



NOCALL News

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President's Message

It is not typical to have a report on NOCALL business meeting. We all usually rely on the minutes which are posted on our web site. However, because there were some important issues on the agenda of the 2004 May Annual Meeting, I thought that it would be helpful to provide a brief recap for those of you who were unable to attend it or for those who may have missed the email I sent out summarizing it.

Thanks to the generosity of the *Daily Journal*, we enjoyed a delicious lunch amid the interesting memorabilia and assorted stuff that decorates the eclectic room (well named!) at Fat City Cafe in old Sacramento. Just being a building that was over 150 years old was a treat for most of us Californians.

We were honored to have Justice George Nicholson of the California Court of Appeals who is one of AALL's very few honorary members preside over the installation of officers. Retiring Sacramento County Public Law Library Director Shirley David introduced Justice Nicholson and briefly described his interest in and support of law librarianship. He then swore in Jane Metz as our new Vice-President/President-Elect, Julie Horst as our new Treasurer, and Mary Staats as a new member of the Executive Board. Incoming President Tina Dumas was unable to attend as she had grabbed a last minute oppor-

tunity for a trip to New Zealand. (Tina was sworn in as Vice-President / President-Elect last year, and, under the NOCALL bylaws, she automatically became President on June 1.) Incoming Executive Board member Leslie Forrester was also unable to be there. Tina is by now formally installed as President and Leslie Forrester has formally joined the Executive Board at the Cross-over meeting, held at U.C. Hastings on June 23, 2004.

Ellen Platt, our outgoing Past President and Chair of the Awards Committee, presented the NOCALL Professional Achievement to David Bridgman who has just retired from Stanford's Robert Crown Law Library. Unfortunately, Dave was unable to be there as he is house hunting in Oregon, but Ellen read his very gracious acceptance as well as her own award presentation remarks. Ellen and Dave each received NOCALL plaques to commemorate their service to the chapter.

I was also thrilled to announce that Northern California has virtually swept the AALL awards this year! As all of you know, Tom Reynolds of Boalt Hall and our own Shirley David, a NOCALL Past President, are the 2004 recipients of the AALL Marian Gould Gallagher Award Distinguished Service Award. Don't miss the article about their accomplishments

in the June 2004 *AALL Spectrum*. NOCALL member and Awards Committee Chair Mary Hood wrote a great article about both of them, a copy of which has been reprinted, with the author's permission, in this issue of the *News*.

In addition, NOCALL members or their libraries won two 2004 Excellence in Marketing Awards. Our Secretary, Diane Rodriguez, won the Best Use of Technology Award for the in-house form promoting the library services which many of you saw her demonstrate at the Law Librarians' Breakfast Workshop in April. The Sacramento County Public Law Library won the Best Public Relations Tool Kit Award. Congratulations to all of you!

As I mentioned above, we did have some additional serious business to conduct at that meeting. Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum. As a result, we tabled votes on the bylaws amendment regarding associate members and the conflict of interest statement as well as the dues increase.

However, we did vote on a couple of housekeeping changes to the bylaws after Prano Amjadi, Chair of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee assured us that Mary Hood, who drafted the original bylaws, had assured her that our bylaws contain a provision to suspend the bylaws precisely so our chapter business could be conducted

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even in the absence of a quorum.

Two motions to suspend the quorum and adopt specific changes to the bylaws each passed unanimously. The first change permits votes on increasing the dues to be conducted by ballot, either snail mail or e-mail, or at a business meeting. It also took the dues amount out of the bylaws although a vote of the membership is still required in order to change the amount of the dues.

The second change pertained to NOCALL meetings. The most important changes were to the means of notifying members of upcoming meetings and to the quorum requirement. We eliminated the requirement of "Written" notice of meetings which was intended to refer to mail since most of our communication is now done via e-mail and the online newsletter. It now merely requires "notice." We discussed the issue of a quorum both at that morning's Executive Board meeting and at the business meeting.

It is an issue that comes up again and again as many of us are busy and find it hard to get to meetings. (The previous quorum was 15% of active members which required 38 voting members at the Wednesday meeting.) After discussion, the proposed change in the quorum was adopted. It is now 25 active members or 10% of the ac-

tive members, whichever is fewer. The percentage is intended to eliminate the need for another bylaws change if the membership continues to drop.

As I mentioned earlier, votes on the proposed change to the bylaws regarding associate members and the conflict of interest statement as well as the proposed dues increase were tabled.

Membership Chair Ramona Martinez was there with the membership renewal forms. Watch for yours in the mail. Also, because not everyone is on the new listserv, please make sure that all your friends and colleagues renew their memberships, especially if theirs have lapsed or otherwise fallen between the cracks.

We have a very exciting year coming up with lots of activities planned by the committees as well as important votes, so your membership means more than ever. NOCALL is our organization and flourishes because so many people have invested so much of themselves in it.



NOCALL News

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Come to the Pacific Chapters Reception

When?

This year's reception at the AALL Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, 11 July 2004

The hours are 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Where?

The Commonwealth Room of the Sheraton Boston Hotel.

What to expect?

As you may know, this year's Opening Reception is a desert extravaganza, so come enjoy an informal dinner with your West Coast colleagues first!

Please respond...

