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## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

CELEBRATING  
NATIONAL  
LIBRARY WEEK,  
THE NATIONAL  
LEGAL RESEARCH  
TEACH-IN, AND  
INTERNATIONAL  
SPECIAL  
LIBRARIANS  
DAY IN A LAW  
LIBRARY

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*Beveridge & Diamond, P.C.*

*"People say our firm wins a lot of cases because we're lucky. Somehow, we always find our luck at three o'clock in the morning in the library."*

—attorneys' axiom

This enduring quotation, a favorite among litigators, also has appeal for law librarians in any type of library. One of its messages is that librarians contribute to the success achieved by any organization by which they are employed. Three events occurring during the week of April 11-17, National Library Week, the National Legal Research Teach-In, and International Special Librarians Day (April 15), are intended to celebrate these contributions. Each event calls attention to the impact of librarians and invites individuals to learn more about what their library has to offer.

A recent roundtable discussion sponsored by the Program and Education Committee of the Private Law Libraries Special Interest Section highlighted resources made available by several national library organizations, which assist with preparing for celebrating various aspects of National Library Week. This event also featured the sharing of numerous local librarians' experiences from previous years' celebrations of National Library Week, as well as suggestions for celebrating it this year. The following briefly describes many of these recommendations.

### NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

National Library Week is observed in all types of libraries and focuses on multiple themes, including promoting literacy, highlighting libraries' efforts to guarantee information access to public library patrons, and much more. Introduced in 1958 through the efforts of the American Library Association (ALA) and others, the ALA continues to support it heavily, offering many resources helpful with preparing for and publicizing National Library Week on its own web site, <http://www.ala.org/celebrating>. Although

some of the materials at this web site place a strong emphasis on promoting the work of public libraries, many can be adapted for use by special libraries. Among the items available are sample press materials that can be used as models for preparing National Library Week announcements, lists of library services librarians may wish to promote, and a variety of graphics that can be downloaded and used for decorations, newsletters, or flyers.

### NATIONAL LEGAL RESEARCH TEACH-IN

The National Legal Research Teach-In, which debuted in 1992, emphasizes accomplishing many of the same goals as National Library Week within a law library context. Promotion of this event is coordinated by the American Association of Law Libraries' Research Instruction and Patron Services Special Interest Section. As its name indicates, this event focuses strongly on librarians' roles as educators and providers of research instruction materials. A recent announcement posted to the PRIVATELAWLIB-L electronic discussion list described the following free items underwritten by West Group and LEXIS-NEXIS, which interested law libraries can order:

West Group has assembled detailed Research Training Kits that include "pathfinders, research guides, posters, lesson plans, lecture notes, [and] research exercises." One free kit per institution can be ordered from Market Contact, West Group (Fax: 800/854-1597; E-mail: [mkg-support@westgroup.com](mailto:mkg-support@westgroup.com)).

LEXIS-NEXIS can provide free sets of notepads promoting the research services of law librarians. These can be ordered from Judy Floyd Evans, Director, Library Relations Group, LEXIS-NEXIS (Fax: 937/865-1585; E-mail: [judy.floyd@lexis-nexis.com](mailto:judy.floyd@lexis-nexis.com)). Requests should include the minimum quantity of notepads needed. In case of

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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

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*Wiley, Rein & Fielding*

MANY OF YOU HAVE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF THE NUMEROUS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS offered by LLSDC this year so far and I hope many more of you will do so between now and the end of the Society year. Have you ever wondered how all these programs come about... how topics are selected and programs put together? Well, I can tell you there is NOT a book that tells Education committee members and SIS leaders what to do and how to do it when it comes to program planning. Of course, tradition and past practices are passed from "generation to generation" of volunteers but only informally. What happens each year, is that a group of people gets together and talks and thinks and plans and then finally finds a way to make their vision a reality. This is a wonderful, practical and very successful system, and it has served local law librarians well for many years. That it is as successful as it is illustrates the caliber of the volunteer members of our group.

This year, we're lucky enough to have a bit of a twist on the usual process and I'd like to share the story with you. A good three years ago, an infor-

mal group including Elmo Dattalo, Sima Dabirashiani, Laura Whitbeck, Marjorie Leary, Nancy Ciliberti and Carol Gruenburg got together informally to talk about a professional problem they felt merited attention...the lack of solid training in the fundamentals of technology among law librarians. Now this group was actually very "techno savvy," and they were concerned not so much for themselves but for the profession and Society members. Some law librarians, they felt, were able to pick up bits and pieces of PC and network basics in their work settings. Much of this was accomplished in crisis mode while trying to solve an immediate problem. Technology knowledge, they realized, was often gained by trial and error, and often only achieved in piece-meal fashion. Other librarians were simply not positioned to learn about the new technologies in their current jobs and so found themselves unskilled and unprepared for what might be needed for their next job. Recognizing that in these competitive times, with IS and others eyeing the information turf, technolo-

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high demand, quantities will be allocated to insure that all libraries receive part of their order.

#### INTERNATIONAL SPECIAL LIBRARIANS DAY

One more special event that occurs during National Library Week is International Special Librarians Day (April 15). The Special Libraries Association (SLA) originated this day in 1991 as another means of promoting the services and accomplishments of librarians and other information professionals. SLA offers on their web site helpful materials that are intended to provide ideas and resources for observing this day, [www.sla.org/pr/isldweb.html](http://www.sla.org/pr/isldweb.html). This site includes lists of suggested activities such as scavenger hunts and trivia contests that are related to the concept of information retrieval. A second list offers suggestions concerning marketing the library's services to members of its organization. Various graphics can also be downloaded for free.

