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President's Message

by Bonnie Shucha, University of Wisconsin Law Library

It's hard to believe that another exceptional LLAW year is coming to a close. We attended some interesting programs, had a couple new initiatives and publications, and even won an award!



We hit things off to a fun start this program year with a meeting at Miller Park in which Milwaukee Brewers President & CEO, Ulice Payne, shared some interesting insights on marketing. At our second quarterly membership meeting, we learned some good techniques for avoiding and managing conflict in the workplace from Harry Webne-Behrman of Collaborative Initiative, Inc.

The second half of our program year began with our February membership meeting featuring a program entitled "Trends in Technology" which offered some great tips for incorporating technology tools into our law libraries. In April, we went Hollywood at a joint program with the South Central Library System and the Wisconsin Chapter of Special Libraries entitled, "The Hollywood Librarian." Speaker, Ann Seidl treated us to some highlights from her documentary-in-progress on images of librarians in film. At our final membership meeting in May, we geared up for the AALL Annual Meeting by playing "Let's Make a Deal" for some fabulous (and some silly) Boston-themed prizes.

A highlight this year has been LLAW's article publishing campaign which was recently awarded an AALL/ West Excellence in Marketing Award! I'm so proud of all our authors. While educating readers, your articles have helped law librarians earn some valuable recognition in the greater legal community. If you are attending the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston, look for incoming president, Ted Potter, who will be giving a presentation about our project at the Public Relations Committee Showcase. [To learn more about LLAW's

article publishing campaign, see our March 2004 *AALL Spectrum* article entitled, "Write and Reach Out."]

The Public Access to Legal Information Committee's guide entitled, *Introduction to Legal Materials: A Manual for Non-Law Librarians in Wisconsin* has also done quite well this year. PALI Committee Chair, Sunil Rao, estimates that at least 70 copies of the print guide have been sold. And it is likely that many other readers have accessed the guide from our Web site as well. The LLAW Executive Board recently granted permission to the Missouri Bar to use our manual as a

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LLAW BOARD MEETING

Fourth Quarterly Board Meeting Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin Thursday May 6, 2004 Hi-Way Harry's Johnson Creek, WI 5:30 pm

I. President Bonnie Shucha called the meeting to order at approximately 5:50 pm.

Present: Olivia Bradford-Jaskolski, Bev Butula, Diane Duffey, Pat Ellingson, Amy Gannaway, Diane Medcalf, Jim Mumm, Ted Potter, Sunil Rao, Bonnie Shucha, Connie Von Der Heide.

Absent: Carol Bannen, Tony Chan, Julia Jaet, Melissa Mooney, Laura Olsen Dugan, Carol Schmitt, Kellee Selden-Huston, Amy Thornton.

- **II.** Minutes for the February 9, 2004 (Third Quarterly) Board Meeting were approved.
- **III.** Treasurer's Report (Pat Ellingson)

Checking Account Ending Balance 2,747.25
Savings Account Ending Balance 3,631.79
Total Ending Balance \$6,379.04

Pat noted that there is one outstanding check in the amount of \$35.00 to Imperial Gardens dated 9/29/03; it is assumed that this check will not be cashed.

IV. <u>President's Report</u> – Bonnie thanked everyone for their commitment this year, and offered a special thanks to Ted for stepping in as interim President during her maternity leave. She congratulated next year's LLAW officers: Bev Butula, Vice President/President Elect; Jim Mumm, Treasurer; Diane Duffey, continuing as Secretary; and Ted Potter, President.

V. <u>Committee Reports</u>

<u>Archives</u> – No report.

Government Relations – Tony reported (via Bonnie) that he is following developments on 2003 WI Act 207 on disclosure of library records of a minor to parent or guardian. AALL filed an amicus brief in March 2004 in the U.S Supreme Court case Cheney v. U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, supporting broad access to government records. H.R. 3261, the Database Protection Bill, was introduced recently. House Resolution 507 declared April 20, 2004 National Library Workers' Day.

Grants – No report.

LLAW MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Fourth Quarterly General Membership Meeting
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin
Thursday May 6, 2004
Hi-Way Harry's
Johnson Creek, WI
7:00 pm

- I. President Bonnie Shucha called the meeting to order at approximately 7:20 pm. **THERE WAS NOT A QUORUM AT THIS MEETING.**
- **II.** Minutes for the February 26, 2004 (Third Quarterly) Meeting could not be approved, since there was not a quorum.
- III. Treasurer's Report

Checking Account Ending Balance 2,747.25
Savings Account Ending Balance 3,631.79
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IV. <u>President's Report</u> – Bonnie thanked Bridget MacMillan of Lexis-Nexis for sponsoring dessert and gifts. She announced that the Board had voted to create a special Bylaws Committee. Bonnie will chair the committee, and Connie Von Der Heide will be part of it. Bonnie thanked everyone for a good year, and presented LLAW officers with certificates of recognition for their contribution to the organization.

V. Committee Reports

<u>Archives</u> – No report.

Government Relations – Bonnie recapitulated Tony Chan's report that he is following developments on 2003 WI Act 207 on disclosure of library records of a minor to parent or guardian. On the federal level, AALL filed an amicus brief in March 2004 in the U.S Supreme Court case Cheney v. U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, supporting broad access to government records. H. R. 3261, the Database Protection Bill, was introduced recently. House Resolution 507 declared April 20, 2004 National Library Workers' Day.

Grants – Ted Potter, Sara Paul, Laura Rose and Jenny Zook are the recipients of grants for AALL.

Membership – No report.

