President's Column--JoAnn Fisher

National Conference on Legal Information Issues
As spring approaches, our thoughts begin to focus on the AALL Annual Meeting Scheduled for Pittsburgh this Summer. However, this year's meeting is unique in that it is being held in conjunction with the National Conference on Legal Information Issues. The National Conference will be held on Sunday and Monday with the AALL Annual Meeting occurring on Tuesday and Wednesday. AALL members will be registered for both events when they register for the Annual Meeting. The difference is that during the National Conference there will be "extra" attendees, our delegates. These delegates will be chosen by the chapters and SIS's of AALL. The idea is to invite delegates who are influential representatives of the legal and information community. Many of these delegates will be speakers during the National Conference. It will be an exciting opportunity for us as law librarians to introduce the delegates to our high quality programming on topics that are part of our professional workday.

The ORALL Executive Board agreed to send up to six delegates to the National Conference. ORALL will pay for the $150 registration fee, hotel, and some transportation costs. In making the final selection decision, the Board will be looking for representation from the private, government, and academic sectors, as well as from the different states representing our region. By the time you read this article, the first letters to delegates will have been sent out. The Executive Board made a great effort to receive input from the membership and we received many excellent nominations. I thank you for your interest and participation on this issue. However, if you have

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any further suggestions for delegates, please call (216-586-7034). It may not be too late.

**Scholarships**

If you would like to attend this year’s AALL Annual Meeting and National conference, but your funding is limited, please consider applying for the scholarship and registration award available to ORALL members. ORALL is offering a $500.00 scholarship to members to help defray the costs of the AALL meeting. Since Pittsburgh is within driving distance for many of our members, the $500 can go along way to lessen the total cost of attendance. Also, this year AALL is providing one free registration award for an ORALL member. It is the intent of AALL that it be presented to a newer AALL member. This is a $255 value to be granted to one of our members. Please don’t let this opportunity pass you by. If you have never attended an AALL Annual Meeting before, this is an excellent chance to convince your employer of the value of attending these meetings at very little cost. This issue contains an application for the ORALL scholarship. This same application may be used for the AALL Registration Award. Find it, fill it out, send it in! It is that simple. But HURRY. The deadline is April 1.

**Toronto**

Speaking of meetings, the 1996 Northeast Regional Meeting is a reality. ORALL will participate with ALLUNY, LLAGNY, GPLLA, WPILLA, NJLLA, LLNE, SNELLA, and the Toronto Association of Law Libraries. It will be held in Toronto at the Marriott Eaton Centre Hotel on October 17-20, 1996. I, for one, am looking forward to this meeting. Toronto is one of my favorite cities, and it is a great opportunity for international programming by holding this joint meeting in Canada with the Toronto Association as our hosts. Mark your calendars now.

**Committees**

Thanks to so many of you who have returned your committee assignment forms. As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the committee assignments will occur in the late summer with the first committee meeting taking place at the conclusion of the ORALL 1995 Annual Meeting. If you have not sent in the form yet, there is still plenty of time to pick the committee of your choice. A Committee Preference Form is included in this issue of the Newsletter. The major work of ORALL is accomplished through its committees. I can not stress how important and fulfilling it is to your professional development to get involved in committee work. The committees appointed in 1994 will continue with their assignments until October 1995. I am reviewing the charges given to the committees in 1994 and will send the committee chairs any additions or changes in those charges.

**AALL Nominations Committee**

The 1996 Nominations Committee has begun the process of identifying potential candidates for AALL offices. It is important that each chapter participates in this nomination process. If you are interested in nominating someone for a particular office, feel free to call or fax me with the nomination. The offices to be filled are Vice President/President-elect, Secretary, and Executive Board Members.

Jo Ann Fisher
Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue
Cleveland, Ohio

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**Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries**

**Treasurer's Report**

October 12, 1994

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### Balance on Hand October 12, 1994

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### Checking Balance September 30, 1994

**$12,653.32**

### Aug-Sept disbursements

**($80.50)**

### Aug-Sept deposits

**$5,047.00**

### CD Balance Oct 2, 1994

**$24,684.31**

**Total**

**$42,304.13**
American Bar Association Commission on College
and University Legal Studies Announces An
Award for Bibliography on Women and the Law

One honorarium of $1,500 will be awarded on a
contractual basis to a faculty member for the creation of
a substantial, multi-disciplinary bibliographic essay in
one or more areas of Women and the Law, for
publication and dissemination by the ABA to teachers
and scholars nationally. Applications should describe
the proposed topics, formats (e.g., organization, essays,
annotations, etc.), and utility for teachers as well as
scholars. Applicants having demonstrated expertise in
women and the law should submit 4 copies of their
proposal and c.v., as well as a brief statement of their
relevant professional work (e.g., publications,
curriculum development, course syllabi, etc.),
postmarked no later than March 31, 1995 per the
guidelines.

