

# News

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# President's Message

In the law librarian community we take great pride in the professional services we provide. As a profession and an organization, we face many challenges. Our membership is located over a wide geographic area, and our members work in law firm, public, academic and corporate law libraries. NOCALL is looking at different ways it support our members. The discussion began at the 2005 Spring Institute and continues to be ongoing. Many ideas have been voiced and the schedule for 2005-2006 experiments with some of these suggestions.

In September AALL is sponsoring an Education Summit to discuss professional development for law librarians and the appropriate roles and responsibilities of AALL entitites. NOCALL will be represented by Pam Rino, Chapter President. The attendees include representatives from 26 Chapters and 11 Special Interest Sections. The results of the Education Summit will be discussed at the September Business Meeting. This meeting corresponds to NOCALLs discussions of how we can best support the many needs of our members.

In October there will be a two day cataloging course. NOCALL members requested subject specific learning opportunities to help them develop their skills. The course will be taught by Joni Cassidy of Cassidy Cataloging Services, Inc. The course will take place in San Francisco and will cover both copy cataloging and original cataloging.

October 3-7, 2005 will be the first ever Professional Legal Management Week, an opportunity for recognizing those in legal management for what they do and the role they play in the success of the organization, and in its service to its clients and those who work in the organization. NOCALL, along with LMA (Legal Marketing Association), ALA (Association of Legal Administrators) and ILTA (International Legal Technology Association), will sponsor a cocktail reception on October 5, 2005 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at MacArthur Park Restaurant, 607 Front Street, San Francisco (www.macpark.com).

A Fall Institute is also in the planning stages—please stay tuned for more details.

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March 31-April 1 will be the Joint Spring Institute put on by all three California chapters of AALL, the Southern California Association of Law Libraries and the San Diego Association of Law Libraries. The Spring Institute will be held in Sacramento.

NOCALL plans to run a book drive to coincide with National Library Week. Specific plans are being developed.

In addition, NOCALL is looking at some structural changes to better serve its membership. In an effort to reach out to younger members of the profession, the option of adding a board member

position for someone who has less than five years experience has been introduced. The nominations committee has suggested changing the way members are nominated to serve. Other ideas include providing training in different locations and reaching out to law and library students.

2005-2006 promises to be an exciting year for NOCALL and I am grateful to the hard work of everyone involved. We look forward to seeing everyone at the many different opportunities this year!

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#### **NOCALL News**

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#### MUSINGS FROM MARK

Mark Mackler
California Department of Justice
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BUT IT'S RIGHT HERE IN THE BOOK...Some of you might have read the recent discussion in Law-Lib of In re: Appeal of Tenet HealthSystems. This Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court decision addressed a difficult question: What happens when the text of a statute in an "unofficial" code differs from the "official" code? In this case, attorneys for Tenet HealthSystems missed a filing deadline because they relied on the text of West's Purdon's Pennsylvania Statutes and not the "official" Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes. In what the court considered a "close case," the court determined that "Purdon's is not legal evidence of the official version of Pennsylvania's pamphlet laws." The decision of the trial court was affirmed.

PLANNING FOR RETIREMENT?...In a previous "Musings" column a year or so ago, I reported on an ALA study on librarian retirements and recruiting. Now it seems that a followup study indicates that the situation might not be as dire as it appeared, at least for now. The conventional wisdom was that we would all begin to retire as soon as we hit 65, and the result would be a daunting librarian shortage. So, what's changed? It seems that more and more librarians are indicating that they will have to continue to work beyond 65. There will be a shortage of qualified librarians, but it will not be upon us as quickly as we thought it would.

IT HAPPENED ON THE 14 MISSION...One of the perks of my job with the DOJ is that I get to wear this nifty picture ID card on my belt. Because of security reasons, the card has to be with me at all times when I am in the building. Usually, I take it off when I leave at the end of the day, but this time I didn't. So, I'm standing on a crowded 14 Mission Muni bus at the end of a long day. I can't wait to get home to Bernal Heights.

Seated to one side of me is this young couple, and they're having a loud, nasty argument about child custody of their kid. The mommy is telling the daddy that as much as she misses not having her son with her, at least when she is locked up in jail she has a "roof over her head and three meals a day." She asks daddy if there is some way that she could have custody of the son at the same time that she is in the custody of San Francisco County! As the two of them are pondering this legal question, she sees my ID and asks me for my opinion. "Come on," she says, "you're a law librarian. You ought to know the answer." So I (in my most earnest tone of voice) ask her if she or her son have court-appointed attorneys. When she says that she does, I tell her to ask her lawyer.

ONE MORE MUNI STORY...The scene is Castro and Market. I'm waiting for the 24 Divisadero Muni bus. Standing a few feet from me are a boy and a girl, and the girl is in the process of breaking up with the boy. I can hear almost all of their conversation. I could tell where their discussion was going as soon as I heard the girl's deadly line (which all of us have heard at one time or another): "I love you, but I'm not *in* love with you." The boy starts to respond, but suddenly his cell phone begins to ring. "Excuse me," he says, "I have to take this call."

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#### WHAT ARE YOU READING?

Nora Levine Reed, Smith

FALLINGWATER RISING: FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, E.J. KAUFMANN, AND AMERICA'S MOST EXTRAORDINARY HOUSE, by Franklin Toker. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2003.

You can take the house out of Pittsburgh, but you can't take Pittsburgh out of the house. Or so Franklin Toker argues in FALLINGWATER RISING: FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT, E.J. KAUFMANN, AND AMERICA'S MOST EXTRAORDINARY HOUSE, his compelling study of the Jewish department store maven who sought acceptance by the Pittsburgh high society of the Carnegies and Mellons, and the anti-Semitic architect who built him a country house that wowed the folks back home and captured the hearts and minds of Americans during the Depression. Early exposure to German commercial architecture and Mexican and Austrian modernism had imbued Kaufmann with a belief that innovative design was the key to both profit and social promotion.

Eager to resurrect his career and seek revenge on the European architects who threatened his claim to the modernist mantle, Frank Lloyd Wright constructed an appropriate castle for Pittsburgh's Merchant Prince by setting a house over a waterfall, anchoring its foundation to three riverside boulders, and gracing it with soaring concrete balconies that have been simultaneously praised as feats of engineering and interpreted as metaphors for the Kaufmanns' strained marriage. Celebrating the industry and overlooked natural beauty of Pittsburgh, Wright designed a house that resembles a fantastic watermill located at the intersection of Kyoto and Santa Fe. Toker is at his best when he demonstrates that Fallingwater's structural complexity is matched by the public relations campaign behind its debut, and at his worst when he threatens the book's momentum with a dull third chapter on the history of Bear Run, Pennsylvania. Through close reading of correspondence and work orders, Toker rather ruthlessly exposes the

Embarrassing half-truths of E.J. Kaufmann, Jr. and reminds the reader that Wright was hardly the architectural island of Ayn Rand's fiction. Extensive source notes will whet the appetites of Wright aficionados and serious architecture buffs, while the chapter on contemporary visitors' reactions to Fallingwater may prompt you to take the tour yourself to find out just what makes people love the linen closets so much.

