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NEWSLETTER

July/August, 1988

It was great seeing so many NOCALL members at the AALL Convention in Atlanta. Among other opportunities, it is a place for chapter committee chairs and presidents to get together and discuss common concerns and generate ideas for local programs.

The NOCALL Executive Board and committees are actively planning the 1988-89 NOCALL year. Membership renewal forms were sent out in June. If you have not renewed your membership, please do so immediately, so you will be included in the NOCALL directory. The Fall business meeting is scheduled for September 30 at the University of San Francisco. This is your opportunity to see their newly remodeled library.

You will be receiving a registration packet for the Fall workshop in the mail. It is no mistake that the registration forms are to be sent to San Diego. Brent Bernau, our Education Committee Chair, is moving to San Diego to become the Assistant Director at the University of San Diego. Like a true professional, he will complete his work on the NOCALL workshops before he joins SCALL. Pat Pfremmer has planned optional activities to make sure your stay in Santa Cruz is a memorable one.

At the June Executive Board meeting we discussed whether or not to have a NOCALL Christmas party this year. We decided we needed more feedback from our members. There is a questionnaire in this issue concerning the event.

I look forward to seeing you September 30th.

Shirley H. David, President

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1988 - 1989

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NOCALL MEMBERSHIP: Categories and Annual dues - Active: \$15.00. Associate: \$15.00. Student: \$5.00. Life: No Dues. Membership includes newsletter subscription. Dues renewal falls at the beginning of the membership year on June 1st.

Newsletter subscriptions are available separately for \$15.00 per year from the NOCALL Secretary. NOCALL welcomes and encourages contributions to the Newsletter. Send items to the editor. The Newsletter is sent to other AALL Chapters and contributions may be included in other chapter newsletters and the Legal Information Management Index.

NOCALL COMMITTEES

1988 -1989

Assn. of Legal Administrators	Shirley David 916-440-6013 Virginia Kelsh 415-666-6679	--Attend meetings. --Report events to the board, newsletter editor and members.
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Institute	Virginia Kelsh, Chair	--Annual Institute
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Placement	Paul Lomle, Chair 415-725-0804	--Collect & distribute resumes, list jobs, provide advice to job seekers & employers.
Public Access	Coral Henning, 415-554-6821 Chris O'Rourke, 916-739-7014 Co-Chairs	--Make presentations on legal materials, legal research and law libraries to outside groups.
Public Relations	Andy Eisenberg, Chair	--Advertise NOCALL activities & programs to outside groups. Keep officer information up-to-date in legal directories.
SCALL Liaison	Virginia Kelsh, 415-666-6679	--Attend SCALL Institute & exchange information with SCALL.
Union List	Todd Bennett, 415-955-3669 Mary Staats, 916-954-4451 Co-chairs	--Work with CLASS to produce Union List. Sell Union List.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

June 15, 1988

The former and present Executive Boards met on June 15, 1988 at UC Berkeley, Boalt Hall. Shirley David, Virginia Kelsh, Sharon French, Janice Kelly, Arturo Flores and Ginny Irving were present.

** Shirley reviewed the 1988/89 schedule of NOCALL events. The Fall Meeting will be held September 30 at USF. The Fall Workshop will be October 14 in Santa Cruz. The Board discussed whether to have a Christmas party this year. January 27th will be the date of the luncheon at the Marine's Memorial in San Francisco. Virginia proposed that the Spring Institute topic be "Art and the Law." The Institute will be on April 8th. The May Meeting will be held at UC Davis.

** Shirley reported that both Westpac and SCALL would like to have joint meetings with NOCALL next year. One possibility would be to have a meeting or workshop with all three local chapters, another would be to meet with Westpac and SCALL individually.

** We reviewed the committee chair assignments for 1988/89 and the committee recommendations from 1987/88.



** Arturo discussed the need to integrate standard accounting procedures into the job of the Treasurer of NOCALL. Arturo said he will write up bookkeeping procedures for the Treasurer. The Board resolved to have an outside audit every 2-3 years.

** We decided to recommend that the Constitution & Bylaws Committee change NOCALL's "life members" category to "retired members", while retaining the life memberships of those who have been voted in as life members. This change will bring us in line with the categories of membership followed by AALL.