GUIDELINES:

Purpose:

To enhance undergraduate students' education about
law, the legal process, and law's role in society. The
Commission promotes integration of law with the
liberal arts, we do not fund projects of a pre-law,
professional or para-legal nature.

Types of Projects:

No restrictions. Examples include: development of
new courses or enhancement of existing courses;
campus symposia; faculty seminars; student forums;
experiential learning programs, etc. We encourage
projects that use interdisciplinary approaches, integrate
legal themes into general education, enhance global or
multi-cultural perspectives, promote active and
cooperative learning strategies in the classroom, and/or
link the curriculum with campus life.

Amount of Awards:

Up to $1,500. Indirect costs will not be paid.

Grant Period:

July 1, 1995 - June 30, 1996

Eligibility:

Faculty members (full or part-time) and administrators,
at accredited 2-year and 4-year colleges and
universities. We encourage applications from two or
more faculty of different disciplines.

Application:

Submit a brief (maximum 3 pages) narrative proposal
describing:

i. need for the project proposed;
ii. law-related themes/topics to be addressed;
iii. general plan and steps to implement the project;
iv. criteria for success, including how the project's
   benefits might be extended to other campuses;
v. one page budget.

Include also a c.v. for the project director(s), as well as
a cover page identifying the institution, project
director(s) and departmental affiliation(s), title of
project and a brief (100-word) abstract.

Deadline:

Submit four (4) copies of proposal and c.v.,
postmarked by March 31, 1995, to: ABA Commission
on College and University Legal Studies, 541
N. Fairbanks Ct., Chicago, IL 60611-3314, Attn:
Anthony Star, 312/988-5736.

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Selection Criteria:

All proposals will be judged on:

i. enhancement of student understanding of law, the legal system, and the role of law in society;
ii. the improved quality or innovativeness of approaches; and
iii. generalizability and utility to other campuses, departments, or teaching settings.

Announcement of awards will be mailed about May 20, 1995.

Follow-up:

All recipients of awards will be required to file final project and fiscal reports.

Anthony Star
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abaculs@attmail.com (work); astar@netcom.com (home)

CONTRIBUTIONS INVITED!!!
All ORALL members are invited to submit articles, article ideas, and any suggestions to the ORALL Newsletter Editor. If you attend a workshop or other educational program, please consider writing a brief review for publication in the Newsletter. Please contact Shaun Esposito, ORALL Newsletter Editor, Univ. of Kentucky College of Law Library, 620 S. Limestone St., Lexington, KY 40506; (606) 257-1081 (voice); (606) 323-4906 (fax), e-mail: swespol@ukc.uky.edu.

An Announcement From Communications Catalyst, A Nonprofit Clearinghouse

We encourage nonprofits to apply for these federal funds, especially in partnership with other private and nonprofit organizations.

$564 MILLION FOR "INFORMATION SUPERHIGHWAY" GRANTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN MID TO LATE FEBRUARY
COMPLETED PROPOSALS DUE IN MID TO LATE APRIL

The Department of Commerce's Telecommunication and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program will "provide matching grants to state and local governments, health care providers, school districts, libraries, universities, community organizations, public safety services, and other nonprofit entities to help them access and use new telecommunications technologies."

FOR APPLICATION FORMS BY MAIL: Send name, position title, organization, address, phone, fax, e-mail (if available) and request for application package to:

DOC\NTIA\TIAP
14th and Constitution Ave, N.W.
Washington, DC 20230
Tel 202-482-2048
Fax 202-501-5136
e-mail tiap@ntia.doc.gov

FOR GRANT AND APPLICATION INFORMATION ELECTRONICALLY:
* NTIA BBS via Internet: ntiabbs.ntia.doc.gov or iitf.doc.gov
* NTIA BBS via dial up: 202-482-1199; modem set at either 2400 or 9600 baud, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit
* Internet gopher: iitf.doc.gov or gopher.ntia.doc.gov (login as gopher)
* Internet ftp: iitf.doc.gov in the /pub/grantinfo directory or