#### LOCAL NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK IDEAS

Although the web sites listed above provide many practical and creative suggestions for celebrating National Library Week in its many forms, the most interesting and fun ideas discussed during the roundtable meeting hosted by the PLL SIS Program and Education Committee were those suggested by local law librarians. In no particular order, these included:

#### Contests

- Trivia contests involving legal research or reference based questions and multiple choice answers.
- Trivia contests concerning the firm's or organization's history and its famous (or infamous) moments.
- Recommended reading contests involving suggestions of favorite fiction or nonfiction books.
- Guess the weight of the entire set of the Martindale-Hubbell Legal Directory or a similar set of books common to law libraries.
- "Name that Baby" — a contest requiring participants to submit a photo of themselves at age five or younger. The pictures are displayed, assigned a number, and people are invited to match a name with each photograph.
- "My First Job"— a contest involving participants' description of their first job. The descriptions are posted without any identification other than a number, and people are invited to correctly identify the person in each description.

#### Tours

All sorts of tours were suggested, including tours of the entire library collection; electronic "tours"

of the online catalog, Intranet, or other online tools; and focused tours or orientation sessions involving various sections of the library such as the Reference area.

#### Breakfasts and Lunches

These vary from vendor-sponsored events focusing on training or research issues to social events intended to provide the library staff to meet with frequent and infrequent library patrons.

"Legal video lunch" —an event combining a lunch sponsored by the library and the presentation of an episode of a law-related television show such as "Perry Mason" or a law-related film is another idea.

#### Awards

The library staff presents custom-made certificates to various individuals in the firm or organization who are "friends of the library" or contributors to the library's success or effectiveness.

The reverse of this concept is the creation of "Most Wanted" flyers seeking "rewards" for individuals who have the most overdue library books, have managed to cram the largest number of books and files into a library carrel, and similar notorious achievements.

#### Charitable Contributions

- Food or clothing drives intended to benefit a non-profit organization.
- Book drives for a school library, hospital, or other program in need of children's books or general materials.

#### Other themes

- Amnesty Day—a day set aside for the return of overdue books on a no-questions-asked basis or in exchange for a reward such as cookies.
- Distribution of research materials, promotional items obtained from vendors, and other items.
- Circulation of a survey to the entire firm or organization intended to measure aspects of the library's performance or service.

Celebrating National Library Week, the National Legal Research Teach-In, or International Special Librarians Day can serve many goals simultaneously. All of these events allow a library to promote its services in a subtle or direct manner and provide a means for the library staff and others to have a lot of fun. Of course, the events and activities described in this article are only a fraction of what a library can do. Observing National Library Week creates a tradition that individuals will look forward to year after year. ■

## PUSH TECHNOLOGY

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*"Push Technology" the fourth presentation in the LLSDC Technology Institute series, was held on February 25, 1999, at Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oshinsky. Deborah Lynne Wiley, the featured speaker, is the founder and principal of Next Wave Consulting, a company she began in 1994. In addition to her work in the field of push technology, Wiley has fifteen years of experience in designing, developing, and marketing electronic publications. She has a BS in biology and chemistry and an MLS.*

### A BRIEF HISTORY

Ms. Wiley first explained that "push" is no longer a term of art. After 1997, "push" was replaced by such terms as "knowledge management," "customer relations management," and "electronic delivery management." However, the term "push" continues to be used and is variously described as "in your face information," a delivery mechanism (probably the closest to describing the process), and a solution in search of a problem. Push is not content, but a means of providing that content. It is not just one technology but a convergence of technologies that searches, indexes, delivers, and alerts.

Examples of early push are town criers, newsboys, and subscriptions, which have evolved more recently into SDIs and company updating and alerting services. The basic objective is to help the user complete a process by delivering content automatically so that the user is informed when a situation or information has changed. This requires a triggering event, such as asking to be notified when one's bank balance drops below a certain sum. An information profile, prepared by the user, is the basis on which the software works.

The question of push's value continues to be debated: Is it really necessary or are we just cluttering up our e-mail boxes with junk; how much do we really need to know? We seem to already have an excessive amount of information. Ms. Wiley quoted Denise Caruso of the *New York Times*: "Shoving information down our throats does not increase our capacity for it. If anything, it engages our gag reflexes."

### HOW PUSH IS USED TODAY

Pointcast is a good example of push technology. The user can tailor the screen to provide timely information such as a running bar of stock quotes, news updates, and website updates. Pointcast's success has now become a standard that other companies must meet.

Push is increasingly applied to Intranets and Extranets. Companies provide human resource information and directories listing management

and employees, update officers and staff on developments, and monitor events. The base for providing this information is the development of a selection process that identifies and provides appropriate information that their employees will find useful, a role that librarians are ideally qualified to fulfill. Push is also used to upgrade in-house software, obviating the need for IS to go to individual desktops.

### A FEW DEFINITIONS

As with any new technology, push has its own vocabulary:

**broadcast, webcast, database:** using the Internet to transmit information  
**narrowcast:** a target audience for ads  
**transmitter:** a server that delivers information automatically  
**tuner:** a client web browser  
**channel:** a topic

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

The user subscribes to a service and provides a profile of specific or general topics of interest, a delivery schedule, and any required triggering events. The content provider creates HTML pages and stores them on a server. New information is added as appropriate. According to schedule, the browser searches the server to look for the new information which, when found, is pushed to the client.

Software filters are used to filter content. The filtered information matching the profile as provided is then downloaded to the user's PC in the background, with a notice appearing on the screen. Multicasting is also possible, where the information is sent to one machine and then broadcast to individuals.

### TYPES OF PUSH

**Browser based**, such as Explorer and Netscape, which have not yet proven very successful.  
**Applications distributors**, such as Marimba Castanet, which upgrades software, and Megasoft, which also does software upgrades and disaster recovery.  
**Broadcast**, using AirMedia via radio - a live feed of news; WavePhore, which enables users to view videos, and Desktop News, a product similar to AirMedia.  
**Content aggregators**, such as Pointcast and Newsedge are free but run ads; those that charge fees are Vantive Wayfarer, NETdelivery, and Calico Technology, which are designed primarily for businesses and to which the user can add its own information.