<u>Newsletter</u> – The Newsletter Committee is still accepting submissions for the next newsletter; people can send items to Bev by Monday, or to Julia Jaet after that.

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Membership – No report.

<u>Newsletter</u> – People may still submit items for the newsletter to Bev by Monday, or to Julia Jaet after that. The next newsletter will be issued very soon.

Nominating – No report.

Placement – No report.

<u>Program</u> – The committee is working on ideas for next year. Ted said that they are considering joining a multi-regional meeting with the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries to be held in Indianapolis in October 2005. ORALL has not requested any seed money yet. Ted may call ORALL to ask about their interest.

<u>Public Access</u> – Sunil received an email from the Media Relations Director for the Missouri Bar, who asked for permission to use LLAW's Introduction to Legal Research guide as a model for a Missouri guide. He said LLAW would be given credit. The Board approved this. Paula Seeger will be the new PALI chair. She is working on her modification of the PALI guide for self-represented litigants. Diane Medcalf said the MALC group may be interested in the PALI guide, and will check with them.

<u>Public Relations</u> - Laura (via Bonnie) inquired if someone would be willing to set up the LLAW booth at the AALL Meeting. It was suggested to have a grant recipient take care of the set-up. Laura can coordinate with Amy Thornton. Sunil will get PALI guide order forms to Laura.

<u>Articles Subcommittee</u>: Carol Bannen reported (via Bonnie) that LLAW will have articles in the Wisconsin Lawyer through the fall, and articles monthly in Wisconsin Law Journal, as well as some articles in the Wisconsin Association of Legal Administrators Newsletter. This project has been submitted for the AALL Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Campaign. During the AALL Annual Meeting, this project will be presented at the AALL Public Relations Committee Showcase, and Ted will be speaking about it on July 10th.

<u>Web Site</u> – Amy Gannaway reported that the LLAW listservs have been having some problems recently. One can't send messages from email client, but must be logged in to the AALL server. She is looking into this.

<u>Digitization Committee</u> – Ted said that bids from vendors for digitization have come in on the high side. The Revisor of Statutes Bureau has begun to make recent historical information available and accessible via hyperlink from current information on the web site. However, Ted expressed concern that the retrospective information in the documents kept at Quarles & Brady may be lost if the firm decides to jettison the paper materials. Rebecca Schultz will not continue as chair of this committee, so someone will be needed to take over and look into the possibility of scanning the older materials and being in touch with the RSB.

VI. Old Business - No old business to report.

VII. New Business

<u>LLAW Representative at CONELL</u> - Bonnie inquired whether LLAW should try to send a volunteer to represent LLAW at CONELL, the Consortium of Newer Law Librarians, this year. The Board

National Library Legislative Day Honors Senator Feingold

by Sue Center, University of Wisconsin Law Library

National Library Legislative Day was held on Capitol Hill on May 4 with over 500 delegates participating from throughout the country. This was the largest delegation ever to assemble for this purpose. The Wisconsin Delegation was well-represented by Nancy Beszhak (WEMA), Tom & Lee Brown (SCLS), Don Bulley (South Milwaukee Public Library Trustee), Sue Center (WLA Federal Relations Coordinator), Terry Dawson (SRLAAW and WLA President-Elect), Richard Grobschmidt (Wisconsin Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction), Jessica MacPhail (SRLAAW), Mark Morse (SRLAAW), Pamela Penn (WASL), Bob Smiley (WEMA), Jack Taft (SCLS), and Kristi and Roger Williams (SCLS).

As we visited the offices of our 10 elected officials to present our message, we highlighted the following key Issues:

- Fund the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) at \$232 million to enhance shared public access to information, promote the use of technology, encourage the sharing of resources, and other collaborations and outreach not feasible across local and state boundaries.
- Fund the Improving Literacy Through School Libraries at \$100 million to increase student achievement by providing books, professional development for school librarians, increase collaborations among teachers and librarians, and expand access to the school library during non-school hours.
- Encourage support of the Consumer Access to Information Act of 2004 (H.R. 3872), which narrowly defines the definition of misappropriation of a database and calls for Federal Trade Commission oversight and enforcement while prohibiting private parties the right to sue.
- Seek additional sponsors and support for the Digital Consumer Media Rights Act (DMCRA H.R. 107) which reaffirms fair use in the digital environment.
- Seek co-sponsorship of the Security and Freedom Ensured Act (SAFE – S. 1709) which would require

2004 TRIPLL Conference

by Bev Butula, Davis & Kuelthau, s.c.

It was an honor to be a member of the 2004 LexisNexis Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) conference held April 2 – 4 in Dallas. The mission statement for this year's conference was: Envision, Plan and Deliver. And, did it deliver! The weekend was full of networking, seminars, and food.

Eleven sessions were scheduled over the three days. Each filled with information, challenges, and insight. The council did a wonderful job selecting topics and presenting them. The highlight was the two "faculty" speakers (professional presenters), Dr. Ollie Malone and Sandra Yancey.

While this article cannot even come close to providing the information gained from the conference, I would like to outline a small portion of the seminars and highlights.

1. Putting on our Training Caps –

This session discussed the transition from "telling them" to "training them". It is common knowledge that the role of librarian continues to change due to smaller physical collections and budgets. Librarians continue to provide quality services on less. When something is removed, the librarian finds another way to provide the information. The key is to acknowledge the changing resources and alter the skill set to provide uncompromised service. This service may result in more training of patrons, other librarians, and ourselves.

