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On the Lighter Side: The bad and ugly king had a beautiful girl as a captive. Though her beauty shone like a thousand moons, the dress she was forced to wear was very unbecoming. She waited day and night, looking out the tower window, searching for the knight who would free her. However, every knight was scared away by her dress, which, as I've said before, was very ugly. She was crying hopelessly when the evil king jeered, "See, I told you no knight would rescue a damsel in this dress!"

Trustee Tips: Education for Library Boards: A Library Director's Perspective

*Jean Holcomb, Trustee Development Chair
King County Law Library, Seattle, WA*

Great libraries thrive on the energy generated by the combined management expertise of the library's staff and the members of its governing body. To have a great management team, libraries must invest in the training and professional development of all team participants.

The members of a law library's governing board play a key role in ensuring the library's future. They determine the goals and purposes of the library, formulate and adopt policies to govern the operation and programs of the library, monitor the progress of programs, ensure the availability of the resources necessary for achievement of goals, and act as advocates for the library in the community. These volunteers with demanding "day jobs" balance their fiduciary responsibility for the oversight of their library with the competing demands placed on their time by their positions as judges, attorneys, court administrators, prosecutors, or administrative agency decision makers.

Primary responsibility for the training and professional development of the library's governing body rests in the hands of the library director and staff. That training program should cover the full timespan of a trustee's involvement from pre-enrollment on the board to retirement from duty.



Developing such a trustee training program does not need to be a labor intensive and high cost task. Training for trustees may take many different forms. A variety of no cost and low cost strategies exist for creating an on-going professional development program for library board members.

Most prospective trustees will not have an in-depth understanding of law library issues and operating practices at the time of their appointment. Pre-enrollment training might include the distribution of a packet of information containing a written job description for trustees so that volunteers and prospective appointees have an idea of what will be expected of them. The packet could include information about how often the board meets, how the board operates, and the challenges currently being addressed by the board. They might receive copies of the library's most recent annual report, the current operating budget, minutes from several prior meetings, and a copy of the materials distributed before the last meeting. An orientation session might be planned to review this information and to answer questions before the first meeting a new trustee attends.

After a new member joins the board, their professional development program can take many avenues. Many libraries have created policy manuals for their boards that help to shorten the learning curve for new members or refresh the memories of longer serving members. The public library community serves as a good source for examples of policy manuals and state library association Websites also offer helpful materials. Staff presentations and demonstrations add substance to board meetings. Board study sessions on specific topics help increase board awareness in a more informal setting. Outside speakers can also be an effective way to foster expertise.

Regular communication acts as an important training tool. Trustees can't operate in a vacuum. The professional literature the library staff receives such as *Law Library Journal*, *Library Journal*, *Spectrum* and *SCLL News* could be routed to trustees. Board members need background information about upcoming projects and issues. Providing a balance between information overload and just-in-time information isn't easy. On a regular basis survey board members directly to see if they have been receiving a balanced

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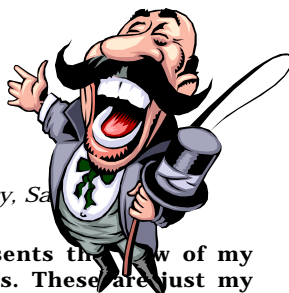
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¹State, Court and County Law Libraries Special Interest Section, *1999-2001 Strategic Plan*, p.3, June 1999.

Charley's Corner Some Rooneyisms

Charles R. Dyer

San Diego County Public Law Library, San Diego



Nothing in this column represents the law of my library or its Board of Trustees. These are just my personal opinions.

Just recently, I have had occasion to have several communications with our fearless SCCLL newsletter editor, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson. Since Lisa has not assigned a theme for this issue of the newsletter, I shall fill this void of a column with a little navel-watching—in other words, a column about my column.

When Lisa let me create this column, I told her it was to be an opinionated curmudgeonly piece. I was wishing to sound like Herbert White, although I seem to sound more like Andy Rooney. I had told her that I wished the column would be printed near the back of the newsletter, perhaps on the last page. I wished to have a permanent location, somewhat like George Will in Newsweek or the last page of the Spectrum or, yes indeed, like Andy Rooney. Yet, she usually places it rather early in the issue, either because I send it in earlier than her other writers or because she likes it. (“Charley, yours is one of the better articles, and I like to showcase it.”) She should be a politician. My point is that, like most writers, I have a pride of authorship and a concern for the “look” of the piece.