**THE BASIC OBJECTIVE IS TO HELP THE USER COMPLETE A PROCESS BY DELIVERING CONTENT AUTOMATICALLY SO THAT THE USER IS INFORMED WHEN A SITUATION OR INFORMATION HAS CHANGED.**

**Platform providers** that sell software to create your own push. Costs range from several hundred to several hundreds of thousands of dollars. Cited were BackWeb, Tibco, and Vitria. A presentation software called Astound automatically provides updates to a presentation.

**Watching services**, of which Autonomy is a good example. It does key word searches, scheduling, and it has a pattern recognition capacity which police departments have found useful. Others include NetMind, which checks Webpages and content and can be refined to check individual sections of a site, and Web Whacker, an offline scheduler.

#### TECHNOLOGY ISSUES

At this time, the major issue is the abundance of varying, conflicting, and exclusive standards. There is also the problem of bandwidth as LANs, WANs, and external sources generate a huge amount of traffic relating to the scheduling process. Disk space is a major concern, as there is currently no program that deletes or overwrites the old information when the new arrives. Security continues to be a real problem.

From the user viewpoint, too much information is received. Frequently what people ask for is not what they want, and they do not know how to describe their wants. Users rarely if ever review and amend their profiles and have shown a decided preference for glitz rather than content. The result is that the user receives "InfoPellets," which provide a lot of information about little bits.

#### CURRENT PUSH APPLICATIONS

Examples of what the individual user looks for are news updates, monitoring websites, and receiving real time information, such as stock quotes. Many of these services are free but come with ads.

Companies are now more involved in delivering information to their employees. They are taking over the profiling role and are looking for software to enable the company to develop its own push. The drawback is that the in-house creation of software takes substantial amounts of time and money.

The library can create its own channels (topics) and establish an alert service, selecting and filtering relevant information to defined groups of users. The easiest to set up is an internal electronic mailing list, with which users are all familiar.

#### IN CLOSING

Ms. Wiley stressed that push is an enabling technology and not a product. Users of this technology will have to find their own delivery

mechanism that will suit their companies and libraries. Push is not for everyone, and overload is a real problem, but carefully conceived and developed, this technology can be a real asset to disseminating useful and critical information in a business environment.

The URL for Next Wave Consulting is <http://consultnw.com>. ■

### LLSDC HOTLINE



Call anytime for access to a telephone tape listing available law library positions in the D.C. metropolitan area as well as a listing of LLSDC current events. The service is free to job seekers. The tape is updated every Friday. Please call the LLSDC HOTLINE 202/310-4570.

## Cal Info



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**Connie Dickson and  
Donna Purvis**  
Co-Chairs, AALL/PLL  
Education Committee

THE PLL EDUCATION COMMITTEE MET BY TELECONFERENCE SEVERAL TIMES during 1997 and 1998 to develop program ideas for the Washington Convention. We finally met as a group at the Anaheim Convention where final decisions were made on most of the programs we ultimately submitted to the AALL Selection Committee. August was spent making sure we had all the necessary information for completion of the forms, which were submitted by the deadline.

The Annual Meeting Program Selection Committee was chaired by Tim Coggins. We were notified of the Committee's selections in September. Of the fifteen programs and three Workshops submitted, seven of our programs were selected, an additional two were chosen to be merged with two submissions by others, and two Workshops were accepted. Our programs are included in three of the five tracks: Management; Technology; Information Access and Policy; Foreign, Comparative and International Law; and Technical Services.

The programs are:

**At the Crossroads: The Year 2000  
Millennium Bug**

Todd Bennett is the Coordinator of this program, which will include US Government officials and computer specialists.

**Collaborative Knowledge Sharing**

The speakers are Kathy Reese and Scott Robertson, both from US West. The Coordinator is Paulette Toth, of Richards & O'Neill.

**Crossing the Road: Helping Legal Support  
Staff to Understand the Traffic Patterns  
of Basic Legal Research**

Bryan Hill, of Bowditch & Dewey, and Elaine Apostola of Mirick O'Connell will be the presenters, with others yet to be named. Elaine serves as Coordinator.

**Getting the Client to Value Research**

This program is slated for the PLL Meeting on Sunday, July 18. It includes as speakers Mark Estes and Susan Sneider of Hildebrandt. The coordinator is Kathy Fletcher of Wiggin & Nourie.

**Gumshoe Librarians**

Ann Ellis put this program together for the PLL before she left for Westlaw. She will be coordinating, and the speakers include Connie Kaplan of Kroll and Associates, and Joan Feldman of Computer Forensics.

**Privacy Law in the Internet Age**

Speakers include attorneys working in the field

of privacy law. The Coordinator is Pat Gudas Mitchell of Piper & Marbury.

**The Telecommuting Librarian -  
the Future is Now!**

Rita Holt of McKenna & Cuneo is coordinating this panel of librarians, lawyers, and administrators who will address the role of telecommuting.

Two programs will be merged with other, similar programs. The first is **The Paperless Court: Myths and Realities**, originally developed by Amy Padfield. And the second is **Patent and Trademark Depository Library Program Partnerships: Intellectual Property Resources for Attorneys and Librarians**. This program was prepared by Cynthia Banicki, of PTO.

The two all-day workshops that will be presented on Saturday, July 17, are:

**All Systems Are Not Created Equal:  
How to Navigate the World of  
Integrated Library Systems.**

The workshop will be coordinated by Donna Purvis, and the primary presenter is Mary Dzurinko.

**Second Generation: The Advanced  
Intranet WebSite**

Howard McQueen and Jean DeMatteo of McQueen Consulting are the presenters, and Connie Dickson is the Coordinator.