Blanche Angelo Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP

I recently finished **A HOUSE OF ONE'S OWN** by James Stageberg and Susan Allen Toth. Stageberg is an architect; Toth is his wife – and client. The book describes the process of working with an architect in the design and construction of a weekend cabin. Good behind-the-scenes view of the creative process as modernist architect works to incorporate his client's enthusiasm for Victorian style. Both are informative and entertaining writers, and the interplay in the narration is often quite funny. (OP, but the public libraries have it.)

Cally Beers Gunderson Dettmer Stough Villeneuve Franklin & Hachigian

**SHADOW OF THE WIND**, by Carlos Ruiz Zafon, with a nearly poetic translation by Lucia Graves.

This is a book lover's book. (If you do not enjoy Isabelle Allende, or the works of Gabriel Garcia Marguez, you can guit reading here). But for the rest: A translation from the Spanish original, it has been on the best-seller list there for months. In the novel a young man named Daniel comes-ofage as he realizes his place in the post-war hierarchy of his family, his country, and in the world at-large. His father is a bookseller and Daniel works in the shop as a youth in anticipation he will one day inherit the business. At six years old his father shows him the secret "Cemetery of Forgotten Books." Daniel is asked to choose a volume, so he can save the soul of a forgotten book that he will take as his own, to love & cherish for his life-time. As the novel unfolds, with its many layers and astute observations, the protagonist is drawn into a web of mystery surrounding the author of the book he chose that fateful day, one Julian Carax. It seems this author's books are being systematically destroyed by someone over time, and, what may be the lone copy of "Shadow of the Wind" that is in the youth's hands becomes the target of the book-burning marauder. Daniel decides he must unravel the truth about what has happened to the author Carax and why his books are being burned. The novel is set in Barcelona, Spain, a city trapped by the past, vearning for a better future. The milieu is 1940's forwardwhen people in Spain were acutely aware of their humanity and vulnerability-in the face of Fascists, war, and an aftermath of poverty and ruin.

Pamela K. Cline Howrey LLP I'm reading **THE MISFITS LIBRARY (vol. 1).** It is a new literary journal, published out of San Francisco, but with contributors from all over the country and Canada. These are new and emerging writers who created their own venue for publishing and distributing their work. The selections (fiction and poetry) are well-written and provocative. Thumbs up.

Sara Fox Severson & Werson

comfort ME with APPLES by Ruth Reichl - second in a series of books about her life involved with food. Set in Berkeley, which is always nice, because I know some of the places she goes. It is interesting to see her develop and make choices about her life and career in the book. Very witty, but not snobby. Fabulous descriptions of food -- very well written and entertaining.

GARLIC AND SAPPHIRES, again by Ruth Reichl. The third in a series of books about her life involved with food. Describes the disguises she wore as a food critic for the New York Times and how they changed her life. Also very well written and entertaining. Not as many descriptions of recipes, but more descriptions of meals and venues. There are interesting passages about things her son says and about her eating in restaurants with him. She claims she won't write another book, but her prose is so wonderful that I hope she does.

FOUNDING MOTHERS by Cokie Roberts. An epistolary book about contributions made to the founding of our country by women. I really enjoyed the early chapters, but the last few chapters left me feeling a little cold. I listened to this on audio and found Cokie Roberts' narration to be wonderful. I was amazed at the things the women did while making time to keep in touch with their friends through letters. One amazing girl/woman of 16 ran her father's plantation and worked at making indigo a viable crop.

The **BONESETTER'S DAUGHTER** by Amy Tan. The story of Ruth's family and the hidden secrets that shaped her mother. Ruth is forced to confront these secrets when her mother begins to act erratically. In the process, Ruth is forced to confront her current life with her life's companion, his daughters, the ghosts of her ancestors, and her actions as a child in order to solve her mother's riddles. Set in San Francisco and China, it includes lots of Chinese "mysticism."

**BROKEN PREY** by John Sandford - Another of the Lucas Davenport novels. Violent, but full of rich characters. A pretty quick read.

HARRY POTTER AND THE HALF BLOOD PRINCE by J. K. Rowling. I liked this further installment of the Harry Potter series and feel sad that this is second to the last. It makes me eager for the seventh book and J. K. Rowling's decision to write about Harry as an adult, even intermittently. Still, this book reminded me of the Empire Strikes Back in that it came across as a 'bridge' work.

Rowling had to get from the Order of the Phoenix to the last book and the Half Blood Prince was her vehicle. It is shorter, but it also seemed like she skipped a lot, and that there were loose ends tied up. Losing another important character seemed too cruel for words and makes me wonder what Harry will do now. Will there be a magic potion that will reincarnate all of the important characters who have died??

**ALMOST FRENCH** by Sarah Turnbull. This is the story of an Australian living in Paris with her French boyfriend and the trials and tribulations of assimilating to the peccadilloes of "les parisiennes." Turnbull writes much about learning to deal with the way Parisians are, such as not being anxious to fill in gaps in conversation at dinner parties, being rude right back to people who are rude to her and jumping through the hoops required by the French civil service.

**BREAD AND CHOCOLATE** by Phillipa Gregory. A series of short stories related to food and its effects on people. All of the stories had an odd or strange (ghostly??) twist to them. I enjoyed the English setting and especially the way one wife dealt with her philandering husband.

Jaye Lapachet Coblentz, Patch, Duffy & Bass LLP

THE GREAT EARTHQUAKE AND FIRESTORMS OF 1906: HOW SAN FRANCISCO NEARLY DESTROYED ITSELF, by Philip Fradkin, 2005.

I started reading this book before Hurricane Katrina struck New Orleans. The frequent parallels between the events of 1906 and today are eerie, such as the blame heaped on racial minorities for crimes that actually never occurred and the radically different treatment of the wealthy and the poor. More than a mere reiteration of familiar events and information, Fradkin's excellent book looks into the political and societal influences on the relief effort and their influence on the shakeup in the government – as well as on rebuilding efforts – in the months and years that followed. He discusses the pressures brought by government and business to underreport the number of deaths and how those influences also held back the establishment of a university department to study seismology, out of fear such a scholarly focus would hinder the image of the state.

