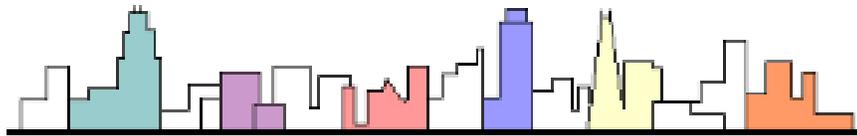


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## FROM THE EDITORS

It's truly hard to believe that summer is almost over, and a new CALL year has begun. This issue of the *CALL Bulletin* highlights CALL's 2007-2008 accomplishments and activities, but also looks ahead to an exciting year for our organization with new president, Sheri Lewis, at the helm.

Highlights from last year in this issue include the CALL Committee Annual Reports. Collectively, these provide an overview of what CALL accomplished in its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, and we must say that it's quite impressive. From the Continuing Education Committee's Institute Day, to the Community Service Committee's many collection and volunteer efforts, CALL has a lot to be proud of. We hope this series of annual reports will inspire you to join one of these committees, if you have not already done so.

Looking ahead, check out Debbie Ginsberg's summary of the 2008 CALL Leadership Workshop, held on July 29<sup>th</sup> at the Metropolitan Library System headquarters. At the Workshop, CALL Board Members and Committee Chairs discussed plans for the future, including possible topics for a 2009 Institute Day. Other matters discussed at the Workshop included the forthcoming debut of CALL's new website, and President Sheri Lewis' call for strategic planning.

This issue of the *Bulletin* also includes returning columns, and reports and photos of activities at the 2008 AALL conference in Portland. We are extremely grateful to all of our regular columnists who contributed to this issue: Maria Willmer, Bob Winger, Lyonette Louis-Jacques, Janice Collins, Valerie Kropf & Sue Retzer, and Julienne Grant. We also thank our Portland reporters Denise Glynn and Beverly Burmeister, as well as photographers Jean Wenger, Mike Bushbaum, Mary Persyn, Mary Lu Linnane, and Helen King-Desai who captured the images at AALL for the *Bulletin*. Additionally, Sally Holterhoff contributed a photo from the Joint Institute and Roberta Fox offers a suggestion on entertainment.

We hope you enjoy the issue!

Gail & Julie

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

By Sheri Lewis, University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library  
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Greetings,

What an honor it is to be writing my first letter as CALL's President! I am looking forward to an active and enriching 62<sup>nd</sup> year for our association.

As I write this letter, it is August and, even with the 90-

degree weather, summer seems to be racing towards its end. And although summer is a time of transition to new leadership for our organization, CALL members remained actively involved in our field, even as preparations for the year ahead began.

CALL hosted an attractive and frequently-visited activities table at the AALL Annual Meeting in Portland, OR in July 2008. CALL's vibrancy was on view at the table with an attractive display of photos of the past year's events, along with various commemorative plaques and certificates. The table also featured several takeaways, including CALL 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary post-it cubes, tootsie rolls and pops, and CALL lanyards. Thanks go to the members who made this table a success by selecting items to display, shipping them to and fro, and setting up and monitoring the table throughout the conference: **Therese Clarke Arado, Helen King-Desai, Holly Lakatos, Kevin McClure, Betty Roeske, and Pat Sayre-McCoy.**

Additionally, several CALL members presented at educational programs or workshops at this year's AALL meeting, including **Gail Hartzell, Deborah Ginsberg, Monice Kaczorowski, Pat Sayre-McCoy, Keith Ann Stiverson and Judith Wright.** Other members (**Mary Lu Linnane, Julie Pabarja, Deborah Rusin, and Gretchen Van Dam**) were participants in leadership training events for chapters and /or committees. **Sally Holterhoff** and

**Lyonette Louis-Jacques** completed their terms serving on the AALL Executive Board, while **Jean Wenger** continues to 2010. And, eleven CALL members enjoyed a delicious meal and opportunity to relax and enjoy an evening with colleagues at this year's CALL No-Host Dinner at Kincaid's Fish, Chop & Steakhouse.

CALL also began to plan for this year's activities in earnest as thirty committee chairs and board members gathered at the Metropolitan Library System offices on July 29th for our annual Leadership Workshop. Led by expert facilitator Kathryn Deiss (Association of College and Research Libraries), CALL leaders engaged in an exciting dialogue for planning events and programs for the year. Please see Deborah Ginsberg's article in this issue of the *Bulletin* for more on the CALL Leadership Workshop.

I personally find the summer months to be a time of reflection and opportunity to reenergize for a busy autumn. Some of us may do so by attending conferences, writing annual reports, taking that well-deserved vacation, or perhaps even catching up on professional literature. Recently, I was reading the report of the *American Lawyer's* annual survey of law libraries. If this survey is not on your regular list of summer professional reading, I recommend adding it. See Alan Cohen, "Competitive Advantage: Business Intelligence—Finding, analyzing, and leveraging it—reshapes the role of law librarians," *Law Firm, Inc.* (July/August 2008): 5-8, 10,12, 14, which is available online at <http://lawfirminc.law.com/>. I love the name of this article – competitive advantage – as it echoes the way that law librarians contribute to and enrich their institutions through their knowledge, skill, ingenuity, and remarkable ability to embrace opportunities to develop as professionals.

I hope that each of you benefits from your participation in CALL as it contributes to your competitive advantage. I look forward to seeing and working with you in the coming year.

Sheri Lewis



**CALL Executive Board Minutes**  
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*Full copies of Board Meeting minutes are posted in the Members-Only section of the CALL website (<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/protected/index.html>). Members who would like hard copies of any meeting minutes should contact Deborah Ginsberg ([dginsberg@kentlaw.edu](mailto:dginsberg@kentlaw.edu), 312-906-5673), Secretary.*

**2007/08 Call Executive Board Meeting**

AALL Headquarters, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 940,  
 May 13, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: Anne Abramson, Therese Clarke Arado, Debbie Ginsberg, Sheri Lewis, Mary Lu Linnane, Julie Pabarja, Debbie Rusin

Incoming Board Members Present: Ruth Bridges, Gretchen Van Dam

**Summary:****Treasurer's Report (Section IV):**

1. CALL Balance as of April, 2008: \$22,965.60
2. Net Income, April 30, 2008: \$1,450.08
3. Membership as of April 30, 2008: 2007-2008 members: 322, 2008-2009 new members: 9

**Policy Recommendations/Handbook updates:**

**Grants/Awards:** Award winners who attend the May Business Meeting will receive complimentary registration. The complimentary registration can be used only by the winner and only for the May meeting. Those who nominated the award winners or accept the award on a winner's behalf will not receive a complimentary registration.

**Reaffirm policy set previously by the Board.** Letters from Prisoners 2006-12: CALL will not respond to letters from prisoners. CALL will forward letters from prisoners to the AALL SR-SIS's Committee on Library Services to Institution Residents.

**Elections:** Members who join CALL by the time ballots are sent out are eligible to vote.

**Significant Actions:** The amendments to Article 12 and Article 13 passed.

**2008-2009 Call Executive Board Meeting**

AALL Headquarters, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 940,  
 June 5, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present: Ruth Bridges, Debbie Ginsberg, Sheri Lewis, Christine Morong (via conference call), Julie Pabarja, Gretchen Van Dam

CALL Members Present: Betty Roeske

Board Members Absent: Debbie Rusin

**Summary:****Treasurer's Report (Section IV):**

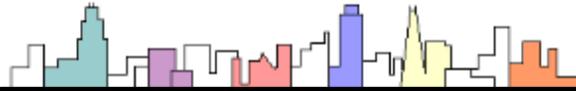
1. CALL Balance as of May, 2008: \$32,058.23
2. Net Income, May 31, 2008: \$1,461.89
3. Membership as of May 31, 2008: 2007-2008 members: 322 (154 renewals received for 2008-2009), 2008-2009 new members: 15

**Significant Actions:**

CALL will host only four business meetings in 2008-2009. They will be held on September 18, 2008, November 20, 2008, February 27, 2009, and May 21, 2009. They will all be lunch meetings.

Grant recipients will be asked to submit an article to the *CALL Bulletin* within a year of receiving their grant. Grant recipients will not be required to serve on a committee. The *Handbook* will be modified to reflect this policy.

CALL would like to thank Wolters  
 Kluwer Law & Business for  
 sponsoring the CALL Business  
 Meeting on May 22, 2008.



## 2008 CALL Leadership Workshop

*Tuesday, July 29, 2008*

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Kathryn Deiss, ACRL Content Strategist, facilitated the 2008 CALL Leadership Workshop, held at the Metropolitan Library System headquarters in Chicago. Thirty CALL members participated, including all Executive Board members, as well as chairs from nearly every committee.

Because the 2008 CALL Institute Day was very successful, CALL will likely host another Institute Day in 2009. Possible topics for CALL's next Institute Day or Continuing Education programs include:

- Negotiating skills
- Career planning
- Staff management and supervisor management
- Authentication and continuing free public access to legal and government documents
- Competitive intelligence

If you would like to suggest any topics for either Institute Day or other continuing education programs, please contact CALL Continuing Education Committee Chairs Frank Lima ([flima@niu.edu](mailto:flima@niu.edu)) or Julie Melvin ([jmelvin@sonnenschein.com](mailto:jmelvin@sonnenschein.com)).

The CALL Internet Committee is working to improve our website. Look for more information in the fall.

CALL is considering beginning a strategic planning effort this year. The last plan expired in 2000. If you are interested in participating in strategic planning, please contact Sheri Lewis, President ([shl@uchicago.edu](mailto:shl@uchicago.edu)).

CALL would like to thank Professionals Library Service, Inc. for sponsoring door prizes at the May 22, 2008, CALL Business Meeting.



## BUSINESS MEETING ROUNDUP

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### May Business Meeting

May 22, 2008

Held at Petterino's

CALL thanks its sponsor, Wolters Kluwer, for sponsoring the May business meeting.

CALL was honored to hear the Honorable Chief Judge Eugene R. Wedoff of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Judge Wedoff discussed the state of bankruptcy today. He began by comparing bankruptcy law to state common law. State law serves three critical functions. The first is "first in time, first in right" – whoever is in court first is likely to be paid first. The second is "judgments never go away"; they are only discharged with the death of the debtor. The third is "debtors cannot hold onto collateral" meaning possessions and real estate cannot be protected.

Traditionally, bankruptcy reverses all three principles. Under traditional bankruptcy, all creditors are treated equally as a class. They are paid *pro rata* with whatever assets are available for distribution. This not only protects the debtor, but also the creditors because who files first does not determine who will be paid. Bankruptcy allows debtors to discharge debts. This allows the debtor to participate in the economy and the policy stimulates economic growth. Finally, bankruptcy allows debtors to retain certain collateral, particularly the property which the debtor needs to live and

work such as the home and car. Note that the debtor needs to maintain the value to the creditor and may need to offset any depreciation.

In 2005, the Bankruptcy Code was amended and partially repealed, reducing the effect of the three traditional principles of bankruptcy. The amendments changed how secured loans were handled. Students loans already could not be discharged, but other loans were also put into this category. Cash advances or purchases of luxury items with credit cards in the period before filing were presumed to be credit fraud. Tax liabilities were made not dischargeable. Filing fees were raised and more paperwork was required.

With the changes in the Bankruptcy Code and the new roadblocks to filing, bankruptcy filings dramatically decreased by half. Over the last couple of years, however, the number of filings has once again increased, but not to previous levels. As the mortgage crisis worsens, new bankruptcy options may be needed to relieve debtors, but this will depend on the policies of the next administration.