Now, she goes and tells us on the SCCLL listserv that she is trying to get most of us to accept the newsletter in online form, rather than paper. Saves money. I posted a number of real concerns on the listserv, which she dutifully answered. But here, in my own column, which she never edits, unless this sentence isn't here, but how would you know if it isn't, here I can write about what really bugs me. I want my stuff in real paper!! The wonderful booklet format she just started a little while ago makes my columns look so good. Now, it's going to be reduced to computer screen, or worse, a printout where the line breaks are all wrong. Argh.

While feeling frankly miserable about this, I received an e-mail from my wife. Just playing around, she had entered my name in some search engine and came upon an article I didn't know about. AALL Executive Director Roger Parment had quoted me and several other law librarians in a speech to the 1998 IFLA Conference. So now, I have this vision of my own columns (which will be retained forever!) showing up in people's screens whenever they want (or don't want) just by entering my name. Fame spread far and wide. Maybe I was too hasty to condemn the newfangled ways.

Soon, I intend to footnote my columns with video clips. Instead of the usual boldface or italics, I'll use colored fonts. I'll insert my photo as a JPEG, but when people click on it to make it bigger, it'll go to my home cam and show me live in the bathtub. (Trust me, that requires a big picture.) I will assume that everyone is reading them on their computers, rather than in hard copy. More likely, people will read them on their cell phones and wristwatches. Yes, the mad curmudgeon has gone madder still.

On to other fancies. Several months ago, we booked David Broder, the *Washington Post* reporter, to come to San Diego to lecture on the California initiative process on December 8, 2000. This thing took planning, as it was a joint operation between four different organizations and required attendees to pay \$30 each beforehand for the luncheon. We wanted him in late October, but he said he had to remain in Washington to cover the elections. December 8 would be far enough afterward that he could leave DC with ease. All the post-election hoopla would be over by then. No problem, right? (Now we've tentatively re-scheduled for February, but we've decided not to confirm with the 160 paid attendees until after the next president is sworn in. Just playing it safe).

For those of you who read my last column, and liked it, you may be pleased to know that the 2001 AALL Annual Meeting Program Committee accepted my proposed program. It's 75 minutes on Wednesday, July 18 from 10:30-11:45 am. Speaking will be nationally (perhaps internationally) renowned library consultant Dick Boss, former law librarian & Dean Roberta Shaffer of the University of Texas Graduate School of Library and Information Science, and the inimitable Professor Bob Berring of UC Berkeley. I am the coordinator and moderator. Lucky me. Other than the general theme of the meeting, “New

Realities: New Roles,” I don’t have a clue about what they will be talking about—and neither do they. These three seminal thinkers will present to you whatever is on their minds as of the day of the program. We are months away from the AALL meeting, and things change so fast. These three have the opportunity to clue you in on those important trends of that moment. You wanted an excuse to stay over for the closing banquet. Now, you’ve got it. (Those of you who didn’t like my last column, well, you don’t have to come to the final banquet).

At the recent California Library Association Conference I learned that 60 percent of the librarians who graduated from California library school since 1995 have as a major portion of their job description Web site design and maintenance. Either everybody is now doing Web sites, or we are letting the kids have all the fun. I wish it were the former, but I fear it is the latter. Maybe all us older ones should create our own personal Web sites, at least so that we know something about the time involved. I also fear that we are several years away from adequate management controls on time lost on Website work. We’re back to the days when everyone did original cataloging.

Lastly, I heard a recent report that they are finishing a prototype of the hover-car. This is the personal car like the Jetsons fly that can go straight up like a helicopter and land on a dime. The development costs are huge, but they expect mass production in about ten years. I’ve been thinking about those sci-fi movies wherein the skies are crowded with cars crossing every which way. So, presuming they develop the computerized rapid response radar systems that could steer in such an environment, I’ve got two huge questions: If we don’t need streets for cars anymore, will we start building out over the street easements? There’s some land use law for you. Presuming these things will be lighter than our current cars, will we start parking on the roof? I have this vision of a fifty-foot book drop. (Pardon me. I mean electronic book drop, or DVD drop or whatever). You may think I am just speculating, but these are serious questions for me. At the speed that San Diego County develops public buildings, it’ll be ten years before I get that new main library built. I sure could use that space on the streets.