Fradkin has done a tremendous amount of hunting through libraries and archives and historical societies and it shows, although not in a stuffy, academic way. He has turned up much information that is not widely known,

such as the papers a UC Berkeley professor had his students write about how the earthquake that occurred when they were children affected their lives. Or the frustrating and futile search for hundreds of boxes of oral histories and narratives that had been collected in the months following the earthquake, only to have this priceless collection of history, once housed at the UC Library, somehow disappear.

I'm about tapped out on non-fiction disaster books for now, but I've been hearing about a really terrific one, "Isaac's Storm: A Man, A Time and the Deadliest Hurricane in History," by Erik Larson. This discusses the Galveston storm of 1900 that killed over 6,000 people. Many of us have read Larson's "Devil in the White City."

Paula Lichtenberg, Librarian Keker & Van Nest LLP



# **Professional Reading in Review**

By Susan Llano and Erin Murphy U.C. Davis Law Library

"Law librarians support big-firm marketing, IT efforts while racking up hours billable to clients," by Heather Smith, Broward Daily Business Review, vol. 51 no.216, August 12, 2005.

This article examines what some of the American Lawyer top 200 libraries and librarians are experiencing based on the annual survey. The first thing I noticed is that the number of responding libraries is close to double in most cases which makes it a more valuable source of information. 75% of respondents report an increase in money spent on print products while 71% of respondents report that the library's budget overall will be larger in 2005 than 2004. Ms. Smith focuses much of the article on the change in the character of library staff. As more administrative/clerical work is outsourced or reduced by electronic resources, incoming librarians increasingly have advanced degrees in law, business or technology in addition to library science. This dovetails with the increase in the amount of time spent researching nonlegal information: 29% compared with 26%. The increased specialization has also meant a 30% increase in the average number of hours billed to clients by full time staff. [article also available on www.americanlawyer.com with the actual survey results]

"Librarians take on marketing, client development, and filtering information overload", by Anne Ellis, Legal Times, July 11, 2005.

Ms. Ellis provides an up-close and personal look at what's going on in several firms in the area of librarian

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involvement with marketing. As law firms embrace the business aspects of marketing for new business, current client development, and industry monitoring, they look to librarians to provide the information to identify possible directions to take. The last few paragraphs of the article suggest ways for librarians to approach marketing departments or practice areas of the firm to introduce them to the array of possible services.

#### http://outofthejungle.blogspot.com

This blog explains that it discusses "thoughts on the present and future of legal information, legal research, and legal education." Unlike most blogs, there are six contributors (as of September 14, 2005). While most of the posts are thought-provoking and informative, I wanted to include here a mention of the results of a Law Library Blog survey done by the University of Washington Law Librarians. Information on blog successes, audience, and participation (13% of respondents were from firms) may help support your desire for one at your location.

"Make it all Optional", by George B. Shepherd, Legal Times, September 5, 2005.

The author, a law professor at Emory, attempts to make a case for abolishing (or making voluntary) the ABA accreditation process. He questions the need for 3 years of law school and the bar exam. In a nutshell, he feels that the accreditation process drives up prices (of law schools and eventually lawyers) and that it deters disadvantaged people from attending law school or seeking legal assistance. An interesting article, even if one does not agree with everything the author is proposing.

"Book Ends? Law Librarians Peek into the Future of their Profession", by Andrew Simons, The Recorder, v.129, no.136, p.L6, July 15, 2005.

This article gives reader responses to California Legal Pro's survey of law librarians and what they expect their jobs to look like 50 years from now. The sample of responses (mostly from bay area librarians) run the gamut from high-tech screens that allow information to flow by in front of us to special goggles that would allow law students to read in virtual reality. Regardless, most of the responses agree that there will still be a need for librarians (in one form or another) to manage the huge amount of information that will be out there.

"Library Launches Web Site on Independent Copyright Committee", News from the Library of Congress, August 17, 2005, <a href="http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2005/05-179.html">http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2005/05-179.html</a>
The Library of Congress has started a new web site to cover the work of a new independent copyright committee. The "Section 108 Study Group" is a group of copyright experts (co-chaired by a law librarian, Laura Gasaway) charged with studying and making recommendations for changes to the copyright law to address the needs of libraries and archives in the digital age. The site is at <a href="www.loc.gov/section108">www.loc.gov/section108</a> and provides links to their schedule, background papers and relevant sections of the Copyright Act.

# Professional Legal Management Week October 3-7, 2005

NOCALL is pleased to be participating in the inaugural Professional Legal Management Week to be held October 3-7, 2005.

Professional Legal Management Week (PLMW), held October 3-7, 2005, provides a forum for recognizing those in legal management for what they do and the role they play in the success of the organization, and in its service to its clients and those who work in the organization. The objectives are to provide awareness, understanding and education about the legal management profession, and to increase knowledge of the diverse roles within the profession.

In conjunction with this celebratory week, NOCALL, along with other local chapters of national legal organizations, is sponsoring a cocktail reception where attendees can meet, network with and learn from other legal professionals.

Please join us for a cocktail reception on October 5, 2005 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at MacArthur Park Restaurant, 607 Front Street (<a href="www.macpark.com">www.macpark.com</a>). Plan to enjoy hors d'oeuvres, door prizes and a cash bar while you network with many colleagues. Invite a professional from another area of your firm to accompany you. Please RSVP by September 29, 2005 at: <a href="www.iltanet.org/plmwevent.aspx">www.iltanet.org/plmwevent.aspx</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact either Holly Riccio (<a href="mailto:hriccio@omm.com">hriccio@omm.com</a>), NOCALL Secretary, or Pam Rino (<a href="mailto:prino@evarino.com">prino@evarino.com</a>), NOCALL President.

This Bay Area PLMW Cocktail Reception is sponsored by the following participants:

- NOCALL
- LMA Bay Area Chapter
- The Northern California Region of the International Legal Technology Association (ILTA)
- The Association of Legal Administrators'

#### **NOCALL Board Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 4, 2005 Nixon Peabody, San Francisco, California And via teleconference

Present: Tina Dumas, Leslie Ann Forrester, Julie Horst, Pam Rino, Mary Staats, Diane Rodriguez, and special guest Susan Nevelow Mart.