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We expect the 1995 guidelines to be very similar to those issued last year by NTIA. Key elements from LAST YEAR'S guidelines:

**SIZE OF GRANTS:** $20,000-$500,000 (approximately)

**DURATION:** 12 to 18 months

**GRANT CATEGORIES:** Planning projects, Demonstration/application projects

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:** Requires matching support (cash or in-kind services), Emphasis on building partnerships among organizations, Emphasis on online electronic networks

Excerpts from LAST YEAR'S NTIA guidelines:

**LAST YEAR'S NTIA SUMMARY:** "...funds for planning and demonstration projects to promote the goals of development and widespread availability of advanced telecommunications technologies; to enhance the delivery of social services and generally serve the public interest; to promote access to government information and increase civic participation; and to support the advancement of an advanced nationwide telecommunications and information infrastructure."

**LAST YEAR'S NTIA PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** "NTIA announces a competitive grant program, the TIIAP (Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program) initiative. Major goals of the NII initiative include: the promotion of private sector investment through appropriate tax and regulatory policies; the extension of universal service so that information is available to all at affordable prices, using the widest variety of appropriate technologies; the promotion of technological innovation and new applications; wider access to government information; and guarantees of information security and network reliability..."

"Grants will be awarded after a competitive merit review process and will be used to fund projects that connect communications networks and systems that are already operational, establish new networked capabilities, and permit users to interconnect on-line. Equally important, they will help leverage the resources and creativity of the private sector to devise new applications and uses of the NII. The success of these pilot projects will create an ongoing process that will generate more innovative approaches each year."

This alert is posted by Communications Catalyst and its NII Clearinghouse Project, which is supported by private foundations to track federal funding of communication programs and to increase access to government information. We receive no federal support. We are not currently staffed to handle inquiries about the NTIA grant guidelines ourselves, so please address questions directly to NTIA. However, as we develop our capacities, we hope to play useful roles in identifying common interests among nonprofits that use the NII and in referring potential new users to appropriate technical assistance providers.

Tom Freeborn
Communications Catalyst
NII Clearinghouse Project
1742 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Washington, DC 20009
Tel 202-234-8494
Fax 202-234-8584
e-mail freebair@rtk.net

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**AALL Grants Available**

Attending an AALL Annual Meeting, Summer Institute or Workshop is an extremely rewarding professional experience. Money woes? Don't fret...financial grants are available. To be awarded a grant, an applicant must be a member of AALL or of an AALL Chapter, not have received an AALL grant in the past and submit a timely, complete application. The grant application has been published in the February issue of the AALL Newsletter and will also be published in the March issue of the AALL Newsletter. Pay particular attention to the April 1 deadline for submission of the grant application and accompanying documentation.

Grant applications are evaluated to ensure that newer members who show promise in the profession will bear less of a financial burden in attending one of their first professional educational events. Applicants are judged by the following criteria: AALL or AALL Chapter membership, years of experience, financial need, letters of recommendation and personal statement. Canadian librarians should take special notice. One grant has been earmarked for a Canadian librarian. Submitted by Carol A. Watson, University of Georgia Law Library, AALL Grants Committee.
APPLICATION FOR ORALL SCHOLARSHIP/REGISTRATION AWARD

Several years ago, ORALL created a $500 scholarship to help an active member of our regional association attend the AALL national convention. The applicants are screened by the ORALL Education Committee. Candidates are evaluated on prior ORALL activity and commitment to law librarianship. AALL is offering a registration award ($255 value) to an ORALL member who recently joined AALL.

To apply for a scholarship of $500 to be used to help meet expenses for attending the AALL national convention in Pittsburgh, PA on July 15 - 19, 1995, or the registration award, please fill out this application and return it by April 15, 1995 to:

Return To-
Kathleen Carrick
Education Committee Chair
Case Western Reserve University
Law Library
110 S East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44106-7148

I am applying for: ☐ $500 scholarship ☐ Registration Award (check one or both)

Include one letter of recommendation from a person familiar with your work, potential and need of this scholarship or award. Please remember that prior involvement with ORALL committees and attendance at regional meetings is a prerequisite for the scholarship.