To this year's organizer, Liz Carroll, President of SANDALL, at: Liz_Carroll@lb9.uscourts.gov

See you there!

Submission Deadlines*:

September/October issue:
September 9
November/December issue:
November 10

January/February issue:
January 12

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May/June issue: **June 08**

**Submissions should be sent to the editor in electronic format, via email attachment or 3.5" floppy disk.*

Musings from Mark

By Mark Mackler, Folger, Levin and Kahn

Are You On the E-Mail List for "TVC Alert"?...The April 30 edition of TVC Alert (The Virtual Chase) highlighted a discussion from the ABA TechShow 2004. Lou Andreozzi, President of LexisNexis North America, and Mike Wilens, President of West, shared their opinions about the future of legal technology. (The following is paraphrased):

Andreozzi: The volume of research and data has gotten so large over the last few years. So what's really happening here is that firms cannot handle the data that they have. It's not that the practice of law is different. They just can't manage the information they have.

Wilens: I'm going to talk about the increasing velocity at which you have to respond to clients. The BlackBerry has probably ruined more lives. Somehow society has been convinced that if you don't answer within an hour you're no longer responsive to the needs of the people trying to get hold of you. 80% of our Reference Attorneys' interaction with law students is through instant messaging.

From the March 22 "National Law Journal"... "Young Lawyers See Bleak Future": In a recent ABA Young Lawyers Division survey, 65% said that they would consider switching to nonlawyer-ing jobs within the next two years. The reason: their inability to contribute to the social good through the practice of law. (This came as a big surprise to me.) Plus, "Personality Type?": Check out the new book *Should You Marry A Lawyer?* The author is Fiona Travis, an Illinois psychologist who has been married to a judge for 40 years. She includes such hints as how to argue with your lawyer-lover.

And finally, Mamma Mia!...Last month I saw "Mamma Mia!" at the Golden Gate Theatre. If you've ever been to the Golden Gate, you know the area is scary during the day and really scary at night. (I attended the matinee.) Walking from the Powell Street BART/MUNI station is an adventure. You step over bodies, you negotiate your way through groups of people who look like they have been members of the bar (and I don't mean the California Bar) for many years, and you try to identify many mysterious odors. If you have any social con-

science (as some of the members of the Young Lawyers Division say they have) you feel a little sad by the time you reach the lobby of the Theatre. You're grateful you made it and grateful that you can afford the \$60 for your ticket. However, before the performance and during intermission, the ushers come up and down the aisles selling the CD. The problem? They keep shouting "Buy your Mamma Mia CD. Just \$20. Folks, what's \$20 more?" And that really bothered me. What would the \$60 ticket price mean to the people outside the Theatre? And what would "just \$20 more" mean to them?

In any event, the show was really good, and featured one big surprise: One of the lead actresses looked just like our own much-beloved Donna Williams. The resemblance was incredible. In fact, come to think of it, maybe it really was Donna. Donna, we knew that you had many talents, but we didn't know that you could sing and dance and act. Thanks for a great show!



Library Tours at the AALL Annual Meeting

This July, don't miss the opportunity to visit one of the many academic, firm, court, and special libraries that have been selected as tour sites during the annual meeting. Boston boasts some of the most beautiful and historic libraries in the country.

It's also home to some less famous libraries that have been recently renovated into state of the art facilities. Some tours are filled and others are filling fast, but there are still some spaces available.

View the complete list of tours and use the registration form at

http://www.aallnet.org/events/04/library_tours.asp.



Professional Reading in Review

Susan Llano and Erin Murphy

UC Davis Law Library

Carlson, Scott. **"Here Today, Gone Tomorrow: Studying How Online Footnotes Vanish."** *Chronicle of Higher Education* 50(34) (April 30, 2004)

Scott Carlson discusses the phenomenon of the vanishing footnote. As librarians, we've had occasion to come across these footnotes, URLs that lead us frustratingly to the words, "*The page cannot be displayed*". Carlson cites two studies that tried to determine the typical length of time it takes for half of the web addresses in a scholarly article to become outdated, broken or changed, or in other words, a footnotes' "half-life". One study, by two professors of journalism at Ohio State University, Mr. Bugeja and Ms. Dimitrova, determined that length to be one year and three months. Another study by Jonathan Wren, a research scientist in bioinformatics at the University of Oklahoma, estimated the half-life of links in the Medline database to be seven years. So what's to be done about it? One of the suggestions presented included having professional associations or individual journals archive web pages cited in research.

Henderson, Bethany Rubin. **"Asking the Lost Question: What is the Purpose of Law School?"** *Journal of Legal Education*, 53(1) (March 2003) 48.

Reading this article in light of the examination of Concord Law School was particularly intriguing. I know I have talked with many second and third-year students who feel that school is somewhat irrelevant when they return from their summer jobs. Ms. Henderson's research into the establishment of law schools as ways to control the culture and ideology of the professional bar seems to bear out the view of the faculty in Mr. Liptak's article. She outlines

several suggestions for moving law schools into the twenty-first century but acknowledges that institutional inertia and financial disincentives are tough roadblocks to overcome. Ms. Henderson states that "individual law schools serve communities with different needs and students with different needs, skills, and aspirations." Sounds like there is a place for Concord Law School after all.

