

*From
the President...*

*Dina Dreifuerst, Clements, O'Neill, Pierce, Nickens & Wilson,
L.L.P.*

As I write this column from home during my maternity leave, I have been reflecting on what has been one heck of a year for our organization! Of course, the chaos resulting from the President's and Vice-President's pregnancies tops the list, but we have also enjoyed some excellent programs and seminars. I look forward with the rest of you to reading about the Spring Seminar which took place just a few days before the newsletter deadline. I did manage to escape my motherly duties long enough to attend the lovely (and delicious!) reception hosted by our friends at South Texas Law Library. The new library is beautiful, and the sixth floor terrace offers spectacular views of downtown and all of the construction projects under way.

Mark your calendars: there will be *no* regular meeting in April. If you were planning to attend the April HALL meeting, you now have an hour of time for yourself. Go crazy! Meet some friends for lunch at the Post Oak Grill or head to the Foley's shoe department! Seriously, though, with Holly Watson just returning from maternity leave, me still on leave, and Riva Laughlin recovering from the Spring Seminar we foisted on her, HALL is going to take a little break. We will resume regularly-scheduled broadcasts in May.

Speaking of which, please note the *date change* for the May Business Meeting. To accommodate scheduling conflicts for some of our Board Members, we are moving the meeting to Thursday, May 9th.

Board Members and Committee Chairs, please note that we will need to have an April Executive Board meeting to discuss the scholarships and grants awards, the upcoming election of officers, and a host of other topics. All members are cordially invited to join us for the brown-bag lunch meeting, which will take place at Haynes & Boone on Wednesday, April 3rd, at 11:45am. In other news, I am happy to report that our Nominations Committee has come up with an excellent slate of officers for next year ... and I'll let Monica Ortale's report speak for itself. Many thanks to Monica, Mary and Jane for their

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**Nominations Committee
Report**

Monica Ortale, Chair, HALL Nominations Committee

Eureka! The proposed slate of officers for HALL 2002-2003 is as follows:

- President: Holly Watson
Jenkins & Gilchrist P.C.
- Vice-President:
/President-Elect Bethany (Picard) Bletsche
ExxonMobil
- Secretary: Kimberly Serna
Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw
- Treasurer: Caren Luckie
Jackson Walker L.L.P.
- Member-at-Large:
(2001-2003) Jessica Alexander
South Texas College of Law
- Member-at-Large:
(2002-2004) Mariann Sears
Thompson & Knight L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted by the Nominations Committee,
Monica Ortale, Chair
Jane Holland
Mary Lippold

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efforts and our members who agreed to hold an office in the coming year. As for the rest of you, please consider volunteering for one of our Committees or even running for an office next year. Our organization is only as good and as active as the people who give their time to it. You can make a difference here.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank HALL for your thinking of my family following the birth of our daughter last month. The Babies R Us gift card will keep her in diapers and frilly dresses for quite a while! I look forward to seeing everyone at the May meeting.

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Important Changes to Note

There have been a number of changes to the usual HALL meeting schedule, and also additional information provided since columns and reports were submitted for publication. Please note that this is the latest information available at press time.

April 2002 ***No HALL General Meeting***

May 2002 HALL Annual Business Meeting
Note date change: Thursday, May 9
The meeting announcement will be mailed separately near the end of April.

There will also be a Vendor Relations Brown Bag Forum in May – the announcement will be mailed at the end of April with the General meeting announcement.

Bylaws vote There is no need for a vote on bylaws changes, as there are no bylaws changes to submit to the membership at this time.

Dues 2002-2003 Please remember that the membership voted to increase annual dues to \$25 beginning with the upcoming 2002-2003 membership year. Dues payments ***and accompanying information forms*** are due no later than June 1, in order to be included in the HALL Directory. Forms are included as an insert in this newsletter.

Membership survey The current dues form is unchanged from last year. The previously-mentioned membership survey may appear as a separate insert in a later issue of the newsletter, or distributed to the membership in some other way.