Tina Dumas called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

#### Old Business:

- The January Board Meeting minutes were approved as written.
- Julie Horst gave the Treasurer's Report Funds from the Spring Institute are still trickling in. Approximately \$26,000 was expended and \$23,856 was recovered. More money is due in soon. Julie signed up for a Visa check card to access the funds in our Pay Pal account. The V.P. Elect will also get a copy of the Visa check card for NOCALL expenses. Julie will get incoming Vice President Prano Amjadi set up with an account.
- Status of the Procedures Manual Diane Rodriguez reported that the update is in progress and is going very well. She will meet with Leslie Forrester soon to discuss changing the fonts and layout into a more online-friendly version.
- Directory Update

   The Board would like to see a print directory come out for the next edition. We will consider alternative formats for future editions.
- Audit and Budget Report There is nothing further to report.
- Joint Institute Status Tina Dumas reports that SANDALL has approved the idea of participating in a joint meeting in Sacramento but is concerned about it only being three years since the last joint institute. SCALL appears to be interested but hasn't given their final word yet. Tina will contact them again to get their final decision.

#### **New Business:**

- Legislative History Database Susan Nevelow Mart introduced her idea to create a union list or database of available legislative histories within NOCALL collections that people could borrow via ILL. Details such as security and hosting would need to be worked out. Other considerations are issues of copyright and authentication. The Board appointed Susan Nevelow Mart and Mary Staats to an Ad Hoc Committee to investigate the feasibility of this project and to meet with the providers of legislative history services to get their input and concerns.
- Board grant for AALL attendance for Pam Rino –
  The Board unanimously approved a motion to grant
  up to \$2000.00 for Pam Rino to attend the 2005
  AALL conference. The grant includes funds for
  travel, accommodations, registration and CONELL.
- Web Page (Leslie) Leslie Ann Forrester has a

- new co-chair, Shannon Burchard. The committee is working on updating and remodeling the website.
- Future of NOCALL Pam Rino reported that the feedback at the Spring Institute was helpful and indicated the following:
- Members are interested in shorter traveling programs than in two day institutes
- Members enjoy the large gatherings for networking purposes
   Pam and Prano Amjadi will work this coming year toward blending the ideas of shorter traveling programs and large gatherings. They intend to use surveys, meetings and committees to accomplish this task
- Appointment of Judy Janes to OAL Advisory
  Committee on the future publication of the
  California Code of Regulations Tina Dumas
  appointed Judy James as the NOCALL liaison to
  the OAL Advisory Committee. The OAL contract
  for the CCR expires at the end of the year and they
  need an advisory committee for guidance on the
  contract.
- Annual reports for all NOCALL committees are due to Tina Dumas by May 11, 2005.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- AALL Liaison (Pam) Per Ellen Platt's report,
   AALL President Tory Trotta had a wonderful time at the Spring Institute.
- Awards (Susanne) The VIP Grant is still available. Jaye Lapachet will receive the NOCALL Professional Achievement Award.
- Constitution & Bylaws (Tina) There are more changes to the Bylaws pending. Tina will ask the committee to make a recommendation on how to proceed with the changes. Perhaps they need to be announced in the NOCALL News.
- Education Pam Rino reported that the Fall Workshop was a success and the committee fulfilled its duties.
- Government Relations Tina Dumas reported that the committee sent a letter to legislators regarding the Federal Depository Program.
- Grants (Julie) The deadline for AALL grants is June 1.
- Membership (Julie) Ramona sent a report detailing ideas regarding new formats for the directory. All is well with memberships. We need to discuss the dues increase with Ramona
- Memorials (Leslie) Mark Mackler submitted a report and ideas to the Board. The Board approved and modified the suggestions, adding language regarding the committee taking on more action items as appropriate and needed, as approved by the Board.
- Newsletters (Tina) Shelley Blackmon reports the new issue is due out very soon.
- Spring Institute (Pam) The Spring Institute was a success and is in line to break even on costs.

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 Law library Consortium Task Force (Diane) – The committee submitted their report and suggests that NOCALL join an existing consortium such as CALIFA if it wants to participate in a consortium.

 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (Pam) – Pam Rino reported that the celebration in conjunction with the Spring Institute went very well.

Tina Dumas adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rodriguez NOCALL Secretary

# **Cataloging Workshop**

NOCALL, in conjunction with the Mid-sized Firms Librarian Group of San Francisco is hosting a law cataloging workshop.

Contact Sara A. Fox at <u>saf@severson.com</u> should you have any questions.

What: Fast Track Law Cataloging : Original

and Copy Cataloging for Law Firms
Original and copy cataloging will be
covered. Valuable and practical
cataloging information geared to the
realities of law firm technical services.
Please see the attached syllabus for

details.

When: October 27th (Day 1) and

October 28th (Day 2), 2005.

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration starts at 8:30

Participants can sign up for Day 1, Day 2

or both.

Where: TBA in San Francisco. Several locations

are available depending on the number of registrants. You will be notified of the

location after you sign up.

Who: Joni Cassidy of Cassidy Cataloging

Cost: \$100 for both days, \$70 for one day.

Make checks **payable** to **NOCALL** (Cataloging Class) and **send** to:

Sara Fox, Severson & Werson 1 Embarcadero Center, Suite

2600

San Francisco, CA 94111

Note: There will be no walk-in registration. Payment must be received

by October 21.

#### **NOCALL Business Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, May 12, 2005 Marines' Memorial Club, San Francisco, California

Tina Dumas called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m. There were approximately 56 members in attendance.

#### **Preliminary Business**

- Tina Dumas thanked Thomson/West for their generosity in hosting our luncheon at the Marines' Memorial Club.
- Colleen Cable of Thomson/West Librarian Relations updated the group on upcoming events and happenings.

# **Swearing in of New Officers**

- Fran Jones introduced Justice Ignazio J. Ruvolo of the California Court of Appeals, 1<sup>st</sup> District.
- Justice Ruvolo swore in new Board members Pam Rino, Prano Amjadi, Mary Ann Parker, Holly Riccio, Donna Purvis, and continuing Board members Julie Horst and Tina Dumas.

#### **NOCALL Professional Achievement Award**

- Mark Mackler introduced Jaye Lapachet as the recipient of the NOCALL Professional Achievement Award for her continuing contributions and initiatives toward the law librarian community.
- Jaye Lapachet graciously accepted the award and thanked her colleagues and her Mother, who was in attendance.

#### **Old Business**

- A motion was made to approve the January Business Meeting Minutes. The minutes were approved.
- Julie Horst presented the Treasurer's RAP, reporting that NOCALL is in the black and that's a fact!
- Tina Dumas reported that the Board is awaiting the final word on a Joint Institute in 2006 for NOCALL, SCALL and SANDALL. We should get the news soon.

#### **New Business**

- A motion was made to destroy the ballots from the Spring 2005 election. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Tina Dumas announced the appointment of Judy James as the NOCALL liaison to the OAL Advisory Committee. The OAL contract for the CCR expires at the end of the year and they need an advisory committee for guidance on the contract. Judy James asked the membership to please contact her with any input.

