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President's Message

Happy New Year and welcome to 2013!

Looking back, 2012 was a super year for NOCALL. Our members put on informative educational programming, wrote professional articles, won awards and national elections, worked and celebrated all over California (and Boston too). 2013 looks like it is going to be another great year, so get active in NOCALL and take advantage of these opportunities to make a difference!

First and foremost, congratulations are in order for NOCALL Past President, Holly Riccio, on her election to AALL Vice President/President Elect. I had the great pleasure of working with Holly as VP during her term as NOCALL President and I truly admire and respect her abilities. I know she will be a terrific leader for the national association.

I would like to thank all the members who came to our 4 Corners celebrations in December and thanks go to the organizers, Rachael Samberg, Coral Henning, Ellen Platt, Sharon Lahey and Kerry Prindiville. Check out the photos on the [NOCALL Facebook page](#).

NOCALL's Business Meeting was held at Stanford Law School on January 30th. Our guest speaker was [Ron Tyler](#), Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Criminal Defense Clinic at Stanford. Ron's talk was "Wellness in the Practice of Law". Ron discussed his experience in developing a wellness program for public defenders and led the assembled group of NOCALL members in an interactive wellness workshop. Thanks go to Stanford Law Librarian and NOCALL Archives Committee Chair, Rachael Samberg for arranging our meeting and speaker.

The Nominations Committee has put forward a slate of candidates for the 2013-2014 NOCALL Board. –

Candidate for Vice President/President Elect:
Michele Finerty
Assistant Director for Technical Services

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Gordon D. Schaber Law Library Pacific
McGeorge School of Law

Candidate for Secretary: (continuing)

Jen Richter

Technical Services Librarian

Sacramento County Public Law Library

Candidates for Board Member at Large: (3
candidates for 2 positions)

Lori Ruth

Research Librarian

Winston & Strawn LLP

Judy Heier

Reference Assistant

Farella Braun & Martel LLP

David Holt

Electronic Services Law Librarian

Heafy Law Library

Santa Clara University

The candidate's biographies are included in this
edition of the Nocal News.

What else is going on? NOCALL Vice President
Jean Willis and her team in Sacramento are
hard at work on the upcoming NOCALL Spring
Institute, Fruitful Endeavors: Meeting and
Exceeding the Challenges of the New Normal, at
the Sacramento Holiday Inn, April 12-13, 2013.

Mark your calendars and join us!

Our neighbors to the south, SCALL, will be
holding their Institute, [Healthcare Law and
Regulation: The Times They Are a-Changin'](#)
March 22-23, 2013 at the historic Mission Inn in
Riverside.

On the publications side, thanks go to Wade
Krawec for his article [Just Elves, No Santa
— The Self-Managed Team](#) for the NOCALL
“Beyond the Shelves” column in the December
10th issue of *The Recorder*. Also, in the
December edition of the *AALL Spectrum*,
[Attitude, Creativity, Collaboration, and Tech: The
New Success Formula for Law Librarians](#) was
co-authored by Board Member at Large, Jaye
Lapachet and [AALL's Index to Foreign Legal
Periodicals](#) was written by Marci Hoffman for the
Spectrum's December Members Briefing.

It looks like 2013 is going to be a busy and
exciting year. So yes, set aside the time
to participate in NOCALL-- volunteer for a
committee, attend a meeting, or come to meet
folks at a networking event. I truly look forward to
seeing you at our upcoming events.

