.

LAW FIRM LIBRARIES

Sonnesyn, Jill, and Raver, Scott. "Insider's View: Gray Plant Mooty Information Resource Center." *MALL Newsletter* vol. 32 no. 5 (March/April 2006): 24-26. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/mall/news325.pdf>

Sonnesyn and Raver, both members of the Minnesota Association of Law Libraries (MALL), co-authored this article about the Information Resource Center (IRC) of Gray Plant Mooty, a Minneapolis law firm. The authors, who are both librarians at Gray Plant, describe the firm's recent relocation, and the challenge of designing the IRC to fit into the new space. Sonnesyn and Raver also detail the services that the IRC provides, and list some interesting examples of requests that the staff recently handled—e.g., sales rep laws for Puerto Rico, a biography of the "Father of Airline Deregulation," and an overview of the 2003-2004 meat processing industry.

LEGAL EDUCATION

Nelson, Melanie. "Skills Assessment Tests for Law Students at the University of Tulsa." *MAALL Markings* vol. 16 no. 2 (April 2006): 5. Available at http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/maall/maallnews_04_06.pdf

One challenge facing legal research faculty is how to adequately evaluate their students' legal research skills. This article, published in the newsletter of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries (MAALL), describes how law librarians at the University of Tulsa evaluate first years—a method that I can only say makes my jaw drop. There, librarians administer one-on-one skills assessment tests that last 80 minutes each. During the sessions, the students must demonstrate their skills using print and online ALRs, print state statutes and digests, and Shepard's online, based on a fact pattern that they receive prior to the session. In the fall of 2005, the Tulsa librarians scheduled (get this) 178 individual sessions. No word on how many librarians participated.

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

George, Dianne. "Change Your World @ Your Library!: National Library Week 2006." *LLOPSCited* vol. 16 issue 4 (Summer 2006): 6-8. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llops/committees/newsletter/summer06.pdf>

Coming up with new ideas for National Library Week every year can be a challenge. This piece, published in the Law Librarians of Puget Sound (LLOPS) newsletter, describes what eight member libraries did for National Library Week.

One law firm, for example, created a bookmark that featured a photo of the firm's president in several different poses in the library (apparently, quite a hit). At the Seattle University Law Library, a staff member designed READ posters which featured "celebrity faculty," and the Associate Dean, posing with books that were especially significant to them. The article also includes a list of selected resources for National Library Week 2007.

PLACEMENT & RECRUITMENT

Hagle, Robyn. "LLOPS & the UW iSchool." *LLOPSCited* vol. 16 issue 3 (Spring 2006): 11-12. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llops/committees/newsletter/spring06.pdf>

Recruiting new blood into the profession of law librarianship has been a hot topic both nationally and locally. In this article, the author describes her recent activities as liaison between the Law Librarians of Puget Sound (LLOPS), and the University of Washington Information School (UW iSchool). Hagle, for example, wrote an article about law librarianship for the student newsletter at the UW iSchool, for which she received a very positive response. She also organized a tour of a local law firm library for interested iSchool students. As a result of these efforts, the author notes that "law librarianship is being viewed as an exciting and interesting career option for iSchool graduates."

Kroening, Jamie and Butula, Bev. "LLAW Celebrates the AALL Centennial with Student Tours." *LLAW Newsletter* vol. 23 no. 3 (Spring 2006). Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/publications/Spring%20Newsletter%202006.pdf>

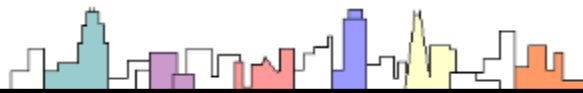
This article describes how our law librarian colleagues to the north used the AALL centennial to introduce the field of law librarianship to library students. Specifically, the Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin (LLAW) invited library students and faculty to celebrate the centennial with luncheons and law library tours in Madison and Milwaukee. The Madison tours included a law firm library, the Wisconsin State Law Library, and the University of Wisconsin Law Library. The Milwaukee event offered tours of three downtown law firm libraries.