1. Name:______________________________________________

2. Work Address:_______________________________________

3. Phone (Including Area Code):__________________________

4. Employment in Law Librarianship (Give Dates and Places):__________________________________________

5. Other Relevant Information:____________________________

6. Education:__________________________________________

7. Professional Activities and Committee Memberships:______________________________________________

8. Member of ORALL since______ Member of AALL?______ 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?________________

11. Have you previously attended an AALL convention?______________________________________________

12. Please describe what you do in your current law library position. (For questions 11, 12, and 13, use back or attach a second page if necessary.)

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13. Please attach a summary of your career goal and a statement of how you will benefit from attending this meeting.

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NOMINATIONS

Nominees for ORALL Offices Announced

Nominees for ORALL offices include:

VicePresident/President Elect: Jody Beal, Dayton Law Library Association.

Treasurer: Carol Suhre, Clermont County Law Library; Kyle Passmore, Thompson Hine & Flory, Cleveland

Executive Board: Nancy Clark, Squire Sanders & Dempsey, Columbus; Melanie Putnam, Ohio State.

Biographies of these nominees follow:

Vice-President/President-Elect

Joanne Beal (Jody), a long-time ORALL member, joined the Association in 1972. A steadfast supporter of ORALL she has served on and chaired numerous committees including Activities, Education, Local Arrangements, Membership, Newsletter, and Nominating Committee. Most recently she was elected to an Executive Board position and served from 1991 - 1993. She has been a willing participant on ORALL panel discussions and a presenter at several programs. As an active AALL member Jody has delivered program presentations at three national conventions. She is also a member of SCCLL and the County Law Library SIG of ORALL.

Jody received a B.A. from Butler University in 1970 and a M.S.L.S from Case Western Reserve University in 1971. She was first employed as the Circulation Librarian at Case Western Reserve School of Law Library from 1971 - 1974. In 1974 she was hired as the Librarian for the Cincinnati law firm of Taft, Stetimius & Hollister. In 1976 she accepted the position of Reference Librarian at The Dayton Law Library Association advancing to Assistant Law Librarian for Reader Services in 1990. She was then appointed to her current position of Law Librarian in 1993.

Treasurer

Kyle Passmore is currently the Firm Librarian at Thompson, Hine and Flory in Cleveland. She joined Thompson, Hine and Flory in April of 1994. Prior to joining Thompson, Hine and Flory, Kyle was an assistant law librarian at the University of Akron Law Library from 1977 to 1994. She served as the Assistant Law Librarian for Technical Services from 1977 to 1986. In 1986, she became the Assistant Law Librarian for Reference, Computer Research, and Interlibrary Loan. In 1992, she additionally took on the responsibility of being in charge of Public Services.

Kyle received her B.A. from Capital University in 1976. She received her M.L.S. from Kent State University in 1977 and her J.D. from the University of Akron in 1993. She was admitted to the Ohio Bar in November of 1993.

Kyle has been active in both ORALL and
AALL. She is currently Chair of the ORALL Placement Committee and she has previously served as Chair of the ORALL Public Service Committee. She has served on the AALL Placement Committee and the AALL Awards Committee.

Carol A. Suhre has been Director of the Clermont County Law Library for the past 12 years. She graduated from Kent State University with a BA degree in Journalism and Library Science and from the University of Kentucky with a Masters degree in Library Science. After receiving a grant to attend the 1984 AALL Annual Meeting, Ms. Suhre has been involved in that professional organization by serving on the Scholarship, Grants and Placement Committees, including serving as Chair of the Grants Committee 1988-89. She is also a member of the AALL’s Legal Information Services to the Public SIS and a member of the State, Court & County SIS, having served on its Newsletter and Nominations Committees.

Ms. Suhre has served the ORALL constituency as Chair of the Public Services Committee for the past three years, by contributing to the Newsletter, and as Chair of the Nominations Committee 1987-88. She was also involved with the Local Arrangements Committee, securing sponsorship for the Cincinnati meetings in Spring 1986 and Spring 1991. She is a member of the OSBA Law Libraries’ Committee and has been a book reviewer for Legal Information Alert.

Closer to home, Ms. Suhre is the administrator of the Clermont County Judges’ Committee on Notaries Public, a trustee of the Clermont County Public Library, a manager of the Clermont County Bar Association and its Lawyers’ Referral Service, and a volunteer at the Children’s Museum in Cincinnati. When not enjoying numerous activities with her husband Jim and daughter Jaime, Ms. Suhre collects Precious Moments figurines and cheers for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Executive Board Member

Nancy S. Clark has been the librarian at the Columbus office of squire, Sanders & Dempsey since February, 1993. Before coming to Squire, Nancy was the librarian at Arter & Hadden in Columbus, 1987 to 1993.