We discussed the many obstacles to beginning or enhancing a firm "training program". Commonly, they include: Attendance, time needed to plan, varying level of patrons, budget, management buyin, priority of training, crossing "IT" territory, etc. There are possible solutions to each of these problems, but generally it was concluded that support/recognition from management was a key. The value (monetarily, educationally, and in terms of efficiency) of continuing education provided by the library staff must be quantified, understood, and communicated.

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the FBI to articulate specific facts to the Court for records sought under the USA PATRIOT Act including the fact that the FBI has "reason to believe" that the person whose records are sought is "a foreign power or an agent of a foreign power" (a suspected terrorist or spy); the SAFE Act would also exempt libraries from "national security letters" (under Sec. 505) and would add Sec. 505 to the provisions that will sunset on December 31, 2005.

- Seek co-sponsorship and support of the SAFE Act in the House (H.R. 3352) and the Freedom to Read Protection Act (H.R. 1157).
- Promote permanent public access to government information, maintain a healthy Depository Library Program, and support funding for the Government Printing Office.

In addition to asking for support for these issues, we expressed appreciation for passage of the Museum and Library Services Act which was signed into law last September and for making telecommunications affordable through the E-Rate program which has been very successful under the Federal Communications Commission as one of the universal service programs.

Following the congressional meetings, a reception was held at which Senator Russell Feingold (D-WI) and Representative Bernie Sanders (D-VT) received special recognition from Friends of Libraries of the USA in appreciation of their efforts and proposed legislation to limit the excesses of the PATRIOT Act. Most of the Wisconsin Delegation turned out in force for this national celebration and to applaud these 2 elected officials for their dedication and support of the individual right to privacy and for promoting and guarding access to libraries where all citizens may freely read, explore, and satisfy their information needs. Bob Smiley presented Senator Feingold with WEMA signatures collected at the WEMA Legislative Forum and Sue Center similarly presented Senator Feingold with signature collected at the WAAL Conference. Wisconsin pride was in abundance and it was a fitting conclusion to a very successful and hopefully effective day of library advocacy.

Marquette University Construction

Marquette University Law Library is in the midst of construction both inside and outside its building.

As many of you already know, the Marquette Interchange reconstruction project has begun and will continue until its completion in 2008. This has necessitated the closing of some streets around the University (Clybourn Street) and changing one-way streets into two-way traffic (Wells, State, and 11th Street). Remodeling projects are also taking place in Sensenbrenner Hall and in the Law Library, as we accommodate our growing faculty and student body. The Law Library will remain open throughout these projects and our staff is available to assist those who need to use our facilities.

For the latest construction information, including best driving routes and maps, go to http://www.marquette.edu/interchange



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Placement – No report.

<u>Program</u> – The Program Committee is considering the possibility of LLAW's joining a multiregional meeting with the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries to be held in Indianapolis in October 2005. Diane Medcalf is continuing as Program Committee co-chair with Bev Butula.

<u>Public Access</u> – Paula Seeger (incoming Chair) is working on a guidebook for pro se litigants and members of the public with little or no legal background or experience in using legal resources.

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CONELL – the Board had decided that it would be unnecessary to send an LLAW representative to CONELL, the Consortium of Newer Law Librarians, this year.

WLA Invitation to Offer Testimony at Hearing for State Budget Priorities for Libraries in 2005-07 - The Wisconsin Library Association has asked LLAW if it is interested in offering testimony, which can be in writing, in support of county libraries and training for public librarians in legal research. Paula Seeger showed interest in drawing something up for this.

VIII. Other Announcements

Paula Seeger, Reference/Outreach Services Librarian at Dane County Legal Research Center, was awarded a Community Professional Service Award at the Dane County Annual Bar Association Annual Law Day Pro Bono Breakfast.

Jim Mumm is serving on the AALL Fair Business Practice Guide Implementation Task Force, and

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model for their own guide, which they will use in a Missouri Library Association legal research course for non-law librarians.

Finally, I'd like to give a well deserved thanks to the 2003-2004 LLAW Executive Board, our committee members, and library school liaisons, as well as to our vendor sponsors. It is because of your dedication that LLAW continues to be an excellent outlet for learning, sharing, and fellowship for Wisconsin's law librarians. It has been a pleasure serving as LLAW President this year. I thank you all for the opportunity.

Have a great summer, Bonnie

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agreed this was not necessary.

AALL Chapter VIP - Bonnie said that applications for sending a VIP to send to AALL Annual Meeting – someone outside of the law library community – are due June 11th; but it was decided not to pursue this for this year.

Creation of Special Bylaws Committee - Bonnie, as Immediate Past President, plans to review the bylaws to see where they can be updated. Subjects to consider include the Web Site Committee and electronic balloting. The Board approved a motion to create a special Bylaws Committee, which included a sunset provision of one year.

- VIII. Other Announcements Pat Ellingson thanked LLAW for its contribution to the Ronald McDonald House in her husband's memory.
- **IX.** Adjournment the meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

LLAW Grants Awarded

The Grants Committee is pleased to announce that **Sara Paul** (Wisconsin Department of Justice Law Library) and **Genevieve Zook** (UW Law Library) will each receive \$750 grants from LLAW to attend AALL's Annual Meeting & Conference this summer in Boston. **Laura La Rose** (UW-Milwaukee School of Information Studies and Davis & Kuelthau) was awarded a free full registration to attend the meeting. Watch for articles from these three summarizing the programs they attended in a future issue of the *LLAW Newsletter*.

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this group is looking for people who have made use of the Fair Business Guide Practices with vendors to offer a testimonial on that experience.