NOCALL News

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MUSINGS FROM MARK
Mark Mackler
California Department of Justice
San Francisco

THE BLISS OF TECHNOLOGY... As much as we librarians (along with everyone else) sometimes feel overwhelmed by the flood of technology sweeping over us, I managed to remind myself that there are situations in which tech has made our jobs easier. I looked back 25 years to volume 80 of *Law Library Journal*. My favorite section was "Questions and Answers." Librarians would write to LLJ and the answers would be provided by alternating teams of librarians from academia and law firms. (By the way, what ever happened to "Questions and Answers"?) Imagine working on these real-life questions without the aid of fully-developed technology:

- How can I find addresses and phone numbers of attorneys when I know only their names and the states they practice in? Martindale-Hubbell requires that you know the county and city where an attorney practices before you can find his or her address.
- Can you help me locate the Tokyo Round Treaty? I know that it is a treaty dealing with international trade, but I cannot find it in either *Treaties in Force* or Peter Rohn's *World Treaty Index*.
- I have been asked to find the "Buddy Holly" law. I have tried several sources, including *Shepard's Acts and Cases by Popular Name*.
- An attorney with a troubled expression came to the reference desk with a printout from Lexis and one from Westlaw. "I Shepardized this older New York case, 124 N.Y.S.2d 50, using Westlaw and did not find any subsequent history. The paralegal assigned to cite-check the brief used Shepard's on Lexis and came up with a different answer. What am I doing wrong in my research?"

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO AT NOCALL... Sharon French, President; Shirley David, Vice-President/President-Elect; Janice Kelly, Secretary; Arturo Flores, Treasurer; David Bridgman, Past President. Membership totaled 250.

DOING ANY HIRING?... Check out the January 7 issue of *BusinessWeek*. The article discusses how more and more companies hire employees who fit in with existing corporate culture, even if they're less qualified. Employers don't necessarily hire the most skilled candidates. This trend is being driven by millennials because they care about corporate culture, and smart companies understand this. "I once hired someone as a manager, and it created a lot of tension because he didn't fit in. People tried to alienate him because they weren't interested in him as a friend." And it goes the other way. "I once hired a woman who really

didn't have the right background or experience for the job, but who I hit it off with during the interview. And because we got along so well I was able to train her easily and she ended up doing great things for us."

AND FINALLY... "She's a librarian," Sim said. "They're not teachers; don't give you half as much hassle. If there's a fire in the school and I've got to choose who I'm gonna save—a teacher or a librarian—the teacher's gonna burn every time." Keith Gray, *Ostrich Boys* (Random House Books for Young Readers, 2010).

**CREATING A DIGITIZATION WORKFLOW
 FOR YOUR LIBRARY**

David Holt
Heafey Law Library
Santa Clara Law

As we deal with an increasingly electronic world, the demand for digitization services by our patrons only rises. Our patrons expect electronic access to materials to meet their legal information needs. Many libraries, however, are struggling to accommodate these requests as they feel ill-equipped to make the necessary decisions required for creating a digitization workflow. This brief article will discuss some of the issues considered in this process and share some of the experiences we have had digitizing in a large academic law collection.

The first issue a library needs to consider when embarking upon a digitization effort is whether these services will be done "in-house" or contracted out to third parties. If a library has only a small collection of materials to scan, it may be unwise to purchase digitization equipment as the return on investment will be too low. There are a number of companies that provide digitization services, some of them at a surprisingly low cost. A company in San Jose, for example, will scan monographs at a cost of \$1 for every 100 pages.¹ The reason, however, why the price is so low is because this is "destructive book scanning" meaning that the spine is removed from the book and is not returned to the library. Obviously, this would be an unacceptable choice for digitizing materials that have archival value. For those materials, non-destructive book scanning would be the only choice but the price is much higher as human intervention is required. For film and bound-book non-destructive scanning, companies such as Hein provide reasonably priced services to their institutional customers.²

¹ See <http://1dollarscan.com/pricing.php>.

² See <http://heinonline.org/HeinDocs/DigitalServices.pdf>.