** We discussed recovery of costs for the Consulting Committee and the Public Access to Law Committee.

** Leslie Hesdorfer, chair of the Grants Committee, asked the Board to withdraw a resolution which it passed on April 6, 1987 stating that grants are intended to foster the participation of newer members, although more senior members will be considered." The Grants Committee felt that NOCALL grants should be based on overall merit without giving special preference to newer members, although newness to the profession can be considered as one of several factors. The Board resolved to strike the April 6, 1987 resolution.

** The Board wishes to recognize the outstanding job and provision of time and costs that Marlene Harmon and the staff at Thelen, Marrin, Johnson and Bridges contribute on behalf of the Membership Committee.

** Shirley announced that Joy Tennison, the new editor of the NOCALL Newsletter, is planning to accept advertisements. Also, the Board decided to offer a free subscription of the Newsletter to NOCALL-area library schools (U.C. Berkeley and San Jose State).

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Irving, 1988/89 NOCALL Secretary

SPRING NOCALL INSTITUTE

Virginia Kelsh, Institute Chair

The Spring NOCALL Institute will be held Saturday, April 8, 1989, at Hastings College of Law in San Francisco. The date has been set back from its regular schedule, as Easter falls near the end of March next year. The program topic is Visual Arts and the Law. The Institute Committee plans to have speakers give participants an overview of this field of law, discuss illegal traffic in art world-wide with its attendant international remedies, inform those attending about California laws dealing with art which may become federal law, and advise participants in the use of art as an investment vehicle. We hope to coordinate the Institute with an exhibit of art commissioned around the theme of law.

NOCALL - FALL BUSINESS MEETING - FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1988

LOCATION: University of San Francisco School of Law (Corner of Fulton & Shrader Sts.) **KENDRICK HALL, CLASSROOM 103 (GROUND LEVEL)**

TIME: 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. (Tours of recently renovated Law Library will be given between 3:30 p.m.- 4:00 p.m) **LAW LIBRARY (2ND FLOOR)**

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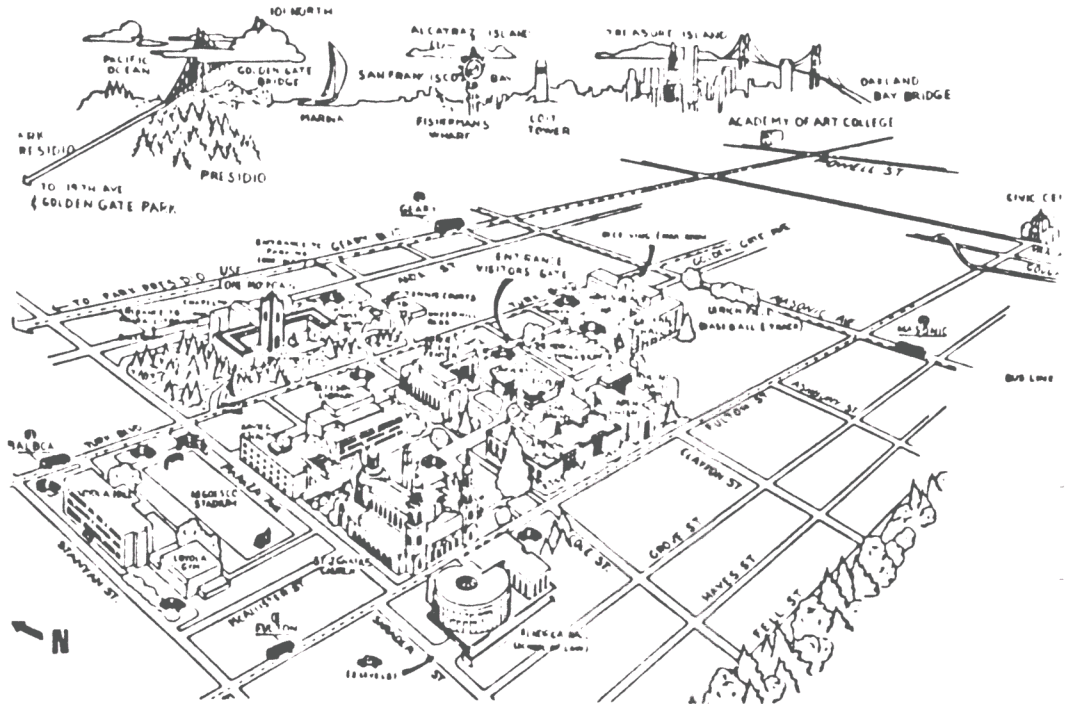
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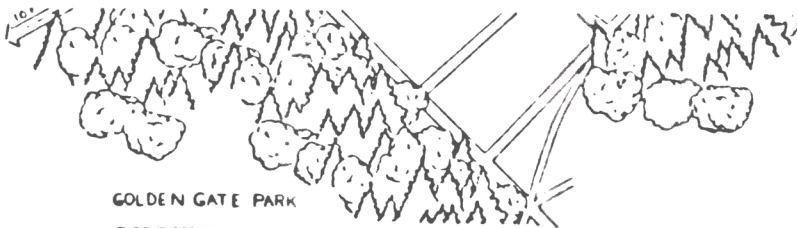
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From 280, travel north on 19th Avenue, cross through GG Park and turn right onto Fulton St. Follow Fulton St east until Shrader St. Turn right onto Shrader and halfway down the block turn left into Lot G.

