PRESIDENT'S PAGE

It is hard to believe that my term as President is almost at an end. A year ago I had some real reservations about what lay ahead, but it has been one the most rewarding and enlightening experiences I have ever had.

I have come to a real appreciation of the high quality of commitment and expertise that exists within our membership. NOCALL is the product of the combined efforts of a conscientious Board, hard working committees, and a concerned and involved membership. The Board wants to provide the type of meeting that will benefit you. Please take the time to respond to the questionnaire that David Bridgman drafted.

I strongly urge everyone to participate in any of the wide range of activities with NOCALL; join a committee and make NOCALL what you would like it to be. For myself, I thank you for your support during this past year and hope to see you at the May business meeting.
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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOCALL ANNUAL MEETING - NOTICE & REGISTRATION
PLEASE RESPOND BY MAY 7TH

PLACE: McGeorge School of Law
       Center for Advance Study
       University of the Pacific
       3200 Fifth Ave.
       Sacramento, CA 95817

DATE: Friday, May 16, 1986

TIME: 4:00 P.M. - Business Meeting
       5:00 P.M. - Reception and Buffet

PRICE: $7.00 (for the reception only)

DIRECTIONS: Please see the map on the next page.

Please may your check payable to NOCALL and send to:

Alice McKenzie/NOCALL Annual Meeting
       Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison
       Spear St. Twr., 1 Market Plaza
       San Francisco, CA 94015

Yes, I plan to attend the Business Meeting on May 16th:

Yes, I plan to attend the reception afterwards:

Name:

Affiliation:

Address:

Enclosed is a check for $
WANTED: UNION LIST CONTRIBUTORS

To all those of you who would like to contribute to the Union List but have not yet done so, your opportunity has arrived. If you have a copy of the union list, photocopy each page containing your records, circle the title in brightly colored ink (or add your title if we don't include it) and add your holdings and library to the list. Please clearly indicate your library's full name if you use initials or an acronym. Then send these pages to Mary Staats at Rogers, Joseph, O'Donnel & Quinn, 311 California St. 10th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94104. If you do not have a copy of the union list, then just send a list of your serials (with beginning volume and date) to me.

This is a union list of looseleafs and periodicals. Looseleafs refer to looseleaf services such as CCH sets and BNA sets. For our purposes, looseleafs do NOT include treatises and Matthew Bender multi-volume sets. Periodicals include all periodicals, newsletters and law reviews you may have.

If you have any questions about what is or is not a looseleaf or how you secure a copy of the Union List, please call Mary Staats at (415) 856-2828.

Finally, if you've already contributed to the Union List, but would like to update your holdings, mark the changes clearly on your own union list and await instructions. You will be informed just as soon as the committee itself finds out.

Mary Staats
NOCALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The current list of NOCALL Committee members is as follows:

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION COMMITTEE
members Marian Shostrom, Karen Toran, Janice
Kelly and Ellen Weaver gave a presentation on
March 20 at the Hayward Public Library. Twenty
librarians from the Freemont, Oakland, Hayward
and San Francisco Public Libraries attended. The
next presentation will be on June 6th in the
Monterey area.

ANYONE WHO HAS EXPERIENCE HIRING A CONSULTANT FOR
FUND RAISING PLEASE CONTACT: Cosette Sun, Alameda
County Law Library, (415) 874-5823.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL OF LAW LIBRARY
expansion plans were approved at a March 14th
faculty meeting and construction will begin
this summer.

6TH ANNUAL NOCALL INSTITUTE

The 6th Annual NOCALL Institute on "Professional
Malpractice: Legal and Medical," was a great
success. Many thanks to all of those who
attended!

In the morning session the topic of discussion
was legal malpractice. Mr Joseph P. McMonagle, a
partner with the San Francisco law firm of Long &
Levitt, spoke about the types of people who sue
attorneys for legal malpractice. Mr. McMonagle
advised attorneys to keep tract of client needs,
for such items as calendaring, before they get
into a legal malpractice situation. The most
common legal malpractice suit is the attorney-
client fee dispute, and this one leads to hard
feelings on both sides.
The second speaker, Judge David W. Leahy of the Santa Clara County Superior Court, spoke on the judge's point of view of legal malpractice. He emphasized that attorneys should care for their clients and keep in contact with them during legal matters. Judge Leahy pointed out that some attorney-client fee arrangements are a little excessive, and having dissatisfied client can lead to future legal malpractice claims. He pointed out that many legal malpractice claims may not be entitled as such, but nevertheless are in fact a legal malpractice suit, such as a breach of contract suit. Judge Leahy's insight, and his experience on the bench with legal malpractice matters was very interesting and informative.

The afternoon speaker was Philip Pillsbury, Jr. of the San Francisco law firm of Pillsbury & Wilson. Mr. Pillsbury spoke on the practitioners view of medical malpractice litigation. He discussed the 1975 "Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act," (MICRA), with its sections on attorneys fees damages, periodic payments, and arbitration. Mr Pillsbury was very insightful into how a practitioner should deal with this type of case. He also commented on the tools he uses for practice in this field. In conclusion, Mr. Pillsbury discussed the uses and most useful medical online databases for research into medical malpractice issues.