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#### **Committee Reports**

- Web Committee Diane Rodriguez reported for Leslie Forrester that Shannon Burchard is the new Co-Chair of the Web Committee. Leslie is still looking for volunteers to adopt a section in the web links area for updating. Leslie and Shannon are working on a new look for the web page.
- Union List Diane Rodriguez reported that Pati Traktman has the data and is analyzing the best format for the information. More details to come.
- Spring Institute Pam Rino reported that the Spring Institute is close to breaking even on costs. The Institute was a success and Pam encourages members to respond to mailings and discussion regarding upcoming educational formats.
- Public Relations Kurt Shuck reported that the committee is looking for aspiring authors for the Daily Journal column. PR has no expenses and no income to report.
- Placement Reporting for Mary Staats, Tina
   Dumas told that the Placement Committee saw
   more activity from professional agencies this year.
   Out of the 81 positions listed, 12 were
   paraprofessional and 69 were professional. 16
   listings were for positions outside the Bay Area and
   19 employers notified the committee when the
   positions were filled.
- Nominations Donna Williams reported a rough start as they lost one of their members, Sue Welsh, who passed away. They also held a special election as the VP/President elect had to step down due to work issues. Otherwise, the committee had a great slate of candidates.
- Newsletter Diane Rodriguez reported for Shelley Blackman. A new issue of NOCALL News is coming very soon.
- Memorials Mark Mackler reported that the memorials committee worked with Lexis to offer a Sue Welsh Memorial Grant to the Spring Institute. Sue Welsh was a member of the committee and is missed
- Membership Ramona Martinez reported there are 353 NOCALL members. The directory will go to print very soon.
- Law Library Consortium Task Force Diane Rodriguez reported for Janet Fischer. The committee submitted a report of their findings from the Survey Monkey survey. Their final recommendation is that if NOCALL members want to participate in a consortium they should join a pre-existing one such as CALIFA.
- Grants Julie Horst reported for Lille Koski. Barbara Zaruba of Stockton was awarded a grant for AALL. Devon Warner received the Sue Welsh Memorial Grant. We currently have no VIP for AALL.
- Government Relations Judy James reported that the committee was made up of new members this year. They worked on tracking library related

- legislation and focused their efforts on the Federal Depository Library Program issue of printed materials. They wrote letters and received warm responses. They also followed AB 219 regarding electronic CA government documents on the State Library website and successfully amended it to include print. Judy invites new members to join her committee.
- Education Committee Fran Jones reported that the Fall Workshop was a success. She also conveyed that Justice Ruvolo asked her to pass on that he appreciates all the work we all do.
- Constitution and Bylaws Tina Dumas reported for Mary Hood. The bylaws committee successfully passed through the dues increase, \$15.00 spread out over the next three years. The increase brings us upto-date with other chapters and will allow us more flexibility for educational programs, etc.
- Awards Tina Dumas reported that the Awards
   Committee awarded the Professional Achievement
   Award to Jaye Lapachet. The VIP recipient is unable
   to attend AALL so the committee is looking for new
   VIP candidates.
- Audit and Budget Shannon Burchard reported that the audit and budget report turned out well. No hidden surprises!
- Archives Tina Dumas reported for Regina Wallen.
   David Bridgman left the archives in excellent shape.
   During the past year she received two requests for information and was able to fulfill one request.
- Academic Relations Cynthia Papermaster reported a successful career panel and reception at SIMS. She is energized by the Spring Institute and looks forward to doing more with the students. She has an interest in pursuing teaching a legal course at the San Jose Library School.
- AALL Liaison Ellen Platt reported that Tory Trotta had a great time at the Spring Institute. They visited three local libraries. Her visit was a big success.

#### **Board Appreciation and Passing of the Gavel**

- Tina Dumas had a beautiful plaque for Susanne Dyer (who could not attend) and thanked her for her three years of service.
- Tina Dumas passed the gavel to incoming President Pam Rino.
- Pam Rino thanked Tina for her two years of service and presented her with a gift certificate to Borders Books.

#### Other Business

 Public Relations Chair, Kurt Shuck, held a raffle for NOCALL polo shirts.

Pam Rino adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rodriguez, NOCALL Secretary

# 2004-2005 NOCALL Committee Annual Reports

#### **AALL Liaison**

For the record I am summarizing the details of the visit of current AALL President Victoria Trotta to the 2005 Nocall Spring Institute. Typically Nocall requests its executive visit to coincide with the Institute; because this year was Nocall's 25th Anniversary, we were allowed an out-of-turn Presidential visit.

Ms. Trotta flew into San Jose on Thursday, April 14th; we had lunch with Donna Williams downtown. Over the course of the afternoon we met with librarians and toured three libraries: Donna Williams, at the California Court of Appeal, 6th Appellate District in San Jose; Liza MacMorris at Wilson, Sonsini, Goodrich and Rosati in Palo Alto; and Paul Lomio and the reference staff at the Robert Crown Law Library, Stanford University. That evening, Ms. Trotta joined the Board and Spring Institute Committee at the President's dinner at Straits Café in Palo Alto. Dinner conversation covered a wide range of topics related to libraries and general subjects.

The Institute programs began on Friday morning and continued throughout the day, culminating in a wine and cheese reception followed by a banquet. Ms. Trotta spoke following dinner, bringing news from headquarters about AALL activities and future plans for AALL Annual Meetings. At the beginning of her speech, Nocall President Tina Dumas presented Ms. Trotta with a book and a bookmark as a memento of her visit.

Of particular note was the discussion of the possibility of the 2011 Annual Meeting at the San Jose Convention and Visitor Center. Members debated the pros and cons of the location and hosting the meeting. After much discussion, it was finally determined that if we didn't welcome the meeting in San Jose, costs would preclude any annual meeting ever being held in California.

On Saturday Ms. Trotta attended morning program sessions and the luncheon. Following the meal Nocall President Tina Dumas and Vice President Pam Rino led wide ranging discussion on the future of Nocall. Topics discussed included: results of the recent member survey; possible changes to educational programming; the potential joint California Institute next spring; recruitment and mentoring of library school students; internship opportunities; and involvement of the chapters in the AALL Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Platt, AALL Liaison

#### **Academic Relations -San Jose State SLIS**

I was charged with establishing connections with San Jose State University SLIS. In an effort to promote law

librarianship, I attempted to contact staff members of SJSU SLIS multiple times. After receiving no response, I waited until it came time to post information about the Fall Workshop. I sent the information out via a listserv for SJSU SLIS students. There are a number of listservs. Two of the main listservs are the administrative (and only required one) slisadmin and slis\_job.