UNION LIST UPDATE by Todd Bennett, Union List Committee Co-Chair

The Union List Committee is rapidly approaching the deadline for publication of the Nocall Union List, 4th edition. I'd like to take this chance to give everyone a progress report on the next edition, and, hopefully, get people thinking about the 5th edition.

CLASS, the agency which produces the periodical section of the Union List, is on schedule and will be delivering their portion to the Committee by mid-October. Libraries who participate in the Union List were contacted by CLASS and sent a checklist of their holdings to be returned by July 1, 1988.

The statutory section and the directory are produced by the committee. On August 1st, all participating libraries were mailed a packet that contained all necessary materials for updating their directory listing and statutory holdings. If you participate in the Union List and have not received your packet, please contact someone on the committee. All updates must be returned by September 1, 1988. So far, production is running smoothly. We hope to have the 4th edition available by the middle of November.

The committee is pleased to welcome nine new participating libraries in the next edition of the union list: five private firm libraries; the New Mills Law Library, located in the Mills Tower Building in San Francisco; two academic law libraries, Hastings and McGeorge; and the library for the California Court of Appeal, Sixth District in San Jose. Unfortunately, one library was left out of the directory of the current Union List. Please make a note of it in your copy:

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Two Embarcadero Place

2200 Geng Road

Palo Alto, CA 94303

(415) 424-0160

Librarian: Beverly Lipton

Interlibrary Loan: Chaing Teeng

Library Identifier---BPHPH

It is exciting to see the Union List grow, and we would like to encourage all libraries to join. Most of the libraries are in San Francisco. In order to make the Union List helpful to all of NOCALL, we would especially like to solicit libraries outside of San Francisco to participate. Some of the areas lacking representation are the Peninsula, Santa Cruz and Monterey counties, the Sacramento area and everything else north of San Francisco. New libraries are being accepted for the 5th edition now. The cutoff date will probably be around July 1, 1989. Please help make the 5th edition one that will serve the whole association.

On a final note, I'd like to tell everyone about the Advisory Committee for the California Data Base for Serials (CDB-S). I've been selected as a member of this committee created by the California State Library. Our goal is to look at ways to improve two major union lists: the California Union List of Periodicals (CULP) and the California Academic Library List of Serials (CALLS). The NOCALL Union List can benefit from the CDB-S Advisory Committee as our list is created as a subset of CULP. With over 700 libraries in CULP and 70 libraries in the NOCALL Union List, we represent almost 10% of the libraries in CULP. I'd like to make one of my roles in the committee a liaison between it and NOCALL. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions you may have about the NOCALL Union List, CULP or CALLS. Thank you.

LAW BOOKS FOR SALE: The Law Library of Griffinger, Levinson, Freed & Heinemann has the following two titles for sale, if interested contact Charles Malarkey at 415-243-0300 x414:

Real Estate Law Digest, (2 vols., Warren Gorham & Lamont) needs supplement, excellent condition, \$50.00 or best offer.