After Judge Wedoff's remarks, CALL presented its annual awards and grants. The awards were presented by Mary Lu Linnane. John DiGilio at Reed Smith, LLP, was this year's winner of the Outstanding In-House Publication for his *Monthly REEDer*, his firm's in-house newsletter. The Agnes and Har-

vey T. Reid Award for Outstanding Contribution to Law



*Honorable Chief Judge Eugene R. Wedoff,  
guest speaker, and Sheri Lewis*

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## Business Meeting Roundup *cont. from p. 6*

Librarianship was presented to Julia Jackson and Carol Klink for their digitization of CALL's archives, soon to be available online. Naomi Goodman, who retired in August 2007 after 20 years of library service, was presented with the award for Outstanding Lifetime Achievement.

Denise Glynn presented this year's CALL grants. Anne Abramson was awarded a grant to attend the Joint Study Institute program - "Harmonization and Confrontation: Integrating Foreign and International Law into the American Legal System." Todd Ito received a grant to attend the AALL 2008 Annual Meeting in Portland. Debbie Rusin, Vice-Chair, *AALL Spectrum* and *Law Library Journal*, was presented a grant to attend the Pre-AALL Conference Program for Incoming AALL Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs.

Treasurer Anne Abramson presented a financial update. At the time, CALL was running a deficit but expected it to be made up soon.

membership participated in the election. The motion to destroy the ballots was passed.

Carol Klink of the Archives Committee reminded the other committee chairs to submit yearly materials.

Stephanie Crawford of the Community Service Committee thanked the attendees for contributing to the canisters for the Chicago Children's Advocacy Center and for donating clothing to Dress for Success.



***Naomi Goodman with award for Outstanding Lifetime Achievement***

Professionals Library Service donated three door prizes. The winners were Beth Mrkvicka, Rosemary Marshall, and Stephanie Crawford.

CALL thanked the outgoing members of the Board, Mary Lu Linnane (Past President), Anne Abramson (Treasurer), and Therese Clarke Arado (Director). CALL welcomed the Board's three newest members, Gretchen Van Dam (Vice President/President Elect), Ruth Bridges (Treasurer), and Christine Morong (Director). Deborah Rusin stepped down as President, and Sheri Lewis stepped up for 2008-2009.

*Photos courtesy of Helen King-Desai*



***Carol Klink with the Agnes and Harvey T. Reid Award for Outstanding Contribution to Law Librarianship***

Vice President Sheri Lewis announced there would be a No-Host dinner in Portland on Saturday, July 12th.

Susan Siebers of the Bylaws Committee presented the results of CALL's Bylaws election. The two amendments to CALL's Bylaws passed, the first by a vote of 106 to 6, and the second by a vote of 104 to 8. Nearly 40% of CALL's



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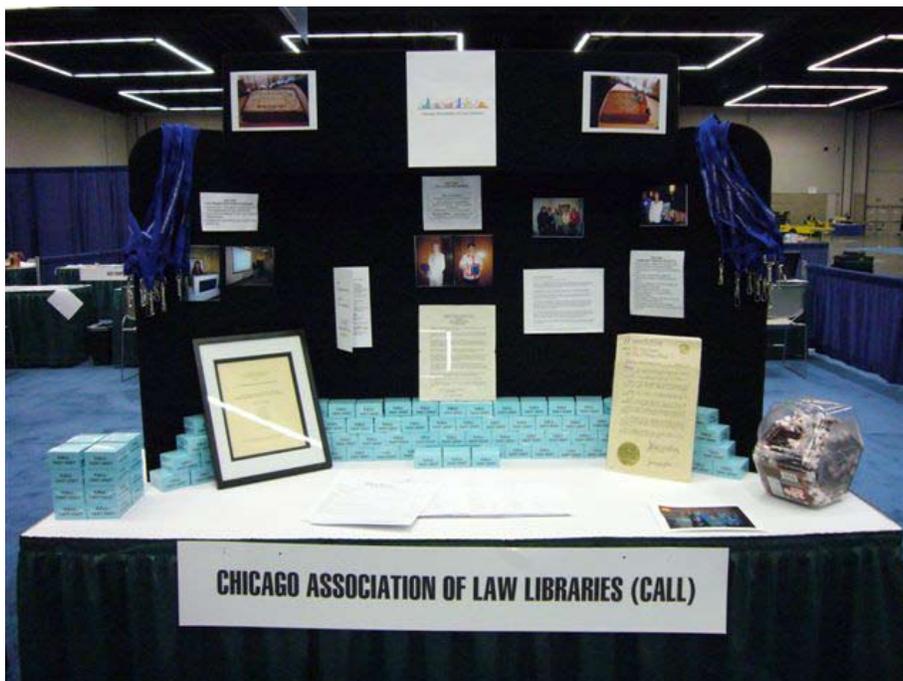
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## WHATEVER HAPPENED TO LYNN STRAM?

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Lynn Stram

Lynn Stram brought us up-to-date from her current home in Israel where, using the wonders of technology, the interview was conducted via e-mail. As a result, most of this is actually in Lynn's own words.

Lynn grew up in Toledo, Ohio. She shared a couple of random memories. When she was 2 or 3 years old, she won a beauty contest at a department store. The prize was a doll ("A pity, since I was a tomboy"). She relates that her mother tells her that she saw the librarian in her as a kid: "Whenever she had a dental appointment, I hung out in the reception area organizing the magazines."

In 1982, Lynn graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in Sociology from Stern College in New York City. Stern is the women's division of Yeshiva University. While working in the undergraduate library in the school's work-study program, she made the decision to go into librarianship.

Lynn then enrolled in the Pratt Institute's now defunct Graduate School of Library and Information Science. While there, she took nearly every course offered by William Saffady who taught systems analysis and library technology. She also interned with Ed Cortéz, who was a library automation consultant during the days of mini-computers. From those two professors, she knew that she wanted to get into the technology end of the profession. She graduated magna cum laude with her library degree in 1984.

Once out of library school, Lynn's career went in another direction. She started at a diversified media company called John Blair & Company (also no longer in existence) in New York, where she was the assistant to the Director of Strategic Planning. She learned a lot about radio and television station ratings and served up news clips for the Chief Executive Officer and the division managers. When Blair became the target of a takeover just under a year from when she started, she got her first taste of downsizing.

Soon after that, Lynn landed in a large law firm doing technical services. With a hint of irony, she notes that

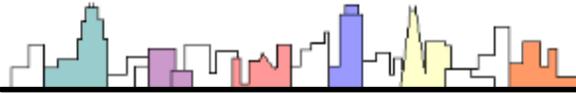
back in library school she had vowed to work neither in law nor cataloging, but took the job in order to work with Inmagic software at Shea & Gould. As Systems Librarian, she decided that she never wanted to do reference work. Her former boss from those days, Jean O'Grady, is now with the latest incarnation of Wilmer Cutler & Pickering: "She told me that one of the reasons she hired me was that I didn't look like a librarian. Was she implying there is a stereotype, I wonder?"

When Shea & Gould started to go downhill, Lynn was again a victim of downsizing. Days later, she started a temporary job as a *reference librarian* with Debevoise & Plimpton, under Denis O'Connor. He and his staff taught her how much fun it could be doing reference. When that job ended, she decided that 10+ years in NYC was enough, and she would look at jobs elsewhere on the east coast. Lynn says that her next position was as Systems Librarian at Pepper, Hamilton & Scheetz in Philadelphia, another large law firm where she supervised a larger technical services staff, learned to use Datatrek software, and discovered intellectual property.

After a few years in Philadelphia, Lynn decided that Chicago was where she wanted to be. This time, leaving the job was her choice for a change. She answered an ad for another technical services position at yet another large law firm, Baker & McKenzie. Under Lorraine Kulpa, Lynn learned about library management, and the kind of energy and drive it takes to make the library something other than "expensive real estate; that is, something visible within the larger organization and proactive, rather than passive and reactive."

Unfortunately, after a few years, management had other ideas and decided to outsource the entire department. On a Friday in March that was to become known in the profession as '*Black Friday*,' they fired the entire Baker & McKenzie Chicago office library staff. She notes that this set a precedent in the profession: "I'm sure you recall that the cover of AALL's newsletter following the event was

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## Whatever Happened to Lynn Stram?

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black in recognition of a law firm's first attempt to out-source its entire library staff. The whole affair was ugly." In barely a year, she had been downsized yet again.

Two weeks later, Lynn had two offers right down the street on Michigan Avenue: "Ever a glutton for punishment, instead of fleeing law librarianship, I chose a boutique firm that specialized in information technology law." Gordon & Glickson was the right fit for her, and she stayed with the firm for nearly eleven years as the firm rode the waves of the tech boom and bust. Her skills diversified, and she became a jack-of-all-trades doing reference, marketing, website development, strategic planning and a whole host of other things.

When the firm became serious about a merger, Lynn saw the writing on the wall once more. Sure enough, when the firm merged with McGuireWoods, she came to another turning point: "Leaving my colleagues from G&G was one of the hardest things I've ever had to do. My years at G&G were the best of my career. I owe the partners and staff of G&G a huge debt of gratitude."

After a short stint at McGuireWoods while the attorneys from Gordon & Glickson were being integrated into the firm, Lynn began freelancing to tide her over. Her search for full-time work in Chicago lasted over a year: "the market was grim and my search was going nowhere."

After Gordon & Glickson founder Mark Gordon's tragic death a few months later, Lynn decided that it was time to shake things up and make adventure out of adversity, which she says was something that he had taught her. While visiting a friend in Jerusalem in November of 2006, she decided to make a brand new start in a country that had always fascinated her: "Less than 6 months later, I was living in Jerusalem. I had told my family and friends it was just a trial run. But I knew otherwise."

Surprisingly, language has not been a barrier for Lynn. There are a lot of Anglos in the country, especially in Jerusalem. Nonetheless, she is determined to learn Hebrew: "Language is the key to new worlds, and Israelis love to see new immigrants valiantly struggling to learn to communicate. I speak what I call 'Heblish.' I'm even learning to swear in the modern version of the holy tongue spiced with Arabic, Yiddish and English curses."

Lynn has been in Jerusalem for just over a year now: "This is an unpredictable place. The population is

diverse—as are its problems—but the people have a straightforwardness and resilience I never encountered in the U.S. From its earliest days, the country has improvised to survive and improvisation is still a feature of everyday life, even on the job. It seems like little is ever planned and organized in advance. Policy decisions are made at work that affect workflow, but there is no formal mechanism for disseminating the changes. It's maddening and inefficient, but I'm getting used to it."

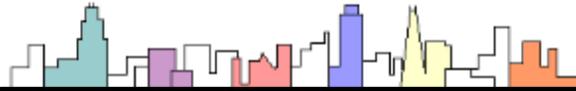
Contrary to what she'd been told to expect from veteran immigrants, everything happened quickly: "I expected it to take many months to find work but I found something temporary in 8 days and a full-time job in high tech within a couple of months. I expected I'd have to live in the Tel Aviv area which is the economic center of the country. Instead, my job is in Jerusalem where I found a place to live directly across the street from my only friends in the country (I have no family here)."

Her greatest fear had been that she would be unable to find work in Israel, as librarianship is an underdeveloped profession in that country. To her surprise, she became a support analyst at a library automation software company called Ex Libris: "I work on a federated search engine called MetaLib. It's used by large libraries all over the world as a front end allowing patrons to search multiple databases from various providers without having to learn separate query languages."

"I finally got my wish to work in library automation and discovered that few of the skills I've accumulated over 24 years are relevant to the job! My knowledge of electronic databases, Boolean operators and MARC tags is actually less important than my knowledge of the English language! All the rest is brand new. I've never worked harder but I love the challenge."

Lynn sums up her post-CALL life: "Starting from scratch has yielded great rewards. I couldn't have done it without the foundation built on the opportunities I had in the past."

Those wishing to get in touch with Lynn may contact her by e-mail at [lrstram@gmail.com](mailto:lrstram@gmail.com).