Candidates for SCCLL Office

*Donna Bausch, Nominations Chair
Norfolk Law Library, Norfolk, VA*

The SCCLL Nominations Committee is pleased to announce the slate of candidates for the 2001 election.

For the office of Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect:

Sandy Marz
Law Library Director
Washoe County Law Library
Reno, NV

Michael S. Miller
Director of the Law Library
Maryland State Law Library
Annapolis, MD

For the office of Secretary/Treasurer:

Cynthia Fellows
State Law Librarian
Alaska State Court Library
Anchorage, AK

Timothy N. Holthoff
Director
Arkansas Supreme Court Library
Little Rock, AR

For the office of Executive Board member, 2001-2004:

Sharon E. Borbon
Director
Fresno County Law Library
Fresno, CA

Catherine Lemann
Electronic Resources Librarian
Law Library of Louisiana
New Orleans, LA

(See biographies of these candidates at end of article)

Continuing on the Board will be: Chair, Anita Anderson, Minnesota Office of the Attorney General, Minneapolis, MN; Past Chair, Regina Smith, Jenkins Memorial Library, Philadelphia, PA; Board Member (1999-2002), Tim Lewis, Alabama State Law Library, Montgomery, AL; Board Member (2000-2003), Rita Dermody, King County Law Library, Seattle, WA.

2000-01 SCCLL Nominations Committee: Donna Bausch, Chair, Norfolk Law Library; Cossette Sun, Bernard E. Witkin Alameda County Law Library; Marvin Anderson, Minnesota State Law Library.

Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect:

Sandy Marz

Director, Washoe County Law Library

Education:

M.B.A. University of Nevada, Reno - 1988

M.L.S. Brigham Young University - 1979

B.A. Brigham Young University - 1969

Professional Affiliations:

SCCLL: member since 1981

Trustees Development Committee,
2000-present

Sourcebook Committee, 1994-96

Standards Committee Chair, 1991-93

AALL

Awards Committee Chair, 1999

Awards Committee, 1994-96, 1997-98

National Legal Resources Committee,
1992-94

Education Committee, 1990-92

Local Arrangements Chair, Reno Annual
Meeting, 1989

WESTPAC

President, 1993-94

Education Committee, 1992-94

Placement Committee, 1981

NOCALL

Beta Phi Mu

Publications: Monthly contributor to the following newsletters: WRIT (Washoe County Bar Association); Legal Eagle (Washoe County Legal Secretaries Association); Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association Newsletter; SNAP Shot (Sierra Nevada Association of Paralegals).

Presentations (AALL):

“How to Keep Your Library Afloat: Developing a Workable Budget in Treacherous Waters” Speaker Baltimore Annual Meeting 1997; “Effective Public Speaking” Program Moderator New Orleans Annual Meeting 1991.

Candidate’s Statement: I would be most honored to serve as Chair of SCCLL. In these times of change, one constant has been the support I’ve received from my law library colleagues. After our annual meetings, I feel rejuvenated and able to face the challenges in my workplace. I

have especially enjoyed my membership in SCCLL as members of this group have been helpful in sharing ideas, successful programs, and sometimes just a sympathetic ear during difficult times.

I’ve heard for years that electronic resources spell the end of libraries but my experience is that our library is used now more than ever. The Internet has created new meaning for “haves and have nots” and both groups are increasing their use of our library. Those users who have computers come to our library to learn how to use the Internet more efficiently and “have nots” come to our library to use our computers to gain an equal footing in our modern world of information. I think as SCCLL members spread the word about their expertise with the law and electronic services, we will gain renewed respect from our users and new members from those who are our partners. Our existing Strategic Plan gives us the means to accomplish spreading the word and gaining new members as well as goals to carryover to future plans.

