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## PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The NOCALL/WESTPAC workshop on computers was very successful thanks to all the contributed work of Virginia Kelsh, the Education Committee Chair, and Scott Pagel, the Local Arrangements Chair. A special "thanks" for the extra efforts!

Our next get-together will be on January 24 at the Shattuck Hotel in Berkeley. The luncheon speaker is Rongjie Ma, one of the first lawyers certified to practice law in the People's Republic of China. During the Cultural Revolution, Ma was arrested by the Red Guard and imprisoned for seven years as a counter-revolutionary. Ma is an enthusiastic, gifted storyteller with a sharp sense of humor. A registration form is found inside.

CEB has graciously extended an invitation to the NOCALL members to tour their facilities after the luncheon. They are located 2 blocks south of the hotel.

Many thanks to Trish McCurdy who has worked very hard on the new membership directory that was mailed out at the end of November.

ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, likely belonging to the President mentioned in the text, Trish McCurdy. The signature is written in dark ink and is located in the bottom right corner of the page.

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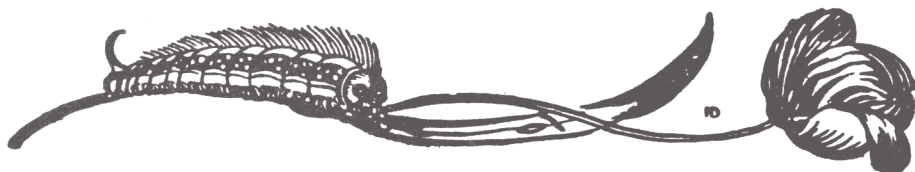
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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### NOCALL LUNCHEON MEETING NOTICE

**PLACE:** The Shattuck Hotel, Grand Ballroom  
2086 Allston Way (at Shattuck Ave.)  
and later CEB, 2300 Shattuck Ave.  
(corner of Bancroft) Berkeley.

**Directions:**

By car: Highway 17--take Univ. Ave. exit  
Turn right on Shattuck Ave. Public  
parking is on Kettridge Ave.

Bart: Take the Richmod line to Berkeley  
station. Walk south one block.

AC Transit: Take the F Bus.

**DATE:** Friday, January 24, 1986.

**TIME:** 12:00 - Cocktails (cash bar)  
12:30 - Luncheon: Roasted top sirloin,  
sliced English cut served with  
mushroom sauce, salad, rolls, roasted  
potatoes, vegetables, dessert coffee or  
tea. Vegetarian meal: Assorted vegetable  
plate with rice.

Speaker: Rongjie Ma, special counsel at  
Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, visiting  
Professor of Law, Santa Clara University  
Law School will speak on Chinese legal  
systems.

**COST:** \$12.50 (including tax and tip)

Send your check for \$12.50 payable to NOCALL with  
the reservation form on the next page. DEADLINE  
for receipt of reservations is January 17, 1986.  
Cancellations after that date are subject to  
charge.

## CEB RECEPTION AND TOUR



After the meeting, California Continuing Education of the Bar cordially invites NOCALL members to a special reception at its headquarters (2300 Shattuck Avenue) only two blocks south of the Shattuck Hotel. Come and meet the CEB'ers you contact by phone or letter or whose names you recognize from CEB publications and tapes. Take advantage of the opportunity to better understand CEB's products and focus. You can participate in an informal tour of the various departments, including the CEB library and Video Studio. The Customer Service Department is arranging demonstrations of the new **CEBSYSTEMS™**.

Ginette Polak

### Detach and Mail

Send to Bev Lipton, Librarian, Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison, Two Embarcadero Place, 2200 Geng Road, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

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### **NOCALL LUNCHEON JANUARY 24, 1986 REGISTRATION FORM**

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AFFILIATION \_\_\_\_\_

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FROM THE SECRETARY

The Directory was mailed on November 27. If you have not received it yet, call me at 434-4000 x 5262.