HALL Home Page Please note the new URL and update your bookmarks:
http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/hall

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**Member
News...**

Sherry Adams, Library Manager, *Houston Chronicle* Library was quoted in a feature article about the library in the *Chronicle's* subscriber newsletter, *Behind the Bylines* (February/March 2002). The article included pictures of the library and library staff. The newsletter was delivered with subscribers' newspapers on February 27, 2002. Congratulations, Sherry! [Carolyn Korkmas, reporting]

Caralinn Cole, formerly Research Librarian with Strasburger & Price LLP, is now Staff Librarian, Library Services at ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company.



Dina Dreifuerst, Law Librarian, Clements, O'Neill, Pierce, Nickens & Wilson, L.L.P., husband Jerry, and big brother Jay welcomed Grace Aileen Dreifuerst on Wednesday, February 20 at 3:10pm. Grace weighed 7 lbs., 10.6 oz., and was 20¼" in length. Mother and baby are doing just fine. Dina says that Grace is beautiful – see for yourself! [Riva Laughlin, reporting]

Joan O'Mara, Librarian, McGinnis, Lochridge & Kilgore, LLP and **Susan Spillman**, Computer Instructional Services Librarian, South Texas College of Law are both on the proposed slate of officers for SWALL for 2002-2003. When elected at the SWALL meeting next month, both women will begin their first terms on the SWALL Board, Joan as Treasurer, and Susan as Secretary.

Catherine S. Whitney, formerly Reference Librarian, Andrews & Kurth L.L.P./Mayor, Day, Caldwell & Keeton L.L.P., is now Applications Consultant with Global Securities Information, Inc.



**Placement
News...**

Library Assistant. Houston office of Jackson Walker L.L.P.

Requirements: Undergraduate college degree or equivalent experience of working in a library, preferred. Law library experience especially helpful. Computer experience required – Microsoft Word, and Internet browsers. Must be detail-oriented.

Responsibilities: Reports to the librarian. Assists with basic research and interlibrary loan requests. Processes incoming mail; routes current awareness materials within the firm, and maintains lists for routing and desk copy reference titles. Reshelves books daily, and shifts books as needed. Assists library users in finding reference resources. Coordinates with publishers regarding missed or incorrect shipments, assists filing service with loose-leaf filing, and files loose-leaf supplements and pocket parts.

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Conoco Inc. Law Library
P.O. Box 4783
Houston, TX 77210

Please note whether seeking professional or non-professional position and indicate if interested in Internet postings for other Texas locations. Please do not include resumes.

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Spring Seminar Presentation Summaries

Free Case Law on the Web : The Wheel Has Been Invented, But the Road is Bumpy

Jessica Alexander, South Texas College of Law

The theme was inspired by the condition of downtown Houston streets. While there are numerous sources both official and unofficial, free and almost free of case law, their utility is tempered by difficulty in navigation and searching, variable citation formats and difficulty of patrons in understanding legal terminology and procedural issues.

Patron's have varied needs and librarians must tailor their response to questions about case law on the web with these needs in mind. For example, a patron relying solely on free case law on the web who is proceeding without a lawyer in a serious matter may be damaged by lack of knowledge and the incomplete results of a web search. On the other hand a librarian may just encounter a patron who is curious or "joy riding" on the information superhighway. Free case law will may meet the limited needs of this kind of patron.

The presentation included a listing of official web sites for federal and Texas cases, and a visual demonstration of some of them, and a comparison of the Texas Judiciary Online official web site components with that of the Oklahoma State Courts Network or OSCN. The OSCN was characterized as a Cadillac in contrast to Texas' Edsel. For this summary, the analogy was revised: the Texas site would be characterized as Main Street in downtown Houston, as compared to the OSCN's German Autobahn. Check out the OSCN website at <http://www.oscn.net/applications/oscn/start.asp>. Every state should strive for the breadth and span, searchability and accuracy of this effort.

Useful Internet Utilities

Riva Laughlin, Haynes & Boone, L.L.P.