If your library has a collection of materials to scan that is large enough to justify purchasing scanning equipment there are a few things to remember. First, flat-bed scanners, even though very popular and cheap, are poorly suited for scanning monographs. The scans from a flat-bed scanner will often be low quality and pressing the book face down on the scanner may result in damage to the spine. The alternative is using a plenary/overhead scanner. This avoids damage to the book and often results in a much higher quality scan. The disadvantage, however, is that these scanners are considerably more expensive than a flat-bed scanner. You can purchase a basic unit from Atiz starting at around \$6000³ or you can make an overhead scanner yourself using two SLR cameras and a “DIY” kit for even less.⁴ To make these scanned documents searchable, you will need to purchase OCR software. Many libraries already have licenses for Adobe Acrobat which has a price of \$300 (or \$120 with an educational discount).⁵ There are other OCR products available (such as ABBYY FineReader) that have a higher cost but also promise a higher accuracy rate.

Once you have the necessary equipment, and have selected the materials to be digitized, you can begin creating a workflow of what metadata fields are going to be collected and how these materials are going to be stored and accessed. Many libraries are purchasing institutional software to host their electronic files.⁶ This makes it easier to create a controlled vocabulary and ensure consistency of metadata. Other libraries are adding these digital assets to their online collection using next-generation ILS software. Collaborative documents, such as provided by Google Docs, may be helpful especially when a digitization project includes multiple staff members. This helps to ensure that material is not scanned twice and helps to improve consistency.

3 See <http://www.atiz.com/usstore/>. Other vendors include BetterLight, Digital Library Systems Group, i2S, Indus, Kirtas, Konica/Minolta, Micro-box, Phase One, SMA, Tarsia, Treventus, ZBE and Zeutschel. For a review of plenary scanners check out Jody L. DeRidder, *Overhead scanners: reports from the field*. 29 *Library Hi Tech* 9 (2011).

4 See <http://www.diybookscanner.org/>.

5 See <http://www.amazon.com/gp/feature.html?ie=UTF8&docId=1000621011>. Here's a tip using Acrobat for OCR (optical character recognition). You have three options provided by Adobe, 1: Searchable Image, 2: Searchable Image (Exact), and 3: ClearType. If you are scanning archival materials that you do not want altered in any way select “Searchable Image (Exact)”. This will create an OCR text file and make the document searchable but will not straighten the pages nor alter the text. If you want to make a document that you can send via email consider selecting “ClearType”. This will replace the text with Adobe's own font, straighten the pages, and reduce the file size. Obviously, you should not select “ClearType” for any court document or archival item.

6 Such as BePress' Digital Commons (<http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/>) or Dspace (<http://www.dspace.org/>).

Another advantage of purchasing your own equipment is that once your digitization project is complete, you can use it for document delivery and inter-library loan services. Patrons love being able to get book or practice guide chapters delivered to their email accounts. At Santa Clara, we purchased a student scanning kiosk (the Zeutschel Zeta⁷) that has become immensely popular among our students. Students love being able to quickly and easily digitize a document and share it with classmates or professors. We have also noticed a decline in photocopier usage in the library as students are becoming increasingly tempted to make electronic, rather than print, copies of their documents.

PROFESSIONAL READING IN REVIEW

Elisabeth McKechnie and Susan Llano
U.C. Davis Law Library

“**The ABA Journal BLAWG 2012 100**,” by Molly McDonough, Sarah Randag and Lee Rawles, *ABA Journal*, vol. 98, no. 12, pages 33-45, December 2012. Available at: http://www.abajournal.com/magazine/article/6th_annual_blawg_100

The sixth annual listing of the top legal “blawgs” or blogs is chock full of interesting resources for the law librarian. The categories run the gamut from the “Business of Law” to “Legal Research and Writing” and “Legal Technology.” Investigating many of the candidates (and runners-up), I found many entertaining and informative websites.

“**Knowledge Mosaic: What Did LexisNexis Buy and Why Did They Buy It? What Will They Do With It? The Race for Content Continues**,” by Jean P. O’Grady, *Dewey B. Strategic* blog, January 10, 2013, available at <http://deweybstrategic.blogspot.com/> (scroll down the page).

In her article, O’Grady compares the purchase of Knowledge Mosaic by LexisNexis with the disastrous acquisition of LivEdgar by Westlaw in 2005, which resulted in the gutting of the GSI staff and the erosion of the product. Looking ahead, she foresees that Knowledge Mosaic may survive the transition to Lexis in a healthier way than did LivEdgar.