Connie announced that LLAW, as an affiliate of the Wisconsin Library Association, will be listed as a cosponsor for the following 3 programs at the WLA annual conference, November 2-5, Lake Geneva: Management Strategies for One Person Librarians: Tips & Tricks; and The Visible Librarian: Tips & Tricks for Asserting Your Value with Marketing and Advocacy, both presented by Judith Siess, President, Information Bridges International and sponsored by AWSL, the WLA special librarians division; and The Patriot Act & Other Legal Issues Affecting Libraries, presented by Tom Lipinski and sponsored by WLTA, the WLA library trustees division.

IX. The business portion of the meeting was concluded at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Diane Duffey, Secretary

PROGRAM: The business meeting was followed by an LLAW spin on the gameshow, "Let's Make A Deal." Several fabulous prizes were awarded.

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2. Build It on Firm Ground And They Will Come -

The key factors in developing a solid training program are:

- a. Analyze your firm's situation
 - Firm structure & culture
 - Economy of firm and dealing with costs of online searching
 - Do you have statistics to support the library?
 - What is the make-up of the collection print & electronic resources

b. Build a case for training

- Loss of books translates into staff understanding electronic sources
- Software or CD's eliminated or replaced by strictly online
- Younger associates raised on computers, but cannot connect cost with surfing
- Partners not familiar with the various aspects of technology

c. Choose your allies

- Secure support from someone who can "roar" and "encourage" participation
- Speak to managing partner or executive team for support. Explain the monetary value.

d. Strategy for strong attendance

- Market
- Include allies' names in email promotions
- Have supporting partner in attendance have them do the opening words
- Sign in sheet In house CLE possible?

e. Follow-up

- Email copy of presentation or handout to those who did not attend and cc: supporting partner
- Schedule a follow-up session or intervie
- Provide session again for other practice areas or those who could not attend
- Attend practice group meetings to poll patrons on training topics and issues

3. Beyond Smile Sheets -

This session stressed the importance of conducting evaluations when the training program is completed. Evaluation needs to go beyond the general good/bad

ranking. Consider several aspects to truly evaluate the success of training. How effective was the course? How effective was the trainer? What learning occurred? What was the overall impact?

Evaluations can be reactive, learning based, transfer based, or impact based. Reaction evaluations deal with how the learner feels about the training. Learning evaluations measure new knowledge and skills. Transfer evaluations show how the skill can be used on the job. Overall impact evaluations look at return on investment, benefit to organization, and overall results.

To ensure a quality evaluation, include that as part of the initial planning. Select which evaluation tools are to be used. Identify training objectives and make sure training is the best option in relaying the information. Keep the evaluation simple with open-ended questions. Consider including a quiz with the announcement of the training. This way the patrons will understand what they will be learning and the trainer can find out what they do or do not know.

4. Stand & Deliver -

There are basically four aspects to effective presentation skills – preparing yourself, creating visual aids, handling the audience, and the delivery. This session delved into becoming a better presenter and dealing with the issues that will sell you as the key part of the program.

To make a strong presentation, the speaker must be relaxed and prepared. Know your information! Do some relaxation exercises. Review your materials. Have at least your opening lines written on NUM-BERED cards as a back up.

Creating visual aids is an important complement to a presentation. Remember it is an aid, not the entire presentation. Don't put everything in a PowerPoint presentation. Use a variety of methods and items to increase retention rates. Engage the audience and remember that the most important visual aid is you!

The key when delivering your information is to: Tell them what you are going to tell them, tell them, and tell them what you told them. It seems basic but is often overlooked. Body language and voice quality are also important to delivery. Another key is to continually read the audience reaction. Make sure you

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summarize your point before moving on to the next one and end memorably.

Everyone has had problems dealing with audience members when training. A suggested technique is to have the audience list "successful practices" or define expected behaviors. That way if bad behaviors occur, you can refer them back to the list. Also create a "Parking lot" to list items that may not be on task or when someone appears to be going off on a tangent. Put it in the "parking lot" to be addressed at the end or individually. Ask for feedback or ideas from the audience, if applicable. Keep them involved. Make sure you as the speaker remains in control and that the audience leaves feeling informed.

Summary

The 2004 TRIPLL conference is something that LexisNexis can be proud of and I encourage all private law librarians to apply in the future. I have given you a "slice" of the entire program. The greatest benefit to me was the networking opportunities. It was a pleasure to meet law librarians from throughout the United States. Sharing ideas resulted in me becoming a more educated librarian. The value of that is immeasurable.

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The LLAW Newsletter is the official publication of the Law Librarian Association of Wisconsin. Published quarterly. Copy deadlines are the first Monday of February, May, August and November. Circulation varies, from 175-200 copies per issue.

Unsolicited contributions in electronic format (preferably Microsoft Word format) are encouraged; contributions submitted for publication are subject to editorial review.

The deadline for submitting articles for the next

LLAWNEWSLETTER is
August 2, 2004

Submit articles to Bev Butula bbutula@dkattorneys.com



Membership News

Carol Bannen, Reinhart Boerner, published "Researching Individuals on the Internet" in the March 2004 issue of the *Wisconsin Lawyer*, http://www.wisbar.org/wislawmag/2004/03/tech.html.

Bev Butula, Davis & Kuelthau, published "A Sampling of Sites: A Glimpse at Wisconsin's State, Municipal Web Pages" in the May 5, 2004 *Wisconsin Law Journal* and "BLOGS-Another Online Resource" in the May 2004 *Wisconsin Lawyer*, http://www.wisbar.org/wislawmag/2004/05/tech.html.