As we move closer to Convention time, the PLL Education Committee will provide you with more details and descriptions of these programs and presenters.

The Committee was a veritable brain trust of creative and innovative people who did an outstanding job of developing ideas and putting together extraordinary proposals. While they could not all be selected, the AALL Selection Committee encouraged the PLL to resubmit a number of the programs for consideration at the Philadelphia Convention. ■

**LIGHTS DEADLINE**

■ ■ ■ The deadline for the May/June 1999 *Law Library Lights* is April 15, 1999. For submissions, call Laura Whitbeck at 202/508-6058 or e-mail LWHITBECK@bryancavellp.com.

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## ACADEMIC SIS NEWS

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THE ACADEMIC SIS FEBRUARY PROGRAM PRESENTED BY TOM JACOBSON, Sales Account Manager with Innovative Interfaces Inc., was an informative presentation of the historical evolution of technology as it has impacted the library's automated system. Tom traced the rapid development from the use of dumb terminals accessing the library's central server, through the introduction of PC's with their capability to multi-task in a client/server environment, to the more recent move to web-based technology utilizing Java-based applications and standard Web browser products. He related these developments to Innovative products with which the audience was familiar, and readily answered audience questions regarding work in progress on the Millennium Project, particularly the serials component.

A second topic discussed at the February program concerned the use of Innovative's software product, Inn-Reach, to form a central union

catalog that authenticates and shares patron information needed to expedite interlibrary loan transactions. Currently, Innovative is working with a library consortium in Colorado to implement a regional union catalog that will include libraries who have Innovative OPACs as well as libraries who do not. If there were interest in automating interlibrary loan locally, it would be beneficial to monitor Colorado's Prospector catalog, since there are few LLSDC academic law libraries with systems other than Innovative.

The final Academic SIS event of the year is a tour on Tuesday, April 20th of the Executive Office of the President Law Library, and the Indian Treaty Room, located in the Old Executive Office Building. The OEOP, an impressive structure on the corner of Pennsylvania and 17th Streets, has been designated a National Historic Landmark since 1969. The building has undergone extensive restoration, and we are looking forward to seeing its interior beauty. ■

## PRIVATE LAW LIBRARIES SIS NEWS

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Adviser Law Library

THE PRIVATE LAW LIBRARIES SIS KICKED OFF THE NEW YEAR ON JANUARY 19TH with a brown bag lunch. The topic for the program was "Electronic Reference: How the Internet Changed My Job." Issues discussed were keeping up-to-date with new sites and deleting dead ones, training, Intranet development by Library and IS departments, Library home page development, and marketing the Library home page. Felice Sacks, the program moderator, set up a mailing list for the 21 attendees to use as a forum for future discussions on this topic.

For those of you who did not attend the Holiday Party, Victoria Kahn, Kate Clukey, and Roberta Shaffer were the recipients of the gift certificates. Congratulations to all three winners.

The Education Committee sponsored a roundtable discussion on February 23rd at Oppenheimer, Wolff, Donely & Bayh. "A Library Week to Remember" was the topic for this brown bag lunch. The sixteen people in attendance shared the various ways they celebrate National Library Week at their libraries: library tea, ALA READ posters with their attorney's photos substituted for the celebrities', Friend of the Library (F.O.O.L.) Award, golf putting green contest, legal trivia contest, ice cream social, guess the amount of candy/objects in a jar, crossword puzzles, scavenger hunt, match the first job with the attorney contest, children's book drive, rock 'n roll trivia quiz using legal issues, guessing the weight of Martindale-Hubbell contest, and lots and lots of food.

As you can see, our colleagues have found many innovating ideas to celebrate our special week.

The Social Committee hosted a light breakfast at Arent, Fox on March 11th. It was a great way to start the work day.

The nominating committee has selected the slate of candidates for 1999/2000 officers:

**Vice-President/President Elect:** Felice Sacks, Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering; Maureen Stellino, Verner, Lipfert

**Secretary:** Beth Conte, Howrey & Simon; Christine Wiedman, MCI

**Treasurer:** Janet Baxter, Galland, Kharasch & Garfinkle; Judith Leon, Shea & Gardner

Watch for news of these upcoming events: Education Committee's Spring Workshop, "Managing the Digital Library" on April 15th, a tour of the Newseum, a murder mystery play, attend a performance of the play Deskset, and a family picnic. ■

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IT HAS BEEN A QUIET WINTER FOR THE LEGISLATIVE SIS. On January 15, Covington & Burling hosted our annual Back to Congress party, and despite the inclement weather (snow, sleet and other objectionable precipitation), the turnout was larger than any we have had in the past few years. Our usual agenda for the annual gathering is NOT work; in fact, we generally avoid discussing work-related issues at all. Instead, the focus is on getting to know newcomers and furthering our acquaintance with the regulars. Among the crowd were several new faces for the SIS. We extend a happy welcome, and thanks for all the offers of assistance. We will definitely take you up on them.

Now that Spring is nearing, the SIS will be preparing for its appearance at the AALL Annual Meeting and Conference. Hopefully meetings will soon be underway on program organization. Meeting notices will be posted to the listserv. If you do not, or can not, subscribe to the listserv, please let me know (crogalin@cgsh.com, or phone me at 202/974-1935), and I will make sure you receive separate notification of any meetings.