Trish McCurdy

PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION COMMITTEE

The San Francisco branch of the NOCALL Public Access to Legal Information Commttee made two presentations to the Reference Section at the California Library Association meeting in Oakland on November 16th. "Legal Reference for Non-Law Librarians" was of interest to a S.R.O. group of mostly public librarians. Committee members who made the presentation are: Coral Henning, Janice Kelly, Marian Shostrom, and Karen Toran.

The PALI Committee has several other workshops scheduled during the year, and would welcome new members. Contact Kathering Henderson at McGeorge Law School or Karen Toran at the California Supreme Court Law Library.

NOCALL BUSINESS MEETING FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27, 1985

**Alice McKenzie, President,** called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m. She thanked Golden Gate University for hosting NOCALL for the 6th year and for providing flowers, coffee and food.

**Scott Pagel, Treasurer,** gave his first quarterly report. Scott discussed the NOCALL/Westpac Workshop and estimated 150 registrants. (Editors note: There were a total of 175 registrants.)

**Trish McCurdy, Secretary,** announced that members should inform her of errors in the mailing labels so corrections can be included in the Directory. Non-members interested in purchasing the mailing list for \$20 (\$10 for nonprofit organizations), the Newsletter at \$15/year, or the Directory for \$20 should contact her at (415) 434-4000 x 5262.

## NOCALL BUSINESS MEETING CONTINUED

**David Bridgeman, Vice-President/President Elect**, reported that the topic of the March Institute is professional malpractice, including medical, legal and business aspects.

**Jo Caporaso, Chair of the Archives Committee**, reported that her goals included a home for the archives, a retention schedule, and a procedures manual for handling the records.

**Virginia Kelsh, Chair of the Education Committee**, described the topics presented at the NOCALL/Westpac Workshop: instruction in computer literacy, a hands-on session by Radio Shack, selection and evaluation of software, and applications for firm, academic and government libraries.

**Shirley David, Grants Committee Chair**, announced that the Committee awarded \$400 in four grants which included overnight accommodations.

**Anne Borkin** announced her participation with **Joan Loftus** and **Liza MacMorris** as an **Ad Hoc Advisory Committee** to Francis Gates' Committee: Liaison between AALL and the Association of Legal Administrators. The Committee intends to sharpen the definitions of library related positions.

**Nancy Carter, Chair of the Membership Committee**, asked for volunteers to help recruit new members from bay area library schools and county law libraries. Nancy should also be contacted by librarians interested in library student intern field study projects.

**Peg LaFrance, Chair of the Placement Committee**, recommended that members call her, since some openings are listed only with her.

**Karen Toran** and **Shirley David**, members of the **Public Access to Legal Information Committee**, reported on their workshops for non-legal librarians. The Committee needs volunteers to help with the four workshops scheduled for 1986.

**Mary Staats** of the **Union List Committee** announced corrections which were sent to all buyers. Librarians wishing to participate in the next edition should send their holdings to Mary.

## UC DAVIS GETS INNOVACQ

The University of California Davis Law Library has acquired the INNOVACQ system manufactured by Innovative Interfaces, Inc. of Berkeley. The system is being used for serials control and will eventually be used for acquisition of new materials as well. Over the past few months, 4298 active serials records have been entered into the INNOVACQ system. Bibliographic information for most of these records was downloaded from RLIN using the interface built into the INNOVACQ system. Local information about holdings, binding and routing was then added to these records. The system supports check-in of materials, recording of payments, maintenance of routing and binding information, accounting reports and listings of materials by specific fields.

Al Lewis



## UC BERKELEY LAW LIBRARY ADOPTS USER FEE PROGRAM

Bob Berring, Law Librarian at Boalt Hall Library has announced a subscription service policy which will begin February 1, 1986. Reference, paging, and interlibrary loan services have been free, but have become unaffordable due to budgetary problems and increases in demands from users.

Subscribers will have better and more comprehensive access to the collection of nearly 500,000 volumes and 6,000 serials. Prompt reference services, card catalog and shelf checks, borrowing privileges, and discounts for photocopying and telefacsimile are included in the annual subscription cost of \$1,200.