Liptak, Adam. **"Forget Socrates."** *New York Times* (April 25, 2004)

Mr. Liptak looks at Concord Law School, the fully online four-year law school. Most of the article is a back and forth between ABA officials and various law professors at other schools across the country. The ABA believes that an online school does not provide the kind of training in counseling, advocacy and negotiation that the profession requires. The various faculty interviewed see the ABA as being threatened by Concord and agree that there is a need for training in routine legal services where on-site education is not necessary. Concord is getting a new dean starting in June. Mr. Currier is a former bar association official who has previously stated that Concord does not qualify for accreditation. Perhaps under his leadership, things will start to change.

Minow, Mary. **"Could You be Sued for Turning Over an Internet User's Sign-on Information to Law Enforcement? A cautionary tale for libraries and other internet service providers."** *LLRX.com* (April 26, 2004)
http://www.llrx.com/features/internet_signup.htm#top.

Mary Minow provides some useful information to librarians in the event they should get served with a

search warrant. For one thing, make sure it is valid. AOL did not, and they are being sued. Ms. Minow suggests librarians check to make sure they have policies and procedures in place on how to deal with search warrants and to make sure that the staff is trained to respond to search warrants. She includes links to sources for further reading including a link to a previous LLRX article on sample search warrant procedures.

Rivlin, Gary. **"Pssst, Computer Users...Want Some Candy?"** *New York Times*. (April 25, 2004) p5.

This is an interesting article about people's tendencies to be rather cavalier with their passwords. IT departments are constantly reminding staff not to choose simple passwords like a child's name or wedding anniversary, but that does not stop people from choosing them and apparently not from divulging them either. The author cites a study (he acknowledges was not very scientific and perhaps somewhat of a publicity stunt) where organizers of Infosecurity Europe 2004 posted a man outside a London subway station who asked passersby if they would reveal their computer sign-on password in exchange for a candy bar. More than 7 out of 10 people took him up on his offer! The same study showed that 40 percent of those polled claimed they knew the secret password of a least one workplace colleague.

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What are You Reading?

Nora Levine, Reference Librarian Reed Smith

I just finished Laura Hillenbrand's book, **SEABISCUIT** (better late than never!) and thought it was a very well written book. The texture of the book was great; Hillenbrand did a wonderful job researching, and it shows. I am amazed at how well the personalities of the characters come through, especially the personality of Seabiscuit himself. It proves that knowing someone, or an animal, can make all the difference, and is a good advertisement for stopping to really look at people, animals and things around you. I found the life of a jockey interesting and sad.

One failure of the book and the movie is that nothing is ever said about what happens to Howard's first wife. I thought that was a big omission, even though she was not a central character to the book.

I also just finished a book called the **SECRETS OF JIN-SHEI** by Alma Alexander. I would highly recommend it. Verging on, but not quite a bodice-ripper, it read as if one was unweaving a tapestry. There were many layers to digest and lots of detail to get the story across.

I just finished THE DA VINCI CODE by Dan Brown. As has been gone over in the press, it was well written and interesting to read, and a very good mystery. It's just the kind of book I enjoy, because it spurs me on to read more about the Mona Lisa, Leonardo Da Vinci, cryptography, Mary Magdalene, etc., and more by Dan Brown. I also liked it because the locales

(the Louvre, Westminster Abbey, Newton's tomb, the library near London) to where the characters traveled went could be identified and tracked. A librarian also had a small, but important part. I don't think Mr. Brown knows much about Boolean searching, but I was pleased to see what we do illustrated so well. I have no illusions that this not is fiction, but it is great that it spurs on debate about religion, the Bible, etc. I was asked on the bus one day what proof the author had that Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene and I had to retort that it was fiction!

Jaye A. H. Lapachet

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I am enjoying **MOONCREEK ROAD** by Elana Dykewomon. It is a collection of loosely linked stories of women and their families. It is funny, sad, political and thoroughly enjoyable. Dykewomon is an outstanding writer and if you haven't read her masterpiece historical novel *Beyond the Pale* you have a treat in store.

Susan Levinkind
Santa Clara County Library

The most recent book for me was an audio tape version of **THERE IS A SPIRITUAL SOLUTION TO EVERY PROBLEM** written and narrated by author Dr. Wayne W. Dyer. He is a vibrant story teller and moti-

vator which wouldn't have grabbed me the same way if I had merely read the book. I had never heard of the author (prolific writer, speaker--so where was I, under a rock?).

Dr. Dyer's belief is that we all encompass a power (high frequencies) and that by letting go of the past and re-formulating our thought processes through meditation and affirmations, we can achieve higher self-awareness and tap-into our own healing energies. Subsequent chapters apply the teachings of St. Francis of Assisi. Ultimately, the goal is to go from the lowest level of consciousness (ego) to the highest (unity, with nature, humanity and however you want to define God or spirit). Definitely not a book/tape for the close-minded: this one would be considered "out there" by many. My suggestion is to be open and receptive. Soak-it-up like a sponge and take away whatever makes sense to you. Now back to my mantras.....

