Greetings, and Happy New Year to all! 1984 is already off and running, and there's lots to discuss.

72 NOCALL members came to the January 17 luncheon meeting at the Marines' Memorial Club in San Francisco, which featured the inimitable Bernard E. Witkin as speaker. Mr. Witkin, who also answers proudly to the appellation "Guru of the California Judiciary," spoke on the California Supreme Court, and gave an insightful, candid, and humorous sketch of the various justices with whom he had enjoyed a long and rewarding association. The setting, the speaker, and the cuisine were all praiseworthy, and Manuel Koff deserves special thanks for helping with the local arrangements. To all of you who could come, I'm happy that you could share in a memorable occasion.

This issue of the Newsletter contains the list of nominees for NOCALL office in the 1984/85 term. The Nominations Committee has worked hard, and the slate of excellent candidates is testimony to their endeavors. Many thanks to the nominees for agreeing to run for office, and good luck to everyone.

March 24 remains the date for our Institute on Copyright Law, and it promises to be a good one, in the continuing tradition of program excellence which has become a NOCALL hallmark. Gail Winson and her committee report that the Institute will be held at the Claremont Resort Hotel and Tennis Club in Oakland, and will feature among its speakers Professor J. Thomas McCarthy of USF, Leslie Kurtz of U.C.-Davis, and Paul Vapneck, Esq., of Townsend & Townsend, in San Francisco. 14 exhibitors have reserved space this year for their products, and more are expected. Gail plans to send out brochures on the Institute, complete with registration forms, in approximately two weeks, so watch your mail and don't miss the opportunity to participate!
With the AALL annual convention in San Diego a mere 5 months away, the time is right for planning another NOCALL-WestPac breakfast. Last year's joint breakfast at the convention proved to be such a popular item on the agenda that I will be contacting WestPac to see if we can do it again. Details will follow in a subsequent Newsletter.

Just a brief report on the NOCALL union list venture, which I described more fully in the November/December Newsletter. The responses I received from NOCALL members were all positive, regarding taking over responsibility for the union list created by the Private Law Library Association for San Francisco (PLLA). In fact, some of you indicated that you would like to serve on the appropriate committee, if needed. At this point, PLLA is in the process of considering the pros and cons of relinquishing the union list to NOCALL. When more information is available regarding PLLA's decision, I will let you know.

Mary Torres, of Bancroft, Avery & McAlister, in San Francisco, is interested in setting up a liaison group with library science schools in NOCALL's "jurisdiction." The benefits of such a liaison are numerous, ranging from a better understanding of what law librarianship entails, to possible work-study or internship arrangements, and more potential NOCALL members. If you would like to help Mary with this exciting new project, please call her at (415) 788-8855.

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Fourth Annual NOCALL Institute
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Deadline for submission of material to be included in the next issue is March 21. For the following issues, it will be:

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NOCALL NOMINEES, 1984/85

NOMINEES FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT ELECT 1984/85

Alice McKenzie
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Affiliation: Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison
San Francisco
Education: B.A.
Professional Activities:
- Member, NOCALL; Audit & Budget Committee, 1980/81; Chair, Municipal Code Committee, 1982-84; Workshop on Networking, 1982; Workshop on Municipal Laws, 1983
- Member, AALL; Workshop on Bankruptcy Law, 1984
- Member, SLA
- Member, Private Law Librarians Association of San Francisco; Duplicate exchange program

Cosette T. Sun
Position: Law Library Director
Affiliation: Alameda County Law Library, Oakland
Education: LLB, MA, MS
Professional Activities:
- Member, AALL; Vice Chair, Public Relations Committee, 1983-; Chair, Law Library Service to Institutional Residents, 1981-1982
- President, Council of California County Law Librarians, 1982-
- Executive Committee, Bay Area Library Information Network (BALIN) 1983-
- Member, NOCALL; Chair, Education Committee, 1980-1981
- Member, ALA
- Member, SLA
- Member, Westpac
- Member, Asian Pacific American Library Association
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Muriel Hoppes
Position: Law Librarian
Affiliation: Law Library, California State Library
Education: MLS
Professional Activities:
- Member, NOCALL; Executive Committee Member-at-Large, 1980-81; Chair, Special Committee to Investigate Status of Membership, 1981; Placement Committee, 1981-82; Membership Committee, 1982-83; Municipal Code Committee, 1982-83, 1983-84; Chair, Constitution and Bylaws Committee, 1983-84
- Member, AALL; Certification Committee, 1982-83, 1983-84; State, Court, and County Law Librarians SIS Statistics Committee, 3 years
- Member, SCALL
- Member, WestPac.