Accounting Systems for Law Offices, (Matthew Bender) updated through Release 4 (1988), excellent condition or best offer.

1988 NOCALL WORKSHOP

by Brent Bernau, Chair

The 1988 NOCALL Workshop will be held Friday, October 14, at the Dream Inn, 175 W. Cliff Drive, Santa Cruz. Plans for the program are nearing completion. The morning session will begin at 10 a.m. and end at 12:15 p.m.

Laura Peritore of Hastings School of Law, is the program coordinator for Session A. She is putting together a panel on Employment Law. Janice Sward, an attorney in private practice in Sacramento, will speak on wrongful termination. Larimore Cummins, M.D., Santa Cruz, will discuss AIDS testing, while Rita Rizzer, an attorney in private practice in Santa Cruz, will address the topic of sexual harassment in the workplace.

Joanne Edelstein and Lisa Whitehill of Morrison & Foerster, San Francisco, are program coordinators for Session B. Their speakers include Gervaise Davis, an attorney at Schroeder, Davis & Orliss, Monterey, who will present an overview of the intellectual property aspects of computer law, including landmark cases and legislation, and useful sources. He will be followed by N.J. Thompson, a librarian at Limbach, Limbach & Sutton, San Francisco, who will discuss commercial databases relevant to computer law.

A buffet luncheon is planned from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The afternoon session will begin at 2 p.m. and end at 4:15 p.m.

Mark Mackler of Farella, Braun & Martel, San Francisco, is program coordinator for Session C. His program will center on what new and summer associates may not know in terms of legal research. Joan Howland of the University of California Law Library, Boalt Hall, and Nancy Lewis of Cooley, Godward, Castro, Huddleson & Tatum, San Francisco, will discuss the effectiveness of legal research training programs. "Courses in Advanced Legal Research: Threat or Menace?" is the topic of the talk by Robert C. Berring, Director of the Boalt Hall Law Library and Dean of the School of Library and Information Studies at UC-Berkeley. Brian J. Bailey-Gates, Mead Data Central, will present, "Welcome New Associates, Welcome to the Real World." He will be followed by attorney Richard J.

NOCALL Workshop - continued

Collier of Farella, Braun & Martel, San Francisco, who will speak on, "A Generation Gap? Some Comments on Technology and Practice." John Moore of the San Francisco Law Library Branch, is finalizing arrangements for Session D, a panel discussion on county law libraries from the perspectives of small, medium and large county law libraries. Discussion topics include the history of the county law library system, types of patrons, collection development, decision-making, where technology will fit in the system, and the future of county law libraries. If this program does not fall into place, John has renowned individuals waiting in the wings to present a program on disaster preparedness.

In addition to the program, Pat Pfrenner of the Santa Cruz County Law Library, local arrangements coordinator, is putting together an optional package of weekend activities for those who wish to spend extra time in Santa Cruz.

Workshop registration forms, detailed program and activities information, and NOCALL Grant applications will be mailed separately.

NOCALL GRANTS COMMITTEE BULLETIN:

The NOCALL Executive Board has made available two grants of up to \$100.00 each to enable NOCALL members to attend the Fall Workshops in Santa Cruz. Grant applications will be included with the registration packet to be mailed in late August, or they can be obtained from Leslie Hesdorfer, 415-981-5550.

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

NOCALL FALL WORKSHOP
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

Stay at the spectacular

DREAM INN on the wharf
at the beach in Santa Cruz!

(Special discount rate - \$75/night,
single or double occupancy)
Enjoy a poolside beach barbecue
Friday night.

BOARDWALK

Stay over and relax on Saturday.
Visit the famous Santa Cruz
Beach Boardwalk! Day passes for
unlimited rides will be available
for \$9.75 per person.
(20 person minimum).