Sherry Takacs
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Two Named as Recipients of Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award

Shirley Hart David and Thomas H. Reynolds Recognized for Dedication to Profession, Association

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By Mary D. Hood, Associate Director, Santa Clara University Heafey Law Library

Honoring their dedication to law librarianship and to AALL, Shirley Hart David and Thomas H. Reynolds will receive the 2004 Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award during the AALL Annual Meeting Association Luncheon on Monday, July 12. This award recognizes their outstanding service and achievements as they complete their active careers in law librarianship.

Leader— Locally and Nationally

Retiring to Hawaii this year after more than 30 years in law librarianship, Shirley Hart David leaves a lasting legacy of exceptional service and contributions to her profession and community.



David began her professional career as a government documents librarian at the Minnesota State Law Library after graduating from the College of St. Catherine in 1971. Appointed in 1976 as assistant director, she served at the state law library until accepting the position as director of the Sacramento County Law Library in 1983.

David has been active in professional library organizations from very early in her career. As a member of various chapters, she has served on innumerable committees. She was treasurer of the Minnesota Association of Law Libraries in 1973. Upon moving to California

in 1983 she joined the Northern California Association of Law Libraries and was elected president in 1988-89. In addition to her extensive chapter and section activities, including serving as chair of the State, Court, and County Law Libraries Special Interest Section, David has been active at the national level in AALL, serving on numerous committees and on the Executive Board from 1990-1993.

David has been a pivotal player in California law library legislative activities, often being called upon to testify at legislative hearings. She served as president of the California Council of County Law Librarians (CCCLL). She also coordinated the participation of CCCLL in the 24/7 online reference project, working to provide nearly 60 hours of weekly reference service with the support of 14 participating law libraries for California citizens.

Among David's contributions to the law library profession is the enhanced understanding of the importance of legal information for the general public she brings to a new generation of law librarians. In addition she has been instrumental in educating judges and others on why law libraries matter and what law librarians do—particularly through AALL's VIP program.

Generous with her time and ideas, David is a role model for librarians everywhere. From the new Sacramento County Public Law Library to the 24/7 online reference project, she leaves an indelible mark on our profession.

International and Foreign Legal Research Expert

Thomas H. Reynolds retired as associate director and foreign law librarian at the University of California, Berkeley Law Library



in 2003. During his lengthy career he demonstrated a commitment to the profession as a distinguished scholar and author, active participant in AALL, mentor, and pioneer in the field of international and foreign legal research.

Reynolds, upon graduating from the University of California, Berkeley, with an MLS in 1958, began his career in law librarianship as a reference librarian at the University of California School of Law Library. For more than 40 years he exhibited sustained and extensive service to the profession. Through his tireless efforts, Reynolds built Boalt Hall's foreign law collection into one of the best collections in the world, called by some "a U.S. national treasure."

He epitomized the true global scholar decades before globalization became chic. His significant contributions to the profession have left an indelible mark on both the national and international library scenes. His creation of the seminal work (with Arturo Torres) *Foreign Law: Current Sources of Codes and Basic Legislation in Jurisdictions of the World*, which was a recipient of the Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award, alone

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would be a fitting legacy. which was a recipient of the Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award, alone would be a fitting legacy. However, his scholarship does not stop there.

In 1984 he assumed responsibility for Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals, and his leadership reinvigorated the established research tool. Not only an author of numerous articles on foreign and international law, he is also a popular and respected speaker.

Reynolds has long been active in AALL, serving on the Executive Board from 1993-96 in addition to a variety of committees and task forces. He also served as local arrangements chair for the 1979 Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

Reynolds, a gentleman and scholar, has earned the respect of law librarians worldwide. A generous and patient mentor to countless members of the profession, he is an inspiration, as is his dedicated and continued service to AALL.

About the Award

The Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award was established in 1984 as the Distinguished Service Award. In 1990 the award was renamed to honor Marian Gould Gallagher, longtime law librarian at the University of Washington and first recipient of the Distinguished Service Award.

The award is presented to individuals who have completed or are nearing completion of active professional careers. It is given in recognition of outstanding, extended, and sustained service to law librarianship and to AALL. Honorees may be recognized for achievement in a particular area of law librarianship, for service to the Association, or for outstanding contributions to professional literature. Individuals must be or at one time have been members of the American Association of Law Libraries.

The 2004 Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award Subcommittee members consisted of Deborah S. Dennison, Joanne P. Dugan, Mary D. Hood, and Michael Saint-Onge.

For more information on the Marian Gould Gallagher Award, including [Description](#) [Application Information](#) and a list of [Previous Winners](#), go to http://www.aallnet.org/about/award_mgg.asp

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San Francisco Law Library Honors Board President Kurt W. Melchior

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SAN FRANCISCO (May 28, 2004) The San Francisco Law Library held a reception this week at its newly renovated Financial District Branch library to honor its long-time Board President Kurt W. Melchior. Mr. Melchior was inducted into the California Bar Association's Trial Lawyer Hall of Fame in April and received a lifetime achievement award, which was presented in recognition of his stature in the legal profession and his contributions to the community.

Since its founding, the Library has been governed by leading members of the bar, the presiding judge, and the judges of the superior court appellate department. The Law Library serves the bar, the public, the judiciary and City departments and agencies. Under Mr. Melchior's leadership the Law Library converted from a 19th century institution to a 21st century library when its bookkeeping, catalog and library systems were converted from manual ledgers to automated systems and electronic resources were added to supplement the extensive print collection.