Michael S. Miller

Director, Maryland State Law Library & Adjunct Instructor, Legal Research, Anne Arundel Community College

Education:

M.L.S. University of Pittsburgh - 1967

B.A. Duquesne University - 1966

Professional Affiliations:

Member SCCLL since 1975; Chair-Standards Committee 1992-93 & 2000-2001; Chair-Working Group on Model County Law Library Code 2000; Chair- Supreme Court Library Standards 1979-80; County Law Library Statistics Committee 1977-78; Program Committee 1987-88; AALL member since 1969; Local Arrangements co-chair Annual Conference in Baltimore, 1997 (Go Ravens!); Member, AALL Special Committee on Electronic Fair Use 1994-95; Member AALL Special Committee on Public Relations 1991-93; Chair-Legal Information Services to the Public Committee 1986; Sec./Board of Dir. Maryland Center for Civic Education 1999-2002; Editorial Adv. Bd. “Justice Matters” (Md. Judiciary’s statewide newsletter); Co-Chair, Committee to Study Court Libraries in Maryland 2000-2001; Member, Sailor Implementation Group (Md.’s statewide electronic Web network) 1992-95; Md. Library Assn. Legislative Committee 1979-1992; Chair, Government Information Div., M.L.A. 1988-89; Pres., Law Library Assn. of Md. 1985-

86; Md. Library Assn., Executive Board 1978-80, 1988-89; Chair-Md. Commission on State Publications 1983-86; Delegate to the 1980 Md. Governor's Conference on Libraries; Facilitator/Reporter-Nationwide Conference on Public Trust & Confidence in the Courts, May 1999.

Publications:

Minimum Standards for Maryland Circuit Court Libraries (co-authored) 1984; Legal Information Resources-A Guide for Maryland Libraries 1983; Self-Help Law: A Sampler 1986; Ghosthunting: Searching for Legislative Intent in Maryland (*Md. Bar J.* July/Aug 1989); Tracking the U.S. and Md. Constitutions in Literature-Then and Now (*Md. Bar J.* Nov. 1987); The Maryland Court of Appeals-A Bibliography of its History 1999; Maryland Court Library Study Committee Report to the Chief Judge 2001; Recognizing and Reading Legal Citations, 2 *Perspectives* (Winter/Spring 1994); Breaking Barriers: Access to Main Street, 2 *Perspectives*(Winter/Spring 1994).

Presentations:

I have made numerous presentations, mostly locally and statewide and a few at AALL Conferences covering subjects such as library standards, access to the law and legal information, serving pro se customers, basics of legal research, legislative history, legal history in Maryland, library services to the incarcerated, public relations strategies, education, budgeting and fiscal responsibility, orientations for law clerks, technology's impact on legal research, American government, and genealogy workshops. AALL presentations include "Fools Rush in-Publicly Funded Outreach Programs" July, 1985; "Self-Help Law Publications-Have they Come of Age?" July, 1986; "The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth? Turning Up the Volume on Creative PR" July 1992; "Serving the Needs of the Public" AALL Winter Institute Jan. 1991.

Statement:

Our SIS currently has a thoughtful and well engineered road map - the Strategic Plan, crafted by a bright and well organized group of volunteers. Shepherding this plan through to its completion and then initiating an equally insightful, yet pragmatic, map to our immediate future should be a major goal for future chairs of this SIS. Though I'm not about to promise "a chicken in every pot" or the luxury of "having our cake and eating it too," there are a host of critical issues our focus group must continue to address. A few of my agenda items would include topics such as the re-evaluation and restructuring of our

profession's generally lousy compensation levels, localizing educational opportunities for our membership, establishing some form of connectivity standards for our libraries to better access the Internet, investigate the establishment of state-wide public law library digital networks in most states, getting our institutional overseers to recognize us as legitimate players in helping to realize the court's mission, and finally confronting the "dueling banjos" in our daily professional lives - of whether to succumb to the steady beat of that "virtual library" hype, or expose the Luddite lurking in the not-too-deep recesses of our psyche, and draw a line in the sand and say, the book must stay!