OR

Sail for 3 hours on the bay aboard
the beautiful 50' Chardonnay
(Sat., 1-4, \$30 per person based
on 24 participants)

WATCH FOR YOUR REGISTRATION PACKET

THANK YOU...NOCALL

From Marian Shostrom, University of San Francisco Law Library

A generous grant from NOCALL enabled me to attend the summer pre-convention institute, "Managing the Law Library in the 1990's" held at the University of Alabama, in Tuscaloosa, June 22-25. There were 70 presenters and participants. Approximately half were firm librarians and half academic, government or court librarians. Other NOCALL members attending were Shirley David and Loretta Mak. The Institute was divided into four components: Budget and Finance; Communication; Personnel Management; Information & Libraries in the Electronic Age. I will describe what I thought were highlights of each component.

Budget and Finance. Gary Byrd, a medical librarian from Univ. of North Carolina (Chapel Hill), gave an overview of library budgeting. He discussed different philosophies and techniques and gave advantages and disadvantages of each type. Scott Pagel of Columbia University (formerly of Golden Gate U.) gave an excellent presentation on "Fee-Based Services in Academic Law Libraries". The participants were actively involved in the discussion of two types of programs. One is designed to limit access and use of a library in order to provide better service to the library's primary users (the Golden Gate model). The other program is designed to provide additional services to outside users (the Lewis & Clark model).

Communications. Nancy Carter, from Univ. of San Diego (formerly at Golden Gate U.) gave the keynote on communication. Her address was both pithy and practical. Mark Schoenfield, a Chicago attorney who specializes in training for negotiation, spent the rest of the day with us. He gave an introductory lecture on negotiation, followed by techniques for planning a negotiation. We then broke into pairs and conducted simulated negotiation. One person was the manager, and the other the reference librarian. The item to be negotiated was an employment contract, including salary, benefits, and moving expenses. After the simulation, we reconvened to discuss our individual negotiations.

Personnel Management. The keynote speaker for personnel issues was Maureen Sullivan from Yale. She drew heavily on management and motivational theory.

Thanks, continued...

Information & Libraries in the Electronic Age. Jim Hambleton, manager of legal information resources in a Dallas law firm, gave an overview of the kinds of changes and innovations he has seen during his career. Wes Cochran, director at Univ. of Mississippi, gave a lecture on Management Software for Administrators, with an extremely useful annotated bibliography.

Because of the small number of participants (relative to the convention), there were many opportunities for us to exchange information and ideas with each other. I think that is one of the strongest benefits of an AALL Institute. If anyone would like more information about the institute, or a copy of one of the bibliographies, please call me at 415-666-6678.

From Brent Bernau, Golden Gate University Law Library

Thanks to NOCALL and its Grant's Committee, I was able to attend this year's AALL Annual Convention in Atlanta. I attended many useful and interesting workshops and found the experience to be extremely worthwhile. I am happy to report that I was bombarded with ideas from those workshops and from other librarians, some of which I hope to implement for this fall's NOCALL Workshop, as chair of the Education Committee.

From Mary Ann Parker, Office of the State Public Defender

Thanks to the generosity of the NOCALL Grants Committee, I was able to attend my first AALL Conference since 1979. I was particularly looking forward to the educational programs, which appealed to the diverse membership of AALL. As the librarian in a state agency which does only appellate criminal defense work, I have found some NOCALL workshops and institutes too narrow in scope for my benefit. However, I have missed the opportunity to meet other law librarians and compare notes on the broader issues and mundane matters of law librarianship. The convention had it all--thought provoking educational seminars, opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with other librarians, and great parties.

Thanks, continued...

I enjoyed the two seminars on personnel issues and performance testing of CALR the most. Irving Miller could not emphasize too strongly the importance of documenting your employees' performance for good or ill. The performance testing of CALR confirmed my own conclusions about the difficulty of using words in various combinations to express complex legal concepts.

Probably the most significant benefit of my attendance in Atlanta was the energizing effect of being there. The underlying meaning for me of the seminars, the banquets, the vendors' parties and informal meetings with other law librarians was that the profession is worthwhile, important, and fun.

As for extracurricular activities, I took the plantations tour on Sunday. The tour guide told us many times that the Tara here imagining exists only in celluloid, but the homes we visited were beautiful and the owners very gracious and welcoming. I did see the Giants play the Braves on Tuesday evening. The Giants won 13-7 in the middle of a three-game sweep. It was especially wonderful to see the Giants at a night game where the temperature was pleasant enough for tee shirt and shorts.