Mr. Melchior has led the board in the effort to develop a permanent facility for the Law Library, which has been housed in temporary and inadequate quarters in the Veterans Building the past nine years.

Mr. Melchior, a partner and general counsel at Nossaman Guthner Knox & Elliott LLP, has established himself as one of the pre-eminent trial lawyers. He has more than 50 years of experience in litigation and has been counsel of record in more than 70 published cases. Mr. Melchior represents policyholders in large-scale insurance coverage suits, defends major antitrust cases asserting price fixing and other restraints of trade, litigates antitrust consumer fraud, securities, contract and real estate matters including numerous class actions (one described by the Court of Appeal as an "epic trial drama"), and represents physicians, lawyers and accountants on matters of professional competence. He also acts as an expert witness with respect to attorneys' professional obligations and standard of care and on insurance coverage issues.

Mr. Melchior received his undergraduate degree, as well as a master's degree, from University of Chicago and earned his LL.B. at Yale Law School. He has served as Vice President of the State Bar of California; Member of the Board of Governors; Member of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Specialization; and was for 20 years a Senior Delegate of the State Bar of California to the House of Delegates, American Bar Association. In his longstanding commitment to community involvement he has served, among

others, as President of the San Francisco Bilingual School, the Oakes Children's Center, the San Francisco Association for Mental Health, and on numerous other boards and committees.

The Nossaman firm recently honored Mr. Melchior with an Outstanding Achievement Award and made a generous donation to the San Francisco Law Library on his behalf.

"It has been an honor, a pleasure, and a highlight of my professional career to work with Mr. Melchior the past thirteen years," said Marcia R. Bell, Law Librarian. "He has led the Library through very challenging, yet exciting times. He was there to survey the damage after Loma Prieta, and he has encouraged and led the charge to find a permanent library facility to serve the community and the bar for the next century to come. We are delighted to have this small opportunity to honor him for his achievements and thank him for his dedication and leadership."



From left to right: Award recipient Kurt W. Melchior, Assistant Library Directory Mary Hays, and Attorney Paul Renne. Photo by Colin Hutton of the San Francisco Law Library.

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NOCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 13, 2004, 10:00-12:00pm

Marines Memorial Club, San Francisco

Present: Susanne Pierce Dyer, Tina Dumas, Jackie Grossman, Ellen Platt, Wynne Dobyms, Diane Rodriguez, Eric Wade. Susanne Pierce Dyer called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Acceptance of September 2003 meeting minutes - The minutes were approved as amended.

1. Treasurers Report:

The year closed out at approximately \$30,000. Most income comes from membership. Ramona Martinez, Membership Chair, put a reminder on the written invitations to the Business Meeting about membership renewals and getting on the correct list serve. The largest expenditure is the Spring Institute, which is made in quarterly installments. Wynne Dobyms inquired about the website cost. The ISP costs approximately \$40.00 per month. AALL does not currently host our website.

2. Grants Committee:

Due to a new position and commitments, Peg LaFrance has resigned as Grants Committee Chair. Lille Koski will step in effective immediately. Lille will handle the VIP Grants.

3. Commercial Sponsorship:

Wynne Dobyms distributed her Draft Guidelines for Vendor Sponsorship. Ellen Platt stressed that it is important to be clear that NOCALL retains control of the meeting and where and when the meetings are to be held. Ellen suggested more description of the purpose and types of NOCALL events such as educational and business meetings be added to the guidelines. Susanne Pierce Dyer also emphasized that NOCALL events are NOCALL events and while commercial sponsorship is wonderful we need to make our needs and intentions clear. Susanne also suggested that the guidelines include more information about the types of opportunities available for sponsorship. The Board can suggest that commercial vendors work with the education committee to donate money or create a grant in their name. Perhaps come up with a price list showing comparing the price of ads to a grant donation. Regarding adding logos to the website we also need to establish standards for electronic formats and linking to the vendors websites. Susanne suggested a NOCALL News "thank you" column to thank vendors for their sponsorship. Wynne will continue to work with Tina Dumas on the vendor guidelines.

4. Bylaws Changes: Discussion on bylaws changes was tabled.

5. Web site:

Leslie Forrester has not yet submitted all bills for the web site. The link to the web site administrative information needs editing.

6. Union List:

Eric Wade reiterated that GRC is no longer supporting or updating the Union List database for NOCALL. Pati Traktman, Union List Committee Chair, reported that we can purchase an ASCII dump for \$2,500 or we can pay GRC \$33,000 to update and maintain our database. Ellen Pratt discussed public vs. private access to the Union List and that if we somehow mount it on the web site we could offer access via a password with NOCALL membership. Jackie Grossman opined that we should purchase the information from GRC soon to protect this valuable investment. Eric Wade suggested that perhaps Pati needs new committee members to assist with this project. Ellen Pratt suggested a task force to think outside the box and look at all possible formats and software options Susanne Pierce Dyer stressed the need to recruit technical services Librarians who have a greater understanding of this issue Eric Wade made a motion to authorize Pati Traktman to investigate options and purchase data ASAP and to preferably get data on a CD so it is transferable and mobile.

All present agreed with the motion.

