

Presidents' Column-Joanne Beal

**THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE
WHERE?
FOR ORALLIENS, IT'S CINCINNATI**



X marks the spot in Cincinnati, Ohio for the 1997 ORALL Annual Meeting which is to be held October 22 - 24. Preparations are well underway for the ORALLien conclave which will begin with a hands on trip through cyberspace via the computer laboratory at the University of Cincinnati. Practical techniques for accessing legal resources on the Internet will be the focus of three, 2 ½ hour workshops which will be offered on Wednesday, October 22 from 11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. and from 3:00 - 5:30 P.M. and again on Friday from 2:30 -

5:00 P.M. Friday's presentation will be designed for the intermediate user rather than the beginner. An opening reception will follow and the city's numerous fine restaurants and night spots await ORALLiens venturing out into the night.

Thursday will be devoted to a day long program exploring the harm and harmlessness of copyright laws as applied to Law Library customs, including Internet use and software products. Professor Kenneth Crews of the Indiana School of Law in Indianapolis will present this workshop.

On Friday morning, ORALLien minds will be stimulated by a lively presentation on the current status of First Amendment rights on the Internet to be offered by Louis Sirkin, a nationally recognized First Amendment lawyer who was involved in the well known Mapplethorpe trial in Cincinnati.

Rounding out our fall sojourn on Friday afternoon will be a tour of the new and

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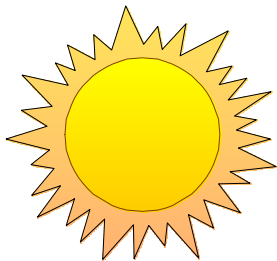
palatial University of Dayton School of Law Library. Director Tom Hanley and staff will provide the commentary and delight comrades and colleagues with tales of his "moving experience."

There will, of course, be the annual business meeting and plenty of time to commune with fellow ORALLiens. Watch your **FILES** for the registration materials which will designate the celestial Omni Netherland as assembly headquarters. In anticipation of a wonderful fall meeting, I can only say..

Are we **THERE** yet?



Joanne (Jody) Beal
1996-97



RESULTS OF THE NOMINATION PROCESS

Heartiest congratulations are extended to the three new officers who will be serving ORALL throughout the 1997-98 term. Pursuant to Bylaw XI, Sec. 2(a), "Where only one candidate is nominated for each office in one election, the Secretary need not mail a ballot but shall notify the membership of the results in the *ORALL Newsletter*." The Call for Nominations was published in the Fall 1996 issue of the *Newsletter* and Nominating Committee Chair Jo Ann Fisher has reported the selection and acceptance of the following members:

Vice President/President Elect
Keith Blough
Columbus Law Library Assn.

Treasurer
Anne Kirkhope
University of Toledo Law Library

Executive Board Member
Claudia Zaher
Chase College of Law
Northern Kentucky University

They will assume their duties at the close of the Annual Meeting to be held in Cincinnati on Friday, October 24. By way of introduction, brief biographical sketches follow.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Underwood

ORALL Secretary

Future Meeting Sites:

Fall, 1998 Cleveland, Ohio
Fall, 1999 Columbus, Ohio (50th
Anniversary Meeting)

Biographies of Newly-Elected Officers

Keith Blough, Vice-President/President Elect

Position: Library Director, Columbus Law Library Association, October 1982-

Assistant Law Librarian, Cincinnati Law Library Association, October 1978 - September 1982

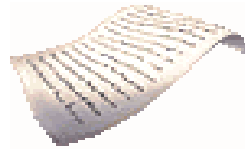
Education: B.A. Bluffton College, M.L.S. Indiana University

Also completed 13 hours of course work in mathematics and computer science at the University of Cincinnati and the Ohio State University

Professional Activities: Member of AALL and ORALL, Secretary of ORALL 1990 - 1992

Board Member and Secretary, Ohio Library Foundation

Secretary, Ohio State Bar Association Law Library and Legal Information Services Committee.