Currently our most urgent piece of business is the updating of the Union List of Legislative Histories. It is very apparent that many of you did not

see the notification and form in recent issues of *Dates to Remember* (I myself completely missed it!). Emily Howie, who is coordinating the new edition, has received only about 20 responses. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE, IF YOU HAVE A LEGISLATIVE HISTORY COLLECTION AND/OR HAVE PREVIOUSLY PARTICIPATED IN THIS UNION LIST, CONTACT EMILY ASAP FOR FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS!!! She can be reached at emily.c.howie@cromor.com or 202/624-2921. She is being very generous with deadlines, but we had hoped to get the final publication out in time for the July meeting, so please contact her immediately! Thanks! ■

## LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH SIS NEWS

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MARCH

- 17 LLSDC Board Meeting. Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Wiley, Rein & Fielding, 1776 K St., NW. Contact: Carolyn Ahearn 202/828-3103.
- 17 LLSDC Town Meeting. Speaker: Dr. George Strawn discussing Internet II and its implications for law librarians and legal publishing. Time: 4:30 p.m. Location: Wiley, Rein & Fielding, 1750 K St., NW, 5th floor conference room. Contact: Carolyn Ahearn 202/828-3103.
- 23 Technology Institute. Copyright in an Electronic Age. Speaker: Sally Wiant, Law Library Director from Washington & Lee. Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Morrison & Foerster, 2000 Pennsylvania Ave., NW. Contact: Nancy Ciliberti at 202-328-8000. Fee: \$15/program.
- 30 Legal Research Institute I: Primary Law - Cases, Primary Law - Statutes, Secondary Sources, Loose-leaf Services. Time: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Location: George Washington University, Jacob Burns Law Library, 716 20th Street, NW. Fee: \$30, LLSDC members. Contact: Jane Walsh, 202/662-9199.

APRIL

- 1 Legal Research Institute II: Legislative History Sources, Administrative Law, Internet Resources, Updating Your Research. Time: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Location: George Washington University, Jacob Burns Law Library, 716 20th Street, NW. Fee: \$30, LLSDC members. Contact: Jane Walsh, 202/662-9199.
- 1 Deadline for applying for AALL Grants to attend AALL Annual Meeting. Contact: AALL 312/939-4764.
- 1 PLL/SIS Brown bag lunch/roundtable discussion, "Electronic Library Issues." Time: 12:30-1:30 p.m. Contact: Contact: Scott Larson, 202/789-6166.
- 8 Internet Resources Seminar: Financial. Time: 12:30-2:30 p.m. Contact: Pat Keller, 202/778-9161.
- 14 LLSDC Board Meeting. Time: 9:00 a.m. Location: Wiley, Rein & Fielding, 1776 K St., NW. Contact: Carolyn Ahearn, 202/828-3103.
- 14 ILL/SIS Monthly Meeting. Time: 12:30 p.m. Contact: John Louis Leigh, 202/861-3946.
- 15 Private Law Libraries SIS Spring Program. Time: 9:00-11:30 a.m. Location: TBA. Contact: Scott Larson 202/789-6166.

- 16-17 Technology Bootcamp: One and a half Days of Troubleshooting, Installing and Basic PC Upkeep. Time: 7:00-9:00 p.m. (Friday), 9:00-4:00 p.m. (Saturday). Location: Morrison & Foerster, 2000 Pennsylvania Ave., NW 5th floor. Cost: \$75.00 (includes lunch on Saturday, breaks and handouts.) Contact: Elmo Dattalo 202/887-1520.
- 22 Technology Institute. Topic: Space Requirements for the Future, Speaker: Joan Axelroth from Axelroth & Associates. Location: Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, 1800 Massachusetts Ave., NW. Contact: Nancy Ciliberti at 202-328-8000. Fee: \$15/program.
- 23 Mentoring Committee Program: Competencies for Law Librarianship. Time: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Location: Catholic University Library School. Contact: Valerie Railey 202/8236.
- 28 Joint Spring Workshop. Topic: World Wide Web. Time: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Location: Smithsonian Institution. Contact: Charlotte White 202/662-6177.
- 28 New Member Tea. Time: 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Location: Mayflower Hotel. Contact: Gina Clair 202/887-1588.

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- 3-4 LIBRARY LEGISLATIVE DAY
- 12 Interlibrary Loan SIS Monthly Meeting. Time: 12:30 p.m. Location: TBA. Contact: John Leigh. 202/861-3946.
- 13 LLSDC Closing Banquet. Guest: Jim Heller. Further details forthcoming.
- 19 LLSDC Board Meeting. Time: 9:00am. Location: Wiley, Rein & Fielding. Contact: Carolyn Ahearn 202/828-3103. ■

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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## PRINT PUBLICATIONS

**International Corporate Law Bulletin, 1998-**

Published monthly by Kluwer Law International, 675 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139; 800/577-8118, Fax: 617/354-8595, Website: <http://www.kluwerlaw.com>.

Price: \$277.50 per year.

This title covers new laws, regulatory obligations and rules relating to corporate enterprises throughout the world. Court decisions are also analyzed for their impact on corporate law. The concise format (approximately 30 pages per issue) allows practitioners to get the information they need in a short period of time.

**Telecom Land Management Law Report, 1998-**

Published by Pike & Fischer, 4600 East-West Highway, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814; 800/255-8131, Fax: 301/654-6297, E-mail: [pika@pf.com](mailto:pika@pf.com), Website: <http://www.pf.com>.

Price: \$375.00 per year.

This title provides coverage of growing overlap of zoning, land use and federal communications law. Subscriptions include a monthly newsletter featuring new developments in this area along with a looseleaf print volume or CD-ROM with full-text documents, including court and

administrative decisions, statutes and regulations. The looseleaf or CD will be updated whenever new developments (new federal legislation, regulations and court and FCC decisions) warrant.

## ON-LINE SUBSCRIPTION

**The Leadership Library on the Internet, 1999-**

Updated quarterly by Leadership Directories, Inc., 104 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10011; 212/627-4140, Fax: 212/645-0931, E-mail: [info@leadershipdirectories.com](mailto:info@leadershipdirectories.com), Website: <http://www.leadershipdirectories.com>.

Price: ranges from \$2780.00 to \$8340.00 depending on the number of simultaneous users.

This web product makes all fourteen leadership directories (also known as "yellow books") available over the Internet. Users can search individual directories or search across all directories. In addition to the information provided by the print directories, users can also connect directly to organization homepages from the directory, send e-mail to listed individuals and export information into word processing or other software packages.