I urge NOCALL members to apply for a grant to attend next year's convention in Reno. I guarantee you will find the experience worthwhile, both professionally and personally.

INFORMATION PLEASE

by San Francisco County Law Library

The San Francisco County Law Library is seeking statistics from firms that have used either branch. They need the number of publications borrowed over the past two years. If possible, they request the percentage of the total that represents (1)reports, (2)statutes, and (3)tests/periodicals/other. The information will be greatly appreciated and will assist in maintaining a County Law Library Collection to be proud of.

Please send the information to: Coral Henning, San Francisco Law Library, 436 City Hall, 400 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102-4672. Phone: 415-554-6821.

JOB OPENINGS

OAKLAND

Public Services Librarian.

Duties: Reference and on-line searching, circulation, stack maintenance, and all contacts with patrons concerning the use of the library. Requirements: J.D. and M.L.S. from accredited schools; 3-5 years experience in law libraries. Knowledge of automated library systems, including WESTLAW and other databases. Administrative ability, energetic, and strong service attitude. Competitive salary, excellent benefits. Deadline : October 21, 1988. Send letter of application including three references and resume with salary history to : Cossette T. Sun, Director, Alameda County Law Library, 1225 Fallon St., Rm 200, Oakland, CA 94612 (415) 272-6481.

PALO ALTO

Assistant Librarian.

Law firm library with a staff of three plus a filing service requires an assistant librarian. Duties include on-line searching, business and legal reference work. Requirements : Reference experience and experience searching on-line databases, especially DIALOG. Requires self-motivation and the ability to work well under pressure, excellent communication and organizational skills. Part-time position, 1-5 daily, (20 hours/week.) Available September, 1988. Contact Carolyn Billheimer, Cooley, Godward, Castro, Huddleson & Tatum, 5 Palo Alto Square, 4th floor, Palo Alto, CA 94306

SAN JOSE

Library Assistant.

Serve as desk attendant for small law library in Palo Alto. Assist patrons, file and perform related work. Library, teaching, paralegal and related experience required. Some college required. Hourly position at \$7.00/hour. Monday - Friday, 1-5. Send resume to: Susan Kuklin, Santa Clara County Law Library, 360 N. First St., San Jose, CA 95113

Job Openings - continued

Librarian Technician. Duties: Processes incoming serials; processes new acquisitions for cataloging and accounts payable; loose-leaf filing; prepares/collates law reviews for binding; maintains forms, files and microfiche collection; operates video equipment for CLE programs; shelves books and answers telephone. Abilities: Excellent organizational, analytical and problem solving skills, excellent verbal and writing skills; ability to read and follow written instruction; ability to interact with professional staff. Experience in a law firm library preferred; college graduate preferred. Basic clerical skills, typing 40 wpm. Contact: Trish McCurdy, Law Librarian, Bank of America, Dept. 3220, P.O. Box 37000, San Francisco, CA 94137. Telephone calls preferred: (415) 622-6040.

NEW SIS ANNOUNCEMENT

The Legal Information Services to the Public Special Interest Section was created in January of this year. The organizational meeting was held in Atlanta in June. This SIS serves a unique function within AALL in that its programs focus on those segments of the public which do not usually use law libraries and so are not aware that such libraries are resources available to them, as well as to the legal profession, when legal information is needed. A video tape on appellate court decisions will be the section's major project for the year. To assist chapters in developing programs, a clearinghouse of materials (which are available to chapters or individual libraries on a loan basis) has been developed. These materials are described in an annotated bibliography prepared by Glen-Peter Ahlers.

Any AALL member interested in working with this SIS may join by sending dues of \$5.00 to AALL Headquarters in Chicago. Anyone interested in working on the video project or SIS newsletter should contact Beth Schneider, Maricopa County Law Library, 101 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor, Phoenix, AZ 85003. New developments will be announced in the newsletter. The first issue will be published as soon as the editor, Mary Beth Dunn receives a mailing list. Your support of this SIS is encouraged.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

August 8th DORIEL P. FLANNERY joined the University of San Francisco School of Law Library as Assistant Librarian - Cataloging. Doriel was most recently Assistant Archivist at the Archives for the Performing Arts. She also gained extensive cataloging experience at the Bancroft Library at UC Berkeley between 1977 and 1987.