Jennie Dedolph, Reinhart Boerner, published "Free Resources-Courtesy of the Badger State" in the April 14, 2004 issue of the *Wisconsin Law Journal*.

Heidi Frostestad, Marquette University Law Library, has been chosen to participate in the Teaching Research in Academic Law Libraries taking place July 7-9 in Boston.

Mary Jones, U.S. Courts Librarian, is the recipient of the Founder's Award (Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association) for her role in the Eastern District Historical Project.

Laura LaRose, a May graduate of UW-Milwaukee's SOIS, will be joining Davis & Kuelthau,s.c. as an acquisition and reference librarian.

Carol Schmitt, published "Are Wisconsin Administrative Decisions Online?" in the Spring 2004 issue of *Class Action* (WALA Newsletter).

Paula Seeger, Reference/Outreach Services Librarian at the Dane County Legal Research Center, was presented with a Community Professional Service Award by the Dane County Bar Association for her work in making the formerly named Dane County Law Library into a true pro se self help center.

Heidi Yelk, Wisconsin State Law Library Reference Librarian, and **Laura Olsen Dugan**, Thomson West Westlaw Trainer, co-taught an online legal research course on April 26, 2004 to a group of students from MATC's paralegal studies program.

ASIL Conference is a Learning Opportunity for International Law Librarians

by Heidi Frostestad, Marquette University Law Library

The American Society of International Law (ASIL) held its 98th Annual Meeting, "Mapping New Boundaries: Shifting Norms in International Law," from March 31st to April 3rd, 2004 in Washington, DC. Again this year, I was able to attend many informative sessions that addressed hot topics in the international legal scene, and premier scholars answered questions for practitioners, students, and legal information providers for advancement of research and increased clarity on particularly difficult issues.

Some of the most interesting sessions addressed the genocide in Rwanda, the problems that the Alien Tort Statute is encountering in current litigation, occupation law and the war in Iraq, treaties in U.S. law, and the jurisdiction of the WTO. Perhaps the most exciting and highly anticipated portion of the conference, though, was the keynote address given by Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia on the use of foreign law in American opinions, especially confronting the current trend of citing to foreign case law on the Supreme Court. Like Scalia's negative views of the use of legislative histories for the interpretation of vague statutes, he similarly does not agree with using foreign case law, travaux preparatoires, or other foreign statutes to help guide interpretations of U.S. law in the Supreme Court, except when dealing with interpretation of treaties in the private international law context. Citing some modern references to the use of foreign law in the current death penalty and sodomy cases. Justice Scalia continued to reiterate to his audience that citation to foreign law would have fatal implications for our Constitutional provisions and reliance on these decisions goes beyond our founders' intent because he advocates a "living" Constitution (looking to the text of the Constitution and nothing else...). He further gave the example that the U.S. couldn't possibly be a party to the EU Convention on Cybercrime because this convention would limit the rights given to U.S. citizens by the First Amendment, and, overall, posited the belief that U.S. law should only be relied upon because it is better than other foreign systems and reliance on foreign decisions increases the discretion of judges in a way that is disastrous.

One of the other highlights of my trip was a luncheon with other international law librarians at the Tillar

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Make Way! AALL 2004 Book Drive

Spring is almost here! Help a child blossom by donating a book today!

Plans are being made for next year's book drive in Boston. The theme this year is "Make Way!" based on Boston's beloved children's book "Make Way for Ducklings" by Robert McCloskey (The Viking Press, New York, 1941).

This year's efforts will benefit *Read Boston* (http://www.cityofboston.gov/bra/ReadBoston/JCSRB.asp) - a city education support initiative whose mission is to ensure that all Boston children are able readers by the time they complete third grade. The programs include: the Family Literacy Program which provides books for classroom libraries and teacher training; the Reading Trail, a family-focused reading program which allows families to borrow books; and the Storymobile which lends books to kids camps and summer programs.

Think about how you would like to donate next year. Donating is easier than ever beginning in March 2004 you will be able to go directly to Amazon.com to view the AALL Make Way Book Drive for Read Boston Wish List (http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/registry.html/ref=cm_wl_topnav_gateway/002-6465435-0354402?type=wishlist) and your donation will be shipped directly to the Book Drive team!

Other options include bringing your donation with you to the conference, donating at the Luncheon or by sending your donation or check beforehand to:

Make Way! Book Drive c/o Annette Demers Harvard Law School Library 1545 Massachusetts Ave. Cambridge, MA 02138 1-617-495-4531 ademers@law.harvard.edu

Donations, by check or money order, should be made out to AALL. Thanks for your continuing support of this important project to benefit READ BOSTON!

LLAW Wins **Excellence in Marketing Award**

Congratulations to Carol Bannen and to all of the LLAW writers who participated in the Articles Campaign, for their success in winning the AALL / West Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Campaign!

"LLAW members have been terrific in submitting articles and I hope to continue the momentum into future years." [Carol Bannen]

This is a major accomplishment for LLAW and for all of the people who submitted articles.

For a bibliography of articles written by LLAW members, please go to http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/articles/index.htm.