Secretary/Treasurer:

Cynthia S. Fellows

State Law Librarian
Alaska Court System

Education:

Wellesley College, B.A. - 1969
Simmons College, School of Library Science, M.L.S. - 1974

Professional Affiliations:

AALL, 1978 - 1983, 1987 - present
SCCLL, 1978 - 1983, 1987 - present
Alaska Bar Association, Historian's Committee, 1998 - present

Presentations:

Alaska Bar Association CLE, Legal Research (1997 & 2001)
SCCLL, Library Automation (1989)

Timothy N. Holthoff

Director
Arkansas Supreme Court Library

Education:

B.S. Computer Science, Vanderbilt University - 1986
M.L.S., Vanderbilt University - 1988
J.D., With High Honors, University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law - 1998

Professional Affiliations:

Member SCCLL, 1996 -
Member AALL, 1996-; Citations Format Committee, 1999-
Member SWALL, 1991-; Programs Committee, 1998-99
Member MAALL, 1991 -

Arkansas State Librarian LSTA Network Advisory Committee, 1999 - 2000

Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Automation, 1999 -

Arkansas Bar Association, 1998 -

(Web site Oversight Committee, Member 1999-2000, Chair 2000-2001; Task Force on Legal Research, Publications & Technology, Member 1999-2000; Electronic Information Committee, Member 1999-2001)

American Bar Association, 1992-96, 1998-

Pulaski County Bar Association, 1998-

Arkansas Library Association, 1987-88, 1991 - (1987-88 Chair of the Library Automation Roundtable; 1993-1994 member of the Legislation Committee; 1994-95 member of the Public Relations Committee)

Mississippi Library Association, 1988-91

(1990-91 Vice-Chair of the Automation and Networking Roundtable; 1991-92; Vice-Chair of the Government Documents Roundtable).

Publications:

Technical Services Quarterly, Volume 7, No. 1, 1989. "Expert Librarian: Applications of Expert Systems to Library Technical Services," pp. 1-16; *Mississippi Libraries*, Volume 53, No. 2, 1989. "Impact at Delta State," pp. 37-38; *Automatome*, Volume 10, No. 3/4, 1991. "The Assistant in a Law Library," pp. 4-5. Co-authored with Jacqueline S. Wright; *The Online Catalog Book: Essays and Examples*, by Walt Crawford, G.K. Hall & Co., New York, 1992. Co-authored with Jacqueline S. Wright "The Assistant at the Arkansas Supreme Court Library," pp. 131-142; *Encyclopedia of Library and Information Science*, Volume 53, 1993. "Expert Systems in Libraries," pp. 203-209; *The Court Manager*, Volume 10, No. 1, 1995. "Legal Waysides on the Information Superhighway: What Archie and Veronica Are Doing with Gophers in Cyberspace," pp. 7-13. Co-authored with Jacqueline S. Wright, and James Hambleton; *UALR Law Journal*, Volume 18, No. 3, 1996. Casenote, "Constitutional Law - Twelve Angry People. Arkansas Constitution Guarantees Right to Trial by Jury of Twelve Persons in Criminal Cases," pp. 463-512; *The Arkansas Lawyer*, v. 32, No. 3, 1997. "A Year on the Web: A Report on the Arkansas Judiciary Home Page," pp. 6-7. Co-authored with Jacqueline S. Wright; *UALR Law Journal*, v. 20, No. 2, 1998. Legislative Survey, "Criminal Law - Penalties" pp. 427-432; *Arkansas Libraries*, v. 56, No. 2, 1999. "Jacqueline S. Wright: She Takes the Tired Out of Retired," pp. 31-32; *The ATLA Docket*, Fall 1999. "Hip or Hype? Legal Research on the Internet," pp. 14-15, 32-34; *Arkansas Lawyer*, Winter 2000. "Finding Case

Information on the Arkansas Judiciary Home Page," pp. 8-9, 56.

Presentations:

Annual Meeting, Arkansas Judicial College, October 2000. Presentations on "Internet Legal Research," "Webpage Design," "Using Arkansas Law-On-Disc"; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Library Association, October 2000. Presentation on "Sharing Online Catalog Resources"; Monthly Meeting, Lonoke County Bar Association, September 2000; Presentation on "Internet Legal Research"; CLE Program, Openness, Ethics and Professionalism in Government Practice. Presentation on FOIA and the Internet, October 15, 1999; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Municipal Clerks, September 1999. Presented session on Internet; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Bar Association, June 1999. Presented session on Internet based legal research; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Municipal Judges College, May 1999. Presented session on Internet based legal research for Judges; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Judicial College, April 1999. Presented session on Internet based legal research for Judges; Annual Meeting, Southwestern Association of Law Libraries, 1999, Denver Colorado, Intranets for Court Libraries; Media Day: Courts 101, Little Rock, AR, 1998, co-presented session on legal research for members of the news media; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Judicial College, 1996. Presented session on Internet for Judges.; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Library Association, Little Rock, Arkansas 1996. Presented program on legal information on the Internet for Government Documents Roundtable; Annual Meeting, Southeastern/Southwestern Association of Law Libraries, Austin, TX, 1996. Presented program on use of CD-ROM technology in law libraries; Faculty Member, Fourth Court Technology Conference, Nashville, TN, 1994. Presented program on Court use of the Internet; Annual Meeting, Arkansas Library Association, Little Rock, Arkansas 1994. Presented introduction to the Internet for Special Libraries Division.