Nancy has been a member of ORALL since 1987 and served on the Local Arrangement-Hospitality Committee for the November 1992 Midwest Regional Conference. She also was a proud recipient of an ORALL Scholarship to attend AALL in Seattle, 1994. Nancy is immediate past Chair of the Columbus Bar Association, Legal Research and Information Resources Committee, 1992-94.

Nancy has also been active in AALL, serving on the Education Committee, 1988-90. She was the Co-Director of the pre-conference institute on Basic Legal Reference Services in Tallahassee, Florida, 1991, and Co-Director of the AALL Workshop on Weeding your Library Collection, Reno, 1989.

Melanie Putnam began her law library career at the University of Wisconsin - Madison Law School Library, while in graduate school. Moving to Ohio in 1984, her first job was in a law firm environment. Preferring a large law library setting, she moved on to the Ohio Supreme Court Law Library. After nearly six years of intensive downtown reference work, she switched back to the academic arena.
She has been at the Ohio State University College of Law Library for over four years, doing reference, teaching legal research to first year students, as well as masquerading as the government documents librarian when there is time. She received her M.A. in Library Science from the University of Wisconsin in 1980.

Among Melanie's professional activities, she is currently the editor of the Ohio GODORT newsletter Doc's Prescriptions, chair of ORALL's Core Legal Bibliography Committee, since 1992 and editor of the Core Legal Bibliography issued in November 1993. She is a member of AALL, ORALL, ALA, and Ohio GODORT.

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**AWARDS NOMINATIONS SOUGHT**

The AALL Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award, the Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award and the Law Library Publication Award. These awards are judged according to the criteria listed below. Any AALL member may make nominations, and library staffs are encouraged to submit their own libraries' publications. Send all nominations to Bettie Scott, 1994/95 Chair, AALL Awards Committee, CUNY Law Library, 65-21 Main St., Flushing, NY 11367. **The deadlines for nomination for all awards have been changed for this year only and will be May 1.**

The **Joseph L. Andrews Bibliographical Award** recognizes a significant contribution to legal bibliographical literature. Bibliographies published in 1994 are eligible for consideration. The bibliography may be a book, a pamphlet, a periodical contribution or a publication in some other form. To nominate a bibliography, please provide as complete a description as possible. It is not necessary to submit a copy of the work, and the award is not limited to works by law librarians or AALL members. The deadline for nominations is May 1, 1995.

The **Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award** is presented to an individual for outstanding, extended and sustained service to law librarianship and to AALL. The award is presented to an AALL member nearing or following completion of an active professional career. Honorees may be recognized for achievement in a particular area of law librarianship, for service to the Association or for outstanding contributions to professional literature. The deadline for nominations for this award is May 1, 1995.

The **Law Library Publication Award** has been discontinued and a new award entitled the **Law Library Public Relations Award** has been established in its place. Nominations for this award should be forwarded to the Public Relations Advisory Committee, which will be responsible for publishing criteria for the award. The deadline for this award has also been extended to May 1.
THE AALL WINTER INSTITUTE IN SAN DIEGO, FEB. 15-18, 1995
a recap by Melanie Putnam

The institute, TRAINING FOR TOMORROW: TEACHING RESEARCH SKILLS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY, was attended by sixty AALL members from all types of law libraries. The faculty making presentations to this group included Bob Berring, Penny Hazelton, Frank Houdek, Virginia Wise, Ellen Callinan, Marie Wallace, Lynn Foster and Tom Bruce.

We were all looking for the answer as to how electronic sources should be integrated with print sources when teaching legal research. There is no answer. We are all grappling with a rapidly changing environment and we don't know where it is taking us. The best we can do is to try to prepare our students to be critical users of the myriad sources now available to them. We cannot break away from the fixed types of materials a law user needs: statutes, regulations, case law, secondary sources. What we have to do is to help them recognize these sources in the many different formats: print, online, CD-ROM or the Internet.

The participants of the institute gained much from the specific presentations on curricula design, problem design, a handout workshop, evaluation design and a critique of one's own presentation style. The Resource Room, set up just for the institute, contained many, many ideas, from new software to the latest in scents to stimulate your audience.