7 See http://www.zeutschel.com/products/color_scanner_zeta.html.



“Current Law School Admission Stats Not Looking Good,” by Mark Giangrande, *Law Librarian Blog*, December 13, 2012, available at http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/law_librarian_blog/2012/12/current-law-school-admission-stats-not-looking-good.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+LawLibrarianBlog+%28Law+Librarian+Blog%29

This brief article discusses the continuing drop in law school applications, currently a 24.6% drop from 2012. He goes on to discuss potential fallout from the decrease, including law school closures and staff layoffs. The article is full of links related to the topical area as well as the latest on Villanova’s troubles with the ABA.

“How to Kill (or Save) a Law School,” by Jordan Furlong, *Law 21*, December 6, 2012, available at: <http://www.law21.ca/2012/12/how-to-kill-or-save-a-law-school/>

In this follow-up article to one he wrote two years ago called **“How to Kill a Law Firm,”** Jordan Furlong describes what he believes are the leading problems with law schools and what he thinks can be done to save them. He suggests that law schools look at themselves as if they were competitors trying to supplant the traditional law school model. In other words, they should act as many successful businesses have been doing for years: exploit your own weaknesses and make improvements to your model before someone beats you to it. He identified four ways that law schools are “killing” themselves (starting with price and faculty) and then listed five ways in which law schools might be “saved.” Some of his suggestions may be controversial, like his idea of law schools dropping their ABA accreditation, but the article is thought-provoking and makes for an interesting read.

“Texas County Plans All-Digital Library,” by Stephanie Mlot, *PC Magazine*, January 14, 2013, available at <http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2414264,00.asp>

Bexar County in Texas is in the planning stages of a fully digital library (they are touting it as the first of its kind in the country) called BiblioTech. This library is the brain child of a Bexar County Judge, Nelson Wolff, who got the idea while reading a biography of Steve Jobs. Consequently, the new library will be modeled after an Apple store. Costs will be kept down by using existing buildings instead of constructing new ones. The collection will start with 10,000 titles and the building is slated to have some library features such as study spaces and meeting rooms. Many counties across the country are probably waiting to see how this model works out.



Plans continue apace for the upcoming NOCALL Spring Institute to be held Friday/Saturday April 12 – 13, 2013, at the [Sacramento Capitol-Plaza Holiday Inn](#) near [Old Sacramento](#). The Institute’s theme, Fruitful Endeavors: Meeting and Exceeding the Challenges of the New Normal, reflects both the abundance of the Sacramento Delta and Central Valley region, as well as the challenges and possibilities law librarians are experiencing at this time.

Presentations include a very dynamic double program about Ebooks from the perspective of public and academic librarians offering these new digital resources to their patrons, as well as from the perspective of legal publishing vendors who are beginning to roll out new Ebook legal products to law librarians and our patrons. Come prepared with lots of questions, as the Programs Committee feels this should spark some lively debate.

We are offering substantive programs on California water law and wine law, plus stay tuned for some insights on using social networking tools in our work environments. We have several other dynamic speakers lined up, plus a light and frothy program about Beer and Beer brewing followed by a beer tasting from a local Sacramento brewery. Something for everyone! Our networking social this year will be held Friday evening at the [CalExpo Harness Races](#), where one race will be named for and provide PR for NOCALL.

Grants will be offered to attend this premier event. Stay tuned for more information on how to apply for a grant. Grant information will be available when the member registration flyer is submitted to the NOCALL listserv and posted to the NOCALL website in February. Grant applications will be accepted through March 1.

Vendors are in process of registering now, and we have several sponsors. We anticipate sending out NOCALL member registration information no later than mid-February. The Holiday Inn discounted rate is available through March 10, so mark your calendars now and get ready for excellent continuing professional education combined with some fun networking activities. We’ll see you soon in California’s Capital City!