Claudia Zaher, Executive Board Member

B.A. (Economics) University of Dayton
M.S.L.S. University of Kentucky

I've worked for over 16 years as the part-time reference librarian (primarily nights and weekends) at Chase Law School, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY. This summer I will start full-time in the newly-created position of Acquisitions Librarian. I'm really excited about this!

During all those years that I've worked part-time here, I've had a variety of other jobs, including PTA mom. I was a librarian at a utility company and at the Cincinnati Historical Society, and I was a ranger for the National Park Service at William Howard Taft National Historic Site, complete with wonderful Smokey the Bear hat!

I've been a member of ORALL for many years, and eagerly look forward to serving in a more active role.

Anne Kirkhope, Treasurer

Anne Kirkhope received her library degree from the University of Michigan in 1992. For the first few months of her library career, Anne was in the Technical Center Library of Libbey-Owens-Ford, a Toledo glassmaker. Finding that engineering was not her forte, Anne, a dyed in the wool liberal arts major (BA in English and French from Marquette University), soon obtained employment in her chosen specialty at the law firm of Eastman & Smith Ltd., also in Toledo. There she spent four productive years as the firm's first professional librarian before she joined the staff at the University of Toledo College of Law as the Evening Public Services Librarian in November 1996. During this time Anne attended law school at UT on a part-time basis and graduated May 17, 1997. Focusing on the time after the July bar exam, Anne is eager and excited to begin her duties as ORALL's newest Treasurer, and looks forward to meeting many more of its members during her term.

Back in the deep, dark past Anne was a bank teller and should therefore have retained some measure of competence in keeping track of money. (Anne also understands the workings of the Federal Deposit Insurance Commission, and realizes that funds are insured up to \$100,000!) So never fear, your dues are safe.

But aside from the professional credentials, Anne continues to expand her horizons both intellectually as a member of a Reading Club and an Investment Club, and recreationally as a novice skydiver.



SCANNING THE NEWSLETTERS

Items of interest from recent local and regional law library association newsletters, compiled by Shaun Esposito:

Darin Fox, *What's in a Name? The InterNIC Adds New Top Level Domains*, SCALL NEWSLETTER (Southern California Association of Law Libraries) March 1997 at 4 (discusses several new domain name extensions).

June Liebert, *New Stuff on the Internet*, SCALL NEWSLETTER (Southern California Association of Law Libraries) March 1997 at 9 (reviews a few new sites on the Internet).

Tobe Liebert, *Catalog Surfing with WEBCAT*, SCALL NEWSLETTER (Southern California Association of Law Libraries) March 1997 at 10 (reviews several library catalogs which allow a search directly from a web browser and hyperlinking to other Internet resources).

Darin Fox, *New Virus Threats: How to Protect Yourself*, SCALL NEWSLETTER (Southern California Association of Law Libraries) May 1997 at 7 (explains how PC viruses are transmitted and offers suggestions for protection).

Sally Kelley, *Classroom Use of the Internet Within MALL Institutions: Summary of Survey Results*, MALL MARKINGS (Mid-American Association of Law Libraries) June 1997 at 8 (reports the results of a survey).

Susan Lewis-Summers, *Net Sense*, WESTPAC NEWS (Western Pacific Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries) January 1997 at 4 (provides links to tax information on the Internet and to other sites of interest).

Nathan Rosen, *You're Downsized--What's Next?*, LAW LINES (Law Library Association of Greater New York) March/April 1997 at 1 (provides tips on dealing on loss of a job due to downsizing).

Nina Platt, *The Internet Column*, HALL NEWSLETTER (Houston Area Law Librarians) March/April 1997 at 9 (provides links to a variety of useful WEB pages).

Terry Cullen, *Technology in the Law Library: From Netiquette to Web Page Design: Marketing Your Law Firm or Law Library on the Internet*, SWALL BULLETIN (Southwestern Association of Law Libraries) at 17 (offers tips for marketing via the WEB).

Christopher Anglim, *Wills and Trusts: Digital Imaging and Preservation*, SWALL BULLETIN (Southwestern Association of Law Libraries) September 1996/January 1997 at 19 (second part of a series dealing with digital imaging for preservation purposes).