Contact Arturo Flores at 642-4044 for a schedule of fees, a free demonstration of the program, or more details.



## SCALL INSTITUTE FEATURES CAL ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

The 14th Annual Institute of California Law sponsored by the Southern California Association of Law Libraries will be held February 21-22, 1986 at the Sheraton Town House in Los Angeles California. The topic is "California Administrative Law: Code, Process and Reform."

Administrative law governs many of our everyday actions, whether as individuals of participating in business activity. Yet discovering and understanding the applicable administrative law can be difficult. That difficulty will be eased for those attending by examining the legislative background, the agency process, judicial involvement and the prospects for reform.

Registration is \$65 for SCALL members (\$75 after January 31), \$75 for nonmembers (\$85 after January 31.) To register, contact Joanne Mazza, U.S. Courts Library, 1702 Courthouse, 312 North Spring St., Los Angeles, Ca 90012, 213/894 3636.

## AALL SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR 1986

The December issue of the AALL Newsletter contains the Application for Grants for those interested in seeking financial assistance to help defray the costs to attend the AALL Annual meeting and/or Institute in 1986.

The AALL Scholarships and Grants Committee, in awarding grants, will give preference to highly motivated individuals who are new members of the profession and to those who have been in law librarianship for a relatively short period of time. The Committee is especially interested in increasing the applicant pool for the minority stipend.

This same issue of the AALL Newsletter contains information on applying for the four types of scholarship assistance available. The deadline for receipt of grant applications is March 1, 1986, and the deadline for scholarship applications is April 1, 1986.



## PRIVATE LAW LIBRARIES PLAN FOR 1986 AALL MEETING

The AALL Special Interest Section, Private Law Libraries, is planning for the AALL Annual Meeting next July in Washington, D.C. Nuchine Nobari, Chair, reports the following activities are scheduled:

There will be an all-day program in two parts including a luncheon. The morning will start with a panel presentation on job descriptions and corresponding salaries. Each panel member will represent a different region of the country. The afternoon program will focus on "how-to" aspects of non-reference library functions.

A program on records management for librarians, a program on managing branch libraries, and two programs on substantive law - banking and securities - will also be held.

An all-day workshop will cover effective presentations and better communications. A luncheon and fashion show of business attire will be included.

## SLA PRESENTS INFORMATION MALPRACTICE PROGRAM

The San Andreas Chapter and San Francisco Bay Region Chapter of the Special Libraries Association will present a one-day seminar, "Information Malpractice: Unethical! Unprofessional! Can You Be Sued?" at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco on January 17. Robert Berring, President of AALL, is among the speakers. His topic is "Malpractice: Legal Issues and Ethical Responsibilities." Other speakers will address topics including accountability, legal ramifications of reference service, copyright and quality assurance. The registration fee is \$60 for members and \$75 for non-members. Lunch is included. The deadline for registration is January 10. Contact Larry White, Chevron Research Company, Technical Information Center, 576 Standard Avenue, Richmond, CA 94802 or call him at (415) 620-4914 for details.

CUT THE RED TAPE-----BEAT THE BUREAUCRACY  
LOBBY THE LIBRARIES

The theme for the 1986 AALL pre-convention institute is "Our National Resources." This Institute will focus on informing law librarians about unique sources and services in Washington, D.C. that can be drawn upon to augment their own collections and contacts. Lectures and on-site tours to a number of libraries and other resource centers of particular interest have been planned. There will be evening presentations on Washington oriented reference materials, networking skills, the use of document delivery and research companies, and ways to use telecommunications and other technology to "connect" to the nation's capital.

The Institute is being hosted at the National Law Center of George Washington University, located in the Foggy Bottom section of the city. Foggy Bottom has many fine restaurants and shopping arcades and is within walking distance of the Kennedy Center and historic Georgetown. Housing will be available at dorms and at two charming, small hotels a few blocks from the Law Center.