7. Joint Institute in 2006?

Susanne Pierce Dyer suggests 2006 as a good year for a joint institute in Sacramento due to ease of transportation, historical importance, and great local speakers. 2006 is the AALL Centennial. Also, AALL is not on the west coast that year. Ellen Pratt suggested other spots for consideration such as Asilomar in Monterey or Yosemite.

Susanne pointed out that it is more cost effective to have speakers from the area where the program is held and will contact SCALL & SANDALL with the idea and proposal to feel out interest. Susanne made a motion to suggest the 2006 Joint Institute in principle and leave out the locations for further discussion. All agreed with the motion.

8. May Business Meeting:

The May meeting will be in Sacramento. The exact date is pending. *The Daily Journal* has offered \$600.00 to sponsor the May meeting. Susanne Pierce Dyer is scouting out locations and costs. All agree to accept the Daily Journal offer.

9. Photo Release Information and Forms:

Shelley Blackman, NOCALL News Editor, wants to add photos to the newsletter. Wynne Dobyngs points out from experience with the SLA newsletter that this process takes a lot of time and energy with a minimal response rate. The photographers might need to handle this at the time the photos are taken. Jackie Grossman opined that asking for release forms could open a Pandora's box of issues. Ellen Pratt suggests creating a release form for speakers and persons outside the NOCALL membership. Tina Dumas will work with Shelley Blackman on reworking the language of the proposed form.

10. Other business:

The Spring Institute is March 19 & 20 at the Holiday Inn Golden Gateway on Van Ness Ave. Tina will advertise on the web page and get the announcement into the NOCALL News.

The Board received a request to nominate Shirley David for the AALL Marian Gould Gallagher Award. Tina Dumas drafted a letter and all Board members eagerly approved and signed the letter. The Board thanks Tina for drafting such a great letter.

Ellen Platt pointed out that the awards section of the NOCALL web site needs updating including a list of award recipients. Ellen also inquired about the VIP Grant and whether NOCALL is required to donate a monetary contribution? Susanne will check with Shirley David on the guidelines for the VIP Grant.

Susanne Pierce Dyer reports that West has donated \$4,000 for a joint reception at AALL for NOCALL and all other west coast chapters. A light dinner might be good with the dessert reception sponsored by Lexis.

Jackie Grossman stated that Dialog has expressed interest in sponsoring a future NOCALL meeting.

Diane Rodriguez has agreed that the Secretary will assume the responsibility for taking RSVPs for the NOCALL business meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rodriguez
NOCALL Secretary

NOCALL Business Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, January 13, 2003
 Marines Memorial Club, San Francisco, California

Present: Susanne Pierce Dyer called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

1. Susanne Pierce Dyer thanked Thomson/West and Dave Cochran for sponsoring the lunch and business meeting.
2. Jackie Grossman, Treasurer, reported the NOCALL budget year closed out at approximately \$30,000.
3. Susanne Pierce Dyer introduced the 2003-2004 slate of candidates: Jane Metz, Vice President/President-Elect; Julie Horst and Kurt Shuck, Treasurer; Karen Lutke, Mary Staats and Leslie Forrester, Member at Large. A fourth candidate for Member at Large had to withdraw due to a conflict with work activities. The Board thanks the Nominations Committee and the candidates for their contributions to NOCALL.
4. Tina Dumas announced the Spring Institute will take place on March 19 & 20 at the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn on Van Ness Avenue. The theme is Navigating the Seven C's. The Daily Journal has generously offered two grants for the institute.
5. Committee Reports:
 - Awards Committee: Ellen Platt reports they are gearing up for nominations for achievement awards. Please consider submitting candidates.
 - Education Committee: Karin Zilla reports that the Fall Workshop went well and came out ahead budget-wise. The committee is working on a possible small Spring workshop with Colleen Cable of Thomson/West.
 - Grants Committee: Lille Koski reported that a grant was awarded in the Fall. Due to a new position and responsibilities, Peg LaFrance has resigned as Grants Committee Chair. Lille will take over as Chair.
 - Membership Committee: Ramona Martinez reports that renewals are going well. Please contact her if you did not receive a written invitation as your contact information may need updating.
 - Memorials Committee: Wynne Dobyms reported that the committee is looking at ideas regarding how best to memorialize members who have passed away. Contact Mark Mackler if you would like to contribute to this committee.
 - Newsletter Committee: Shelley Blackman thanked everyone for their recent contributions to the newsletter and mentioned she is working on a possible photo release form.
 - Nominations Committee: Donna Williams confirmed Susanne's earlier announcement of nominees for NOCALL elections and thanked the candidates.
 - Public Access Committee: Coral Henning reported that a representative of the committee will speak at the Bay Area Secretaries Meeting at the Concord Hilton on March 27.
 - Public Relations Committee: Kurt Shuck announced he is looking for authors to contribute articles to the Daily Journal column. Please contact him if you have a story.
 - Union List Committee: Pati Traktman reported that GRC is no longer supporting or updating the Union List database for NOCALL and that we can purchase an ASCII II dump for \$2,500 or we can pay GRC \$33,000 to update and maintain our database. Pati is working with the Board on a solution.
 - Web Page Committee: Leslie Forrester reported that the committee is currently working on adding a search engine, committee pages, the membership directory, options for the Union List, a style manual and the newsletter.
 - Law Library Consortium Task Force: The committee has had difficulty getting together. Nothing yet to report.

