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CHAIRMAN'S PAGE

Greetings to you all on the occasion of your second newsletter of the year. I'm pleased to tell you that everything appears to be on or close to schedule for our upcoming convention in Minneapolis, thanks to everyone being so helpful.

I have appointed Philip Klinge to oversee the specific arrangements for our Minneapolis meeting, and I know that he'll be needing volunteers to help him. Please contact Philip at the New York State Supreme Court Library, Richmond County Courthouse, Staten Island, New York 13101. Telephone (718)-390-5291.

Our Vice - Chairman Elect, Joel Fishman, tells me that his program is all set for our meeting on Sunday, June 17, 1990.

For your convenience, we have included SCCLL program information

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in all AALL Annual Meeting materials which you have already received. When completing your registration form included with this statement, please fill in the section regarding the SCCLL breakfast and note that the ticket for breakfast is \$10.00.

Ruth Fraley is hard at work compiling the data submitted on the statistics questionnaires.

Edgar Bellafontaine and his Funding Committee are preparing a report on recommended funding possibilities for the SCCLL. We hope to get the full report in Minneapolis.

Our Interlibrary Communications Committee has prepared a questionnaire on the videotaped policies of our libraries, which is included in this newsletter. Please complete it as soon as possible and send it to Maryruth Storer, Chairperson of the Committee, so that the results of the survey can be tabulated and shared at the convention.

Recently, while reviewing the master mailing list for SCCLL, I discovered many names of people who, according to AALL Headquarters, are not SCCLL members. In the interest of fairness to dues paying SCCLL members, these names are being deleted from the SCCLL mailing list. I would strongly encourage those persons deleted from the list to please renew their membership in SCCLL.

In closing, I'd like to express my appreciation to the Newsletter editor and all of the others whose cooperation and hard work have helped so much.

David Badertscher

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

For those of you who haven't found out through the grapevine, this is an Official Announcement that I have changed my address, my city, and my type of law library! In December I relocate to Washington D.C. to become White House Law Librarian. Although the early arrival of cherry blossoms has been replaced by some March snow, I'm enjoying my new post. located in the gorgeous Old Executive Office Building, the Law Library has been recently restored to it's original 1888 grandeur. The Law Library is built of treated cast iron, and features a mosaic tiled floor and a covered ceiling with skylight. Nineteenth Century features (adjustable shelves and a hand operated booklet) complement modern innovations (on-line databases, catalog and circulation system).

One of three newly renamed Executive Offices of the President Libraries, the Law Library serves the staff of many E.O.P. agencies. Patrons frequently come from the following agencies, the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, the National Security Council, and the Council of Economic Advisers. The legal collection includes extensive federal administrative and congressional material, and an expanding collection of treatises and legal periodicals.

So, now, Officially, my new address is:

Executive Office of the President
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Room 528
Old Executive Office Building
Washington D.C. 20503
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I'll still be a part of State, Court, and County SIS, and I hope to see everyone at the convention.

Linda Corbelli

NOMINATIONS FOR 1990 - 1991 OFFICES

The Nominating Committee announces the following nominees to hold office in the State, Court and County Law Libraries Special Interest Section during the year from July 1990 through June 1991:

For Vice Chairperson - Chairperson Elect:
Judith Meadows, State Law Librarian, Montana

For Board Member:
Charles R. Dyer, Director of Library, San Diego County

{Note: This members term shall extend from July
1990 through June 1993}

All nominees have agreed to serve in these office if elected.

SCCLL bylaw Article VII, Section 3 states:

''further nominations may be made upon written permission of ten voting members in good standing. Such petitions, accompanied by written acceptance of the nominees, must be filed with he Secretary - Treasurer not later than May 1.''

Serving on the Nominations Committee were Barbara Golden, Chair; Elmer Dewald, And Julie Gick.

Notice of nominations for 1990-1991 officers was sent from A.A.L.L Headquarters to all State, Court, and County SIS members in early April. Everyone should have received this notice prior to May 1, 1990. We are grateful to A.A.L.L. Headquarters for their assistance

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Supreme Judicial Court Historical Society Established

In 1992 the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts will celebrate its 300th anniversary. Not only has the Court's jurisdiction been exercised without interruption since 1692, it has never been without an incumbent justice, even during the Revolution. No court in the United States, or the Western Hemisphere for that matter, can boast so long a continuous existence.

With the authorization and encouragement of the full Court, the Supreme Judicial Court Historical Society was established by the Social Law Library in January of 1990 to assist in the commemoration of this anniversary. The Society will develop and coordinate anniversary activities with and for scholars, the bar, and the general public. What is Massachusetts' only organization devoted to the preservation of legal history, the Society will continue its work beyond 1992 by developing and supporting continuing programs that foster scholarly understanding and further public appreciation of the Supreme Judicial Court's unsurpassed history and its unique contributions to the state and the nation.

The Social Law Library has been designated the Society's parent organization. Chief Justice Liacos serves as the Society's honorary President, and the Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court as honorary Members. A Board of Overseers has been appointed by Chief Justice Liacos. The Board has been organized to set the society's objectives, outline its operating and fiscal policies, and recruit membership under the guidance of former Chief Justice Edward F. Hennessey. Librarian Edgar J. Bellefontaine is director of the organization.