Passwords

Keeping track of the various passwords and user ID's many websites require can be difficult. I've found a couple of programs that can help with this task.

Gator (www.gator.com) is a small program that resides on your computer and stores passwords and other personal information. Gator can help you fill in a form with a single mouse click and can remember the passwords from many of the sites you visit (even if you can't!). Gator takes just a couple of minutes to download and it takes a couple more minutes to enter the information to be stored (address – both work and home, phone numbers, credit card numbers, etc.). This isn't where you enter your passwords; that comes later.

When you enter a site that "works" with Gator, a small dialog box pops up asking if you want Gator to save the password. Just enter your login information, click "yes", and Gator will always

remember. Gator seems to work with about 75-80% of the sites I visit, although there are a couple that Gator keeps asking if I want it to remember, but it never seems to take. All in all, it's a useful little program. I've been using it for a number of years under Windows 95, 98, and 2000, and have yet to have a problem.

Another program that will keep track of passwords for you is AI Roboform (www.roboform.com). It works about the same as Gator (and will even convert information stored by Gator), but uses a new toolbar rather than a pop-up dialog box for entering passwords and form information. I found it a little less intuitive to use and much prefer Gator, but that could be familiarity.

Bookmarks

You're in an attorney's office, and know just the website that will help with his question – but you don't remember the URL. What do you do? Fumble around trying to recreate how you found the site in the first place? Trudge back to your office and get the URL, then trudge back to the attorney's office to help him use the site? If you're smart, you've got your bookmarks stored on the Internet. There are at least two sites that will do this for free (for now). Powersearch (www.powersearch.com) and Markset (www.markset.com) will store your bookmarks on their server so you can access them from any computer with an Internet connection. There's nothing to download, just register and export your bookmarks to either site. Both sites will retain the arrangement you use for your bookmarks (folders within folders, or one long list). Both sites will open a new window when you click on a bookmark (a feature I find especially useful when teaching classes on Internet research).

Powersearch gives you the option of sharing your "knowledge collection" with other Powersearch users. They also make available public collections of bookmarks on various subjects.

Markset uses a frames format that I find a little easier to use than Powersearch's layout. They do throw in a few of their "favorite" bookmarks at the beginning of your list, but so does Microsoft. One really neat thing about Markset is the ability to mark multiple URLs to email to colleagues. It sure helps when someone wants a list of all the bookmarks you discussed in a seminar and you haven't written them down.

Internet Archives

If you've ever wondered what a website looked like last year, or you know the page existed at one time but now it's "404", the Internet Archive (www.archive.org) is for you. Powered by Alexa, they are attempting to keep a historical record of the Internet. Just type in the URL you're interested in, push the "wayback" button, and away you go. The Internet Archive will return a page showing the date of each version of the page they've stored, and which dates showed an actual update of the site. Click on a date, and you're back in history. The amazing thing is all the links on the historical page link to the corresponding pages in the historical website – not the current page. While the Internet Archives isn't complete (that would be virtually impossible), they do have a collections of *millions* of historical web pages. Check them out!

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An overview of the FirstSearch databases will be provided, as well as specific search tips and strategies for using the databases. The workshop will also include training tips, a number of tip sheets and training documents for later use.

Who Should Attend?

1. Public and academic library staff who provide reference services for library users
1. Reference staff who provide training in academic and public libraries
2. Instructional Services librarians

Objectives

During the workshop, participants will:

1. Learn search tips and strategies for using the FirstSearch databases
2. Gain effective training techniques to use with colleagues and patrons
3. Obtain skills to search FirstSearch databases more effectively

This is a hands-on workshop. Since seating is limited at each site, early registration is strongly encouraged. There is no cost for this workshop.

About the Speaker

Frederick Landin, Library Liaison Officer for Amigos Library Services, provides training, support, and consulting services for Amigos member libraries in online reference resources and OCLC's FirstSearch service. Prior to joining Amigos, Frederick was a reference and instructional librarian at the University of the Incarnate Word in San Antonio, TX, and served as a corporate information analyst and information specialist for corporate libraries in Dallas. Frederick holds a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from Texas Woman's University, Denton, TX; and Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the University of North Texas, also in Denton.