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- Susanne Pierce Dyer reported that the Board did authorize Bylaw changes and they have been sent to the Bylaws Committee. The membership will be notified of the intended changes by email or mail.
9. Susanne Pierce Dyer announced the following:
- The Daily Journal/Legal Works program will take place April 15 & 16. The Law Librarian's workshop will be on Friday, April 16.
 - The May NOCALL Business Meeting will be in Sacramento with the Daily Journal sponsoring lunch.

Susanne Pierce Dyer adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rodriguez
NOCALL Secretary

It's almost here . . . are you ready? Let the excitement begin!!

William S. Hein & Co.'s 22nd Annual Fun Walk & Run

Hosted by William S. Hein & Co. Race Director: Dick Spinelli, V.P. of Sales & Marketing

When: Sunday, July 11, 2004 at 7:00 a.m.

Where: Boston, MA - Along the scenic Charles River

The Fun Walk & Run will begin at the foot of the Massachusetts Ave. Bridge and Storrow Dr.

Hotel Pick-Up: Buses will be at The Sheraton Boston Hotel at 39 Dalton St. beginning at 6:15am to shuttle runners to the race site. Last bus leaves the Sheraton at 6:30am sharp!!

Pre-Registration is Mandatory! Register online at www.wshein.com, e-mail us at marketing@wshein.com

Volunteers needed to staff carnival booths at the Family Social Hour at the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston (Saturday, July 10th, 4:30-6:30pm).

Persons with large lung capacity are needed to blow up balloons before the event.
FREE POPCORN and COTTON CANDY & MAGICIAN SHOW WITH LIVE RABBITS AND DOVES
No children required

Sign up today at: <http://www.bu.edu/lawlibrary/surveys/LLNE/volunteer.htm>

For more information, contact Kelly Browne kbrowne@law.uconn.edu or (860)570-5071).

NOCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 19, 2004, 10:00-12:00pm

Fat City Café, Sacramento

Present: Susanne Pierce Dyer, Jackie Grossman, Ellen Platt, Wynne Dobyms, Diane Rodriguez, Eric Wade, Prano Amjadi, Julie Horst, Jane Metz, and Mary Staats. Susanne Pierce Dyer called the meeting to order at 10:12 am.

Acceptance of January 2004 meeting minutes - The minutes were approved as written.

1. Treasurer's Report:

Jackie Grossman submitted the Treasurer's report. NOCALL is financially healthy and squared away with the IRS.

Eric Wade commented that we will need to spend some money on the Union List data soon. Jackie commented that the grants in 2003 to AALL were less due to the proximity of the conference and the joint institute. We should consider applying a base amount to the grants budget every year to cover awards prior to receipt of vendor payments from the Spring Institute. Wynne Dobyms inquired about a few budget items. Jackie answered that \$475.19 under public relations was spent on the liaison hotel bill. \$366 in the misc. fund was for Board reimbursement of expenses. \$752 was spent on sales tax for the union list.

2. Draft Vendor Guidelines:

Wynne Dobyms drafted vendor guidelines with the assistance of Tina Dumas. The new draft eliminates the information about things that NOCALL doesn't do. Susanne Pierce Dyer stated that she has recently received requests for additions of links to the NOCALL web page. Wynne discussed the issue of vendor logo size and how complicated it can be to try to resize logos to fit our needs. Diane Rodriguez questioned whether vendors, when advertising NOCALL meetings in public newspapers, should specify "members only" as she received an RSVP to the latest meeting from a non-member.

Susanne opined that any vendor advertising of a NOCALL event should be approved in advance of publication by a NOCALL officer. Language should be added to that effect including that NOCALL events are intended for members only. Attendance by non-members will remain at the discretion of the approving Board officer. Ellen Platt moved to adopt the draft guidelines as a resolution including these language changes. Susanne made a motion to approve as amended. All present agreed and the motion passed.

3. Joint Institute:

Susanne Pierce Dyer reported that SANDALL and SCALL like the idea of a joint institute in 2006. SANDALL likes the Sacramento idea. The Embassy Suites is looking expensive, but there is a Holiday Inn nearby.

Tina Dumas and Jane Metz will work on a contract between the associations.

4. Photo release form:

Wynne Dobyms made changes from the January version and submitted it to the Board. Jane Metz questioned why we decided to use a form? Susanne Pierce Dyer reported that AALL is suggesting the use of such a form. Shelley Blackman went to a AALL newsletter workshop where everyone was urged to prepare a form and put it into use.

Susanne made a motion to adopt the photo release form as amended. All attendees agreed and the motion passed.

5. Bylaws:

Prano Amjadi presented the bylaws changes issues to the Board. She also commented that she has received many suggestions personally from NOCALL members that people did not wish to post to the list. Jane Metz commented that when working at association events, vendors need to take off the "vendor hat" and put on the "committee hat."

Prano commented that education of our vendors can easily remedy the situation. Prano reported that most people commented that they favored the dues vote but there was more discussion regarding the vendor issues. People

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questioned why we need to raise dues when the expense of printing the newsletter has been cut? Jackie Grossman and Eric Wade discussed the need to move forward with the Board's directives and more funds will enable us to better the association. Prano reported that she had long conversations with Michael Ginsborg as he had deep concerns regarding the situation. He had feared a corporate takeover of NOCALL. Prano reassured him that the changes were due to vendors wanting to be active in NOCALL.