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House on Embassy Row, in which Marci Hoffman, Jean Wenger, Jill Watson, and Gail Partin unveiled the new Electronic Information System for International Law (EISIL). This new online resource, available at http://www.eisil.org/, is still being developed, but it provides unique access to the best online versions of international legal documents in various subiect areas, including international criminal law, international environmental law, international economic law, and the use of force. Because this system touts sophisticated advanced search features, international legal citation in its retrieval, ability to save and e-mail records, unique description of documents in retrieval, and other important information for research, it provides an unprecedented effort to create free access, supported by a grant from the Mellon Foundation, to international legal documentation online as a tool for reference, research assistance, student journals, and faculty liaison work. Overall, the ASIL conference was a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the "hot topics" in international law today, improve my international legal research through use of new tools, and meet other interesting and friendly international law librarians at the luncheon and other sessions.

Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section

Do you teach an advanced legal research course that focuses on foreign, comparative or international law? The Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section is re-designing its webpage and updating our course materials currently accessible at: http://brkl.brooklaw.edu/screens/fcilsis.html We welcome new submissions of all types of course materials including syllabi, reading lists, PowerPoint slides, handouts, bibliographies, assignments, final exams and final projects.

Materials in HTML and non-HTML formats are welcome - the SIS will facilitate conversion to PDF or HTML formats and will host the materials if necessary.

If you know of others who teach ALR-FCIL please encourage them to submit materials.

Please contact Lee Peoples at lpeoples@okcu.edu if you are willing to share your materials.

RECOMMEND READINGS

BY Cindy May, University Of Wisconsin Law Library

Abram, Stephen. "PowerPoint: Devil in a Red Dress." <u>Information Outlook</u> 8(3):27-28 (March 2004)

The author offers tips for effective PowerPoint presentations.

Alber, John I. "Rethinking ROI: Managing Risk and Rewards in KM Initiatives." LLRX (February 23, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/features/rethinkingroi.htm

Bannen, Carol. "Researching Individuals on the Internet."

Wisconsin Lawyer 77(3):20-22 (March 2004) http://www.wisbar.org/wislawmag/2004/03/tech.html

LLAW member Carol Bannen suggests both free and fee-based Web resources for locating people, political affiliations and contributions, criminal records, assets, corporate affiliations, and credit checks.

Bannen, Carol and Shucha, Bonnie.

"Write and Reach Out: AALL Chapters Tout the Value of Law Librarians through Legal Journal Submissions." AALL Spectrum 8(5):18-20 (March 2004)

LLAW members Carol Bannen and Bonnie Shucha extol the value of chapter initiatives to place members' articles in a variety of state law publications, focusing on LLAW's Wisconsin campaign.

Canni, Todd John.

"Promoting Progress through Perpetual Protection: The Struggle to Place Limits on Congress' Copyright Power." <u>Catholic University Law Review</u> 53:161-208 (Fall 2003)

This comment reviews the history of the copyright power and of copyright term extensions, and then argues that the Supreme Court's decision in *Eldred v. Ashcroft* was in error by analyzing the dissenting opinions of Stevens and Breyer.

Carlson, Cindy. "Cost Effective Research." LLRX (March 15, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/columns/notes68.htm

Carter, Nancy Carol. "The Special Case of Alaska: Native Law and Research." Legal Reference Services Quarterly 22(4):11-46 (2003)

The author discusses the major areas of contemporary native law in Alaska, including land, hunting, and fishing rights. An annotated bibliography is included.

Condon, William J.

"Electronic Assent to Online Contracts: Do Courts Consistently Enforce Clickwrap Agreements?" Regent University Law Review 16:433-457 (2003-2004)

This note analyzes case law that affects clickwrap agreements and concludes that such agreements are valid and enforceable against both online vendors and consumers.

Dahm, Andrew L. "Database Protection v. Deep Linking." <u>Texas Law Review</u> 82:1053-1089 (March 2004)

Deep linking is the practice of creating a link to a Web page that the owner of the targeted Web page does not define as the proper page from which users should begin accessing the Web site. This note argues that Congress should draft specific exemptions to any database protection legislation in order to exempt liability for deep linking.

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Dallon, Craig W.

"The Problem with Congress and Copyright Law: Forgetting the Past and Ignoring the Public Interest." Santa Clara Law Review 44:365-455 (2004)

This article examines the public benefit rationale and the property right rationale of copyright law from a historical perspective.

Dedolph, Jennifer. "Free Information in Wisconsin: Getting What You [Don't] Pay For -- CCAP & CRIS." Wisconsin Law Journal 18(5):19A (February 4, 2004)

LLAW member Jennifer Dedolph offers search tips for the Wisconsin Circuit Court's Consolidated Court Automation Program (CCAP) and the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions' Corporate Registration Information System (CRIS).

Dedolph, Jennifer. "Free Resources-- Courtesy of the Badger State." Wisconsin Law Journal 18(15):11A (April 14, 2004)

In this article, Jennifer Dedolph introduces Wisconsin's legal community to the rich array of resources available through Badgerlink, which provides free access for Wisconsin residents to Wisconsin's online union catalog WISCAT, as well as EBSCO and ProQuest databases.

Dethman, John. "Trust v. Antitrust: Consolidation in the Legal Publishing Industry." Legal Reference Services Quarterly 21(2/3):123-151 (2002)

This article discusses the rapid consolidation that occurred in the legal publishing industry during the 1990's, considers current database legislation, and considers the possible effects of these changes.

Duffey, Diane. "Using the Web to Research Expert Witnesses." Wisconsin Lawyer 77(2):22-24 (February 2004)

Ms. Duffey, LLAW member and librarian at Habush Habush & Rottier in Milwaukee, recommends some strategies and Web sites to consider when looking for information on expert witnesses.