Rick Ducey, *Side Bar: Knowing the Net Lingo*, SWALL BULLETIN (Southwestern Association of Law Libraries) May 1997 at 22 (provides definitions for some obscure Net jargon).

Top Ten Reasons You Know WEST Has Been Acquired by Thompson, LLOPSCITED March 1997 at 12 (a humorous "Letterman"-style list).

Kathy E. Shimpcock, *Escalating Prices for Legal Publications: How Will Cite Reform Help?* AZALL NEWS QUARTERLY (Arizona Association of Law Libraries) April 1997 at 1 (discusses the upheaval of the law book publishing industry and how citation reform may affect the increasing price of materials).

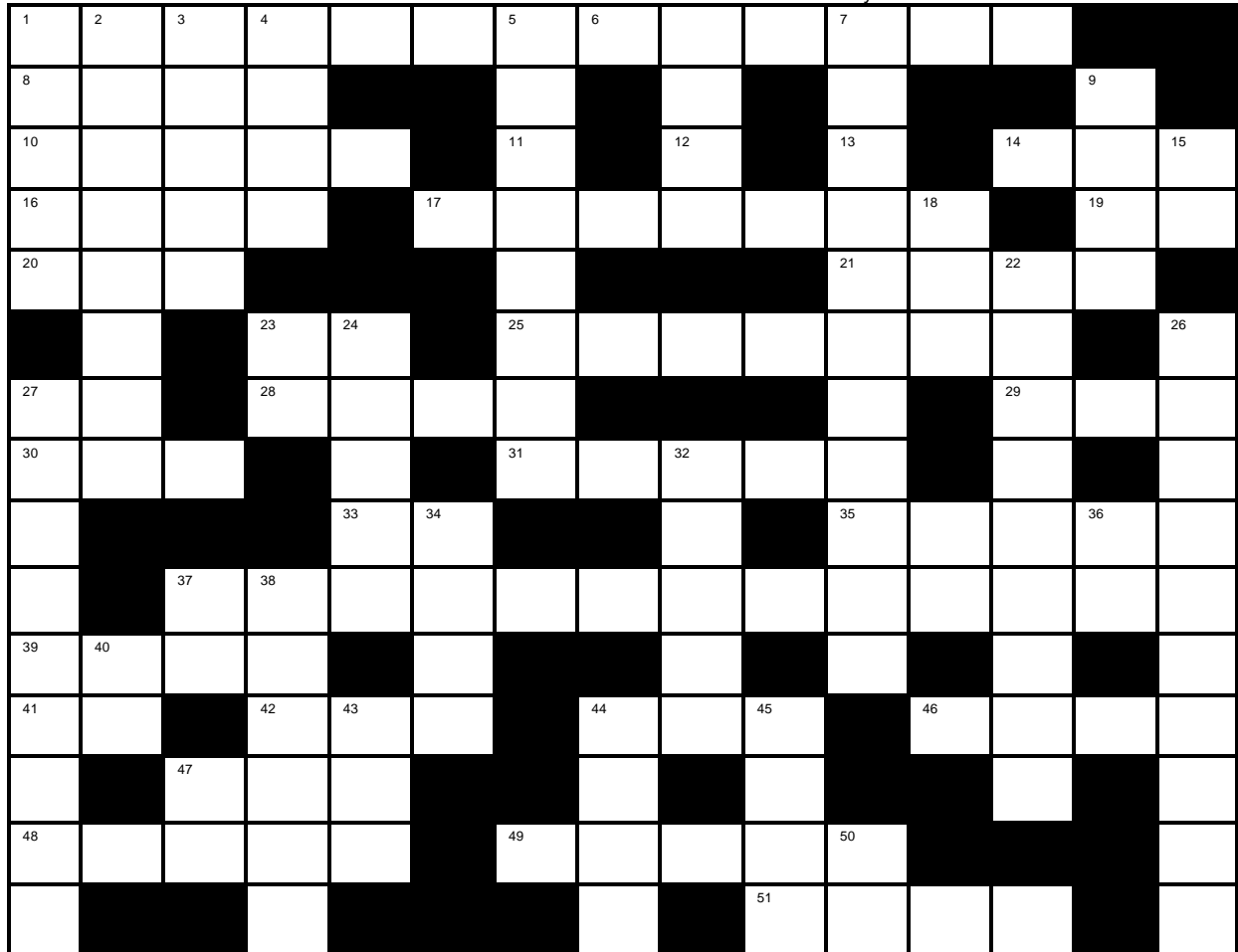
Rhea Ballard-Thrower, *The Georgia Academic Law Libraries' Staff Exchange*, SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN, Spring 1997 at 4 (reports on staff exchange program among member libraries).