Cynthia Lynn Papermaster
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Affiliation: Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe
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Education: BA
MLS
Professional Activities:
- Member, NOCALL; Placement Committee Chair, 1982-83
- Member, AALL; Private Law Libraries SIS
- Member, Private Law Library Association of San Francisco
- Member, SLA, San Francisco Bay Region; Library Management Division
- Chair, Law Firm Librarians Advisory Group to San Francisco County Law Library
NOMINEES FOR THE OFFICE OF TREASURER 1984/85

Judy Janes  
Position: Assistant Law Librarian  
Affiliation: Law Library, U.C. Davis  
Education: JD  
Professional Activities:  
- Member, NOCALL; Program Committee, 1984 Annual Institute; Relations to Publishers Relating to California Problems, 1981-82; Workshop on Microform Management, 1981  
- Member, AALL; Exchange of Duplicates Committee, 1983-84  
- Member, Academic Staff Organization UCD; Executive Council, 1982-83; Rules Committee Chair, 1982-83

Donna Martinez  
Position: Law Librarian  
Affiliation: Bank of America  
San Francisco  
Education: MLS  
Professional Activities:  
- Member, NOCALL; Chair, Membership/Placement Committee, 1983-84  
- Member, AALL  
- Member, SLA, San Francisco Bay Region; Bulletin Staff, 1983-84

ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS


Article IV, Section 3 of the NOCALL Bylaws reads:

Additional nominations. Additional nominations may be made by petition of ten (10) active members in good standing. The petition must be submitted in writing to the President seventy-five (75) days prior to the annual business meeting. Written acceptance by the nominee should accompany the petition.
PROFILE OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY LAW LIBRARIES

By Tana Smith and Shirley David, Sacramento County Law Library

Sacramento County is home to over 3,300 attorneys. Because Sacramento is the state capital, a large proportion of the law libraries in the area are governmental agency libraries. Professionally administered law firm libraries are almost non-existent. Although there are several law schools in the county, only one has an extensive law library. All law libraries are either currently using some form of computer technology or seriously considering applications for their libraries.

Since the government law libraries in Sacramento were established as adjuncts to the various legal agencies, they each have a small specialized collection. The California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General Law Library, for example, is used only by the Department of Justice. Their special collections contain Opinions of the Attorney General of California from 1899 to the present. This library also has a unit set of the Indexed Letters of the Attorney General of California, some of which are confidential. Water law is another area of specialization for the Attorney General Law Library. The collection includes ballot pamphlets back to 1911 and bill analyses from 1941 to 1971. Westlaw is currently available. Mitch Cnota is Librarian at the Sacramento branch of the Attorney General Library. Mitch has two library technical assistants and one office assistant.

The State Board of Equalization Law Library also has a small collection which is designed for use only by attorneys belonging to The Board. Some interesting features of this library's collection include the CCH State Tax Reporters for all 50 states, the complete publications of the State Board of Equalization, and a utilities valuation collection. The library is open to the public by appointment only. Barrie Elbrecht is the librarian; she is assisted by student helpers.

The California Legislature Assembly Office of Research Library is unique to law libraries in that it maintains a very small collection of legal material. Researchers rely heavily upon the California State Law Library for treatises and legal monographs. Dorothy Graham, head librarian, explains in her brochure that the AOR Library maintains "materials produced by the legislature in the course of the legislative process, including Assembly and Senate Journals, Histories, legislative indexes, statutes, committee hearing transcripts and reports, and AOR reports and bill analyses." The library has a computerized system for legislative bills which provides the current status and content of bills. CFIS (California Fiscal Information System) is another computer service in the AOR Library. This system provides access to the Department of Finance Fiscal Information System and can find budget data.
The California Department of Water Resources Law Library has the basic collection of California law. Head Librarian, Francis Pearson, emphasizes environmental law and water law in her collection policy. The library is maintained for the use of attorneys in the State Department of Water Resources and the Resources Agency in general. Westlaw is available to attorneys from the department. Francis is also working on implementing an in-house computer system.

Virginia Castro is head librarian at the Legislative Counsel Bureau Law Library. The core collection of federal and state material is augmented by Lexis. Some interesting features of the Legislative Counsel Library include the Letters and Memorandums of the California Legislature, most of which are confidential. The library also has most of the first series of the Regional Reporter System on microfiche. Virginia has used the 50 State Survey as a basis for her own subject compilation of state laws. The library holds all of the county and city charters for California. Virginia has one library assistant.

The Library and Courts Building across from the west entrance of the Capitol building is the home of the State Library and the Third District Court of Appeals Library. Linda Wallihan has been the Third District Court of Appeals Librarian for two years. Her library is restricted to court staff, many of whose offices ring the library stacks. Linda also maintains the chambers collections. Besides the basic collection of multiple sets of cases and statutes, the library maintains one major treatise in each legal subject area and a Lexis terminal. Other material is borrowed from the State Law Library and Linda uses a Wang word processor to keep track of interlibrary loans. She has experimented with the word processor for other library applications with limited success.