My enthusiasm for working with SJSU was curbed after not receiving any response after several repeated attempts. The school advertises itself as the largest library school in the nation. The size of the student body must overwhelm the staff. Perhaps we should follow the lead of the school's alumni and work around the administration. The alumni have created their own job seekers page. Also, the alumni will be hosting a career fair on May 14<sup>th</sup> in the Community Room of the Tully Community Library (San Jose Public Libraries). Heather Horter (Orrick, Herrington, & Sutcliffe) will be a panelist. I recently found out about the Career Fair and was not able to ask Ms. Horter how she came to be a panelist. Finally, I have heard that the new director's background is in school libraries.

Respectfully Submitted, Thomas DeGuzman, Co-Chair

#### **Archives Committee**

I took over the care of the Archives from David Bridgman in May 2004. Dave left the Archives in excellent condition and I have not had to weed or make any changes to the system he established.

In August 2004, Shirley David donated labeled pictures from the NOCALL Legislative Advocacy Day that was held March 12, 2002. During the past year, the Archives received two requests for information or documents. The Archives was able to fill one request.

In April 2005, the Archives requested copies of all institute material from 1998 to 2005. To date, no copies have been received.

Respectfully submitted, Regina T. Wallen, Chair

#### **Audit & Budget Committee**

At the September 2004, business meeting the budget was submitted to the NOCALL board for review and approval.

At the January 2005, business meeting the audit report was submitted to the board and reported to the membership.

Respectfully submitted, Shannon Burchard, Chair USF Law Library

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#### **Awards Committee**

The immediate past president is the ex-officio chair of the Awards Committee. He or she names two committee members to serve with him or her. The principal charge of the Awards Committee is to award the annual NOCALL Professional Achievement Award.

As chair, I asked past NOCALL Professional Achievement Award recipients Mary Ann Parker and Mark Mackler to serve as my committee. I want to express my gratitude to both of them for agreeing to serve and for doing such an outstanding job as committee members.

I posted several announcements and reminders to the NOCALL list serve, but I was surprised by the lack of response. The committee did not meet in person – we were able to accomplish the committee's business by telephone and mostly by e-mail.

The committee and I were delighted to award the 2005 NOCALL Professional Achievement Award to Jaye A. H. Lapachet, Librarian at the San Francisco law firm of Coblentz, Patch, Duffy & Bass, LLP.

Respectfully submitted, Susanne Pierce Dyer, Chair

#### **Constitution and Bylaws Committee**

Committee Members: Mary Hood, Chair Prano Amiadi

The Committee this year had little activity. Most of the work was dedicated to issues left over from the previous year. The two issues that the Executive Board asked about and which are still facing the Committee: right of associate members to serve on committees as members and/or chairs; and a new bylaw regarding conflict of interest to reflect the executive board's resolution on that matter.

The Committee would like to express concern that the Executive Board has, for a number of years, acted outside the requirements of the Association's constitution and bylaws by having associate members serve as committee members or committee chairs. Although no concern has been raised by the membership about the specific instances, this does leave the Association in non-compliance with the constitution and bylaws. Either the practice needs to be discontinued or the bylaws need to be amended.

The committee encourages all Executive Board members to be familiar with the constitution and bylaws. Further, the Committee suggests that a member of the Board be charged with the responsibility of ensuring the rules of the constitution and bylaws are being followed.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Hood, Chair

#### **Consulting Committee**

The Consulting Committee continues to be a committee of one. For the period 2004-2005 I have had not requests to consult with any law library. After many conversations with many NOCALL members and the NOCALL archivist at the Stanford Law Library my search for the "Northern California Law Library Consultants and Services 1993" guide came up empty. My intention, to author a new Consultants and Services guide, has not happened because I am intending to use my first request to gather information and devise the new guide.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon McNally Lahey, Chair

#### **Government Relations Committee**

The 2004-05 Government Relations Committee was comprised of all new members, except for the liaison. As a newly appointed committee member, I became chair by default. Some momentum and continuity was lost in re-building the committee, but of nominal consequence. It will be helpful to consolidate the committee's history file for next year's committee work.

The committee membership consisted of:

Judy Janes, Chair Michael Ginsborg Susan Mart Suzanne Dyer, liaison

(Tim Nunnemaker expressed interest recently in joining the committee and would be a great addition for next year)

The Committee followed the Federal Depository Library Program's announced changes regarding proposed reductions in the distribution of printed materials to federal depository libraries. Letters were sent by the Committee to several House of Representative members on the Appropriations Committee and Senator Diane Feinstein, urging them to support the continuation of the distribution of documents in print to depository libraries. Copies of the letters were sent to Bruce James and Judith Russell, Managing Director, GPO, as well. Representatives responded with letters of acknowledgment about the concern and elaborated on the need for libraries to continue to be resources for government information. NOCALL's participation on this issue was part of AALL's nationwide campaign raising awareness for continued access to government documents. As a result of the nationwide campaign, a survey was sent to libraries to establish the essential print titles list; and, Judith Russell stated that GPO will seek the guidance of libraries in planning and implementing changes in the dissemination of government documents. The continued efforts by law librarians will help ensure the public's access to government information.

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The Committee has also been following with interest California AB219. This bill would require all state departments or commissions to submit an electronic copy of all publications to the State Library, to be maintained on the State Library's website. An early concern of the committee was the possibility this legislation would reduce or eliminate the availability of printed copies of state documents. But, a recent amendment left alone the requirements for distribution of printed copies of state publications to depository libraries and others. The Committee will follow this legislation to be sure future amendments are not contrary to library interests.

The Committee expects to continue its tracking of federal and state legislation with regard to library issues. NOCALL members can contact any committee member with issues the committee should track. Additional committee members are welcome.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Janes, Chair

#### **Grants Committee**

NOCALL Grant information and application forms are available on the NOCALL Web site.

The NOCALL Grants Committee awarded a grant to Barbara Zaruba, San Joaquin County Law Library, Stockton, CA for the AALL Annual Meeting July 6-10, 2005 in San Antonio, Texas.

Devon Warner of Kastner/Banchero LLP, San Francisco, CA received the Sue Welsh Memorial Grant sponsored by Lexis/Nexis to attend the NOCALL Institute, April 15-16, 2005 in Palo Alto, CA.

Respectfully submitted, Lille Koski, Chair

#### **Membership Committee**

As of today's date our current membership stands at 353.

Active: 300 Associate: 30 Student: 14

Retired: 8 Life: 1

A number of obstacles both technical and personal have caused the directory to be very behind schedule. Having now resigned myself to the fact that the directory is never truly finished or completely accurate, files are being sent to the Daily Journal this week for preparation of a directory that will cover both the 04/05 and 05/06 years. We are working to make the directory more of a

loose-leaf-type publication with a view toward sending out quarterly updates. A survey of the membership to determine how members use the directory and what improvements they might suggest will be developed this summer.