CAROL'S CORNER

Note: Carol's Corner is on summer vacation this issue, filling in is Kurt Metzmeier, a fellow librarian at UK Law Library

CROSS EXAMINATION

by Kurt Metzmeier



ACROSS

1. Nino the supremo
8. What the cow did; education as a trial
10. If you do this for a living, the Supreme court may be watching
- 11-13. Altogether, the modern law librarian's favorite three letters
14. What you do when your judicata is tired
16. Kentucky legislature's greatest hits
17. I wouldn't want to be a Client of or Partner in his Firm
19. If you mess up your 1040, your case may appear here (abbr.)
20. If it's a mess, but not mal-, it's...
21. A paper with promise
23. Buy a vowel, get two; what DOS and Windows 95 are.
25. Justice Harlan (I) to Justice Harlan (II)
27. "Yo!" in Liverpool
28. No ordinary tax lawyer's wife, she's supreme!
29. Most people don't know, but he is Justice Souter's favorite stooge
30. Porcine impossibility
31. Something some Princeton law types sit on
33. Snooty New York law reporter
35. Something better than words--if recorded promptly!
37. A methodical enterprise requiring training, patience and perhaps a few books
39. More laws, more talk
41. If Lincoln were alive today, he'd read this.
42. Records Congress's dirty deeds on miles of fiche
44. Number of chief justices who were president
46. No matter how much of this we get, court will be held
47. Human's do it, judges do it, law professors--never!
48. String cites are like this and just as substantive
49. Words you need to find the law
51. Something clients do without reading first

DOWN

1. The state of that Green Eggs and Ham guy
2. A description of the relationship between the attorneys at the first O.J. trial
3. Things that people eat; things that help lawyers eat
4. The only lawyer in Mayberry's only client
5. What a woman's right to choose an abortion was in 1973
6. Chattel, even without the "h"
7. A big hit for Nixon in 1968, NBC on Weds.
9. When surveying you are bound to find one
15. "I'm taking this all the way to the _____!" (abbr.)
18. What some disbarred lawyers push
22. Something (illegal) done to juries
23. "In the alternative" translated
24. Like breathing, really, once you get used to it
26. At reunions says: "O.J. meet Claus, Claus meet..."
27. Lawyer on the letterhead, but neither associate nor partner
32. Favorite color of many lawyers
34. A couple of these are needed to prove slander
36. Venue where senators sue presidents
37. Face of Big Govt. for librarians
38. Where an ethical lawyer puts your money.
40. Reporter that's the "first" for Ky. lawyers (abbr.)
43. Whatever they say, this agency is the CPA's bread and butter
44. The bailiff's cry
45. Instruments of "justice" in the Wild West
47. "Y' know?" in Canadian
50. Periodical esteemed in many law courts, esp. for a certain annual special issue (abbr.)

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FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR COUNTY LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS IN OHIO FACES A POTENT LEGISLATIVE ENCOUNTER

by Joanne Beale,
Law Librarian, Dayton Law Library Assn.

Less than a skirmish, but more than a challenge, the law librarians and officers who serve Ohio's eighty-eight counties are marshaling forces and arguments which can be used to prevail over what has been described as "the most serious attack, ever" on the existence of the time honored "courthouse library."

Stemming from a mandate of the Supreme Court, the Ohio Sentencing Commission has been charged with, among other things, revising the state's misdemeanor sentencing laws. A primary issue under scrutiny is the redistribution of traffic fines and the consequent effect on the funds directed to county law library associations (O.R.C. 3375.50 - 3375.53).