Eaton, Lisa. "Three Strikes and You're Out: Enhanced Sentences for Repeat Offenders Research Pathfinder." Legal Reference Services Quarterly 22(4):55-85 (2003)

This pathfinder covers the recent trend toward legislation mandating enhanced sentences for repeat offenders, popularly known as three strike laws. California's three strike legislation is the most often cited, hence the pathfinder's emphasis on that state.

Espana, Mauricio. "The Fallacy that Fair Use and Information Should be Provided for Free: An Analysis of the Responses to the DMCA's Section 1201." Fordham Urban Law Journal 31:135-214 (November 2003)

Section 1201 of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act prohibits circumvention of copyright owners' protective technologies. This note argues that Section 1201 is necessary to ensure that copyright law is able to progress and advance in the digital world, and that Section 1201 does not hinder fair use, copyright's balance, or the public domain.

Gasaway, Laura. "Database Legislation, Part II." Information Outlook 8:34-35 (January 2004)

This month's "Copyright Corner" column discusses the Database and Collections of Information Misappro-

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priation Act of 2003. While the library, research and scholarly communities consider this bill a considerable improvement over earlier ones, they continue to oppose database protection legislation.

Gordon, Stacey L. "Update XX: What's New on LexisNexis, Westlaw, Loislaw, and VersusLaw." Legal Information Alert 22:1-10 (November/December 2003)

This annual update, now in its twentieth year, highlights additions, changes, and enhancements on LexisNexis, Westlaw, Loislaw, and VersusLaw. A final section adds miscellaneous information about the services, from mergers to awards to fun facts.

Harne, Christopher. "Filtering Software in Public Libraries: Traditional Collection Decision or Congressionally Induced First Amendment Violation?" Mercer Law Review 55:1029-1043 (Spring 2004)

In *United States v. American Library Association*, the Supreme Court held that the filtering provisions of the Children's Internet Protection Act are constitutional and are a valid exercise of Congress's spending power because they don't induce public libraries to violate their patrons' first Amendment rights. This case note discusses the decision and its implications.

Hayes, Chris. "Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Opportunity Arises With New Skype Application." LLRX (February 23, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/features/skype.htm

Heverly, Robert A. "The Information Semicommons." <u>Berkeley Technology Law Journal</u> 18:1127-1189 (Fall 2003)

The author, using the example of peer-to-peer file sharing, argues that information ownership should be based on a property model that recognizes the dynamic relationship and interdependence of private and common property uses.

Hilyerd, William A. "Using the Law Library: A Guide for Educators. Part I: Untangling the Legal System." Journal of Law & Education 33:213-224 (April 2004)

This is the first in a series of articles designed to assist anyone not in the legal profession in locating legal materials. Readers are introduced to the structure of our legal system, and the legal materials created by each branch of government are identified and explained.

Hyde, Robert Aloysius. "A Reckless disregard of the Ordinary Infringer: Moving Toward a Balanced and Uniform Standard for Willful Copyright Infringement."

University of Toledo Law Review 35:377-396 (Winter 2003)

The author proposes a new uniform standard for willful copyright infringement in which willfulness would be defined as conduct more blameworthy than the current standard allows.

Jones, Darcy L. "As Congress Giveth, So Congress Taketh Away: The Supreme Court Assures Congressional Authority to Retroactively Extend Copyright Terms in *Eldred v. Ashcroft*." Mercer Law Review 55:779-795 (Winter 2004)

In 1998, Congress extended the term of both unexpired and future copyrights by twenty years. The Supreme Court upheld that extension against constitutional challenge in *Eldred v. Ashcroft*. This case note discusses the decision and its implications.

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Lee, Edward. "The Public's Domain: The Evolution of Legal Restraints on the Government's Power to Control Public Access through Secrecy or Intellectual Property." <u>Hastings Law Journal</u> 55:91-209 (November 2003)

This article develops a theory to explain the concept of the public domain and its various uses in intellectual property law and areas involving government secrecy. The author argues that the public domain is now in threat of extinction.

Lessig, Lawrence. "The Creative Commons." Montana Law Review 65:1-13 (Winter 2004)

In this edited transcript of a lecture delivered at the University of Montana School of Law, Prof. Lessig talks about the importance of preserving creativity in the face of increasingly restrictive copyright laws.

Lessig, Lawrence. "Law Regulating Code Regulating Law." Loyola University Chicago Law Journal 35:1-14 (Fall 2003)

This text is adapted from a keynote address on cyberlaw given by Prof. Lessig at a conference on technology and governance held at Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

Liu, Chenglin. "Chinese Law on Trade, Investment and Intellectual Property Rights: A Bibliography of Selected English-Language Materials." International Journal of Legal Information 32:1-33 (Spring 2004)

This bibliography of secondary materials published 1990-2003 is divided into nine sections: General information, Foreign investment law, Corporation and securities law, Contract law, Competition, Product liability and consumer protection, Intellectual property law, Arbitration and dispute solution, and other bibliographies.

Matheson, Scott. "Access versus Ownership: A Changing Model of Intellectual Property." Legal Reference Services Quarterly 21(2/3):153-176 (2002)

Mr. Matheson discusses the impact on libraries of a movement toward viewing information as a service that must be licensed rather than purchased, and the potential effects on libraries were intellectual property to be protected through contract law rather than copyright and property law.

Mauro, Tony. "Unpublished Opinions: Inedible Sausage or Crazy Uncle?" <u>Legal Times</u> 27(14): Court Watch Section p. 1 (April 12, 2004)

Through numerous quotes from lawyers and judges on both sides of the controversy, this article reviews the debate surrounding Proposed Rule 32.1 of the *Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure*, which would forbid all federal appeals courts from placing restrictions on the citation of unpublished opinions.