From the Resource Room my favorite software program is WordPerfect's Presentation 3.0 graphic software. Struggling over handouts is a thing of the past with this software; in fact, handouts can be a thing of the past if you make it into a slide show. (For a review of this software see InfoWorld, Jan. 30, 1995, p.104.) Another favorite of mine surfaced after the handout workshop: The Graphic Design Cookbook: Mix & Match Recipes for Faster, Better Layouts by Leonard Koren and R. Wippo Meeckler. San Francisco: Chronicle Books, 1989. This book, in pictures, shows new ways to present information on a page.

The bottom line is that teaching requires work. The teacher has to be prepared. The teacher has to be there mentally. The content has to be worked over before teaching begins. Classes can be stimulating and students can learn if you put the effort into it, before, during and after the class.

SLA/Cincinnati Chapter Workshop:
New Directions for Document Delivery
submitted by Shaun Esposito

The highlight of the February 15, 1995 workshop, New Directions for Document Delivery, was a presentation by Mary Jackson, Access & Delivery Services Consultant at the Association of Research Libraries. Ms. Jackson presented an overview of the types of document delivery services currently available and offered criteria by which librarians may evaluate potential suppliers. She also discussed the varying technologies available for document delivery and examined the advantages and disadvantages of each system. She offered her insight concerning how the use of document delivery services relates to established library interlibrary loan programs.

An afternoon panel discussion focused on users actual experience with several document delivery services. The advantages and disadvantages of each system were presented. Systems discussed were: Ariel, Dialog SourceOne, OCLC FirstSearch, ProQuest Power Pages, and CARL Uncover.

Volunteers Needed

Have you always been intrigued by the inner workings of the AALL annual meeting? Have you always wanted to walk around an AALL meeting carrying a radio (walkie-talkie to the uninitiated)? Then volunteer to be a function coordinator.

One or two additional volunteers are needed to serve as function coordinators at the 1996 AALL Annual Meeting in Indianapolis. The basic role of the function coordinators is to see to it that every meeting session goes as smoothly as possible. This involves checking each room to make sure it is properly set up, coordinating with the convention staff, and trouble-shooting. We need 4 or 5 function coordinators. I have 3 volunteers so far.

If you are interested in serving, or wish more information, please contact me.

Mary Persyn, Function Coordinator Chair
Valparaiso University School of Law Library
Valparaiso, IN 46383
(219) 465-7838
mpersyn@exodus.valpo.edu or
mpersyn@wesemann.law.valpo.edu

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ORALL COMMITTEE PREFERENCE FORM

This committee preference form is for the selection of 1995-96 committee members. Beginning in 1995, newly appointed committees will meet and begin their work at the conclusion of the annual ORALL meeting. Final committee meetings will be held at the beginning of the 1996 annual ORALL meeting. Although selection of these committees will not take place until this summer, I urge you to take this opportunity to sign up for committees and return this form if you have not already done so.

NAME:___________________________________________

AFFILIATION:____________________________________

ADDRESS:_______________________________________

PHONE:______________________ FAX:____________________

E-MAIL:________________________________________

Please indicate your choice(s) by placing numbers in front of the committee(s) in order of preference with number 1 being your first choice:

___ AALL Arrangements--Indianapolis
___ Bylaws and Guidelines
___ Education*
___ Government Relations
___ Membership
___ Newsletter
___ Nominating
___ Placement
___ Public Services*

*NOTE: starting with the 1995-96 Committees, the duties of the Activities Committee have been transferred to the Education Committee, and the duties of the Bibliography Committee have been transferred to the Public Services Committee.

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Scanning the Newsletters

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

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Anthony Amabile, *TCP/IP, SLIP and the Internet*, LAW LINES (Law Library Association of Greater New York), Jan./Feb. 1995 at 1 (extensive article gives basics of the Internet and provides Internet sites of interest to law librarians).


Janet Reinke, *The Cost Effectiveness of CD-ROM*, SCALL NEWSLETTER (Southern California Association of Law Libraries), Jan. 1995 at 62 (discussing the author’s experience with use of CD-ROMs in place of or in addition to books at her private firm library).