The Commission has established a Fine Distribution Committee to study and recommend an alternate source of funding for county law libraries. This Committee has met monthly since the first of the year and has covered the issues of accountability, management, public access, cost effective resource sharing, public versus private funding, as well as the role of the law library in courthouse activities and county government as a whole.

Bluntly stated, the Commission is not convinced that quasi public money such as traffic fines should be used to support an institution that serves the needs of attorneys primarily from the private sector.

It is the Fine Distribution Committee's recommendation that the current funding statutes be replaced by provisions that require an increase in the filing fees for all cases, civil and criminal, filed in all courts within a county. This additional fee would be designated for the operation and maintenance of a county law library. The amounts under consideration are a minimum of \$10.00 per civil case and a minimum of \$5.00 per criminal case, allowing for higher fees if necessary.

At the minimum levels, this arrangement

would result in an increase of funds for slightly over one-half of the county law libraries and a decrease for the others. Needless to say, the issue of such a disparity is difficult to resolve. Add to this the apparent concern of county officials over the accountability factor, or lack thereof, of these law libraries which are primarily autonomous and subject to only periodic state audits and the prospect of a complete revamping of these institutions does not seem out of the realm of possibility.

As of this writing, the draft legislation had not yet been approved by the Ohio Sentencing Commission and has not yet been endorsed by the Ohio State Bar Association. Jan Ryan Novak, Director of The Cleveland Law Library Association, is the current Chair of the Ohio State Bar Association's Law Libraries and Legal Information Services Committee and regularly attends the meetings of the Fine Distribution Committee as an active participant. She will meet with the OSBA Board of Governors in July to ask for their support in ensuring adequate funding for county law libraries.

As the history of most successful institutions reflects both growth and change, the structure and governance of Ohio's county law libraries may be no different. These associations are an important link in each county's justice system and provide unique services to the law library field by building and maintaining an in depth practitioners' library which enhances the resources of both law firm libraries and law school libraries.

A moral victory will not be enough. It is vital that both the Fine Distribution Committee and the Ohio Sentencing Commission be convinced of the importance of county law libraries and be conscious of their duty to provide for and empower these libraries to perform to the expectations of the twenty-first century.

Cross-Examination

by Kurt Metzmeier

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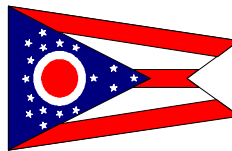
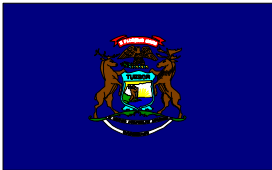
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4. Employment in Law Librarianship (Give Dates with Places): _____
(If a student, please give name of University)

5. Other Relevant Employment: _____
6. Education: _____

7. Professional Activities and Committee Memberships: _____

8. Member of ORALL since _____
9. What percentage of your expenses will your employer pay for you to attend this meeting? _____
10. Have you previously attended ORALL meetings? If so, when? _____
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Cincinnati To Host ORALL 1997 Annual Meeting

ORALL will be holding its 1997 Annual
Meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio. The
meeting will be held at the Omni
Netherland Plaza Hotel, which was also
the site for the 1991 Spring meeting. All
the guest rooms have been renovated.
Anne Abate and Carol Bredemeyer are
Local Arrangements co-chairs. Kathleen
Carrick is program chair.

Preliminary Program

Wednesday Training--Searching the
Internet for Legal Sources

2 Workshop sessions at the University of
Cincinnati's University Library Computer
Lab. Level: Beginner to Intermediate.

Tours--of the area's law firms, academic
and court libraries.

Reception and Dutch Treat Dinners

Thursday: Copyright Issues for
Electronic Information
Professor Kenneth D. Crews, Indiana
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Friday: Privacy Issues Over the Internet





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July 19-24 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD

July 31-August 3 Black Caucus of ALA, third national conference, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

September 9-12 Fifth National Court Technology Conference, Cobo Center, Detroit, Michigan

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July 11-16 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Anaheim, California

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