Respectfully submitted, Ramona Martinez, Chair

#### **Memorials Committee**

Almost two years ago, the Board approved the formation of the NOCALL Memorials Committee. Our Committee consists of Linda Spath, Nina Porcella and me. You should also note that Sue Welsh served on the Committee right from the start.

Our general goals are to:

- 1. Create a Memorial Page on the website to enable anyone to learn more about our deceased members;
- 2. Make available, depending on the circumstances and funding, Memorial Grants to NOCALL members;
- 3. Coordinate memorial articles about deceased NOCALL members;
- 4. Above all, celebrate and find ways to connect the contributions and lives of our deceased members over the past 25 years of NOCALL with our present members.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Mackler, Chair

#### **NOCALL News**

It's been a lean publication year, but the NOCALL News goes on...

Thanks to the continuing support and contributions of the newsletter committee members: Mark Mackler, Susan Llano, Erin Murphy, Nora Levine. They have shown great patience with for putting up with the haphazard publication schedule.

A special commendation to Mary Pinard of Sacramento County Law Library who has pulled through and taken charge of several issues. She has been a great help as Associate Editor, and her contributions cannot go unrecognized.

And last, but not leastly, thanks to Tina Dumas who has come through and assisted with production and managed to show resourcefulness in getting news out to our membership.

Respectfully Submitted, Shelley Blackman, NOCALL News Editor

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#### **Nominations Committee**

Committee Members:

Donna Williams, Chair / Lauri Flynn / Erin Murphy

We started contacting members in July 2004 to run for office for the 2005-06 year. It was a difficult summer with the passing of former Nominations Committee member Sue Welsh in July. Erin kindly stepped in to round out the committee. Then, in August we received notice that Jane Metz had to step down as VP. We started making calls and were elated when Pam Rino said yes. We thought Pam to be an excellent choice.

We thank NOCALL members who decided to run for office. We realize it is a big commitment, but one that is very fulfilling both personally and professionally. We were proud to offer a diverse mix of candidates by library type and location for the 2005-06 slate.

Respectfully Submitted, Donna Williams, Chair

#### **Placement Committee**

The Placement Committee continues to be a committee of one, as logistically it only requires one person. I maintain the **Jobs** portion of our web page, advise job seekers, prospective employers and employment agencies about how NOCALL placement works and promote NOCALL and law librarians to anyone who calls me. This year I have received even more calls from agencies wanting to list on the NOCALL website as they have been told this is the best place to post a position for a legal library position. I consider this a feather in our cap. And, although the temptation is there to charge agencies for our listing service, I think it is inappropriate to charge for our service.

This past year I posted 81 positions, of which 12 were paraprofessional and 69 were professional. More than one member has remarked on how few paraprofessional jobs are coming up.

Of the 81 positions posted, 16 were for jobs outside Northern California.

19 prospective employers informed me that the positions were filled. Most of the others I found out were filled via the grapevine.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Staats, Chair

# **Public Access To Legal Information**

Committee Members, Public Access to Legal Information Coral Henning -Chair; Members: Leslie Forrester, Jean Willis, Kelly Browne.

The Public Access to Legal Information Committee conducted 2 workshops in 2004. The committee does not currently have any engagements on the calendar.

Please contact Coral Henning, <a href="mailto:chenning@saclaw.org">chenning@saclaw.org</a> to arrange for a presentation for your group!

Coral Henning speak at the Bay Area Legal Secretaries Forum workshop "Keeping Your Legal Research In Cite," on Saturday, October 30, 2004, in Concord. The topic was Introduction to Legal Research and Law Library Basics.

The second presentation was for California Library Association's annual meeting taking place in San Jose on November 13th.

#### **Speakers**

Jean Willis, Deputy Director, San Diego County Public Law Library

Coral Henning, Director, Sacramento County Public Law Library

Karen Lutke, San Mateo County Law Library Session Title: Equal Access to Justice: Why, What and How to Collect Legal Materials in a Non-Law Library Objective of the Session: To provide the fundamentals of collecting legal materials in general public and academic libraries, including tips on what to purchase in print, when to update, what should circulate, and where to locate dependable online resources and legal reference assistance.

Learning objectives:

Participants will develop a model for collecting legal materials in a non-law library

Participants will determine when, why and how to update or weed older legal materials

Participants will identify reliable, free online legal resources

Description of Session

Statistics show more citizens are representing themselves in legal matters. Library users often expect to find law books in their local library. Learn from the experts about how to collect a manageable set of legal materials relevant to your Library's customers. Understand when and where it is best to send patrons to

Understand when and where it is best to send patrons to online resources and what materials are best offered in print.

Respectfully Submitted, Coral Henning, Chair

#### **Public Relations Committee**

The activities of the Public Relations Committee in the 2004-2005 chapter years have consisted primarily of meeting the monthly publication deadlines for the NOCALL UPDATE column published on the third Thursday of each month in the San Francisco Daily Journal.

Although we have been able to meet these monthly deadlines, personnel changes at the Daily Journal in the past several months have caused some problems with the final column. On one occasion the column had to be reprinted on a subsequent day because the type face

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was unreadable. A similar problem occurred in a later column after another new person at the DJ was assigned as our liason, although the problem was not severe enough to republish.

Securing writers for the column continues to be the greatest challenge and we currently have commitments to July 2005.

The PR committee has generated no income, but also had no expenses.

Respectfully submitted, Kurt Shuck, Co-chair Foley Lardner, LLP Jennifer Marshall, Co-chair Heller, Ehrman, White, & McAuliffe, LLP

#### **Spring Institute**

"The Future of Legal Research: Legal Resources and Access Today and Tomorrow" took place at Rickey's Hyatt April 15-16. The Institute was attended by approximately 80 members and 21 vendors. Although the final cost was close to \$25,000, NOCALL broke even thanks to the generous sponsorship of several vendors and the number of attendees. The Institute was also marked by NOCALL's 25th anniversary and a celebration with a look at the past and the future was included. AALL President Tori Trotta and SCALL Vice President Pauline Aranas were the VIPs.

On Friday morning Lexis presented a session on "Generations in the Workforce." The Institute officially began after lunch with a panel on "Content Providers-How They See the Future" with speakers from Thomson West, CEB and LexisNexis. The second panel of the day was "The Web-The Possibility and the Challenge" with speakers from Google and the AALL GRC Permanent Public Access to Government Information Project. The final panel of the day was on "The History of NOCALL" with NOCALL's early presidents describing what it was like a quarter century ago. Vendors graciously provided a wine and cheese reception and then a banquet to end Friday's festivities.