Dates & Locations

There will be 2 offerings of this program at Houston Public Library, Central Branch, Gates Lab on April 4, 2002, a morning session 9:00am-12:00pm, and an afternoon session 1:00-4:00pm. The morning and afternoon programs are identical, you only need to register for one session.

Registration

Preregistration is preferred. Registration will be taken on a first come, first served basis. To register, go to <http://www.tsl.state.tx.us/ld/workshops/frst/reg.html> where you can register online, or print the form and mail or fax it.

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January/February	1/15/2003
March/April	3/15/2003

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Long Links

Your research has turned up just the article your attorney needs, but the URL is so long it wraps two or three lines, and your email package can't handle that. Rather than make him cut and paste (or even worse, type it in), go to www.makeashorterlink.com. This free service creates a shorter (10 to 20 characters) URL that will fit in any email and will redirect you to the correct page. They even provide a button you can add to your Internet browser's toolbar that will automatically create that shorter link – without having to visit the website.

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UT "Language and the Law" Conference Now Online

The presentations from the University of Texas School of Law, Tarlton Law Library's "Language and the Law Conference," held Dec. 7-8, 2001, are now available in streaming video via the Web. With RealPlayer you can watch the program at <http://www.law.utexas.edu/conference/video.html>.

The conference, in celebration of the Law Library's Millionth Volume, brought together leading experts from around the globe to discuss the ways in which language historically has influenced legal institutions and the implications for the future. The millionth volume is John Rastell's *Exposicions of the Termys of the Law of England (1523-1530)*, which is the earliest English law dictionary. The speakers are listed below:

Program 1: The Age of Rastell

Mike Widener, "The Tarlton Law Library's Legal Dictionary Collection and Its Millionth Volume"

John H. Baker, "John Rastell and the 'Terms of the Law'"

Anthony Taussig, "William Rastell and the Development of the Law Book for Students and Practitioners"

Commentary by Victor Tunkel

Program 2: The Evolution of Legal Lexicography

Morris Cohen, "English Legal Lexicographers After Rastell"

George Grossman, "Early American Legal Lexicographers"

Mary Whisner, "Dictionaries Make Strange Bedfellows"

Commentary by Joel Silver

Program 3: The Role of Storytelling in Law

Rachel Moran, "Law and Remembrance"

Gerald Torres, "Translation and Stories: The Construction of Knowledge"

Richard Weisberg, "The Legal Speaker and Writer at the New Millennium"

Commentary by Aloysius P. Martinich

Program 4: The Language of the Law

Lawrence Solan, "Finding Ordinary Meaning in the Dictionary"

Christopher Balmford, "Plain Language: Beyond a 'Movement'"

Hilary Penfold, "When Words Aren't Enough: Graphics and Other Innovations in Legislative Drafting"

Commentary by Bryan A. Garner

Program 5: The Law in Context

Gary McDowell, "The Politics of Meaning: Law Dictionaries and Interpretation"

Peter Tiersma, "From Speech to Writing: Textualization and its Consequences"

Fred Shapiro, "The Politically Correct United States Supreme Court and the M-----g Texas Court of Criminal Appeals: Using Electronic Resources to Trace the Origins of Legal Terms and Quotations"

Commentary by Sanford Levinson

Program 6: Law Libraries – Defining the Legal Mind

Tom Reynolds, "Tarlton and the Role of Law Libraries"

Donald J. Dunn, "Speaking the Law Library Language"

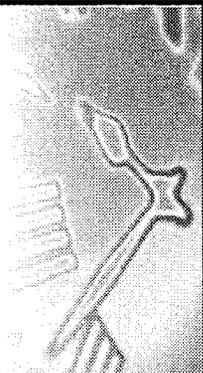
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Executive Board Meeting

Houston Area Law Librarians

Clements, O'Neill, Pierce, Nickens & Wilson,
L.L.P.