## TITLE CHANGE

**The Buffalo Human Rights Law Review, 1998-**

Published annually by the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, 523 John Lord O'Brian Hall, SUNY at Buffalo, Amherst Campus, Buffalo, NY 14260; 716/645-6206, Fax: 716/645-2064, E-mail: [BHRLR@juno.com](mailto:BHRLR@juno.com).

Price: \$40.00 per year.

Formerly Buffalo Journal of International Law, this new publication began with volume 4, dated 1998. The last issue of the previous title was volume 3, issue 2, dated Winter 1997. ■

## Alert Publications

## LLSDC SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS COMMITTEE

■ ■ ■ The LLSDC Scholarships and Grants Committee provides awards for registration fees to professional meetings, seminars, workshops, classes, coursework, and other forms of continuing education. Deadlines are August 1 (for Fall semester), December 1 (for Spring semester) and May 1 (for summer). For more information please contact, Gordon Van Pielt at 202/662-9191. Application forms are available on the LLSDC website at [www.llsdc.org/llsdc/grants.html](http://www.llsdc.org/llsdc/grants.html).

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## BOARD SUMMARY

**Karen Silber**  
Bureau of National  
Affairs Library

DECEMBER 16, 1998 - DRAFT COPY

### ATTENDANCE AND CALL TO ORDER:

PRESENT: Carolyn Ahearn, Brian Baker, Elmo Dattalo (via teleconferencing), Mabel Shaw, Karen Silber, Rick McKinney, Herb Somers, Dennis Feldt, Debbie Trocchi

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Ahearn at 9:12 a.m.

MINUTES: The motion to accept the November minutes with changes regarding legislative and federal reports as R. McKinney put forth.

### OFFICER'S REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: C. Ahearn reported that M. Mahaffie of the Volunteer Committee mentioned having difficulty getting volunteers for the December WETA commitment.

TREASURER'S REPORT: R Kaiser - absent. C. Ahearn reported that she and R. Kaiser met to discuss continuing enhancements to the website.

ASSISTANT TREASURER'S REPORT: B. Fisher - absent. C. Ahearn reported that B. Fisher is chairing an ad hoc committee to make a recommendation to the Board regarding Directory advertising. Other committee members are S. Larson, L. Lee and R. Jones.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: B. Baker reported that the Internet Users' Group program on Nov. 4th went well. Future programs will focus on Internet basics. Public Relations press release on Public Outreach went to the *Globe*, and the *Washington Times*. No discernible results yet.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT: E. Dattalo reported the WETA pledge drive scheduled for December 13 (Sunday) was canceled by WETA on Friday, December 11. There was discussion on volunteering for the WETA pledge drive once a year, not three as we usually do.

Elmo will mail FAQs for the web site to the Board next week. C. Ahearn asked that we look at them. Elmo also gave an update on the British library. Elmo will check into whether they offer a deposit account. Carolyn will check into how the LLSDC offer differs from what CAPCON offers. A mailing will be done in early January to notify members of the British Library organizational meeting.

Elmo is arranging to send out *Dates to Remember* on a listserv where it will be delivered as e-mail rather than via U.S. mail. The e-mail cost is \$405 versus approx. \$5,000-6,000 a year to produce and mail "Dates." There will be a test group for January. One drawback is that we'll lose graphics but they will be made available on the website. Proposal to spend \$405 to test electronic *Dates to Remember* with

the idea to transfer "Dates" to electronic format - motion carries. Offer of electronic publishing may be offered to SIS's if the test group is successful and if there is interest. There is a 20% discount if more than one group applies for the listserv.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: M. Shaw asked about the date for the Technology Boot Camp. She will confirm date with P. Keller.

C. Ahearn will arrange for Mabel to receive the date for the Joint Spring Workshop for the calendar.

The Town Meeting is scheduled for the end of March. C. Ahearn is seeking a speaker to discuss the big picture of technology. Matthew Bender has offered to contribute towards pizza for the meeting should we decided to have food.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT: K. Silber reported that J. Leon started contacting places to have the closing banquet and R. Wilson is helping.

G. Van Piel met with the Scholarships Committee on December 11 to discuss awards for Spring scholarships and awards for early AALL applicants. The committee normally meets in August, December and May but wanted to have an interim meeting in March of 1999 to consider AALL applicants. He will send out a notice to announce this. There was Board discussion on whether the Scholarship Committee was going to award full scholarships for a few people or partial scholarships for more people who wanted to attend day registrations. C. Ahearn is going to call AALL to ascertain when the preliminary programs will be mailed out.

### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

D. FELDT: The Mentoring Committee will host a program April 23 called "Competencies for Law Librarianship," which will discuss opportunities for academic, private and government careers and the skills needed.

H. SOMERS: The Academic SIS digital library program at LC for December 3 was very successful.

There is a meeting at Georgetown on February 11 with Innovative Interfaces to discuss their new product the millennium project. The Board discussed if the program was broad enough in scope and it was determined that since all but one academic library in the D.C. region used Innovative Interfaces it was appropriate.

### MANAGEMENT COMPANY REPORT

Debbie Trocchi reported that there are 798 members. There are 134 subscribers to *Law Library*

*Lights.* A move to accept new members as presented was passed.

The Board discussed membership renewal forms in regards to people who let their membership lapse. It was determined that reinstatement of lapsed memberships should be treated as new memberships and D. Trocchi volunteered to reword the next renewal forms to obtain the correct information.

#### OLD BUSINESS

**COUNSEL:** Carolyn received the contract proposal from CAPCON and noted that they will not put wording in contract regarding communication and process issues. Based on that, it is uncertain whether we will cancel the next edition of COUNSEL. We will know by the next Board meeting. A final recommendation will be reported at the next meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**CLOSING BANQUET:** The Closing Banquet will be May 13th - Jim Heller, AALL President, will be the guest speaker

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP:** Carolyn asked that we think about people to nominate.