## CALL Board members at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> Business Meeting



*Front: Debbie Rusin, Sheri Lewis, Gretchen Van Dam, and Anne Abramson*

*Back: Ruth Bridges, Julie Pabarja, Therese Clarke Arado, Debbie Ginsberg, Christine Morong, and Mary Lu Linanne*

Photo by Helen King-Desai

The Community Service Committee reported that clothing and accessories were collected for Dress for Success at the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008, CALL Business Meeting. Eighteen boxes and bags of clothing, shoes, purses and other accessories were collected. Dress for Success provides interview clothing for clients who have completed job skills training.

## ASIAN LIBRARIANS VISIT LOYOLA LAW LIBRARY

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On Thursday, June 26th, 2008, nine librarians from Southeast Asia visited the Loyola University School of Law Library. The visitors represented university and public libraries in Malaysia, the Philippines, and Indonesia. The group was visiting the United States as part of the Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program, and was accompanied by two State Department representatives. The Chicago leg of the trip was coordinated by the International Visitors Center of Chicago.

While in the Law Library, the visitors toured the stacks and computer lab, and had a chance to chat with several staff members, including Carol Klink, Assistant Director for Technical Services, and Fred LeBaron, Head of Faculty Services and Collection Development. In addition to the tour, the librarians saw a demonstration of Loyola's online catalog, *Pegasus*. Members of the Asian group asked numerous questions during the visit, and were particularly interested in learning more about English-language databases specific to legal research. During their two-day stay in Chicago, the librarians also had an opportunity to see Loyola's new Information Commons on the lakeshore campus, as well as the Harold Washington Library. For more information on the International Visitors Center of Chicago, see <http://www.ivcc.org/>.



## Discussion List Guidelines

The CALL Discussion Forum is provided for general discussion for members of the Chicago Association of Law Libraries. Only CALL members may post to the list.

Appropriate topics for the list include:

- CALL committee news
- CALL meeting and education event reminders
- notices of CALL membership changes
- requests for volunteers for CALL activities
- discussions of issues related to our jobs
- hard to find ILL requests
- informal surveys
- news of interest to the Chicago law library community

Please do not use the discussion list to promote or market commercial products.

### Forum Etiquette

DO add a descriptive subject line to all messages. For example: ILL request, Free books for postage, etc.

DO sign all messages. Please include your name, affiliation, and contact information.

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DON'T use the list for longer items. Please use the CALL website and *CALL Bulletin* for those. You may e-mail out a brief announcement in which you include the URL for a longer item.

Members may send attachments, but these must be limited to text-type files (Word, PDFs, text files, HTML) which are under 3 megabytes.

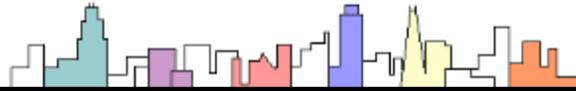
DON'T use the Discussion Forum for personal opinions unrelated to CALL or the field of law librarianship.

DO remember to contact the CALL Discussion Forum administrators if you need any help.

CALL Discussion Forum Administrator:

Eugene Giudice is the CALL Discussion Forum Administrator. You may send him a message at [eugenegiudice@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eugenegiudice@sbcglobal.net).

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## INTO THE WOODS WITH WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

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“Chairs?” Check. “Sunscreen?” Check. “Hats?” Check. “Insect repellent?” Check. “Custom orthotics slipped into my new New Balance walking shoes?” Check. So went the conversation between my husband and me as we prepared for this year’s SLA Illinois Chapter summer outing to see a Theatre-Hikes production of William Shakespeare’s *The Taming of the Shrew* at Morton Arboretum. If you haven’t had the opportunity to experience one of these outdoor theater adventures, I highly recommend trying it sometime. Set in the beautiful grounds of the Morton Arboretum, plays and musicals—and even some original productions by local playwrights—have been performed for the past eight years. A Theatre-Hikes performance is definitely an activity for all ages; our Sunday afternoon group consisted of several seasoned Shakespeare buffs—nodding knowingly with each verse—as well as a handful of small children.

### All the world’s a stage

It was, after all, William Shakespeare who penned, “All the world’s a stage,” and this certainly wasn’t the first time one of his plays was presented out-of-doors. Scenes were performed right in the west side grounds, with trees as backdrops and nearby bushes cloaking various actors as they awaited their entrances. Our actors were costumed, but props were held to a minimum. As each scene concluded, audience members packed up their chairs and blankets and proceeded with the assistance of several guides to the next location. In all, we hiked to 11

locations. The hiking is not strenuous, but definitely falls into the category of exercise. The weather cooperated beautifully for our venture, with just enough cloud cover to mask the sun’s direct rays, and enough of a gentle breeze to rustle the leaves overhead. I had no trouble hearing the actors, even with some pretty raucous cicadas competing at one location.

### Kiss Me Kate

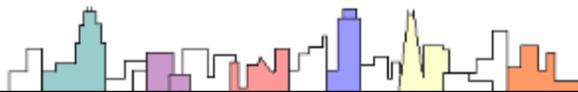
I thought the actors did a very good job. There was enough action in the Kate-Petruchio Bianca-Lucentio chase scenes to keep the kids interested, though I secretly wondered how they handled the uneven terrain with their long, Elizabethan dresses. We even had musical accompaniment from a mandolin player as we strolled to each location. I could not resist the urge to step in time to the music. The few sound effects, such as galloping horses and blows from fight scenes, came from the musician’s woodblocks. I had to laugh on one occasion as I witnessed several actors in the wings (i.e., behind bushes) lift up their heavy dresses and spray their ankles with bug spray. I wondered what The Bard would have said! All in a day’s work, I might guess.

*The Taming of the Shrew* plays Saturdays and Sundays through September, with two “low impact” hikes for less agile walkers. *Dracula* makes his ghostly appearance just in time for the Halloween season—weather permitting—through October 26th. More information is available at <http://www.mortonarb.org/main.taf?p=1,3,7>.

### Forthcoming Attraction:

CALL’s new website is scheduled to debut soon.

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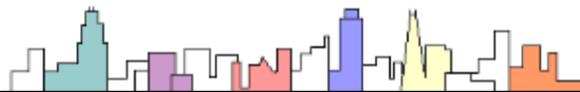
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## WORKING SMARTER .... OREGON 08: REFRESHING & REWARDING

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Flying over Mt. Hood was a breathtaking experience and was the first realization for me that we were really in Oregon for the 2008 AALL Conference. Chicago long gone in the rearview mirror, our plane touched down in this truly wonderful city just 1.5 hours east of the Pacific Northwest. We were in the heart of the Pacific Northwest.

The Keynote Speaker of the conference, David Pogue, set the tone for a wonderful meeting in Portland. In his "Mega-Trends for the Future," Pogue gave us a whirlwind tour of what is already here, and what is yet to come on the technology scene. David concluded his talk by singing and playing (on an electronic piano) some well-known tunes with his own hilarious lyrics. His rendition of Sonny & Cher's "I've got U-Tube" was one of my favorites. Going into the Harold Washington Library today, I noticed a sticker on the main entrance door that reminded me of David's talk. The sticker stated that Wi-Fi is now free in all Chicago public libraries. David would be proud.

The opportunity to network with colleagues from the past was also very wonderful. Whether meeting for lunch or dinner, or sitting together at meetings, the chance to see people I hadn't seen in at least a year was very, very helpful for me. The Exhibit Hall too was a wonderful way to network. Even on the Tri-Met, I met a woman who founded the library for the International Criminal Court at The Hague in the Netherlands--a place where war criminals are being tried today.



The opportunity to see all types of law librarians in one place also allows us to see how very diverse our own special library situation really is. Academic, Firm, Court, International...etc. are all so very different; it really is a revelation to see how these different environments draw

on so many different talents. Sitting down with colleagues, and actually hearing what their daily jobs entail, can be quite enlightening. Whether one is dealing with the "C" people (CEO, COO, CIO...) in one's organization, trying to make a case for greater library involvement in higher level decision making

(discussed by panel member & CALL member Monice Kaczorowski), or whether we are exploring the secret workings of the FISA Court, it's very evident how our diverse working environments affect the actual daily jobs we do.

I believe the time in Portland was refreshing and rewarding. It was refreshing, not only because we had beautiful weather with very little humidity, but also because we were exposed to new ideas, places and surroundings. The time was rewarding, because I always come back from these meetings with something that gives me a new perspective on the law library profession. Although flying over Mt. Hood also made me want to go skiing (another trip to Portland is definitely in my future), having AALL's meeting in Oregon did help me Energize, Explore & Evolve, which I believe can only help me (and I hope you) work smarter!



## DIGGIN' IN THE DIRT

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One of the AALL Volunteer Projects in Portland was an opportunity to participate in the Portland Parks and Recreation Community Gardens Service Project. I like to garden, and while I live on a small suburban lot, I have removed much of the grass over the years and turned the lot into a garden with a house in the center. One hones many skills in gardening and one of those skills is the ability to recognize and remove invasive species – aka weeding. Whether it is in your own backyard or in a 170-acre community park, removing the pesky root invaders is key to the preservation of the garden.



AALL volunteers helped to weed several sections of the Oaks Bottom Wildlife Refuge, a 170-acre floodplain wetland on the Willamette River in southeast Portland. Volunteers worked with Portland Park representative Louise Schorr, who gave us a history of the area and explained what we would be doing for our project. The plan was to remove all of the invasive species in a marked area at the trailhead, so school children from two nearby elementary and middle schools could plant a native prairie. In fact, volunteer groups do almost all of the

maintenance and planting in the park with the majority of the planting being done by school children. The children plant “plugs” by the thousands in the fall.

Louise explained what was to be removed, equipped us volunteers with shovels, pitchforks and gloves and then we all got busy weeding. It was a hot day and, fortunately, we were in a shady area. We worked steadily for several hours completely clearing the designated area, and Louise was thrilled with our work and enthusiasm. I was surprised at the number of bikers, hikers, and passersby who said “thank you” to our group. We then moved along down the trail removing invasive clematis until Louise called it a day. She then took us on a short hike through the different areas of the park. We went through woods, wetlands, and marshes on our way to a beautiful view of several islands in the Willamette River. It was a nice way to end the day and connect with the area we had just helped. I think all of the volunteers felt like they made a positive impact at Oaks Bottom. So remember when you go out to your garden, you are doing more than just weeding; you are removing invasive species.

## CALL Membership Directory 2007-2008 (pdf)

[http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/protected/CALL\\_Direct\\_Spring2008.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/protected/CALL_Direct_Spring2008.pdf)

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**CALL NO-HOST DINNER AT KINCAID'S**  
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Eleven CALL members gathered at Kincaid's Fish, Chop & Steakhouse in downtown Portland for a delicious three-course dinner. It was a beautiful sunny Portland evening. Some of us walked, and some of us took the Light Rail. (Wouldn't it be great if more cities had such a convenient public transportation system which is free in the downtown sector?)

Kincaid's was another great choice for a group dinner with spacious accommodations and an attentive wait staff.

We had some wonderful and difficult choices to make for our appetizer, soup/salad, and entrée. Although appetizer choices included Teriyaki Tenderloin, Seafood Deviled Egg Trio, and Warm Brie with Macadamia Nut Crust, all of us happened to choose the Seafood Deviled Egg Trio. That must be a first! The presentation of six deviled egg halves on a white rectangular plate was stunning – two with Dungeness crab, two with bay shrimp, and two with smoked salmon -- definitely a picture that I will remember.

We made a variety of choices for the soup/salad course, but the Baby Iceberg BLT was a popular choice, and reportedly very tasty. Six entrées were available – Asiago Almond Crusted Sea Scallops, Wild Salmon with Pomegranate Sauce, Vegetarian Lasagna, Pan Seared Chicken Breast with Roasted Mushroom Stuffing, Sirloin Strip, and Signature Rock Salt Roasted Prime Rib of Beef. Understandably, being in Oregon, the sea scallops and salmon seemed to be favorites of the group.