-- Jean Willis, NOCALL Vice-President/President Elect

NOCALL 2013 ELECTION - CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

**CANDIDATE FOR
VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT ELECT**

MICHELE FINERTY

Title: Assistant Director for Technical Services



Organization: Pacific McGeorge School of Law, Gordon D. Schaber Law Library

City: Sacramento

Years Employed: 2001-present

Education:

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, M.L.I.S.

Loyola University of Chicago, B.S.

Previous Employment:

Organization: Orange County Public Law Library

Title: Technical Services Librarian

Years Employed: 1986-2001

NOCALL Committees, Offices Held & Activities:

- Member, Spring Institute Planning Committee, 2013
- Chair, Government Relations Committee, 2012/2013
- Coordinator, Sacramento Sunshine Week Programs, 2009-2011
- Co-Coordinator, San Francisco Sunshine Week Program, 2008
- Chair, Government Relations Committee, 2008/2009
- Chair, Government Relations Committee, 2004-2006
- Member, CA Legislative Day Planning Committee, 2001/2002
- Member, Government Relations Committee, 2001/2002

Other Professional Activities:

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- President, Animal Law Caucus, 2012/2013
- Member, Leadership Development Committee, 2012/2103
- Core Team Member, California UELMA (Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act) Enactment Team, 2011/2012
- Mentor to Leadership Academy Fellow, 2011/2012 & 2009/2010
- Chair, Grants Committee, 2011/2012
- Vice-Chair, Grants Committee, 2010/2011
- Chair, Awards Committee, 2008/2009
- Member, Awards Committee, 2007/2008
- Member, AALL Centennial Celebration Committee, 2003-2006
- Member, Performance Measurements for Law Librarians Development Committee, 2001-2003
- Member, Professional Development Committee, 1999-2001
- Chair, Access to Electronic Legal Information Committee, 1998/1999
- Member, Annual Meeting Program Committee, 1997/1998
- Member, Government Relations Committee, 1993-1996
- Chair, (CRIV) Committee on Relations with Information Vendors, 1989/1990



Programs and Presentations

- Moderator, **How to Work Through Difficult Transitions**, AALL Leadership Development Committee Webinar, April 24, 2013.
- Moderator and Coordinator, California Water Law: History of Conflict and Perseverance, NOCALL Annual Institute, Sacramento, CA, April 13, 2013.
- **Moderator and Coordinator**, The Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act: Its Development and Status, California All-State Institute, San Diego, CA. March 10, 2012.
- Moderator, Foundations and Developments in Animal Law, Westpac Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon, October 29, 2011.
- Moderator and Coordinator, Animal Law Across All Boundaries, AALL Webinar, October 20, 2011.
- Speaker, Building Successful Coalitions: Law Librarian Advocacy, People's Republic of China Delegation, Pacific McGeorge School of Law, August 8, 2011.
- Moderator and Coordinator, The Development of Human Attitudes toward Animals, AALL Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, July 24, 2011.
- Speaker, Creating a Successful Sunshine Week Program, AALL Chapter Leadership Roundtable, Denver, Colorado, July, 2010.
- Moderator and Coordinator, NOCALL Open the Government Annual Program, Sacramento, CA, 2009, 2010, 2011.
- Moderator, Alumni: The Forgotten Patron Group, AALL 2007 Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, July 17, 2007. Coordinator, Effective Advocacy Skills in Working with Legislators, NOCALL, SCALL and SANDALL Joint Institute, San Luis Obispo, California, March 14, 2003.
- Speaker, From Town to Gown: Law Librarians Connecting in a New Workplace, AALL 2002 Annual Meeting, Orlando, Florida, July 22, 2002.
- Speaker and Coordinator, Law Library Federal Depositories in Southern California, Southern California Depository Library Group, Whittier Law School, Costa Mesa, California, December 1, 1999.
- Moderator, Constructing Access Lanes to Court Automation, AALL 1999 Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., July 19, 1999.
- Speaker, AALL and the Legal Community, American Bar Association Annual Meeting, Council on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, Beverly Hills, California, February 7, 1999.
- Speaker, Cobweb or Web of Gold, AALL 1998 Annual Meeting, Anaheim, California, July 13, 1998.
- Panelist, AALL Government Documents SIS Roundtable, AALL 1998 Annual Meeting Anaheim, California, July 14, 1998.
- Presenter, AALL Access to Electronic Legal Information Committee Web Site, at the Government Technology Executive Leadership Forum, Los Angeles, California, October 13 – 14, 1998.
- Presenter, AALL Information Technology and Implementation Working Group Web Site, at the Court Technology Convention of the National Center for State Courts, Detroit, Michigan, September 9 – 12, 1997. Moderator and Co-Coordinator, Guaranteeing the Authenticity of Electronic Documents, AALL 1996 Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 23, 1996.
- Moderator and Co-Coordinator, Benchmarks in Court Automation, AALL 1995 Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, July 17, 1995.