**AALL LEADERSHIP:** Board members should be getting AALL Leadership newsletter. C. Ahearn will notify headquarters that this is not the case.

**LC DIGITIZATION:** There was discussion on support for LC's Law Library digitization program. It was suggested that someone write an article for "Spectrum" or "Lights."

**LAW LIBRARY LIGHTS:** There was discussion on the mailing of "Lights", some received it later than others. Debbie reported that all copies are mailed bulk the same day and it is perhaps the mail delivery systems in the individual's office or the way the mail is handled in the Post Office.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

**ITEMS DISTRIBUTED:** Agenda, Master Calendar of LLSDC Activities as of 12/14/98, memo from Debbie Trocchi dated 12/16/98, e-mail from Andrew Swires of the British Library to E. Dattalo dated 12/2/98, e-mail from P. Weyland regarding listserv pricing for *Dates to Remember*.

#### JANUARY 20, 1999 - FINAL COPY

##### ATTENDANCE AND CALL TO ORDER:

**PRESENT:** Carolyn Ahearn, Rita Kaiser, Mabel Shaw, Karen Silber, Rick McKinney, Dennis Feldt, Debbie Trocchi

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Ahearn at 9:12 a.m.

**MINUTES:** The motion to accept the December minutes as corrected passed.

#### OFFICER'S REPORTS

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** C. Ahearn still waiting for date for the Joint Spring Workshop.

**PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** E. Dattalo absent. C. Ahearn reported that Elmo is almost finished with the FAQs for the web site. The British library will mail the flyer to LLSDC members soon. Still working on final details to send out *Dates to Remember* electronically.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** R. Kaiser gave the account balances for December 1998 and January 15, 1999.

The web group will meet to discuss enhancements to the web site.

ILL SIS discussed protocol at the January 13th meeting. The next meeting is February 10 at Powell Goldstein.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** M. Shaw distributed the master calendar. The date for the technology boot camp will change to April due to conflicts.

There was a change in the Spring PLL project due to a conflict.

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BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

D. FELDT: The Mentoring Committee is still on track for the April 23 "Competencies for Law Librarianship."

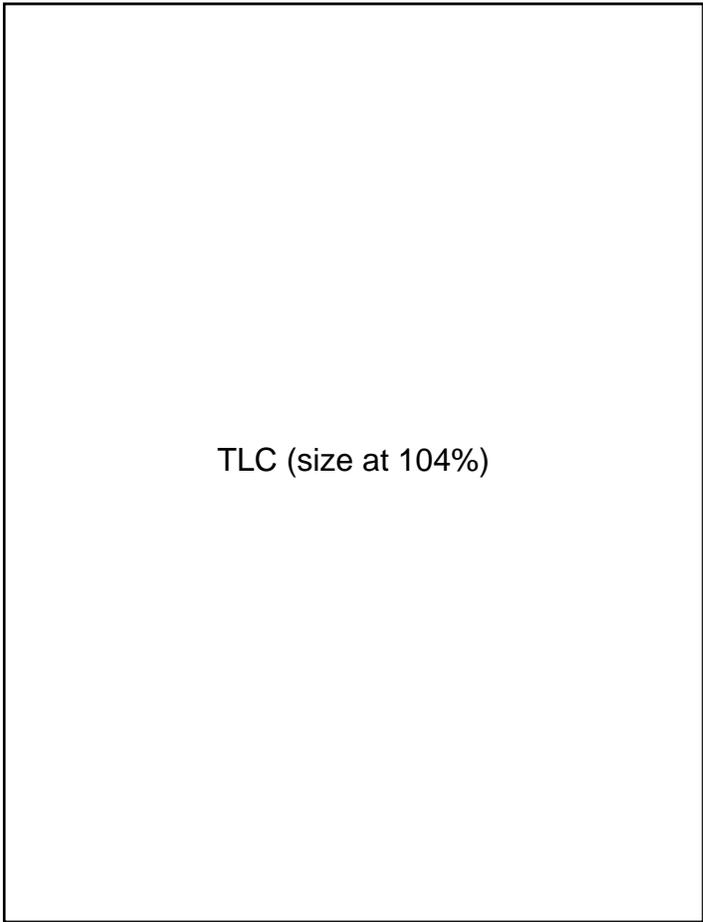
RICK MCKINNEY: The Legislative SIS had a new congress party on January 15 during the ice storm. A survey will be sent out in "Dates" for the new Union List of Legislative Histories.

Federal SIS is planning another round table discussion on their common job interests.

MANAGEMENT COMPANY REPORT

Debbie Trocchi reported that there are 802 members. There are 136 subscribers to *Law Library Lights*. A move to accept new members as presented was passed.

Debbie reported that Velma Dickens Reaves, life member, died; the Board will send a letter of condolence. There was a discussion of archives and whether to keep a copy of those members who are no longer current. It was decided that a record of membership would be available in the form of the directory so other materials need not be saved.



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OLD BUSINESS

TOWN MEETING: Need a date for the town meeting. Trying to get G. Strawn, of the National Science Foundation, to speak about where the Internet is going. Carolyn collected names for an Internet panel as part of the program.

COUNSEL: Carolyn met with the new COUNSEL project manager at CAPCON. He has not yet answered all the questions. His analysis was that the cost structure for the project (LDRs) will change but the bottom line will not change. The committee will continue to pursue this issue. Also waiting to see revised contract for language, not content. Board members would like the committee to investigate whether this needs to be an annual publication after the next edition. Motion to go forward with the next scheduled edition of COUNSEL subject to favorable responses to outstanding questions was approved.