Feb. 6, 2002

Minutes are Subject to Correction and Approval

Dina Dreifuerst called the meeting to order at 12:26pm. A quorum was present.

The board meeting minutes for August and November, 2001 were approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business

AALL Board Member, Cossette Sun arrives Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2001. Her airline flight schedule will make it too difficult for members to schedule a dinner with her so Dina is planning a Wednesday breakfast at 8:00am in the Whistler's Walk at the Hyatt Regency where Ms. Sun is staying. Before the HALL meeting, Ms. Sun will tour the South Texas College of Law Library. Afterwards she will see Baker & Botts and the Harris County Law Library. Bob Grundy has agreed to handle the reproduction of any handouts Ms. Sun may need for the meeting. Riva Laughlin will verify that the Bank of America meeting room is reserved for the 13th; Zenobia's is providing the catering.

Via e-mail after the meeting: Dina suggested that HALL send Holly Watson a \$40-\$50 gift certificate to Babies R Us to celebrate the birth of her daughter. Riva moved that HALL get a \$50 gift certificate for Holly. Caren then seconded the motion; it passed. Dina will get the certificate with a card and deliver it to Holly.

Via email to the board attendees less Dina: Riva moved that HALL get a \$50 gift certificate for Dina at Babies R Us to recognize the upcoming birth of her daughter. Caren seconded Riva's motion; the motion passed. Judith will obtain the certificate and card for presentation to Dina at the HALL general meeting. Jessica suggested that future boards consider a committee that would routinely note such events as births and take action accordingly.

Committee Reports

Treasurer: Dina reported for Caren Luckie that there is money in the HALL account.

Continuing Education: Riva reported she was mailing a flyer advertising the March seminar to several potential audiences: a list of students and library school alumni from the University of North Texas; a list of Harris County Public Library branch managers, and a list of junior college librarians. She had made arrangements for the flyer information to be advertised on the web page and/or through the email lists of both the Houston

group and the Texas Chapter of the Special Library Association, the Association of Legal Administrators, the Texas Library Association, and the Texas Bar Association. She had not yet heard back from her contact at the Houston Independent School District or made a connection with the paralegal schools in Houston. She planned to follow up on these possibilities. The speaker from Global Securities will be unable to attend so Riva has planned for four HALL members to discuss legal portals, Internet utilities, free case law Internet sources, sources of statutes/regulations and an attorney to discuss the unauthorized practice of law. Riva plans to call Treebeard's closer to the seminar date to arrange the catered lunch.

Bylaws: The proposed amendments to the bylaws will be printed in the next HALL newsletter. The general membership will vote at the April meeting.

Membership: Reporting for Susan Spillman, Dina noted that HALL has 159 members. Barbara Szalkowski will be modifying the membership renewal form to survey the members about their interests in HALL. The answers from the survey will be given to the next HALL board to help them in the upcoming year. To make room for questions on the form, a note will direct the members to check the HALL web site for the applicable membership categories. Baye Williams will modify the HALL web site so a member can print a one-page membership form. Dina suggested that the board consider charging a fee for late renewals in order to assist Susan who compiles the membership directory. The idea will require a change in the bylaws and vote.

Nominations: The committee of Monica Ortale, Mary Lippold and Jane Holland are looking for candidates. The slate will be printed in the March/April newsletter.

Newsletter: The next deadline is March 15 for the March/April issue. Riva is strongly encouraging all her seminar lecturers to submit a brief write-up of their presentation for publication in the newsletter.

Placement: Dina noted that recent openings have been advertised on HALL-L.

Scholarships: Bob Grundy's committee is revising the criteria for the scholarships and grants to direct the assistance to individuals who want to continue in law librarianship.

Web Site: The files have been uploaded and Baye is working to get the site to appear without problems. It is located at: www.aallnet.org/chapter/hall

Announcements

- Jessica Alexander noted that after the March seminar, the South Texas College of Law Library staff is hosting a reception and tour of the library's new facilities for HALL members and seminar attendees.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55pm.