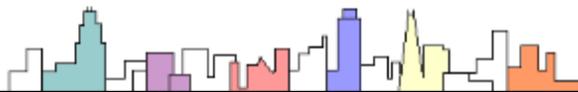
***CALL No-Host Dinner at Kincaid's in Portland***

***Left to right: Lorna Tang, Sheri Lewis, Sandy Jacobson, Judy Gaskell, Mary Persyn, Gail Hartzell, Beverly Burmeister, Denise Glynn, Gretchen Van Dam, Julie Jackson, and Teri Diamond***

*Photo courtesy of Mary Persyn*

the opportunity to visit a memorable restaurant in our host city. See you there next year!

As usual, we had a lively discussion, which this time included thoughts about the many restaurant options we will have for next year's dinner in Washington, D.C. As a relatively new member of CALL, I value the small group atmosphere of the "No-Host" dinners for getting to know other members. It also provides



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TITLE: Director of Library Services  
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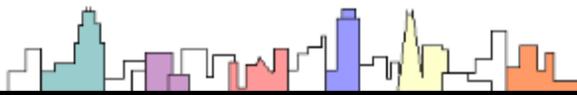
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## CALL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORTS

CALL Committees, led by a group of enthusiastic and hard-working chairs, had a productive and exciting year—planning meetings for our organization, educating current and future law librarians, donating items and time to charities, and the list continues. This year, the annual report that CALL submitted to AALL is also included.

Read through the committee annual reports below, and you will get a sense of what CALL accomplished during its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Pretty impressive! If you haven't yet signed up to be on a CALL Committee for 2008-2009, it's not too late. CALL President Sheri Lewis would be happy to hear from you. Just drop her an e-mail at [shl@uchicago.edu](mailto:shl@uchicago.edu), and let her know the committee that you'd like to join.

### Archives

#### Members:

**Chair:** Carol Klink

Lenore Glanz and Jayne McQuoid (resigned Sept. 14, 2007)

**Liaison:** Deborah Ginsberg

The members of the Archive Committee have continued to file all additional materials received this year. The materials are arranged in chronological order by committee name or office. Please continue to forward all materials to the Archives.

We did not meet as a group this year. We kept in touch via e-mail and telephone. We did not have any expenses. I recommend that the budget for the Committee be retained, as we will need money to cover the expense of transferring the Archives to Northern Illinois University next summer.

*Submitted by Carol Klink*

### Bulletin

#### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Gail Hartzell and Julianne Grant

**Advertising Manager:** Christina Wagner

Susan Boland, Janice Collins, Sonal Desai, Roberta Fox, Lyonette Louis-Jacques, and Bob Winger

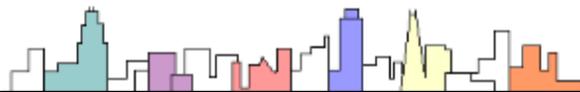
**Liaison:** Mary Lu Linnane

#### *Fall 2007*

Julianne Grant started as the new Co-Editor of the *CALL Bulletin*. She also writes a column for the *Bulletin*, "Off the Beaten Path." This issue included the CALL Committee Annual Reports. Three CALL members reported on their experiences at the 2007 AALL Annual Meeting and Conference in New Orleans, LA: Julie Melvin, Susan Boland, and Valerie Kropf. The returning columnists were Julianne Grant, "Off the Beaten Path"; Bob Winger, "Whatever Happened to ...?"; Maria Willmer, "Working Smarter"; and Kathy Bruner and Sue Retzer, "People and Places." The "TechBuzz" column rotates its authors with guest columnists.

Beverly Burmeister wrote about the CALL No-Host Din-

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## Bulletin Annual Report *cont. from p. 20*

ner in New Orleans. Photographs from the 2007 AALL Annual Conference were also included. This issue had 37 pages and two ads: Westlaw (full page) and EOS (1/4 page).

We had major problems with delays for the layout of this issue. Thus, the Fall issue was not published until October 18, 2007. With the help of the CALL Executive Board, we found a new person who was hired to do the layout, starting with the Winter 2008 issue.

### Winter 2008

Mary Chase, who has previous experience publishing newsletters, began doing the layout for the *CALL Bulletin*. This issue included a special section on "Presentation Techniques and Technology: Tips from the Trenches." Four writers – Debbie Ginsberg, Susan Boland, Therese Clarke Arado, and Thomas Keefe – related their experiences with new technological gadgets and software applications used to prepare presentations for speeches, training sessions, and classes.

Roberta Fox, a guest columnist, shared her experiences with "Toastmasters" and public speaking. Halle Mikyska wrote about her experiences at the 2007 AALL Annual Meeting and Conference in New Orleans, LA. The "TechBuzz" column provided tips for keeping up with new and emerging technologies. A new column focusing on CALL committees was introduced. The Public Relations Committee was the first profiled. All the regular columnists submitted their columns. Also included were photos from CALL's 60th Anniversary celebration at the September CALL Business Meeting.

In this issue, there were 47 pages and two ads, BNA (full page) and EOS (1/4 page). The editing and layout went well, and the Winter issue was published on December 14, 2007.

### Spring 2008

The Spring 2008 issue was published on March 6, 2008, and had 35 pages. This was the second time Mary Chase formatted the *Bulletin*, and the publication process was timely and professional. This issue included the 2008/2009 CALL Executive Board candidates' biographies, statements and photographs. Starting with this issue, a summary of the Executive Board minutes were published in the *Bulletin*. Going forward, the Secretary will post the full minutes to the "Members Only" section

on the CALL website, so there will be no delay in making the minutes available to members.

An exciting feature of this issue was two interesting articles on international travel by two CALL members, accompanied by photographs. John Fox related his experience setting up a community library in Kenya. Julienne Grant described her experience attending the 2007 IALL Conference in Mumbai, India. Patricia Sayre-McCoy was the guest columnist for "TechBuzz." Robert Winger, Maria Willmer, Eugene Giudice, Kathy Bruner, Sue Retzer, and Janice Collins contributed their regular columns.

Thanks to Christina Wagner, there were four ads -- three full-page (BNA, Westlaw, and a new sponsor FactSet) and EOS with a 1/4 page ad.

### Summer 2008

The Summer issue contained a variety of articles, along with the regular columns. Maribel Nash wrote about opportunities for volunteering in Chicagoland. Thomas Keefe described Fastcase, an alternative to LexisNexis and Westlaw. The Co-Chairs of the CALL Placement and Recruitment Committee, Catherine Leonard and John Klasey, authored a special section on the Committee's activities and events aimed at promoting law librarianship. Gail Hartzell wrote an article on Institute Day, accompanied by Helen King-Desai's photos. Julienne Grant wrote about her trip to Chile also including photos. There were items about CALL's award recipients and CALL's Community Service Committee's project. A newly added feature was a congratulatory page with photos of the new CALL Board members.

The regular columnists are truly appreciated. They are: Bob Winger, "Whatever Happened to ...?"; Maria Willmer, "Working Smarter"; Julienne Grant, "Off the Beaten Path"; Janice Collins, "Could This Committee Be For You?"; Eugene Giudice, "New Faces, New Shoes"; Kathy Bruner and Sue Retzer, "People and Places"; and, Susan Boland, guest columnist for "TechBuzz."

The Summer issue included four ads (thanks to Christina Wagner): three full-page ads (BNA, GSI (Westlaw Business), and FactSet) and one 1/4 page ad (EOS). There were 36 pages, and the *Bulletin* was published on June 10, 2008.

**Advertising report submitted by Christina Wagner:**

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From the Fall 2007 issue up to the Summer 2008 issue, the Bulletin Committee has billed \$1700 for advertising. Advertising revenues have been running approximately \$200 to \$650 billed per issue.

Last year, Thomson/GSI opted not to run ads in the *Bulletin*, but that decision was reversed in late 2007, and they ran a LIVEDGAR ad in each of the four issues. We also ran ads by two vendors that had not previously advertised in our publication—FactSet and Westlaw Business.

*Submitted by Co-Chairs, Julienne Grant and Gail Hartzell*

## Bylaws

### Members:

**Chair:** Frank Drake

**Liaison:** Deborah Rusin

At the request of the CALL Board of Directors, amendments to three articles of the Bylaws were prepared and submitted at the CALL Business Meeting on March 27, 2008. Amendments were proposed to the following articles:

- Article IV. Members
- Article XII. Parliamentary Authority
- Article XIII. Amendment to Bylaws

After an amendment to the proposed change to Article IV was approved by the voting members present at the March 27th meeting, the CALL Board decided to withdraw the proposed change. The proposed changes to Articles XII and XIII were approved by the voting members at the meeting and sent to the voting membership at large for a vote via *SurveyMonkey*. The changes to Articles XII and XIII were approved by the membership and have been incorporated into the Bylaws.

*Submitted by Frank Drake*

## Community Service

### Members:

**Chair:** Stephanie Crawford

Annalisa Anderson, Kathleen Bruner, Todd Ito, Holly Lakatos, Kevin McClure, Maribel Nash, and Susan Sloma

**Liaison:** Julie Pabarja

### General Matters

The Community Service Committee remains the custodian of the CALL hand truck, which the Committee uses to cart materials collected at meetings. All other CALL committees are welcome to use the hand truck when needed. The hand truck will be passed down to each new chair of the Community Service Committee.

During the 2008-2009 year, Stephanie Crawford and Maribel Nash will be Co-Chairs for the Community Service Committee.

### Projects

**Ongoing:** At each chapter meeting, the Committee accepted donations from CALL members on behalf of the Chicago Children's Advocacy Center. This year, the Committee collected \$370.00 for the Chicago Children's Advocacy Center.

**Special "Outside Meeting" Project:** In honor of Earth Day, members of the Committee spent a morning on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> with other volunteers from Friends of the Parks to help clean up and beautify Chicago's Union Park. CALL members Holly Lakatos, Todd Ito, and Stephanie Crawford were among the volunteers. This project was organized by Holly Lakatos and Todd Ito.

**September Meeting:** The Committee sponsored a school supply drive at our first business meeting on September 20<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Chicago Public Schools' Homeless Education Program. At the meeting, 12 boxes of school supplies were collected, along with money donations equaling \$70 for the CPS Homeless Education Program. The supplies collected will provide students with age and grade appropriate materials needed to complete their schoolwork. This project was organized by Stephanie Crawford and Kathleen Bruner

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## Community Service Annual Report

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**November Meeting:** At the November 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, the Committee collected toiletries and over \$100 in grocery store gift cards for Christopher House. The donations will help families receiving social, educational, and human service assistance from Christopher House. This project was organized by Maribel Nash.

**January Meeting/SLA Joint Meeting:** A joint book drive was held at the January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. CALL members focused on collecting books for Book Worm Angels, which provides books to underfunded Chicago public schools to develop classroom libraries. Over 500 books were collected for grades K-8<sup>th</sup>. SLA members collected books for Reach Out and Read, which provides books to children from infancy through pre-K. The project was organized by Stephanie Crawford.

**March Meeting:** At the March Meeting the Committee collected items for PAWS Chicago, the city's largest no-kill animal shelter. CALL members donated for dogs: 20 lbs. of dry dog food, 4 cans of dog food, 8 boxes of treats, 4 nylabones, 2 large bags of rawhide chews, 15 toys, 5 stainless steel bowls, 1 box of doggy clean-up bags and a doggie bandana. The following were donated for cats: 5 bags of dry food, 34 cans of canned food, 7 jars of baby food, 10 toys, 2 packages of paper plates, 4 litter boxes, 6 nail clippers, 2 big boxes of garbage bags, 1 cat brush, and 1 box of cat pan liners. Cats and dogs will benefit from the 20 towels and flea/tick powder donated. A total of \$114 was also donated to PAWS Chicago. The project was organized by Susan Sloma and Maribel Nash.