The entire program was very useful to all types of law libraries who deal with attorneys and physicians.
In conclusion I would like to thank all of the speakers for their great presentations. I'm also in debt to the members of the Institute Committee; Arturo Flores, Peg LaFrance, Paul Lomio, Bev Lipton, and Barbara Friedrich. A special thanks to Mark Newman.

Thanks again!

Dave Bridgman
Chair
6th Annual NOCALL Institute

In order to help NOCALL respond to your interests and needs, please answer the following questions:

Please mail in survey by June 2, 1986 to

David Bridgman
Robert Crown Law Library
Stanford University
Stanford, CA 94305
Would you prefer a change to a central location for future institutes?

___ no: It should stay like it is now - Rotating between San Francisco, South Bay (San Jose, Santa Clara, Monterey)

___ yes: ___ San Francisco ___ Oakland ___ Berkeley ___ Rotate between the three

Other

What time of year do you prefer?

___ Fall ___ Winter ___ Spring ___ Summer

___ Oct-Nov ___ Mar-Apr ___ May-Jun ___ Aug-Sep

As it is now: ___ Mar-Apr

Other suggestions:

What day of the week do you prefer?

___ M ___ T ___ W ___ Th ___ F ___ Sat ___ Sun

What time do you prefer? ___ 6-7 ___ 7-8 ___ 8-9 (p.m.)

Would you like topical evening meetings?

___ yes ___ no

Did you apply for a NOCALL Institute grant?

___ yes ___ no

If you didn't, would you be more likely to apply if it didn't affect your chances of a NOCALL sponsored AALL Convention grant?

___ yes ___ no

Would you like to see the Institute and Workshop combined (Institute on Friday and Workshops on Saturday)? ___ yes ___ no

Other suggestions:
QUAERO: to seek, search for. Lit., of persons and physical objects: sometimes with the further notion to obtain, find get. Transf., (1) to seek and abstract thing (2) to seek with longing, to miss, want (3) of things, to demand, require (4) to seek to know, to ask, to inquire.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO DIRECT DIAL DATABASE VENDORS THROUGH THE WALT TERMINALS?

You can direct dial of any number from the Walt keyboard regardless of what is programmed on the Access Menu. The procedure is as follows:

1. At the arrow prompt, type the word, "EXIT," and press the "enter" key.

2. Hold down the "control" key and type MEM. This will not be printed or displayed and you do NOT have to press the "enter" key.

3. When prompted with the dollar sign ($), type the letter "d" followed by the telephone number you with the modem to dial. Follow the number with a percent sign (%). This tells the modem to redial if the line is busy.

The procedure may differ with some of the WALT terminals. If you have any problems call the WESTLAW customer service number (800) 328-9833.

ARE THERE ANY LIBRARY-ORIENTED PC USERS GROUPS?

[IP]² Information Professionals IBM PC Users Group meets to discuss selected topics (e.g. templates, spreadsheets). Contact Leslie Farmer at (415) 454-0200.

An InMagic Users Group has recently formed for users of InMagic software for library management and litigation support. Contact Sandra Osorio of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold: (415) 781-7900.
ITEMS OF INTEREST

Evans, James, "Going to the ABA/net," 6 California Lawyer 25 (Feb. 1986).


Pagel, Scott, "Federal Labor Law and Its Sources," 5 Legal Reference Services Quarterly (Summer/Fall 1985).


ITEMS OF INTEREST CONTINUED....

WESTLAW

Announces availability of ABA/net, Westlaw News Update, Vol. 6, No. 3 (March 1986).

LEXIS

Adds ALR library

Adds AMC to Admiralty library, Lexis Brief, (Feb. 1986).

Laura Peritore
(415) 565-4766

Elise Schill

FOR SALE

English books for sale

All England Law Reports: 1970-1985 $3,000.00

Contact Alice McKenzie (415) 442-1053

Books for sale/donation: ALR 2d - updated to 1981

Contact:

Eric Kastner
1451 Grant Rd.
Mountain View, CA (415) 967-7854
MEMBERSHIP NEWS

MEMBERSHIP NEWS - SAN FRANCISCO

Liza McMorris of McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enerson recently accepted the position of Head Law Librarian at Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich & Rosati in Palo Alto. Liza will be replacing Barbara Vold who will remain at Wilson, Sonsini as Office Services Manager. Jo Caporaso, Assistant Librarian at McCutchen, will replace Liza beginning May 1. Congratulations to all!

FROM THE PENINSULA...

No news is good news, as they say, and that applies to the Peninsula. Several of our members attended the Institute at the Red Lion Inn in San Jose. The Institute dealt with Legal and Medical Malpractice and everyone was unanimous in their appreciation to the event. Nancy Carlin
Mary D. Hood
Heafey Law Library of
Santa Clara University
Santa Clara, CA 95053

CALENDAR

May 16  NOCALL Annual Business Meeting/
Reception  McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento

April 18  SCALL Microcomputer Workshop,
Los Angeles