TEE-SHIRT: Tee-shirt design contest winner is C. Solomon from Bernan pending copyright clearance. The Board discussed the price of the tee-shirt and whether to give away for volunteers such as the WETA pledge drive, etc. It was decided that would be too expensive. Debbie will get bids on tee-shirt costs. The Board decided to use the special project money to front the tee-shirts and recoup through sales.

NEW BUSINESS

FOCUS GROUP: Aspen would like to meet with LLSDC members in a focus group setting to discuss publisher/client issues for a Spectrum article. Carolyn gave Aspen the names of 40 LLSDC members.

ELECTIONS: Election ballots to go out 4/1/99.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 a.m.

ITEMS DISTRIBUTED: agenda, account balances for December 1998 and January 15, 1999 including the 1998-1999 General Operating Budget-Expenses, Master Calendar of LLSDC Activities as of 1/19/99, memo from Debbie Trocchi dated 1/13/99, promo from the British Library, LLSDC scholarships and grants committee flyer, tee-shirt designs from the tee-shirt design contest. ■

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MEMBER NEWS

Virginia Reaves Lane has sent a note to tell us the sad news of the death of Life Member **Velma Dickens Reaves**, on February 17, 1998. Mrs. Lane wrote that her mother was proud of her membership and years of service to the Society. **Sue G. Anderson**, formerly with LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae, is now at Reed Smith Shaw & McClay.

**Kate Clukey**, formerly with Reed Smith Shaw & McClay, can now be reached at her home: 4320 Farmhouse Lane, Fairfax, VA 22032, 703/978-0757.

**Peggy A. Lucero** is MIR/Law Librarian at Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.

**Joyce Mason**, a student member, is now at 1900 Mt. Royal Terrace, Apt. 2B, Baltimore, MD 21217.

**Melanie Michaelson**, formerly at Hogan & Hartson in Baltimore, is the Law Librarian at Jackson & Campbell.

**Jessica Schwab**, formerly at home, is now the Librarian at the Loudoun County Law Library.

**Joan Sherer**, formerly with Wilmer Cutler & Pickering, is now at the State Department.

**Roger Skalbeck** has left Williams & Connolly to become Electronic Initiative Librarian at Howrey & Simon.

**Gordon Van Pielt**, is now the Cataloging Librarian at George Washington University, Jacob Burns Law Library.

**Victoria M. Ward**, Life Member, is now at 149 Prospect Hill, Nashville, TN 37205-4721, 615/292-8742.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

**Robert Cagna**, Resource Specialist, AARP

**Erin E. Dillenbeck**, Acquisitions Technician, Hogan & Hartson, LLP

**Katy Hollis**, Intranet Editor, Hogan & Hartson, LLP

**Beth A. Mathews**, Librarian, Dechert Price & Rhoads

**Jennifer L. Miller**, Reference Librarian, Dechert Price & Rhoads

**Ally C. Perez**, Information Technology Analyst, Hogan & Hartson, LLP

**Andrea L. Phillippe**, Information Technology Analyst, Hogan & Hartson, LLP

**Karen Salaam**, Library Assistant, Dyer Ellis & Joseph

**Maria Sampang**, Library Assistant, Vinson & Elkins

**Karen J. Smith**, Student, UMD ■

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gy skills are fundamental to the future success of the profession of law librarianship and realizing the lack of training in this area, the group settled down to craft a serious solution to the problem.

The first step was to articulate the critical skills needed. Based on the identified needs, a detailed outline was drafted. Members of the group then investigated the possibility of having a course offered under the auspices of a local library school. They also looked into hiring an instructor and offering the course at some central location over the period of several months. Despite all the good work and planning, it became apparent that these options would put the cost of the course at a level that would preclude participation for many Society members. Also, the ability to control the content and tailor it specifically to law librarians might also be lost. And so this idea, that like so many other good ideas, might well have died.

Good librarians don't give up, though, and so after hitting several roadblocks, the group went back to the drawing board and the Technology Boot Camp was born. While not as comprehensive as originally conceived, it does address in a substantive way the very serious problem of technology training.

The group eventually presented a proposal to the Board along with a curriculum outline. The Board accepted the proposal and agreed to support finalization of the program. Trevor Brierly, formerly a law librarian, was engaged to complete the outline and teach the course and he assigned rights to the program to the Society so that the program can be repeated if demand exists.

This is a wonderful example of the creativity, persistence and professionalism of our members. I know many of us will benefit greatly from this program and our profession will benefit from their knowledge.

In addition to the Boot Camp, the Education Committee is continuing with the Technology Institute. Copyright, sometimes the bane of our existence and even more confusing in this age of electronic access, is being addressed in March. The April Technology Institute program focuses on space planning for the library of the future. While most of us will not be planning new libraries it the next year or so, many of us will face downsizing issues - either serious discussions with management or actual reduction in existing space.

Don't forget to check out the LLSDC website (<http://www.llsdc.org>)! The Web Committee is making steady progress in updating the look of the page. More importantly, though, the content

continues to improve. Check out the recently added LLSDC FAQs. Thanks to Elmo Dattalo for answering some of the questions most frequently asked of the President and Board Members.

In an effort to strengthen the relationship between chapters and AALL, each year AALL offers a free annual meeting registration to several chapters. Coincidentally LLSDC is eligible this year while the convention is here. The Scholarship Committee will handle the selection. The AALL initiative and the LLSDC scholarship funds will allow some of our members who might otherwise not be able to attend an AALL meeting join in the professional and personal growth experience. The deadline to apply is May 1st. For our newer members...the New Members tea is an annual rite of spring where recently joined members gather to meet each other and the officers of the Society and begin the networking so important to their professional growth. The spring mentoring program is another opportunity for students and newer librarians to learn some of the ropes and get a helping hand.

I hope many of you will take advantage of all that LLSDC has going on and I hope that at least some of you will be inspired to contribute to programs in the future. ■

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