PUBLICATONS DATABASES (CREATION OF)

Williams, Colleen. "Developing a Law Faculty Publications Database: The Georgia State University Law Library Experience." *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* vol. 25 issue 3 (Summer 2006): 13-14. Available at http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/25_3/FacpubsDB.htm

This is an excellent article about how law librarians at Georgia State developed a faculty publications database, which went live on April 7, 2006. Williams describes the scope of the project, its challenges, the role of graduate

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research assistants, and the future of the database. The database itself is located at http://law.gsu.edu/library/index/faculty_publications/, and publications may be viewed by faculty member, year of publication, or publication type. Although the article focuses on an academic library, its contents might also be relevant for firm librarians who are interested in creating a database of attorney publications.

SOLO LAW LIBRARIANS

Borer, Annette. "Insider's View: Felhaber, Larson, Fenlon, and Voigt." MALL Newsletter vol. 32 no. 6 (May/June 2006): 31-33. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/mall/news326.pdf>

Solo law librarians are really quite remarkable. I mean, you just have to admire people who do it all: research, acquisitions, filing, weeding, marketing, cataloging, etc. In this article, published in the Minnesota Association of Law Libraries (MALL) newsletter, a solo librarian describes her job at a Minneapolis-St. Paul firm. Borer explains the specific challenges involved in "going solo," and what she has done to market her services within the firm. She also mentions the advantages of working on her own, as well as her reliance on outside law librarians for occasional assistance.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

Frame, Stefanie. "Third All-California Institute: Technical Services Workshop for Law Librarians." SCALL Newsletter vol. 33 no. 5 (May/June 2006): 6+. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/scall/newsletter/NewsletterMayJune06.pdf>

I barely made it through Gertrude Koh's cataloging class at Dominican (Rosary, when I was there), but even I found this article interesting. The article, which appeared in the newsletter of the Southern California Association of Law Libraries, details the contents of a day-long Technical Services Workshop for Law Librarians. One of the Workshop's primary focuses was RDA (Resource Description and Access), an incarnation of AACR2 that will be a new multinational content standard. The workshop also featured a program on electronic resources acquisition, as well as a "Technical Services Roundtable." ■

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It would be difficult to condense the program into a summary. The President, Vice President, and Treasurer have a lot to do when they get back and there is not much is different from year to year in the presentations if it is specific to an office.

The people who received the grants have to write a summary of their experience as part of the requirement for getting the grant. The Board is not requiring reports but thinks getting the handouts and sharing where necessary is a good idea.

Printing and Mailing Procedures: Consider updating and elaborating on procedures in Handbook (p. 47) – beyond updating done for summer, 2004 revision. CALL at one time (Nov. 1997) had a CALL Document Printing and Mailing Procedures. Updates would take into consideration our evolving use of the listserv and web to make announcements.

Naomi has updated the Printing Procedures section to be placed in the Handbook.

VII. Committee Reports

Public Affairs Committee - Susan Siebers called and said that in the April Searcher publication there was an article on useful information on the web. There was a mention of the Public Affairs information on our website in this publication.

Awards/Grants Committee - recipients have been chosen for all the awards. They will be announced at the May meeting. The committee is still working on who to award the grants to.

Membership Committee – they are getting together to put together the membership packets and will distribute them at the May meeting.

Community Service Committee – they had a great Earth Day event. The weather was fantastic. They are now gearing up for the book drive.

VIII. Adjournment

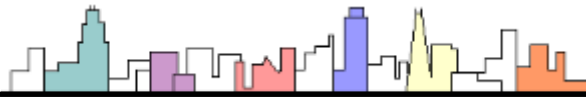
The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Submitted by: Juli Jackson,
15. May 2006

As Amended: 13. June 2006 ■

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CALL Members Participate in the 24th Annual Hein Fun Walk & Run Sunday, July 9, 2006, Gateway Arch Grounds



Mary Lu Linnae, First Place Female Walker and CALL President 2006/07, and Dick Spinelli, AKA Charles A. Lindbergh, CALL member and Vice President of Hein.



Mary Lu and Patrick en route to victory.



Michael Bushbaum, proud father of Patrick, and former CALL member Diana Gleason, Second Place Female Walker.



Patrick Bushbaum, First Place Male Walker and Dick Spinelli, CALL member and Vice President of Hein.

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