If you are law librarian who relies on resources located in Washington, mark your calendar now for June 30 through July 3, and return the application form, included in the convention mailer, as early as possible.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

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Copies of the following bibliographies are available from Laura Peritore (REALLY!):

"Personal Computers and the Practice of Law," William J. Flannery, 11 Legal Economics 35 (March/April 1985.)

"A Civil RICO Bibliography," Anita C. Milner, 21 California Western Law Review 409 (Winter 1985.)

"Double Duty: Librarians at Work in the Law," Fay A. Silas, 71 ABA Journal 25 (April 1985.)

"Seven-Step Approach Helpful in Firm Automation," J. Mark Santiago, 7 Legal Times 19 (February 1985.)

"Unpublished Court Opinions: A Bibliography." Part I In General; Part II Federal Courts of Appeal. Compiled by Clare Bailey. Available from the author, U.S. Supreme Court Library.

"Law Libraries Get Modern: Computers are Changing the Way Lawyers Use Libraries and What They Use Them For," Martha Freeman, California Lawyer, Vol. 5, No. 12, p. 14 (December 1985.)

"The Application of Electronic Mail to Technical Services, by David Ensign, 10 Technical Services Law Librarian 13 (September 1985.)

California County Law Library Basic List. Copies are available from Muriel Hoppes, Law Library California State Library, P. O. Box 2037, Sacramento, CA 95809.

"Compact Disks, Laser Printing, Data Storage and Retrieval Transformed," by Steven Goldspiel, National Law Journal (October 28, 1985) p. 14.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST CONTINUED

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"Computers and Litigation Support," Supplement to Legal Times (October 21, 1985.)

"Disclosure Loses SEC Contract to Bechtel, 1 Database End-User 18 (September 1985.)

"Laser Disks Promise Revolution for Law Libraries," by Stephen Burnett and Michael J. Petit, 8 Legal Times 14 (July 15, 1985.)

"Law Librarians Face the Need to Expand the Profession's Border," by Robert Berring, 7 National Law Journal 24-27 (July 15, 1985.)

"Law Libraries 1985," 8 Legal Times S1-S15 (July 1 and 8, 1985.)

"Nearly Everything You Want to Know About Databases," by Robert D. Yates, 71 ABA Journal 90 (November 1985.)

1985 California Tax Conference, San Francisco, Certified Public Accountants, Foundation for Education and Research. List of publications and computerized resources dealing with tax.

"Online Catalogs from Small to Medium Sized Special Libraries," by Audrey Grosch, University of Minnesota Libraries, B/ITE Quarterly Bulletin of the Information Technology Division, SLA Vol.2, #3.

"Securities Databases: A Brief Introduction," by Catherine Chung, 4 Legal Information Alert 1 (April 1985.)

"State Administrative Publications," by John D. Tew and Kevin P. Donovan, 90 Case and Comment 28 (September 1985.)

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## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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**Lorraine Rodich** of the Sixth Appellate District Library, reports the AOC has approved the library's access to DIALOG. Lorraine will be using their Westlaw terminal to get on the system.

The University of Santa Clara has changed its name to **Santa Clara University**. Mary Hood states the library will now be called, "Heafy Law Library of Santa Clara University."

**The Santa Clara County Law Library** has moved into its new building at 360 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95113. Their first day of operation was November 12. All are invited to stop by for a tour.

**Katherine Henderson** has been appointed Law Librarian of McGeorge School of Law. She had been serving as Acting Law Librarian since September 1984.

**Sacramento County Law Library** has a new phone number: (916) 446-6011. There will be a Christmas open house for all Sacramento area NOCALL members on December 20th at the library.

**NOCALL Newsletter editor**, Ann DiLoreto, has a new address: 444 University Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025. The phone number is the same: (415) 326 7370.



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## NOCALL CALENDAR

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| January 24 | Luncheon and Business Meeting<br>Shattuck Hotel, Berkeley<br>CEB Reception                |
| March 15   | Sixth Annual NOCALL Institute<br>"Professional Malpractice."<br>Red Lion Hotel, San Jose. |
| May 16     | Annual Business Meeting/Reception   |