The State Law Library is headed by Muriel Hoppes. It is a branch of the State Library which is under the direction of the State Department of Education. Muriel has a professional staff of three, one library technical assistant and a clerical staff of seven.

All attorneys and law librarians in the county are fortunate to be close to the State Law Library. Although the library's primary clientele is state officials and employees, the collection is available to use on-site by anyone and circulating materials are available through interlibrary loan. Up to 20 pages of non-circulating material will be copied free of charge per request. A new State Library policy allows the State Library to lend directly to individuals associated with a business, firm or organization that has a library. Muriel does not expect the new policy to affect current interlibrary loan practices with county law librarians for their local patrons.

The State Law Library collection includes codes and reports and administrative codes (when available) for all states. It also includes briefs from
the California Courts of Appeal from 1904, California Supreme Court Briefs from 1850, California legislative bills from 1867 and United States bills from 1949. The law library's continuations and loose-leaf budget was cut substantially this year and Muriel has tried to coordinate cancellations with the holdings at other law libraries in the area.

The collection is cataloged using RLIN and the State Library has several TRS-8011 microcomputers that the law librarian uses to compile the annual California County Library Statistics, the County Law Library Directory, form letters and is looking at other in-house applications. As time permits, Muriel serves as a consultant to county law librarians and boards.

The State Library also has holdings in other divisions that are law-related, especially the Government Publications Section which is a regional federal depository as well as the depository for California state documents.

There are only two law firms in Sacramento County that have full-time librarians. One is a 54 attorney firm and the other a 35 member firm and they are both located at 555 Capitol Mall. Ellen Jarrett at McDonough, Holland & Allen has been with the firm for two months. She has a half-time loose-leaf filer to assist her. The strong points of the collection are municipal law including many municipal newsletters and some local board minutes, water rights, tax and securities law. Ellen sees as one of her first priorities a cataloging and classification system for the collection. The firm has an IBM personal computer which Ellen foresees using for in-house memos, expert witness files, routing lists and possible acquisitions. There is also video equipment and some videotape in the library.

Connie Larkin has been at Downey, Brand, Seymour and Rohwer for three years. She is learning law librarianship on the job and is currently taking a legal research course. The collection emphasis is on oil leases, water resource, tax and business law. Both firms allow attorneys from other firms in the building to use their collections.

Nancy-Jean Blanco runs N-J Library Consulting Services which maintains library collections for smaller firms.

The Sacramento County Law Library, located in the county courthouse, is the public law library for the bench, bar and citizens of Sacramento County. Shirley David has headed the library since August and is assisted by one librarian, Tana Smith and two clerical assistants. The collection is California practice oriented and is a selective depository of California and federal documents. The library displays portraits of all the Sacramento Superior Court judges since 1850.

Sacramento County attorneys, judges and their authorized assistants must complete a registration card to borrow circulating materials. Others may
borrow one book at a time by leaving a cash deposit for the value of the book.

Current projects include exploring cataloging on RLIN, automated acquisitions and serials control system. The librarian is also negotiating additional space for the library and a monthly column in the county bar newsletter has been initiated. Compact shelving is used to save space.

The only law library located outside of the downtown/capitol district and open nights and weekends is McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific. Alice Murray heads a staff of eight librarians, 13 support staff and additional student assistants. The law school is a private institution and the library's primary clientele is their faculty, staff and students.

Use of the library is also extended to any member of the state bar but circulation is restricted. As a service to the local bar, the library has a public Westlaw service with various charges depending on the type of assistance given by McGeorge student or attorney researchers. In addition, Lexis and Dialog are available to the students and faculty. The library has a well-rounded collection to support their curriculum and are building their tax and international business collections to support their masters programs. The library makes extensive use of micro-format and compact shelving.

Two special collections of note are the Abraham Lincoln collection recently donated by a local judge. It includes Lincoln books, portraits, plates and memorabilia that he had been acquiring since 1916. Raymond Burr has also donated to the library all the original Perry Mason scripts.

The technical services staff catalogs on RLIN and is investigating the INAVAC automated serials control system.

Law libraries are plentiful in the Sacramento area. While each has their special clientele, many make their collections available to other users.
MUNICIPAL CODES

The Municipal and County Codes Committee has mailed out copies of California's Municipal and County Charters, Codes and Ordinances: A Directory of Availability to all the libraries of the NOCALL members who did not attend the workshop in Napa. If your library did not receive a copy, please let me know. I have received a number of phone calls stating how helpful this Directory has been and the Committee is very pleased with the final product.

The Committee plans on updating this Directory in three years if SCALL does not plan to update it.

If you would like to purchase a copy of the Directory, send an $11 check, payable to Alice McKenzie, to:

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NEWS FROM OTHER CHAPTERS

The following articles have appeared in the newsletters of other chapters. If you would like copies of any of these, contact Janice Kelly.