Anyone interested in obtaining a copy of any of these articles should contact ORALL Newsletter Editor Shaun Esposito, Reference Librarian, University of Kentucky Law Library, 620 South Limestone St., Lexington, KY 40506-0048; (606) 257-1081 (voice); (606) 323-4906 (fax); internet: swespol@ukcc.uky.edu.
Library Leadership 2000 is a five day residential experiential program of leadership training for Ohio Librarians. Thirty participants will be selected based on outstanding leadership potential, excellent communication skills, successful library employment experience, initiative, commitment and reasonable risk taking. The objectives of this conference is for the participants to: 1) examine their own leadership style in depth, 2) identify their professional and personal goals, 3) gain knowledge and skills needed for effective leadership in a rapidly changing environment, 4) interact with a select group of outstanding library leaders who will serve as mentors, and 5) develop a network of professional peers with whom they will continue to work with in the future. Applicants should have 2-10 years library experience after earning a Master of Library Science degree. The Conference will take place September 10-15, 1995, at the Inn at Honey Run in Millersburg, Ohio. The registration cost is $350.00. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 1, 1995. The 30 selected participants will be notified by June 1, 1995. If you are interested in applying, application forms can be requested by phone (216)921-3900 / fax (216)921-7220 / e-mail camls@ohionet.org.

The ORALL Executive Board is seeking nominations for delegates to the AALL National Conference on Legal Information Issues being held in conjunction with the AALL Annual Meeting in Pittsburgh. These delegates ideally would be people that are important in our law library community or are in the position to educate and influence our employers or library users. Examples would be legislators, judges, law school deans or professors, firm administrators or managing partners, bar association officials, information professionals, or court administrators. The Board is considering sending up to six delegates. ORALL will pay for the registration fee (includes cost of food) and possibly the hotel and some transportation costs. Please send letters of recommendation to:

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From the University of Dayton: Two of the three copies that we received of Baldwin's Ohio Revised Code Annotated, Title 31, Domestic Relations: Children, copyright 1995, had the following defect: pp 75-106 were missing. Purchasers of this set may wish to check their own copies.

The Membership Committee requests any information on life member Doris V. Coats. Recently, the Committee mailed the ORALL Directory to her and it came back with the notation "moved, not forwardable." If anyone knows her new address, or any other information, please contact Marcia Siebesma or Tom Hanley.
THE STATE OF LEGAL PUBLISHING AND THE LAW LIBRARIAN'S ROLE IN THAT STATE
program reviewed by Teddy Artz, University of Dayton Law Library

Richard Vaughan of Indiana University School of Law Library at Bloomington and CRIV SHEET editor discussed the changing relationship between librarians and legal information providers at the Indianapolis ORALL meeting. Librarians are becoming more important as they are called upon to evaluate information sources as to accuracy, completeness, and overall quality. This new role can lead to occasional conflict with publishers but this can usually be resolved before it reaches the formal complaint stage. Publishers need to listen better to librarians' concerns about the appropriateness of publications to librarians' needs. The Spring Retreat with selected librarians and publishers led to useful discussions and better understanding of all parties of the economic realities faced by both. The need for better definition of "fair use" was also a valuable part of the discussion.

Mr. Vaughan also discussed the role CRIV is playing in revising the FTC Guidelines. With newer media affecting our industry, new guidelines are needed.

Mr. Vaughan stated that information providers will inevitably be involved with the commercialization of the Internet. Librarians need to be involved in the planning or we may not be happy with the results. Librarians are becoming more involved with producing information products with all the responsibility involved with that process.

We are in an era of rapid change and can, if we choose, be an important part of shaping the direction information takes. It is in the interest of both librarians and information providers that we do so.

New Local Law Library Organization Formed in Lexington, Kentucky

An organizational meeting of the Lexington Area Law Librarians (LEXALL) was held February 7 at the University of Kentucky College of Law. LEXALL is an organization made up of academic, law firm and state law librarians in the Bluegrass area. The group was formed to aid law librarians with their legal research needs as well as the sharing of resources, knowledge, problems and fellowship. Items discussed at the meeting included a mentoring program with library science students, workshops for summer law clerks, and professional development opportunities.

The Private Law Library section of ORALL is sponsoring an Internet Workshop on Thursday, April 6 and repeating the program on Friday, April 7. The program will be held at Case Western Reserve University Law School in Cleveland, 9:15-4:00 p.m. The Workshop will be given by Jim Milles, Head of Computer Services at Saint Louis University Law School. Enrollment is limited to 20 people each day. Cost is $25.00. Letters were sent to PLL members on March 7. If you need further information, please call Susan Hersch at (216) 621-0160.
FORMAT INTEGRATION--YES IT IS IMPORTANT TO YOU

What is it?

Format integration is the creation of one standard cataloging format with consistent rules and data fields for all types of materials. Tags and indicators will be the same for all records in the system. It will also make it easier for catalogers to put titles consisting of more than one type of material on the same record (such as a book with an audio cassette). New tags will be in records identifying addresses of electronic versions of the title, or access restrictions. This uniformity will make the records clearer and more consistent for catalogers and other librarians alike.