Saturday morning the group reconvened with a forum on "California County Law Libraries." Three county law librarians discussed the current status and challenges in their specific field. A lively panel followed "Blogs-Cutting Edge or Bleeding Edge?" with speakers on how to use them, why to use them and what are the legal pitfalls of blogs. At lunch President, Tina Dumas, and Vice President, Pam Rino, lead a discussion on the future of NOCALL with enthusiastic participation from the entire audience. That afternoon Thomson West sponsored a session on the "Future of Law Librarianship-Today's Librarian is Tomorrow's Trainer".

Respectfully submitted, Pam Rino NOCALL Vice President 2004-2005

#### **Union List Committee**

The Union List Committee consists of myself, Pati Traktman.

Last August we purchased a copy of our data from our former vendor GRC/AT&T in ASCII format. The data resides on the network at Rogers Joseph O'Donnell & Phillips.

I regret to report that I have not made much progress in the last year to explore our options for the future of the Union List - namely, opportunities to offer a web-based product. I plan to make this a priority in the coming NOCALL year.

Respectfully submitted, Pati Traktman, Chair Rogers, Joseph, O'Donnell & Phillips

#### **Web Committee**

The Web Committee has maintained a low profile this year. As web master, I am primarily responsible for keeping the information on various member-oriented areas of the site up to date -- officers and committee chairs page, Fall Workshop and Spring Institute brochures and related pages, NOCALL Update, Constitution & Bylaws, and Calendar, plus work on various committee-related pages as needed -- e.g., Grants, Government Relations, etc. Placement and NOCALL News maintain their own areas on the site. I also handle the many requests for link exchanges. This year, for the first time, we set up a survey on "The Future of NOCALL" for the Spring Institute using Survey Monkey.

The site is hosted by SBC and costs us \$24.95 a month. I believe our domain name is up for renewal this year; we pay \$70 every three years for nocall.org.

At AALL, I plan to attend a webmaster workshop with Shannon Burchard, and then sweettalk her into cochairing the committee with me next year -- I think we are ready for the next generation of nocall.org, but I don't think I have the time or the skills to do the project justice. I also want to begin an "adopt-a-page" program to get members to focus on helping updating the subject-specific parts of the site without actually having to join the committee.

My current committee members are Susan Campbell, Nancy Castor, and Ann DiLoreto. I recently received an email from another NOCALL member who is interested in serving on the committee; I will contact her soon.

Respectfully submitted, Leslie Ann Forrester, Chair

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#### **NOCALL Consortium Task Force**

The Task Force began in July, 2003, and included the following members: Shelley Blackman, Wynne Dobyns, Janet Fischer, and Linda Spath.

The Mission of Task Force was "To look at law library consortia in other parts of the country to see what they offer their members (what benefits do members derive from membership and what are their obligations), and whether such an undertaking would be useful or feasible for NOCALL."

The Task Force completed the following:

- Surveyed existing AALL Consortia (listed at <a href="http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/consortia.asp">http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/consortia.asp</a>) to ascertain their status and policies.
- Surveyed other known consortia to ascertain their status and their policies.
- Compiled data to create a new list of existing consortia with contact information, status, and applicability to law libraries.

This report was submitted to the NOCALL Board, and a copy is included below (page 6).

In February, 2005, the Task Force was given permission to conduct a survey of NOCALL members regarding their interest in joining a consortium. This survey was conducted using the tools at SurveyMonkey.com from February 22 to March 9, 2005.

Ninety-four members responded to the survey, and a link to the results was emailed to Tina Dumas, President of NOCALL, on March 10. The link to the results is: <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/DisplaySummary.asp?SID=867288&U=86728836089">http://www.surveymonkey.com/DisplaySummary.asp?SID=867288&U=86728836089</a>

This link will no longer be active once our subscription to SurveyMonkey.com has ceased. The results have been downloaded and I can email them to any interested parties. The basic responses are copied below (page 2), but the narrative responses must be viewed in the emailed file.

Briefly, most respondents were librarians in law firms (57.4%), with the next highest response rate from academic law librarians (12.8%). Most of the respondents were in San Francisco (52.1%), and most already participate in interlibrary loan (91.7%). Cost in a consortium is a factor, with 36.2% willing to pay no more than \$250 per year.

I believe there is interest in NOCALL joining a consortium, as long as it is not too expensive or inconvenient for members. Starting and maintaining a unique consortium is not feasible for NOCALL, but joining an existing consortium, such as CALIFA, may very well meet our needs. I would also like to recommend the following relevant article: Thompson, Tracy L. "Library Consortia in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Beyond the Buying Club." *Trends in Law Library Management and Technology*, vol. 15:2, p1 (2004).

At this point, I believe the Task Force has completed its charge. I wish to thank the members of the Task Force for their hard work in compiling the information on existing consortia and for their collaboration in creating an effective survey.

Respectfully Submitted, Janet Fischer, Chair

# We need your news!

If you or your staff members have attended a seminar, published an article, received an award, been elected to an office, or if you have done anything interesting, personally or professionally, please let us know!

Submit articles of any length to Mary Pinard at <a href="mpinard@saclaw.org">mpinard@saclaw.org</a>.

#### 2005-2005 Submission deadlines:

Sept/Oct - Sept. 16 Nov/Dec - Nov. 4 Jan/Feb - Jan. 6

Mar/Apr - Mar. 3

May/June - May 5

#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The names of members who have joined NOCALL since publication of the 2003-2004/2004-2005 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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**DIRECTORY UPDATE**: I have sent all the finalized directory files to the Daily Journal, and I hope to send out brandspanking new directories to all current members in mid- October! Thanks for your patience!!

#### **New Members**

\*\*Note: From now on I will not be publishing home addresses provided by members. If you would like your home address removed from past issues of the Membership News section of the NOCALL News, please let me know.

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# **Continuing Members**

\*\*Changes are noted in bold.

Robert C. Berring **Professor of Law** 

University of California, Berkeley

Law Library

Bob remains a friend of the library but Kathleen Vanden

Heuvel now takes on the title of Director.

Gerald Clark has retired from the San Francisco Law

Library and is living in Brookings, Oregon.

Email: gclark@sjsualum.org

Shirley David has retired from the Sacramento County Law Library and is living in Hawaii.

Catherine Hardy
Library Manager

Heller Ehrman LLP

Email: cathy.hardy@hellerehrman.com

Katherine Henderson has retired.

Virginia Kelsh has retired from the Dorraine Zief Law Library at USF and she is living in Palm Desert.

Phone: (760) 835-3536 Email remains the same.

Donna Kretz

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Susan Levinkind has retired from the Santa Clara County

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Lynn Lundstrom has retired and is living in Pt. Reyes

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