**May Meeting:** During the May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting, clothing and accessories were collected for Dress for Success. Eighteen boxes and bags of clothing, shoes, purses and other accessories were collected. Dress for Success provides interview clothing for clients who have completed job skills training.

*Submitted by Stephanie Crawford*

## Continuing Education

### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Raizel Liebler and Frank Lima

Dana Avent, Alina Kelly, and Doris Nuding

### Institute Day Sub-Committee:

#### Members:

**Chair:** Julie Melvin

Janice Collins and Julie Pabarja

**Liaison:** Julie Pabarja

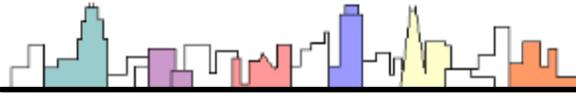
The Committee put on three programs this year: a tour of the Knowledge Center at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, an Institute Day focused on emerging technologies, and a brown bag program on Foreign and International Law Librarianship. The three programs were all well-attended, received positive feedback from attendees, and managed to generate income for CALL.

### Programs

On November 20, 2007, the Committee arranged for a tour of the Knowledge Center at the Federal Reserve Bank. Susan Chenoweth, Knowledge Center Manager, conducted the tour and described various projects the Center was working on. In addition to a tour of the Knowledge Center, Susan also led a tour of the archives of the Federal Reserve Bank and explained the various ways that the Knowledge Center was trying to preserve the bank's historical materials.

"Emerging Technologies and Their Applicability to Law Librarianship" was the title of CALL's first Institute Day, held on April 2, 2008. The day-long program had several speakers: keynote speaker Debbie Ginsberg, Sarah Palmer on RSS readers, Susan Boland on portable software applications, Raizel Liebler on social networking, Keidra Chaney on blogs, Laura Ikens on knowledge management and portals, June Liebert on working with IT, and the

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closing speaker, Catherine Sanders Reach, on the future of emerging technology. The program drew in attendees from both academic and firm libraries and was a financial success.

On May 8th, the Committee presented a brown bag program on Foreign and International Law Librarianship. The two speakers for the event were Jean Wenger and Lyonette Louis-Jacques. Jean Wenger focused on tools for “Jumpstarting Your Foreign and International Law Research.” Lyonette presented “People Resources,” about individuals and groups that can serve as resources for librarians doing research on international law topics. In addition to the firm and academic librarians who attended, library students were also among the attendees. Furthermore, the program generated revenue for CALL.

### Plans for Next Year

One of the main goals in the next year will be to research ways to use technology to increase access to committee programs. Two possible methods of doing this are by webcasting some of the Committee’s programs and recording programs for later use.

In the past, the Committee has successfully conducted past programs in conjunction with other CALL committees. A secondary goal of the Committee will be to reestablish contact with other committees for the purpose of conducting these dual programs.

*Submitted by Frank Lima*

## Corporate Memory

### Members:

**Chair:** Frank Drake

John Klaus and Susan Siebers

**Liaison and Member:** Deborah Ginsberg (The CALL Secretary is a participating member of the Committee, as well as liaison to the CALL Board.)

The Corporate Memory Committee met twice this year in order to fulfill its charge to “Ensure that policies set by the Board of Directors are recorded in a permanent and accessible fashion so that future boards can be guided by past actions.” Minutes for the year were reviewed and the following documents were updated and then distributed to the CALL Board:

- Policy Log
- Suggestion list
- *Handbook* suggestion list

The two Suggestion Lists were purged of items that had already been acted upon by the Board. New policies and suggestions for 2007-2008 were placed at the end of the respective logs.

I wish to thank Susan Siebers, John Klaus, and Deborah Ginsberg for their hard work on the Committee.

*Submitted by Frank Drake*

## Elections

### Members:

**Chair:** John R. Austin

Eugene M. Giudice (resigned, October 2007), Lenore Glanz, and Susan P. Siebers

**Liaison:** Deborah Rusin

### Summary Of Year’s Activities:

The 2007/2008 Elections Committee conducted two elections: the election of members of the Board of Directors, and an election on proposed amendments to the Bylaws.

### Detailed Reports:

**Board Election:** The Board of Directors authorized the Committee to conduct the Board election electronically, using the American Association of Law Libraries’ electronic elections platform. The Board also authorized the Committee to send paper ballots to those who did not

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have e-mail addresses on file with the CALL Membership Committee. The Board authorized the election to begin on Friday, February 8, 2008, and end at midnight on Saturday, March 15th.

John Austin contacted the CALL Membership Committee to obtain a list of CALL members eligible to vote. People eligible to vote were members in good standing who were either active, retired, or student members of CALL.

There were 290 members of CALL who were eligible to vote. All had e-mail addresses on file with the Membership Committee except one, who was sent a paper ballot. When the polls closed on March 15<sup>th</sup>, 165 electronic ballots and one paper ballot had been returned. This represents a return of 57.2%.

The candidates and results were:

Vice-President/President-Elect: Denise Glynn and  
Gretchen E. Van Dam  
Ms. Van Dam was elected.

Treasurer: Joanne C. Kiley and Ruth Bridges  
Ms. Kiley was elected.

Director: Julie D. Melvin and Christine Morong  
Ms. Morong was elected.

The election results were certified on March 17, 2008. Susan Siebers and Lenore Glanz met at the offices of Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP to view the electronic election results at the election administration website. They also viewed the original of the paper ballot received. John Austin viewed the electronic election results at Northern Illinois University Law Library at the election administration website. He also viewed the copy of the paper ballot that had been made in the presence of CALL member Frank Lima. Susan Siebers, Lenore Glanz and John Austin all agreed on the vote counts and the results as listed above.

The election results were announced at the March 27<sup>th</sup> CALL Business Meeting. On behalf of the Committee, John Austin moved that the ballots be destroyed. The motion carried.

The Committee notes that Sharon Nelson of the NIU Law Library faculty deserves much thanks for all of the technical assistance she provided in formatting the photos of the candidates that were displayed at the elections website.

The Committee also thanks Chris Siwa of the AALL staff for his technical support.

**Bylaws Election:** Pursuant to the procedures outlined in CALL Bylaws Article XIII, the voting members present at the March 27<sup>th</sup> CALL Business Meeting approved sending amendments proposed by the Board (Bylaws Articles XII and XIII) to the entire voting membership for final decision by ballot. *SurveyMonkey* was chosen by the Board as the platform for the election. The Board authorized the polls to be open March 31 - May 2, 2008.

Prior to the polls opening on March 31<sup>st</sup>, e-mail messages were sent by John Austin to each voting member of CALL whose e-mail address was listed on the *SurveyMonkey* website as blocking messages from *SurveyMonkey*. He asked them to unblock it for purposes of this election. Some recipients chose to unblock and others did not.

On March 31<sup>st</sup> at 12:15 a.m., *SurveyMonkey* sent an e-mail message to all voting members of CALL who had e-mail addresses on file and for whom *SurveyMonkey* was not blocked. John Austin was listed as the sender and the message contained a link to the ballot. A message had been placed on the CALL listserv the prior week informing the membership that this would occur.

Due to CALL members eligible to vote having opted out of *SurveyMonkey*, and not opting back in for purposes of this election, file servers rejecting the message from *SurveyMonkey* with the link to the ballot, and one CALL member not having an e-mail address on file with the Membership Committee, 18 paper ballots were sent out to ensure that all CALL members eligible to vote had the opportunity to do so.

The polls closed on May 2, 2008. The number of electronic ballots returned was 108. The number of paper ballots returned was five. The total ballot count of 113 indicated that 38.97% of CALL members eligible to vote had done so. The requirement of Bylaws section 13.3 stating that at least 30% of the members eligible to vote cast their ballots was met.

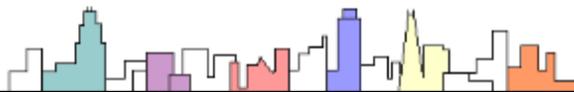
The results were as follows:

Proposed Amendments to Article XII, Parliamentary Authority:

YES 106

NO 6

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No vote on this question: 1

Proposed Amendments to Article XIII, Amendment of Bylaws:

YES 104

NO 8

No vote on this question: 1

On Monday, May 5, 2008, Susan Siebers and Leonore Glanz verified the electronic results at the offices of Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP. John Austin verified the electronic results at Northern Illinois University Law Library. He also opened the five paper ballots that had been returned in the presence of CALL member Sharon Nelson. Susan Siebers and John Austin conferred by telephone and agreed on the vote counts and the results of the election as indicated above.

The results of the Bylaws Election were announced at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> CALL Business Meeting. Susan Siebers, on behalf of the Committee, moved that the ballots be destroyed. The motion carried.

The Committee wishes to thank both Debbie Ginsberg for her work on the electronic means of conducting the Bylaws election and testing *SurveyMonkey*, and Sharon Nelson for her technical assistance in the use of the *SurveyMonkey* website.

*Submitted by John Austin*

## Grants and Chapter Awards

### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Denise Glynn (Grants) and Mary Lu Linnane (Awards)

Megan Butman, Janice Collins, Roberta Fox, Gail Hartzell, Valerie Kropf, and Julie Melvin

**Liaison and Member:** Mary Lu Linnane

**Grants Summary:** Four grants were given and one student membership fee was covered this year.

**Grants Awarded:** The Committee awarded two grants to attend the AALL Annual Meeting in Portland, one grant to attend the Joint Study Institute, “Harmonization and Confrontation: Integrating Foreign and International Law into the American Legal System” in Washington, D. C., and one grant to attend the IALL 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Course on International Law Librarianship in Mumbai, India. Announcements were made at business meetings and posted on the CALL Discussion Forum that grant monies were available for AALL and other continuing education activities.

### The grant recipients were:

\$500.00 Grants:

Anne Abramson, John Marshall Law School  
Todd Ito, University of Chicago D’Angelo Law Library  
Debbie Rusin, Latham & Watkins LLP

\$600.00 Grant:

Julienne Grant, Loyola University of Chicago School of Law Library

**Student Membership Fee Applications:** Through the continuing generous support of Wolters Kluwer, we were also able to offer to pay student membership fees in AALL and CALL for current or new student members. We received one application for a CALL student membership, and we were able to cover the cost of that membership. The recipient was:

Evelyn Cunico, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

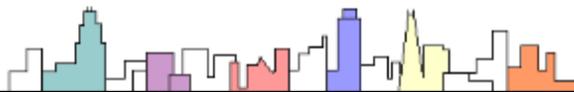
*Submitted by Denise Glynn*

### Awards

Three awards were presented at the May 22<sup>nd</sup> CALL Business Meeting. The Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Naomi Goodman, recently retired Technical Services Librarian from Valparaiso University School of Law. The Agnes and Harvey T. Reid Award was presented jointly to Julia Jackson and Carol Klink for their work on the CALL Archives. The In-House Publication Award was presented to John DiGilio of Reed Smith, LLP for his creation of the firm’s in-house newsletter, the *Monthly REEDer*. Julia and John were unable to attend the meeting, and their plaques were delivered at a later date.

The CALL Board approved a new policy that covers the

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cost of lunch for the award recipients who attend the May meeting. This policy went into effect as of the May 22nd meeting and will continue in the future.

*Submitted by Mary Lu Linnane*

### Internet

#### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Annette Cade and Helen King-Desai

Susan Boland, Eugene Giudice, Shen Jiang, Patricia Scott, and Robert Winger

**Liaison:** Debbie Ginsberg

The Committee met in November to discuss options for redesigning the CALL website and the possibility of moving the CALL website to a different web host. The CALL website is currently hosted on the AALL servers. AALL provides the web space for free, but prohibits the hosting of certain types of data (for example, podcasts and videos). A proposal to move the website was submitted to the Executive Board at the April board meeting. The Board authorized the purchase of a one-year hosting plan from HostIcan. The cost was \$76.32, which included domain name registration for chicagolawlib.org. The Committee also discovered that CALL registered chilawlib.org in 1997 and that CALL still owns the domain name. When the website redesign is complete, both chilawlib.org and chicagolawlib.org will direct users to the CALL website.