What does it mean if you are a cataloger?

The new integrated format will afford the cataloger greater options in choosing fields because they will be able to apply any tag to any type of MARC record, including those that were previously applied only to maps, musical scores, and other formats law catalogers never touched. Before integration the 246 field (other Title) was valid only for serials and computer files formats, but now it will be used in all formats. Consequently, monographs that received a 740 (added entry title) will get a 246 with indicators telling whether to print or display a 500 note for the added title. In much the same way, most catalogers are now accustomed to creating a 500 note in the record indicating that any updated treatise is kept current by looseleaf pages or some other form of updating. In the integrated format this note will be in a 525 field, which earlier was applied only to serial records to show extra issues. Format integration also introduces a 505 contents notes which is formatted and indexed according to the indicators chosen. While these new options may be daunting at first, the new uniformity between monographs, serials, and computer files should simplify training new staff members. The transition has been made more confusing by OCLC's implementation of format integration of February 1st, a full two months before they expect to send the documentation to member libraries. In the meantime, refer to the December 1994 OCLC Technical Bulletin on integration.

What does it mean if you are not a cataloger?

Firstly, it means the foregoing probably seems like gibberish to you. The key issue for those outside the technical services area is the confusion this may generate in the OPAC or on printed cards. The index labels for the pre-and post-integration records will be different, just how different will depend on your library's automated system or OCLC's card printing format. Since every system will contain a mixture of old and new records the appearance of bibliographic screens in the OPAC will often be quite different even though both formats are correct. Added entries and notes may be structured in varying ways between editions of the same title, therefore, be warned that it may be necessary to carefully look at the entire bibliographic display or the entire printed card set because the new format may be placing information in unfamiliar places.

Not only may information be printing and displaying in different areas, but until each automated library system is upgraded to account for the new tags and indicators, some of the information from OCLC records created after February 1st may not appear at all in a patron OPAC display. As though reference librarians were not harried enough, they may be compelled, for a time, to call up the full MARC display and look at all of the 240s and 500s for added titles and notes which might not be displaying or indexing in their automated system.

Whatever the problems encountered, the alertness...
with which publishers are integrating new information formats with each other (eg. book with forms on floppies, compact disc titles with video tape users' guides) makes the creation of a unified format for information a modern necessity.

THE OCCASIONAL NEED FOR TIME TRAVEL

At least two people have been unpleasantly surprised this month when their BNA Environmental Law discs refused to work. A little investigation revealed that the January disc had not been distributed until the first part of February. Unfortunately, BNA's compact disc (like some other titles) becomes inaccessible after the month for which it is intended expires. Most of these time sensitive security programs simply read the calendar date generated by your computer. While this may seem incredibly basic to many librarians, the knowledge is hardly universal. In order to access data on a January disc:

Go to the prompt for your hard drive C>
type date (enter)
type the date in the format shown 01-15-1995 (enter)

Now when the program is booted it will believe the date is January 15th. Assuming any other access codes are correct, the disc should now be readable. Correct the date when the program is closed. It goes without saying that this should be used only on products you are legally entitled to access.

New Librarian Joins Staff at the University of Toledo College of Law Library

Charles J. Condon has joined the staff of the University of Toledo College of Law Library as Evening Public Services Librarian. He holds a BA from Florida Atlantic University, a JD from Nova Southeastern University; an LLM from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville; and an MLS from the University of Southern Mississippi. He brings a wealth of knowledge and a variety of experiences to this position. He has been a practicing attorney for the past 12 years in various areas of law. He likes to fish and is a night owl. Please help welcome him to the ORALL area.

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**April 9-15** The National Legal Research Teach-In, sponsored by the Research Instruction Caucus of the AALL

**July 11-14** AALL Foreign and International Law Institute, tentatively entitled "Business Transactions in a Global Economy," Philadelphia, PA

**July 15-20** AALL Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA

**October 4-6** ORALL Annual Meeting, Maumee Bay State Park (near Toledo)

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An annual conference is held in the Fall of each year. ORALL publishes or sponsors the following publications: Core Legal Collection Bibliographies for Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, ORALL Membership Directory, ORALL Newsletter, ORALL Union List of Serials, Ohio Legal Resources Annotated Bibliography & Guide 3rd.

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