Candidate Statement:

Membership in NOCALL has been a prominent influence in both my life and professional career. I've been fortunate to serve on a number NOCALL committees, and the experience was always been informative and rewarding. I learned from colleagues at other institutions and enjoyed being part of a team doing meaningful work. So to be nominated as Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect is a distinct honor.

Our chapter's reputation is one of activism, both in service to our membership and in supporting the principles of open government. In light of the present economic climate we must continue to find ways for furthering the professional development of our members through chapter programs and opportunities to network. For me, this nomination is an opportunity to continue being part of a team that carries out such rewarding and meaningful work.

NOCALL 2013 ELECTION - CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

CANDIDATE FOR SECRETARY

JEN RICHTER

Title: Technical Services Librarian

Organization: Sacramento County Public Law Library



City: Sacramento

Years Employed: May 2009-present

Education

San Jose State University, M.L.I.S., 2008

California State University, Chico, B.A. 2003

Previous Employment:

Organization: Colusa County Free Library

Title: Library Assistant

Years Employed: 1

NOCALL Committees, Offices Held & Activities:

Interim Secretary, 2012-present

Member, Spring Institute Planning Committee, 2012-2013

Member, Community Service Committee, 2011-2012

Member, Academic Relations Committee, 2011-2012

Other Professional Activities:

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Chair, TS-SIS Nominating Committee, 2012/2013

Member, TS-SIS Membership Committee, 2012/2013

Member, TS-SIS Awards Committee, 2012/2013

Member, TS-SIS Nominating Committee, 2011/2012

Attendee, CONELL, 2011 Annual Meeting and Conference

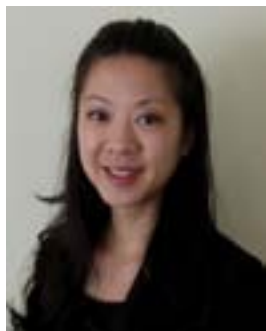
Other Relevant Information:

As a relatively new NOCALL member, being able to serve as the Interim Secretary for the past year has been a pleasant surprise and an honor. NOCALL is comprised of talented and enthusiastic people who have contributed much to the professional development and support of law librarians throughout northern California. I've very much enjoyed getting to know everyone in the library community a bit better, and I'm looking forward to contributing even more to NOCALL and its vision in the next few years. Thank you for the vote of confidence from the NOCALL Nominating Committee in asking me to run for another term as Secretary.