A Selective Bibliography of Florida Practice Materials, by Hazel L. Johnson was included in the Winter 1983/84 issue of the Southeastern Law Librarian.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Marian Shostrom, the new reference librarian at the University of San Francisco Law School, was formerly visiting reference librarian at the University of San Diego School of Law where she finished her J.D. Before that, Marian was a junior high and high school librarian in San Diego and Illinois.

Estalee Weill of Weill Library Services has a new phone number: 408-475-0962. Her mailing address remains the same.

Ann Kollmorgen has joined the staff at McGeorge School of Law as Assistant Librarian for Public Services. Ann received her J.D. degree from Texas Tech. University. Before entering law school, she served as curriculum and materials librarian at Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Randolph Webb, a new NOCALL member, came to the U.S. Court of Appeals Library from Deloitte, Haskins & Sells. He has his library tech degree from San Francisco City College and is interested in political science and public administration.

New members Parma Lee Baker and Val Donaire are both employed at Hoge, Fenton, Jones & Appel in San Jose. Parma Lee has been with the firm for thirty years and began library work in 1981. She has her legal assistant's degree from West Valley and is a Certified Professional Secretary and a Professional Legal Secretary. She is a charter member of the National Association of Legal Assistants and a member of the Paralegal Association of Santa Clara County. Parma Lee also belongs to the Bay Area Forum, a group which sponsors seminars for the education of legal secretaries. Val Donaire, also a member of the Paralegal Association of Santa Clara County, received her paralegal degree from the University of Santa Clara and began working in the library at Hoge, Fenton in the summer of 1983.
MEMBERSHIP NEWS (CONTINUED)

Edward Delcanto, the new librarian at Miller, Starr & Regalia, was formerly the librarian at Freeman, Wasserman & Schneider in New York, where he also worked part time for the Bar Association of the City of New York. Edward received his MLS from the University of Pittsburgh and has studied law at the Catholic University of Chile and the University of Pittsburgh. In addition to their Oakland office, Miller, Starr & Regalia has offices at 101 California Street in San Francisco.

Constance Larkin has been with Downey, Brank, Seymour & Rohwer in Sacramento for three years. The firm specializes in business law. Constance says that they are subscribing to LEXIS on a trial basis and she would like to compare notes with other librarians.

MISCELLANEOUS

West Publishing Company announced that it has begun publication of Federal Practice Digest, 3d. Coverage will begin with 1976 and the final number of volumes is expected to be approximately 120. They estimate that it will take almost three years to issue the complete set.

The lead article of the October 1983 issue of the California State Library Foundation Bulletin is entitled, "California's State Law Library." In addition to describing the standard legal materials found in the State Law Library, the article also discusses the unique legal history resources collected by the Library. The Bulletin is published by the California State Library Foundation as a benefit to its members. Membership in the Foundation is a way of contributing to the California State Library; rates are $25-99 Associate; $100-249 Contributing; and $250 Founder.

Beginning in early 1984, the NOCALL Newsletter will be indexed in Legal Information Management Index, a publication of Fox Information Consultants. LIMI indexes over 125 periodicals, including newsletters of AALL chapters, committees and special interest sections. Publication will begin with the January/February 1984 issue. The annual subscription price is $98 for six bimonthly issues. More detailed information will be sent to you by Fox Information Consultants.

LEXIS is now available through the IBM personal computer. The system requirements include a system unit with at least 64K bytes of storage; single or double-sided diskette drive; asynchronous communication adapter; monitor designed for displaying 80 columns of data; and a 1200 baud modem. An IBM software package must also be purchased; its cost is approximately $225.
MISCELLANEOUS (CONTINUED)

Last year, many Bay Area libraries were able to work together through a multitype library cooperation project under a one-year Library Service and Construction Amendment of 1976 Grant. When the funding was ended in June 1983, the participating libraries continued the project through the membership subscription under the name of BALIN (Bay Area Library and Information Network). The membership consists of public, community college, academic and special libraries in Alameda, Contra Costa and San Francisco Counties. BALIN is governed by a five-member Executive Committee made up of representatives from one public library, two academic and two special libraries, and an Advisory Committee made up of the representatives of each participating library. Coisette Sun is a member of the Executive Committee. The activities this year will include reference service, interlibrary loan, library tours, workshops, staff development and union list. All Bay Area libraries are invited to join by paying a $40 membership fee.

A recent communication from Shirley Bronte of Library Microfilms indicates that the California Appellate Briefs, 3d Series, Vols. 1 through 125, will be made available on microfiche in three segments. The total price is $8,550 over a three-year period or $2,850 per year. There is a prepublication price, if ordered before March 30, 1984. The master copy with index was provided to Library Microfilms by the Alameda County Law Library.

PLACEMENT


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