In May, the Committee sent a request to the CALL listserv for participation in a short survey designed to gather information from the membership at large about the enhancements they would like to see on the redesigned website. The Committee will be working on redesigning the website over the summer and aim to have the new website ready in the fall.

After several years of serving as the CALL webmaster, Annette Cade will be stepping down as Co-Chair of the

Internet Committee at the end of the 2007-2008 term. The Committee would like to thank Annette for her dedicated service over the years.

*Submitted by Helen King-Desai*

### Meetings

#### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** JoAnn Hounshell and Betty Roeske

Janice Collins, Nancy Faust, Eugene Giudice, Maribel Nash, Joan Ogden and Maria Willmer

**Liaison:** Sheri Lewis

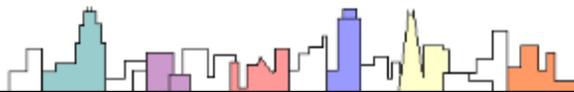
The Meetings Committee organized five business meetings this year. One business meeting was a joint meeting with SLA/Illinois. The Vice President/President Elect is responsible for obtaining speakers and securing sponsorships, while the Meetings Committee locates appropriate venues, selects the menu and notifies the CALL membership of each meeting.

The September meeting was held at Maggiano's. One hundred seventeen members attended the first meeting of the year. The guest speaker was Gary T. Johnson, President of the Chicago Museum of History. During this meeting, CALL celebrated its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a special cake and mementos. Law Bulletin Information Network sponsored the meeting, and two \$25 door prizes were awarded courtesy of Professionals Library Service, Inc.

As is the tradition, a breakfast meeting was held in November. The Elephant & Castle on Adams Street provided a buffet breakfast for sixty-eight attendees. Mark Garavaglia, Assistant General Counsel of Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation, was the guest speaker. LexisNexis sponsored the meeting and two \$25 door prizes were awarded courtesy of Professionals Library Service, Inc.

Some CALL members find it difficult to leave the office in the middle of the day for a lunch meeting. For that

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reason, the Committee tried something new this year and scheduled two breakfast meetings. The second breakfast meeting, which was also the joint meeting with SLA/ Illinois, was held in January at the Union League Club of Chicago. Eighty-one CALL and SLA members (45 individuals registered as CALL members) attended the meeting to hear guest speaker, Kelly Kalmes, Founder and President of Project Knowledge, LLC. Bureau of National Affairs, Inc. sponsored the meeting.

The March meeting was held at Wildfire. The guest speaker was Paul Whitsitt, Director of Library and Information Services for the Chicago Public Schools. For this meeting, the CALL Board invited library school students from Dominican University and the University of Illinois. Eighty-three CALL members and seven library school students attended the meeting. Hallett & Sons Expert Movers, Inc. sponsored the meeting and three \$25 door prizes were awarded courtesy of Professionals Library Service, Inc.

The May meeting was held at Petterino's, and the guest speaker was the Honorable Eugene R. Wedoff, Judge, U. S. Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Illinois. As the final meeting of the year, it included the awards ceremony. Ninety-five members attended the meeting. Wolters Kluwer Law & Business sponsored the meeting and three \$25 door prizes were awarded courtesy of Professionals Library Service, Inc.

*Submitted by JoAnn Hounshell and Betty Roeske*

## Membership

### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Kathleen Brunner and Susan Retzer

Megan Butman, Valerie Kropf, Mary Ann Lenzen, and Chris Morong

**Liaison:** Anne Abramson

As of April 1, 2008, CALL had 322 members, an increase of 1 over the number of members at the end of 2006-2007.

The Committee sent renewal packets to members in mid-April. After meeting with the Board, it was decided to send renewal packets to members earlier to provide more time before academic libraries' fiscal year ends. The Committee met on April 17<sup>th</sup> to assemble the mailings, which went out on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

The *CALL Directory* is updated four times a year on the CALL website (September, November, February, and May). Once the corrections/updates are edited by the Membership Committee, the updates are sent to the Internet Committee to upload to the CALL website.

The *Directory* on the CALL website is available in an easy-to-print and searchable PDF format.

A welcome e-mail was sent to new members along with a Photo Permission form. The permission forms are kept on file and a list of CALL members not giving permission is available.

The Committee prepared a "People & Places" column for each *CALL Bulletin* with the changes and/or additions to CALL members. This serves as a supplement to the *Membership Directory*.

*Submitted by Kathleen Brunner and Susan Retzer*

## Nominations

### Members:

**Chair:** Naomi Goodman

John Klaus, Lucy Moss, Jamie Stewart, and Christina Wagner

**Liaison:** Debbie Rusin

The Nominations Committee solicited suggestions for Board candidates on the CALL Discussion Forum; in August and early September, Debbie Rusin also sent a request to Board members and committee chairs on the EBCC Discussion Forum. All suggestions were shared with Nominations Committee members via e-mail as they

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were received. A meeting was held at Chicago-Kent on September 13, 2007, with all members present. The suggested candidates were discussed, and the Committee created a list of candidates in order of preference.

The Committee Chair contacted candidates by phone, and the Committee members were very pleased with the willingness of CALL members to run for election and to serve as Board members. We would like to thank the members on the following slate:

**For President:** Denise Glynn, DePaul University College of Law and Gretchen Van Dam, William J. Campbell Library of the U.S. Courts

**For Treasurer:** Joanne Kiley, Michael Best & Friedrich LLP and Ruth Bridges, Schiff Hardin LLP

**For Director:** Julie Melvin, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP and Eugene Giudice, Baker and McKenzie, LLP - withdrew replaced by Christine Morong, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

Signed letters of acceptance from candidates were sent to the Board Secretary by the due date--October 1, 2007.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Eugene Giudice withdrew from the election after October 1st, and Christine Morong, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, was added to the slate by members' written petition, under Bylaw 9.3.

Candidates wrote biographies and supplied photos, which were forwarded to the Elections Committee in early January 2008. We thank the Internet Committee for resizing the photos for use on the election website, CALL's website, and in the *CALL Bulletin*.

*Submitted by Naomi Goodman*

## Placement & Recruitment

### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** John Klasey and Katie Leonard

Fred LeBaron, Alice Loan, Sarah Morris, Doris Nuding, Joan Ogden, and Sean Rebstock

**Liaison:** Mary Lu Linnane

During the past year, the CALL Placement and Recruitment Committee developed and implemented two new programs and created and revised policies and committee documents. We also updated committee guidelines, posted and announced a variety of jobs, and participated in the annual Library Association Day at Dominican University.

Our new programs involve internships and job shadowing/mentoring.

The internship program is designed to encourage members and their organizations to provide internships for GS-LIS students and others who may be interested in pursuing a career in law librarianship. A section of the Careers page on the CALL website provides links to available internship opportunities.

Available internship opportunities should be sent to the CALL job posting e-mail address at:  
[calljobposting@yahoo.com](mailto:calljobposting@yahoo.com).

The second program the Committee instituted is entitled "A Day in the Life: Law Librarian." The purpose of this program is to provide students, or other individuals considering law librarianship as a career, an opportunity to meet with, and observe, practicing librarians and/or library staff members at different types of local law libraries. A number of government, academic and law firm librarians volunteered to meet with interested individuals. We have had several people meet with some of our volunteers already, and we hope that interest will continue to build in the future. The full program description can be found on the Careers page of the CALL website at:  
<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/careers/careersindex.html#dayinlife>

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The Committee created an e-mail address (noted above), which has been established to accept job openings and internship announcements. Job descriptions for a variety of positions in different types of legal organizations and a recruiting brochure were also developed and posted on our website, and can be found by clicking on the following links:

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/careers/careersindex.html#definitions>

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/call/publications/pubsindex.html>

Committee members compiled the job descriptions to illustrate the educational requirements, experience, tasks and responsibilities, and salary ranges associated with each of the positions listed. The salary ranges are updated when the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Biennial Salary Survey data is released. The descriptions were designed to be a useful resource for students and career changers to reference when considering law librarianship as a profession.

The recruiting brochure, entitled “Hiring a Professional,” was developed to give to Human Resources departments or other organizational contacts who might need to consider hiring a professional librarian, especially when organizations expand or add an office or location in the Chicago area. Contact a committee member if you would like some print copies of the “Hiring a Professional” brochure.

CALL was represented at Dominican University’s annual Library School Student Association event on April 1, 2008, and received visits and questions from a number of students regarding the benefits of association membership and law librarianship in general. We also provided our Dominican contact with additional information regarding salary ranges as a number of students had asked. (Further, committee members have had continued correspondence with several students regarding job market and internship opportunities, as well as résumé reviews.)

In addition to Dominican’s Library Association Day, committee co-chairs and members met with a number of GSLIS students to discuss law librarianship and career opportunities and to encourage them to apply for positions in law libraries.

A special thank you goes out to everyone who helped to make our programs a success this past year. We’d also

like to recognize and thank Helen King-Desai and Annette Cade from the Internet Committee for posting the new positions, information, and documents on the website.

*Submitted by John Klasey and Katie Leonard*

## Public Affairs

### Members:

**Co-Chairs:** Heidi Frostestad Kuehl and Kevin McClure

Beverly Burmeister, Todd Ito, Lucy Moss, Keith Ann Stiverson, and Julia Wentz

**Liaison:** Therese Clarke Arado

### Meetings Held:

The Public Affairs Committee met at Chicago-Kent College of Law on the following dates:

September 5, 2007

November 1, 2007

March 13, 2008

### Activities:

At each CALL business meeting, the Committee produced and distributed a Public Affairs Committee update covering issues of interest to the Chicago law library community. Topics included: net neutrality, Government Printing Office and Federal Depository Library Program issues, copyright, open government issues, authentication of online state legal resources, Freedom of Information Act issues, and Illinois and Indiana government issues affecting libraries.

*Submitted by Kevin McClure*

## Public Relations

### Members:

**Chair:** Holly Lakatos

Kevin McClure and Helen King-Desai

**Liaison:** Therese Clarke Arado

The Public Relations Committee formally met twice this year to plan how we could improve the services provided to CALL by the Committee. PR members attended each business meeting, took pictures, and posted items of interest to the new AALL news blog <http://www.aallnet.org/news/>.

For the AALL Annual Meeting table that CALL sponsors each year in the Exhibit Hall, we purchased a new lightweight, collapsible display board.

The debut of the new display will occur in July at the Portland meeting.

*Submitted by Holly Lakatos*

## Relations with Information Vendors (CRIV)

### Members:

**Chair:** Patricia Scott (through mid-March 2008)

Ed Edmonds, Eugene Giudice, Kathryn Hough, Tom Keefe, and Frank Lima

**Liaison:** Anne Abramson

The CRIV Committee met as a group on January 23, 2008, at Loyola University Chicago's School of Law Library, with some members attending in person and some attending via conference call. Other communications were conducted via e-mail and telephone.

CRIV's activities were limited this year, due to the small

size of the Committee and the necessity of the Chair stepping down in mid-term, but the Committee laid the groundwork for continuing projects in the upcoming term. Such projects include a program with the Continuing Education Committee for a mid-day "meet the vendors" event to provide a forum for CALL members to speak directly with some smaller information vendors with whom they do not have regular contact. A plan for a site visit to Law Bulletin Publishing was also proposed this year. In the past, CRIV has gone on site visits to CCH/Wolters Kluwer and hosted representatives from that company for reverse site visits to CALL member libraries. In keeping with the notion of establishing and improving relations with some of our smaller information vendors, this year's Committee proposed the visit to Law Bulletin Publishing. Initial plans were worked on and a contact was established at the company, however, time limitations and scheduling difficulties forced the visit to be delayed. This year's CRIV members also began a discussion of how we can best meet the broad nature of the Committee's charge and develop a system for obtaining and disseminating information about vendor business activities (mergers, acquisitions, etc.) in addition to new products and services. Finally, although a full CRIV insert for the *Bulletin* was not prepared this year, CRIV member Tom Keefe prepared and published "Fastcase: A Great Product for Summer" in the summer edition.