JEAN STEFANCIC, formerly Acquisitions/Serials Librarian at USF, has been named Head of Technical Services.

ELAINE DOCKENS joined the firm of Broad, Schulz, Larson & Wineberg as their first professional librarian on June 6th. Elaine received her B.A. from Ohio State, M.S.L.S. from Syracuse, and J.D. from Boalt. She has worked in a variety of public and government libraries as a reference librarian, and as a special services librarian in France and Munich. Broad, Schulz is located at One California St., Suite 1400, San Francisco 94111-5482. (415) 986-0300.

ELEANOR E. COVALESKY, former Assistant Librarian - Cataloging at USF, retired June 30th.

USF's new student computer lab is running under the supervision of Reference Librarian, LEE RYAN. A clerical staff will run the daily operations of the sophisticated equipment.



NEWS

SACRAMENTO AREA

REGINA JIMENEZ is the new Law Librarian at Diepenbrock, Wulff, Plant & Hannegan, a sixty-attorney firm. Regina is the first full-time librarian at the firm. She received her M.L.S. from UC Berkeley in 1975. This position is her second in the field of law.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

by Veronica Maclay

Anacker, Paul C. "Quick and Quiet Laser Printers: Now That Laser Printers Have Dropped In Price, They Are a Good Choice For Law Offices." 8 California Lawyer 54 (March 1988).

Balas, Janet. "Dialog's Knowledge Index." 8 Small Computers in Libraries 12 (April 1988).

Bills, Linda G. and Helgerson, Linda W. "CD-ROM Public Access Catalogs: Database Creation and Maintenance." 6 Library Hi Tech 67 (Issue #21, 1988).

Ducey, Richard E. "Library Access Fees: A New Perspective." 8 MAALL Newsletter 3 (April 1988).

Ellis, Judith Compton. "Planning and Executing a Major Bookshift/Move Using an Electronic Spreadsheet." 49 College and Research Libraries News 282 (May 1988).

Emery, Robert A. "Where to Find Local Laws in New York State: A Note." 15 Government Publications Review 49 (Jan/Feb 1988).

Glordano, Richard. "Text Retrieval on a Microcomputer." 8 Perspectives in Computing 52 (Spring 1988).

Hewison, Nancy S. "Online Documentation Keeping Up and Keeping Track." 11 Database 67 (June 1988).

Jost, Richard M. "Bibliography on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS)." 19 SWALL Bulletin 10 (May 1988).

Karetzky, Stephen. "Videocassette Kits for Instruction in Online Searching." 49 College & Research Libraries News 360 (June 1988).

Kelly, Kathleen. "Searching State Statutes on LEXIS and WESTLAW." 7 Legal Information Alert 1 (June 1988).

Items of Interest - continued

Lipman, Renee Erman. "Lotus Software: Planning a Law Firm Library Move." 12 GPLLA Newsletter 12 (June 1988).

Nyberg, Cheryl Rae. "Recent Federal and State Documents Containing Subject Compilations of State Laws." 10 JURISDOCS 55 (Spring 1988).

Smith, Larry. "Passing on Costs II: Law Firms Tread Lightly with Library Services." 7 Of Counsel 1 (June 20, 1988).

Stratford, Jean Slemmons. "United States Economic Indicators: Definitions, Sources and Resources." 15 Government Publications Review 231 (May/June 1988).

Contact Veronica Maclay, Hastings College of the Law Library, 200 McAllister St. SF CA 94102 (415) 565-4767 for copies of these articles.

UC BERKELEY EXTENSION

LIBRARY COURSES

UC Berkeley Extension will offer four courses in library and information studies this fall, featuring ways of promoting library services, fostering reading through booktalks, managing computer hard disks and computerizing small libraries:

"Visible Value: Promoting Your Library Services" is on two Fridays, October 14 and 28, at the UC Extension Center in San Francisco. Paul Kiley, California State Library is the instructor.