General Meeting Minutes

Houston Area Law Librarian Bank of America Center February 13, 2002

Minutes are Subject to Correction and Approval

Dina Dreifuerst called the meeting to order at 12:18pm. She introduced two visitors: Lynnette Williams from Exxon/Mobile and Joy Blankman from BNA.

The minutes from the November and January general meetings were approved as read.

Caren Luckie noted that the treasury had funds.

Old Business

The new HALL web site is now located at: www.aallnet.org/chapter/hall. Bob Grundy suggested that Baye Williams make a redirect to the new site from the previous location.

Dina reported that Holly Watson is well and plans to attend the March seminar. To honor the birth of Holly's daughter, the HALL board sent Holly a gift certificate for baby supplies. Riva then surprised Dina with a gift certificate for baby supplies in anticipation of her daughter's birth.

New Business

Dina noted that HALL will cosponsor with DALL/ SWALL a reception at the AALL convention. This year it will be organized by DALL and is scheduled for the Sunday evening of the AALL Conference.

Patricia Huntsman reminded members that all e-mail sent to HALL-L is searchable.

Dina noted that there will probably be no April meeting due to her maternity leave. There will be an April board meeting.

Riva and Caren are teaching a continuing legal education course in May on the usual HALL meeting day so it is likely that the HALL monthly meeting will be on a Tuesday or Thursday. The change will be announced in the newsletter and on HALL-L.

Committee Reports

Archives: No report.

Continuing Education: Riva reported that she sent e-mail about the March seminar and had flyers inserted in January's newsletter. She asked that members please distribute the information to interested paralegals in their firm. She also has an e-mail version of the flyer in both Word and text versions available upon request. She has already received requests from interested parties for information about the seminar speakers

and believes that HALL could provide a speaker's bureau if it desired. Mary Lippold announced a tour and reception sponsored by South Texas College of Law scheduled at the end of the seminar. She requested that interested members notify her if they plan to attend so that adequate preparations can be made.

Membership: Dina noted that Susan Spillman will be mailing membership renewal notices; the renewal deadline is June 1.

Nominations: Dina announced that the committee of Mary Lippold, Jane Holland and Monica Ortale is looking for members to volunteer for next year's slate of officers.

Placement: Dina noted that Pamela had sent several notices to HALL-L on available positions.

Publications: The newsletter deadline is March 15. Riva is encouraging all of her seminar lecturers to submit a brief write-up of their presentation for the March/April issue.

Scholarships and Grants: To encourage scholarship recipients to continue in law librarianship, the committee will give the board suggested revisions to the scholarship criteria.

Vendor's Relations: No report.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm.

CS-SIS Grant Available

Therese A. Clarke, as posted to SWALL-L

The Computer Services Special Interest Section (CS-SIS) is pleased to announce a continuing grant opportunity for AALL members.

The CS-SIS is offering at least three grants to attend the annual AALL conference (this year in sunny Orlando!), plus opportunities to fund attendance at other AALL workshops and seminars, including AALL Chapter events.

Please refer to the following Web sites to obtain the grant application form:

CS-SIS Home page:
<http://www.usc.edu/dept/law/cs-sis.html>

Grant Page:
<http://www.usc.edu/dept/law/cs-sis/csgrtmod2.htm>

Grant applications for the upcoming AALL annual meeting are due by April 15, 2002 (this date has been extended from the April 1, 2002 date listed in the March 2002 issue of Spectrum).

Any interested AALL member is invited to apply as soon as possible. If you have any questions please contact Susan M. Boland, CS-SIS Grants Committee Chair, at sboland@niu.edu or (815) 753-9492.

Send us your news, please!

This is a reminder to all members, the HALL Newsletter needs your news. When you or your staff members have attended a seminar, published an article, received an award, been elected to an office, or done anything interesting, personally or professionally, please let us know! We also need to know any innovative programs you may have developed, special events you are working on or achievements you are proud of. Give Barbara a call at (713) 646-1724, fax her at (713) 659-2217, or email her at szalkow@stcl.edu , or just take a minute to complete this fact sheet.

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