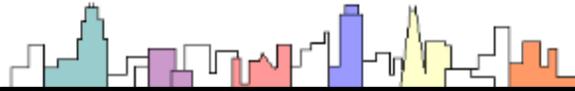
*Submitted by Patricia Scott*

## Chicago Association of Law Libraries

The Chicago Association of Law Libraries (CALL) began its year with a Leadership Seminar attended by the 2007-08 committee chairs and board members. This has become a yearly tradition for CALL that the Board hopes to continue. The seminar provides a forum for the current leaders of the Association to discuss the direction of CALL for the upcoming year.

The Meetings Committee planned five meetings in 2007-08, including one in cooperation with Illinois-SLA. The first meeting, in addition to having Gary T. Johnson, President of the Chicago History Museum, as speaker, commemorated CALL's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with an anniversary cake and anniversary memento. The speakers of the remaining four meetings included Mark Garavaglia, Assistant General Counsel of Rotary International; Kelly

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Kalmes, Founder and President of Project Knowledge, LLC; Paul Whitsitt, Director of Library and Information Services for the Chicago Public Schools; and Eugene R. Wedoff, Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Illinois.

GSLIS students from Dominican University and the University of Illinois were invited to the March business meeting as guests of CALL; seven students attended. The CALL Board plans to again extend this invitation in the coming year.

The Continuing Education Committee presented three programs this year: a tour of the Knowledge Center at the Federal Reserve Bank led by Susan Chenoweth, Knowledge Center Manager; a brown bag on Foreign and International Law Librarianship with Jean Wenger of the Cook County Law Library and Lyonette Louis-Jacques of the University of Chicago D'Angelo Law Library as speakers; and a day-long Institute Day, entitled "Emerging Technologies and Their Applicability to Law Librarianship." Speakers for the Institute Day included: Deborah Ginsberg, Chicago-Kent College of Law Library, Illinois Institute of Technology; Sarah Palmer, American Bar Association; Susan Boland, Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis; Raizel Liebler, John Marshall Law School; Keidra Chaney, DePaul University; Laura Ikens, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP; June Liebert, John Marshall Law School; and Catherine Sanders Reach, American Bar Association.

The Placement and Recruitment Committee introduced two new programs this year: an internship program and a job shadowing/mentoring program. The internship program is designed to encourage members and their organizations to provide internships for GSLIS students and others who may be interested in pursuing a career in law librarianship. The job shadowing/mentoring program is entitled, "A Day in the Life: Law Librarian." The purpose of this program is to provide students, or other individuals considering law librarianship as a career, an opportunity to meet with and observe practicing librarians and/or

library staff members at different types of local law libraries.

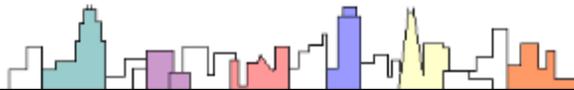
The Community Service Committee this year sponsored a school supply drive for Chicago Public Schools' Homeless Education Program; a toiletries/grocery store gift card drive for Christopher House; a book drive for Book Worm Angels, which provides books to underfunded Chicago Public Schools to develop classroom libraries; pet supplies for PAWS Chicago, the city's largest no-kill animal shelter; and a clothing drive for Dress for Success, which provides interview clothing for clients who have completed jobs skills training. At each meeting, the Committee also collected money for the Chicago Children's Advocacy Center.

This year, the CALL Board of Directors proposed amendments to three articles of the Bylaws. The Board decided to withdraw the proposed changes to Article IV. Only the proposed amendments to Articles XII and XIII were approved by the voting members at the March business meeting and were sent to the voting membership at large for a vote via *SurveyMonkey*. The changes to Articles XII and XIII were approved by the membership and have been incorporated into the Bylaws.

This year, CALL awarded the Outstanding Lifetime Achievement award to Naomi Goodman, former CALL President, and recently retired Technical Services Librarian from Valparaiso University School of Law. The Agnes and Harvey T. Reid Award was presented jointly to Julia Jackson and Carol Klink for their work on the CALL Archives. The Outstanding In-House Publication Award was presented to John DiGilio of Reed Smith LLP for his creation of the firm's in-house newsletter.

The 2007-08 Board comprised of: Deborah Rusin, President; Sheri Lewis, Vice President/President-Elect; Mary Lu Linnane, Past President; Deborah Ginsberg, Secretary; Anne Abramson, Treasurer; and Julie Pabarja and Therese Clarke Arado, Directors.

*Deborah L. Rusin, President 2007-08*



## COULD THIS COMMITTEE BE FOR YOU?

By Janice Collins, Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP

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Interested in serving your fellow CALL members by helping to select the next slate of candidates for election? If so, then consider the Nominations Committee.

The Committee is composed of the immediate Past President of CALL as chairperson, and four committee members appointed by the Board. The work of this committee remains confidential until the President announces the slate via the CALL Discussion Forum. Denise Glynn, a former committee member, feels this committee does not require a huge time commitment. Most of the work is conducted through e-mails and telephone calls. The work of the Committee is finished when the slate is complete, no later than October 1st. Denise suggests that an ideal Nominations Committee member is a CALL member who has been active on a wide variety of committees. With that background and experience, this member knows who is active in CALL, and whether or not the potential candidate can follow through with commitments.

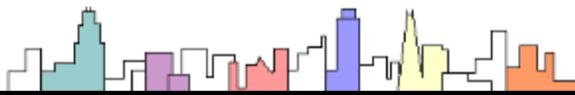
The duties of this committee include soliciting suggestions for nominations from the membership at large. Once suggested nominations are forwarded, the Committee must ensure they are qualified for the office to which they have been nominated. Once the Committee has selected the best possible nominees from the names submitted, those members must be contacted to see if they would be willing to serve. After contacted members have agreed to be candidates, a slate is prepared. The written acceptances are submitted to the Secretary by October 1st. The names are then submitted to the Board and *Bulletin* editors for publishing in the Winter issue of the *CALL Bulletin*. The biographies of the candidates are then published in the Spring issue of the *Bulletin* and posted on the CALL website. The final step is to introduce the candidates at the first business meeting after the slate has been announced.

### Joint Study Institute 2008 in Washington, D.C. Theme: Harmonization and Confrontation: Integrating Foreign and International Law into the American Legal System

*Left to right: Gretchen Van Dam,  
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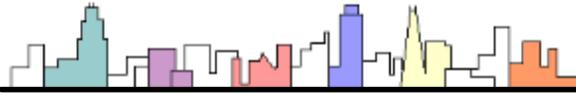
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*Left to right: Sally Holterhoff, Lyonette Louis-Jacques, Mary Lu Linnane, and Jean Wenger*

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### Website Guidelines

- The CALL website is an official publication of the Chicago Association of Law Librarians. The purpose of the site is to provide CALL members with current and historical information on the chapter's policies, activities, publications and organization and is maintained by the CALL Internet Committee. The material on the CALL site is for informational purposes only and should not be interpreted as legal advice.
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## OFF THE BEATEN PATH

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This column lists ten articles of interest—all from AALL chapter and SIS newsletters. One piece that really stood out for me was an article on a new archival project at the University of Cambridge’s Squire Law Library—the Eminent Scholars Archive (ESA). The ESA is an ongoing project that collects spoken, written, and visual materials related to Cambridge’s law faculty. If you don’t have time to read the article, check out the ESA website. I also included two articles on wikis—a popular topic in the library literature these days. I chose these entries in particular because they discuss practical applications of the technology. Melissa Fung’s article describes how an academic law library reference department is successfully using a wiki for communication, and as an information repository. Another piece, authored by Paul Moorman, describes how a USC colleague is utilizing wiki technology to develop a resource on medieval legal documents.

As always, please feel free to e-mail me if you ever run across an item you think might be a candidate for inclusion in the column.

### CATALOGING

**Hoolihan, Joan.** “Technical Tips: RDA expected in 2009.” *ALLUNY Newsletter* vol. 33 issue 1 (March 2008): 8. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/alluny/2008-01spring.pdf>

Hoolihan, a cataloger in a New York Appellate Division Law Library, contributed this short piece to the newsletter of the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York. The article succinctly and clearly describes recent developments in RDA (Resource Description and Access), the new cataloging standard that is slated to replace AACR2. Although RDA was originally scheduled for publication in 2008, the new projected date is early 2009. This is a helpful read for both catalogers and non-catalogers alike.

### FACULTY ARCHIVES

**Dingle, Lesley, Bates, Daniel, and Martin, Matt.**

“Eminent Scholars Archive at the Squire Law Library and Faculty of Law University of Cambridge, England.” *LH & RB Newsletter* vol. 14 no. 2 (Spring/Summer 2008): 7-9. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/sis/lhrb/lhrb.pdf>

This article, published in the newsletter of the Legal History & Rare Books SIS, describes the Eminent Scholars Archive (ESA)—a unique resource in development at the University of Cambridge’s Squire Law Library. The ESA, a joint project of the Law Library and a University computing services team, is a growing collection of oral, written, and photographic materials related to Cambridge’s eminent law faculty. Much of the material is being posted online at [http://www.squire.law.cam.ac.uk/eminent\\_scholars/](http://www.squire.law.cam.ac.uk/eminent_scholars/), and the website has already received over 34,000 hits since its inauguration in April 2007.

### LAW LIBRARIANSHIP (CAREER)

**Krause, Margaret.** “Keeping a Foot in the Door.” *Law Library Lights* vol. 51 no. 4 (Summer 2008): 16-17. Available at <http://llsdc.org/attachments/wysiwyg/207/LLLSU08.pdf>

This piece, which appeared in the newsletter of the Law Librarians’ Society of Washington, D.C., is part of a special issue on the “Life Cycle of a Law Librarian.” Krause, currently a temporary reference librarian at the Georgetown Law Library, describes how she has succeeded in balancing her career and family by working part-time. The author explains how “keeping a foot in the door” has been the key to maintaining her skills, and she offers tips on how to keep current in this ever-changing field. A good read for anyone who has considered pursuing a career in law librarianship on a part-time basis.

### LEGAL RESEARCH (AUDIENCE RESEARCH)

**Hudson, Rob.** “Supporting ‘Audience Research’ at the Law Library: Promoting the Collection and Legal

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## Off the Beaten Path *cont. from p. 36*

**Research Instruction.”** *SFALL Newsletter* vol. 31 issue 3 (Spring 2008): 6-11. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/sfall/newsletters/08spr.pdf>

Hudson is Head of Information Services at Nova Southeastern University, and he wrote this entry for the newsletter of the Southern Florida Association of Law Libraries. The article describes various sources and methodologies for researching legal audiences—a term that encompasses lawyers, judges, juries, agency officials, legislative personnel, and other players in the judicial system. Hudson advocates including audience research in legal research curricula because of its importance in law practice.

### NEGOTIATION SKILLS

**Stockert, Kate.** “Negotiation Principles for Success.” *LLOPSCited* vol. 18 issue 4 (Summer 2008): 4-6. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llops/committees/newsletter/summer08.pdf>

Stockert, a student at the University of Washington Information School, wrote this informative piece for the newsletter of the Law Librarians of Puget Sound. In the article, Stockert provides an explanatory list of six negotiation principles for success: 1) Be honest; 2) Ask active questions; 3) Beware of your assumptions; 4) Know the details; 5) Cultivate friendship; and, 6) Ask for it. The article also includes a short bibliography of resources on the topic of successful negotiation skills.