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CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER AT LARGE

JUDY HEIER



Title: Assistant Librarian
Organization: Farella, Braun + Martel LLP
City: San Francisco
Years Employed: 5

Education

San Jose State University, M.L.I.S., 2008
San Francisco State University College of Extended Learning, Paralegal Certificate, 2003
San Francisco State University, BA Liberal Studies, 2001

Previous Employment:

Organization: Kennedy Jenks Engineer and Scientist Consultants, Inc.
Title: Library Assistant
Years Employed: 1

Organization: Townsend & Townsend & Crew LLP
Title: Litigation Paralegal
Years Employed: 1

Organization: Sheppard Mullin, Richter and Hampton LLP
Title: Litigation Paralegal
Years Employed: 2.5

Organization: Sheppard Mullin, Richter and Hampton LLP
Title: Library Assistant
Years Employed: 2.5

NOCALL Committees, Offices Held & Activities:

Chair, Public Relations Committee, 2012-present
Member, Public Relations Committee, 2011-2013

Other Professional Activities:

Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) 2012 Alumni

Other Relevant Information:

I am grateful to be considered for the opportunity to serve as Member-at-Large for NOCALL. I am currently the PR Committee Chair and derive great satisfaction from helping librarians and our organization maintain our exposure to the greater legal community. Especially in these economic times, it is important to keep fresh in the minds of the institutions that we work for, the value and presence of our profession. Our NOCALL committees all contribute to this endeavor and as Member-at-Large I hope to help with the growth and development of our profession. It would be an honor to join in the meeting of the minds with my colleagues whose varied professional backgrounds and experiences help to make the organization even more relevant and spectacular.



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CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER AT LARGE

DAVID HOLT



Title: Electronic Services Librarian
Organization: Santa Clara University, Heafey Law Library
City: Santa Clara
Years Employed: 7

Education

Santa Clara University, J.D., May 2013
 San Jose State University, M.L.I.S., 2006
 Southern Oregon University (B.A. in English), 2000

Previous Employment:

Organization: Santa Clara University
Title: Assistant Circulation Manager
Years Employed: 1.5

NOCALL Committees, Offices Held & Activities:

Other Professional Activities:

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- Chair, Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section, 2012/2013
- Co-Chair, Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section, 2011/2012
- Chair, Standing Committee on Lesbian and Gay Issues, 2011/2012
- Co-Chair, Standing Committee on Lesbian and Gay Issues, 2010/2011
- Webmaster, Membership Development Committee, 2008-2010
- Webmaster, Indexing of Periodical Literature Committee, 2009/2010
- Newsletter Editor, Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section, 2007-2012

Other Relevant Information:

Originally from rural Southern Oregon, I have lived in Northern California for the past 12 years. I received my undergraduate degree from Southern Oregon University in Ashland, my MLIS from San Jose State University, and will be receiving my JD from Santa Clara University this coming May. My academic interests include intellectual freedom, copyright issues in libraries, internet filtering, and the use of electronic texts in law school classrooms. In addition to my membership in NOCALL, I am currently a member of AALL and serve as the Chair of the Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section. I have also served as Webmaster for the Membership Development Committee and the Indexing of Periodical Literature Committee. I have published scholarly articles on the impact internet filtering, as mandated by CIPA, has on LGBT adolescents.

Prior to my life as a librarian, I worked briefly as a substitute elementary school teacher in Salinas. Following that, I worked as a residential counselor at a group home and emergency shelter for abused and neglected children. When I am not at the library, I am usually at home with my partner, Harold, with whom I have shared my life over the last 15 years. We have eight birds and one German Shepherd who we named Metaphor.

I hope you will consider me for this position and give me an opportunity to further serve our professional organization. I am optimistic about the adaptability of law libraries as they face the challenges of the 21st century and believe that our professional organizations remain an essential component to our mutual success.



NOCALL 2013 ELECTION - CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHIES

CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER AT LARGE

LORI RUTH



Title: Research Librarian
Organization: Winston & Strawn, LLP
City: San Francisco
Years Employed: 7

Education

San Jose State University, M.L.I.S., 2009
University of California, Los Angeles, M.A. in Slavic Linguistics

Previous Employment

Organization: Pacific ADA Center
Title: ADA Technical Assistant
Years Employed: 3

NOCALL Committees, Offices Held & Activities:

Chair, Education Committee, 2012-present
Member, Education Committee, 2011/2012
Member, Spring Institute Committee, 2010/2011

Other Relevant Information:

Candidate Statement will appear on the NOCALL website and the official ballot.

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