Maute, Judith L. "Writings Concerning Women in the Legal Profession, 1982-2002." <u>University of Tulsa Law Review</u> 38:167-179 (Fall 2002)

Citations are arranged under the following topics: Women in the legal profession, Women lawyers of color, Balanced lives, Judiciary, Legal education, Task force studies, Feminist legal theory, Pioneer women lawyers, and Women's legal issues in popular culture: television, movies, and books.

Morande, Dean A. "Publication Plans in the United States Courts of Appeals: The Unattainable Paradigm." Florida State University Law Review 31:751-783 (Spring 2004)

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This comment argues that the focus of the debate over unpublished opinions must shift from constitutional and policy arguments to the courts' publication guidelines themselves, with a goal of producing guidelines that will result in unpublished opinions that truly have no precedential value.

Peoples, Lee. "International Trade in Agricultural Products: A Research Guide" <u>LLRX</u> (April 11, 2004) <u>http://www.llrx.com/features/agproducts.htm</u>

Ravnitzky, Michael. "A Selected Bibliography on the Freedom of Information Act, 1980-2004." LLRX (March 15, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/features/foiabiblio.htm

Reese, R. Anthony. "Copyright Term Extension and the Scope of Congressional Copyright Power." Journal of World Intellectual Property 7:5-33 (January 2004)

The author examines the *Eldred* decision on copyright extension and how it signals the increased relevance of international copyright relations for domestic copyright law.

Sandford, Diane. "Wisdom From the Grammar Goddess: Possessed." <u>LLRX</u> (February 23, 2004) <u>http://www.llrx.com/columns/grammar8.htm</u> Saunders, Kurt M. "A Crusade in the Public Domain: The *Dastar* Decision." Rutgers Computer and Technology Law Journal 30:161-178 (2004)

This essay reviews, analyzes, and assesses the significance of *Dastar Corp. v. Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp.*, in which the Supreme Court ruled that creative works in the public domain cannot be protected from uncredited copying under the guise of trademark law.

Selingo, Jeffrey. "When a Search Engine Isn't Enough, Call a Librarian." New York Times (February 5, 2004)

The New York Times explains why librarians are better than search engines. How sweet it is.

Smith, Michael M. "Knowledge Management: A Guide to Resources on the Internet." College & Research Libraries News 65:70-73 (February 2004)

The Web sites annotated in this guide offer a wide variety of information on knowledge management provided by academic/research organizations, information portals, consultants, and governmental and nonprofit organizations.

Soofi, Rabeh. "First Amendment Challenges to Copyright after *Eldred v. Ashcroft*: The DMCA's Circumvention of Free Speech." Journal of Legislation 30:169-182 (2003)

This note seeks to draw a distinction between the Supreme Court's treatment of First Amendment challenges to traditional copyright protections and to challenges to the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, concluding that in the latter case the Court's reasoning is unpersuasive and disingenuous.

Tsang, Louise. "Legal Protection of Cultural Property: A Selective Resource Guide." LLRX (April 11, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/features/culturalproperty.htm

Vargas, Jorge A. "Mexican Law on the Web: The Ultimate Research Guide." International Journal of Legal Information 32:34-108 (Spring 2004)

According to the compiler, this electronic guide has been prepared to assist anyone interested in having

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prompt and expeditious access to the best Internet Web sites on Mexican law. "Best" indicates that the legal information is accurate, reliable, relatively current, and authoritative, based upon the prestige and reputation of the sponsoring entities: government agencies and major academic institutions from Mexico and the U.S.

Vine, Rita. "The Business of Search Engines." <u>Information Outlook</u> 8(2):25-31 (February 2004)

In this eye-opener, the author explains that commercial search engines are in the advertising business, not the search business. They earn the vast majority of their revenue by delivering context-sensitive advertising, principally by leasing search keywords. Of the major search engines, only Google still keeps paid results out of its main listings.

Vine, Rita. "Staying Up to Date in the Ever-Changing Web Search World." Information Outlook 8(3):30-34 (March 2004)

The author reviews several Web-based current awareness newsletters that alert readers to new Web searching technologies and interesting new Web sites.

Wardak, Leah.

"Internet Filters and the First Amendment: Public Libraries after *United States v. American Library Association.*" Loyola University Chicago Law Journal 35:657-735 (Winter 2004)

This note analyzes the Supreme Court decision on library internet filtering and discusses its impact.

Werts, Cybele Elaine. "Before-and-After Magic: Creating Effective Graphs for Data Presentation." <u>Information Outlook</u> 8(3):21-25 (March 2004)

This article offers advice on the preparation of graphs and charts. It discusses overall style as well as specific types, such as bar charts and trend graphs, illustrated with both good and bad examples. A sidebar instructs on how to change default chart settings in Excel.

Youngdale, Beth. "Finding Low-Cost Supreme Court Materials on the Web." <u>Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing</u> 12:108-111 (Winter 2004)

The author, using the example of a specific U.S. Supreme Court case, discusses Web sites that offer access to briefs, as well as other relevant case documents and information.

Zillman, Marcus P. "Deep Web Research." LLRX (February 23, 2004) http://www.llrx.com/features/deepweb.htm

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| 2004 | | | |
| June 24-30 | ALA Annual Conference, Orlando, FL http://www.ala.org/ala/eventsandconferencesb/annual/an2004/home.htm | | |
| July 10-14 | AALL Annual Meeting and Conference, Boston, MA http://www.aallnet.org/events/ | | |



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