Wynne Dobyms commented that even corporate librarians could be considered vendors under certain circumstances. Both vendors and corporate librarians also have a loyalty to another organization than NOCALL.

Ellen Platt opined that we ALL have to be aware of conflicts of interest as we work closely together.

Susanne Pierce Dyer stated that we use our contacts to advance the association. We all need to be aware of it on all levels. Wynne said that members and the Board will put the brakes on favoritism from a vendor if too much activity from one vendor is apparent. Susanne suggested suspending the bylaws vote and only voting on housekeeping issues. All present agreed.

Prano discussed pulling the dues amount out of the bylaws. This allows flexibility for a meeting and/or mail or electronic voting on the issue. Prano discussed changing the quorum from 15% to 10% or a specific number of the membership. In the past membership was at only 100 members, so 15 was 15% of the membership. We now have many more members.

Ellen Platt commented that the Secretary would need to count active members at meetings where a vote occurs and check the names against the NOCALL directory. Prano opined that the Board needs to come up with a number that it is comfortable with and suggest it. Susanne reports that Ramona Martinez, Membership Chair, reported that there are currently 252 active members.

Prano suggested putting a star or other distinguishing mark on active members nametags at meetings to ease voting. Susanne suggested specifying the number 25 or 10% of the active membership, whichever is less. This will take into account fluctuation in the membership and subsequent Boards can change the numbers as needed. Prano stated that today we can vote to suspend the bylaws and vote on the quorum changes. Our bylaws allow a suspension of the bylaws to be able to conduct business. If we don't act to change them we may never reach a quorum and business could cease, in a worst-case scenario. Prano suggested that we hold off on the dues vote at this time as it is a hot topic.

Prano and Susanne agreed that we suggest 2 motions (suspending bylaws and quorum changes) now and leave the dues increase to the discretion of incoming President Tina Dumas. Susanne thanked Prano for her hard work on the bylaws.

6. VIP Grant:

Susanne Pierce Dyer suggested we offer the 2005 AALL VIP Grant to Justice Corrigan of the California Court of Appeals as we all loved her presentation at the Spring Institute. Eric Wade suggested that we also nominate her as a program speaker and find an appropriate host to match her up with. Jackie Grossman stated that it is important to extend the invitation early so we can get onto Justice Corrigan's calendar. Susanne questioned whether we need to contact AALL first to make sure we get the grant before we extend the invitation?

Eric opined that we should go ahead and invite her in order to determine her availability and discuss the money later. Susanne agreed to draft the letter to Justice Corrigan and get it in the mail ASAP.

7. Location of Meetings:

Susanne Pierce Dyer questioned holding the annual meeting in Sacramento every year as it is not hugely populated with members and it is such a significant meeting. Ellen Platt questioned whether the January meeting must always be held in San Francisco? West is traditionally the sponsor but do they require that it be held in San

Francisco? Prano Amjadi stated that historically the January meeting was sponsored by Bancroft-Whitney at the Bancroft-Whitney offices in San Francisco. Ellen opined that Jane Metz and Tina Dumas need to talk to our vendor sponsors and find out their date and location preferences. Jane Metz commented that Summer Associates arrive in May and the academic libraries have exams in May so it may be difficult for San Francisco members to leave town at that time. Susanne questioned whether we may want to change the annual meeting to the January meeting? All present agreed that moving the annual meeting date would make things too complicated. Ellen Pratt reminded the Board that the last June meeting in Santa Clara was sparsely attended.

8. Union List

Eric Wade reported that Pati Traktman is purchasing an ASCII dump from the vendor. Jaye Lapachet is helping to create a possible In-Magic version.

9. Committee Reports:

Memorials Committee - Wynne Dobyns reports that the committee is still in the process of determining how to handle memorials.

Consortium Task Force - Wynne Dobyns reports that the task force has compiled data and will forward it to AALL. They are now working on a survey

Awards Committee - Ellen Platt reports that they have been busy working on the professional achievement award.

Consulting – Ellen reports that the Consulting Committee is busy consulting with firms that don't have librarians. She questioned what might happen by making recommendations to people who aren't information professionals and who take the information and blow it? Are we responsible? Jackie Grossman opined that the Consulting Committee come up with a release form or waiver.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rodriguez
NOCALL Secretary

Looking for a JOB?

Check Out NOCALL's Employment Listings.

Be sure to check the JOBS portion of our web page
<http://www.nocall.org/jobs.htm>.
Positions are usually posted within 24 hours of
receipt.

Membership News

The names of members who have joined NOCALL since publication of the 2003-2004 NOCALL Directory and since the last newsletter are listed below, as well as changes and corrections for continuing members. Any corrections, changes, or additions to the Directory should be sent to:

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We no longer have current contact information for the following people. If you know anyone on this list and they want to renew their membership and receive the directory, please have them contact me.

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NOCALL is saddened to announce the sudden passing of one of our active members and past Presidents, Sue Welsh of the Pacific/McGeorge School of Law. Please see the NOCALL home page (at <http://www.nocall.org>) for more information on the memorial service to be held in her honor.

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Calendar of Events

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