### SEARCH ENGINES (LEGAL)

**Miller, Steven Robert.** “PreCYdent: A New Search Engine Enters the Legal Research World.” *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* vol. 27 issue 3 (Summer 2008): 14-20. Available at [http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/27\\_3/27\\_3.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/27_3/27_3.pdf)

This is a well-researched (albeit highly technical) article on PreCYdent, a new legal search engine. The article, authored by a reference librarian at the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis, describes the history behind the inauguration of the free site, as well as the unique mathematical principles that drive the new search tool. According to the article, PreCYdent searches a database of over 923,000 federal and state cases, and over 51,000 statutes, regulations, and other legal documents. PreCYdent also recently introduced a case citator feature.

## STUDENT SERVICES IN LAW LIBRARIES

**Durham, James G.** “ALL-SIS Student Services Committee: Results of the ‘Student Services in Academic Libraries Survey.’” *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* vol. 27 issue 3 (Summer 2008): 9-13, 23-24. Available at [http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/27\\_3/27\\_3.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/27_3/27_3.pdf)

The newly created ALL-SIS Student Services Committee (an extension of AALL’s Academic Law Libraries SIS) conducted a survey this past March “to develop a snapshot of student services in academic law libraries during the 2007-2008 academic year.” This article presents the results of the survey and offers recommendations for future committee action, based on the findings. Major categories of the survey included Student Orientation, Journals/Moot Court, Student Organizations, and Study Abroad Programs. An interesting and educational read for all academic law librarians.

### TAX RESEARCH

**Lucero, Michele A.** “*The Virtual Tax Library: A Comparison of Five Electronic Tax Research Platforms Review.*” *SCALL Newsletter* vol. 35 no. 5 (May/June 2008): 9-10. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/scall/newsletter/NewsletterMayJune2008.pdf>

Lucero, a Librarian Relations Manager with West, wrote this article for the newsletter of the Southern California Association of Law Libraries. The article is actually a review of a piece, available on SSRN, that analyzes and compares five electronic tax research platforms—Westlaw, LexisNexis, BNA Tax Management Library, CCH Tax Research NetWork, and RIA Checkpoint. Lucero does a good job of summarizing the main points and conclusions of the 64-page article, and agrees with the article’s recommendation that tax practitioners have access to at least two of the five platforms in order to blend content.

### WIKIS (MEDIEVAL LEGAL DOCUMENTS)

**Moorman, Paul.** “Hazel Lord Compiles Medieval Legal Documents Wiki.” *SCALL Newsletter* vol. 35 no. 5 (May/June 2008): 7. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/scall/newsletter/NewsletterMayJune2008.pdf>

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## TECHBUZZ

### TWITTER FOR LAW LIBRARIANS: “REAL LIFE HAPPENS BETWEEN BLOG POSTS AND E-MAILS”

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#### What Is Twitter?

Twitter is a micro-blogging tool for short status updates. A colleague has described it as “a hybrid between instant messaging and blogging.” Twitter describes itself as “a service for friends, family, and co-workers to communicate and stay connected through the exchange of quick, frequent answers to one simple question: **What are you doing?**” Twitter is similar to Facebook’s “Current Status” feature, Pownce, and Jaiku.

#### How Do You Use Twitter?

Well, here is how Twitter works. After you [sign up](#), you can post messages. Your status updates are limited to 140 characters or less, so Twitter encourages brevity. Usually people start with mundane items, such as what they are having for lunch (because that’s likely when they’re Twittering... ☺). But you can Twitter or Tweet about anything. You can share useful information and links with other Twitterers about law library-related matters. And, you can respond to other people’s Tweets (by using @ before the Twitter handle, such as @jmillies in your Twitter post). You can “retweet” or forward someone else’s Twitter post in your own post. You can Twitter in Spanish, French, German, etc., too! :-). The true usefulness of Twitter kicks in when you start following people or they follow you. Then, the interactive, social networking effect comes into play.

When you follow a person on Twitter, you get everything they post, from what they had for breakfast that morning, to if they found a spider the size of a tarantula in their bathtub, to what movies they have seen, to what new technology they’ve tried. This mix of personal and professional is one of the charms, and frustrations, of using Twitter. It is difficult to find the right balance as a Twitterer between posting too much personal information, or too much professional information. Reading Twitter’s mix of personal and professional status updates is like a



daily dose of seeing how you and the people you follow negotiate the work-life balance.

Twitter can be a great current awareness tool depending on whom you choose to follow, or it could be a time-waster. It is very important to choose carefully who to follow. If you are following someone who posts mostly personal information, or who posts updates too often (which can feel like being spammed), you might begin to feel information overload. Twitter might feel like yet one more thing to keep up with, to take up your time in addition to e-mails and blogs. You might want to stop following updates from Twitterers who are too “noisy” and hope they don’t notice... ☺.

How do you manage Twitter? You can use [Twhirl](#) to connect multiple Twitter, FriendFeed, and other accounts. You can take Twitter with you. You can use Twitter with IM and your mobile phone. You can add the Twitter application to your Facebook profile. You can import Twitter updates via FriendFeed. You can feed your blog and post RSS to Twitter via [TwitterFeed](#). You can search Twitter content via <http://search.twitter.com/> (formerly Summize at <http://www.summize.com/>). You have choices between what tools to use that will help you in your work (Twitter might not be the right tool for you). Or, you can manage how you use Twitter in a way that fits your work and lifestyle. You can read Twitter updates on the bus. I fit in Twitter by reading Twitter updates right before lunch! ☺

For more information about Twitter, there is a fun

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YouTube video by Common Craft called “Twitter in Plain English” (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ddO9idmax0o>). There is also the [Twitter Fan Wiki](#). One of the law firm librarians who I follow on Twitter, Jason Eiseman, recommends Caroline Middlebrook’s “The Big Juicy Twitter Guide” (<http://www.caroline-middlebrook.com/blog/twitter-guide/>), which is a great introduction to Twitter!

### What Are Institutional and Individual Law Library Applications for Twitter?

Individual law librarians can Tweet about classes they’re preparing to teach, conferences they’re attending, new technologies, useful resources, etc. During the CALI and AALL conferences, some attendees Twittered. It was like live blogging at programs, roundtables, and other sessions. You can search for these Tweets by using **#calicon08** and **#aall2008**. A law library can post notices/announcements on Twitter about holiday hours, regular hours, new acquisitions, new databases, special programs, interruption of services, etc.

### Who Should You Follow?

You can follow friends, family, colleagues, and institutions. To identify Twitter handles besides asking directly, you can use Twitter’s **Find and Follow** or **Search** features. You can also use **Who Should I Follow**: <http://whoshouldifollow.com/>. There is a core group of about 10-20 law librarians who use Twitter regularly and productively. Among them are Jim Milles, Tom Boone, Sarah Glassmeyer, Debbie Ginsberg, Jason Eiseman, Ron Wheeler, and Meg Kribble. Steve Matthews and Connie Crosby in Canada are also top Twitterers... ☺. You can find their Twitter handles and those of other law librarians at the [Law Libraries and Librarians Ning](#) network site. Other Twitterers to follow include the University at Buffalo Law Library (**UBLawLib**), Yale Law Library (**yalelawlibrary**), the ABA Journal (**ABAJournal** for up-to-the-minute headline legal news), Congress (**HouseFloor** and **SenateFloor**), and the Peace Palace Library (**peacepalace** for Tweets on international law and international relations news, publications, library services and collections).

### What’s Wrong With Twitter? Bad Spammers, Time Waster, etc.?

The first thing you’ll notice about Twitter is that the 140-character constraint limits how freely you can communicate. You either develop shortcuts for saying things, or send out another Tweet. It is really useful to know how to use TinyURL, Shrinkify, etc. when using Twitter, so it

doesn’t take as many characters to share a link. Another problem with Twitter is that it encourages you to talk about your personal life – “What Are You Doing?” So, at least initially, many people post about routine, daily tasks and activities: the “what I’m having for lunch” Tweet. It is possible to move away from that and disseminate useful tidbits via Twitter to other law librarians about technology, conferences, etc.

Unless you “lock” your Twitter posts, the default is public access to all your Tweets, which means everyone in the world will know what you’ve had for lunch every day, what movie you saw, if it rained that day, and if it was too hot or too cold in your office. Your information is searchable and attractive to spammers. If your Twitter account is not “locked,” anyone can start following, including spammers. The default setting is yes, so anyone can follow you. You can block them after the fact. If you “lock” your Twitter account, you must approve requests for people to follow you. It keeps spammers and people you don’t know from following you and seeing your personal messages. It also restricts the people who can see your posts only to your approved followers. When someone searches for “law librarian” in Twitter, your account will read “My updates are protected,” and a person wishing to follow you will have to send a request to follow you. They cannot follow your Twitter updates automatically.

The biggest problem with Twitter is that it’s frequently too busy (too many Tweets) or is down for “Unplanned maintenance.” In that instance, you will see the “Fail-Whale,” an image of a whale being carried by birds. The FailWhale symbol has become so popular that it actually has its own Facebook page, as well as a fan club. In addition, Tom Boone at Yale created this badge for Twitterers that says: “I send...pointless little messages”. (<http://tom-boone.com/node/535>) He created this in response to an anti-Twitter article in the Boston Globe. (<http://www.flickr.com/photos/thomasboone/2773641980/>)





# AALL Annual Meeting Portland 2008



*Dragon boat at AALL registration in Portland*



*Roses at International Rose Test Garden in Portland \**



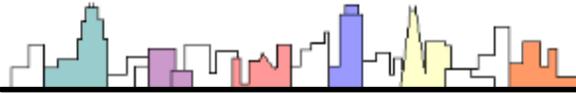
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*Bronze bear – example of sculpture on Portland’s streets*



*Cute enough to take home! – another sculpture on Portland’s streets*



*Powell's at night*



*Mt. Hood in the distance \**



*Street car in Portland*



*Where do you want to go? Street sign at Pioneer Square*



*Bubblers – Portland's drinking fountains*



*The MAX – light rail transportation in Portland*

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### Off the Beaten Path *cont. from p. 37*

Moorman, Foreign & International Law Librarian at the USC Gould School of Law, penned this short article about one of his USC colleagues. The colleague, Hazel Lord, has compiled a wiki of published and online sources of English medieval legal documents. The article explains why Lord selected a wiki format, rather than a traditional print-based bibliography, and details the contents of the new resource. According to Moorman, the wiki has been viewed over 100,000 times since its debut earlier this year. The wiki's homepage is located at <http://emld.usc.edu/tiki-index.php>, and is worth checking out.

### WIKIS (USE AT REFERENCE DESK)

Fung, Melissa. "Using Wikis in Library Reference

Service." *SANDALL News* vol. 10 issue 5 (May 2008): 4-6. Available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/sandall/newsletter2008-05.pdf>

Fung, Foreign & International Law Reference Librarian at the University of San Diego (USD), describes how her reference department is successfully utilizing ClearWiki, a hosted wiki service for small businesses and organizations. The USD librarians' wiki contains daily notes and postings about ongoing queries and assignments, as well as links to information on various topics and FAQs. This informative article in the newsletter of the San Diego Area Law Libraries also includes screen shots from the USD wiki and general instructions on how to start a library wiki.

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- Nov. 20, 2008 (Thurs.)
- Feb. 27, 2009 (Fri.)
- May 21, 2009 (Thurs.)

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



### Executive Board Meetings

- June 05, 2008 (Thurs.)
- Aug. 05, 2008 (Tues.)
- Sept. 09, 2008 (Tues.)
- Oct. 07, 2008 (Tues.)
- Nov. 04, 2008 (Tues.)
- Dec. 09, 2008 (Tues.)
- Jan. 13, 2009 (Tues.)
- Feb. 10, 2009 (Tues.)
- Mar. 10, 2009 (Tues.)
- Apr. 14, 2009 (Tues.)
- May 12, 2009 (Tues.)