"Talking about Books: Promoting Reading with Booktalks." designed for children's librarians meets 3 Saturdays in Berkeley.

"Managing Your Hard Disk" is a two day course taught by library and information system consultant, Rosemarie Falanga, on October 20-21 at the UC Extension Center in San Francisco.

"Computerizing the Small Library" by Ms Falanga meets 3 times on Oct. 15, Nov. 5, and Dec. 3 at the Extension Center.

The Practicing Law Institute will hold programs this fall on "Managing the Private Law Library," on both the east coast and the west coast. The San Francisco one is October 20-21 at the Holiday Inn at Union Square.

The program will address critical management issues facing private libraries in law firms and corporate legal departments as they cope with the changes taking place in the legal profession, technology, publishing and the library community. Sessions will be held on the changes in the practice of law and the law practice base, managing technology, business and financial management of the law library and legal information services, personnel management and professional development. Presentations and discussions will cover the "mega" firm, "boutique" firm, branch offices, office mergers, corporate legal departments, automated networks, evaluation of software, CD ROM, ergonomics, data base administration, library profitability, cost cutting, space planning, statistics, using independent consultants and information brokers, retreats and networking, stress and job burnout, and expanding roles for the law librarian.

The registration fee is \$275.00, and each attendee will receive the PLI course book. Program brochures were mailed out in July. Questions regarding the program can be directed to Sharon French, 415-546-5538.

NOTES FROM OTHER AALL CHAPTERS

AALL of Upstate New York announces its Annual Meeting at the Sheraton Inn and Conference Center in Utica, New York, September 23-25, 1988. Program is entitled "Diversity in Librarianship." Topics range from the work of the New York State Law Revision Commission to the law as it relates to major league baseball! Contact Eleanor Molnar, (716) 852-0712 for further information.

In June, I attended the American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, in Atlanta, Georgia. It may have been my first convention, and my first trip to the South, but it didn't take long to learn the tricks of survival:

On learning that your hotel, which confirmed your reservation in March, is 42 stories high, has over 1100 rooms, but doesn't have a room available, remain calm. Remind the desk clerk that you know a lot of lawyers. Move next door to the Hilton for a night. Think about staying there for the entire time until you discover the Atlanta Fantasy Faire is there. Sharing a hotel with 500 Southerners just over the drinking age, dressed as every character from Mr. Spock to Wonder Woman, is not your idea of a good time.

First stop, the exhibit hall. Tote bag in hand, walk briskly down each aisle, avoid eye contact with vendors, and pick up as many pens, pencils, letter openers, post-it pads, and additional tote bags as possible. Do not return to the exhibit hall until Tuesday, from 6 to 7, otherwise known as Happy Hour. While sipping Fuzzy Navels, pick up any freebies missed earlier.

Under no circumstances get involved in any conversation that has the most remote chance of turning into networking.

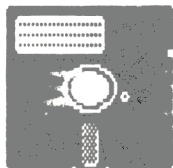
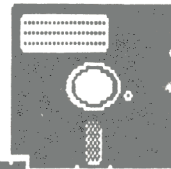
Sign up for a walking tour of local law libraries. The tour serves double duty--it allows you to experience the infamous Southern heat combined with a high ozone level, and saves having to choose between attending "Resources in Soviet Law" and "Improving Access to Media Formats."

Become embroiled in this year's controversy: why aren't law students learning adequate legal research skills? Speaking your mind results in being glared at by no less than the director of an illustrious law school library every time you pass one another...Become embroiled in next year's controversy: Why is the 1989 Meeting being held in Reno?

Since WESTLAW was generous enough to provide "LA Law" with its law library, and flew a star of the show, Richard Dysart, to Atlanta, promise yourself to quit watching "Knots Landing" on Thursday nights.

Remind yourself that comedy is subjective, and you will never again board a bus headed anywhere near Jerry Farber's Comedy Club. This is especially important on Tuesday nights, when Jerry allows innocent guests to be serenaded by people who shouldn't be allowed to sing in the shower, let alone in public. Realize the possibility exists that you have just experienced law librarians' hell. Remember, it's not the heat, it's the humidity.

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