"Reading on the Job" column, *NOALL Newsletter* 1992 - 1996.

"AIDS in Public Libraries: A Look Back and A Look Forward," *RQ*, Summer 1993 (portion of Masters Degree Thesis).

Covenants against Competition in Franchise Agreements, Alabama chapter, Peter J. Klarfeld, editor, (ABA Forum on Franchising, 1992).

Presentations:

"Unpublished Judicial Opinions, Secret Settlements and the Judicial System" 2001 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, coordinator & moderator, SCCLL sponsored program; "Nobody Does It Better: Leading Government Web Sites" 2001 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, coordinator & moderator, AELIC sponsored program; "Greeting our Lay Patrons at the Gateway: Who Are They and How Can We Help Them?" 2000 American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, presenter; "Internet Access to the Courts: Louisiana Supreme Court," The Internet and Your Law Practice: The 21st Century is Here, Loyola University CLE, November 11, 1999; "New Paradigms in Legal Research," Law & Technology: Preparing to Practice in the Digital Millennium, Louisiana State Bar Assn. CLE, September 24, 1999; 1999 American Assn. of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, Coordinator: Court Technology Trilogy; "Constructing Access Lanes to Court Information: The Process"; "Thoroughfares and Roadblocks to Court Information: Falling-Rock Zones on the Information Access Road" (moderator); "Law Librarians as Crossing Guards: Championing Improved Access to Court Information"; "Internet Access to the Courts: Louisiana Supreme Court"; Using the Internet in Your Law Practice, Loyola University CLE, December 4, 1998; "Internet Resources for Immigration Lawyers," International Lawyers CLE with Friends, May 1, 1998; "Electronic Dissemination of Court Opinions," Southeastern Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting, March 13, 1998; "Legal Resources on the Internet," New Orleans Bar Association Procrastinators Program, December 22, 1997; "Legal Research in the Next Millennium," AIDSLAW, December 4, 1997; "Accessing Cyberspace," Law & Technology Seminar, Southwest Louisiana Bar Association March 1996; 1993 Southeastern Chapter, American Association of Law Libraries, Annual Meeting Program participant "Pro Bono Activities by Lawyer-Librarians."



AALL Annual Meeting Programs and Events for our SIS

Regina Smith, SCCLL Chair

Jenkins Law Library, Philadelphia, PA

Save Sunday morning at the AALL Annual Meeting in Minneapolis for a sit-down breakfast, no waiting in a buffet line, and the SCCLL business meeting. We have been busy this year and we will need your vote on the Model County Code among other agenda items.

The exhibit hall opens at 9 am, followed at 10 am by two programs sponsored by our SIS. Anita Anderson, who will become Chair of our SIS at the Minneapolis meeting, is sponsoring a program, "New Opportunities Through Collaboration: The Minnesota Model." Susanne Pierce Dyer is sponsoring a program, "Facing a New Reality: The Librarian as Fundraiser." These programs will be followed by the Trustee's Luncheon and the Attorney General Law Librarian's Luncheon.

At 1 pm, Catherine Lemann will sponsor a program entitled, "Unpublished Judicial Opinions, Secret Settlements, and the Judicial System." Now that's a full day and we are only up to 2 pm!

Our section is also co-sponsoring three programs: "Capital Punishment: Is a Moratorium the New Reality?," Timothy Coggins; "Facing Reality: The Death of the Reference Desk," Kelly Browne; "Pornography on the Internet: A New Reality," Alison Alifano.

Save Tuesday evening for the WestGroup sponsored SCCLL reception. This was such a nice event last year for our Section and we are very appreciative of West Group's support.

When your AALL Annual Meeting registration arrives, be sure to sign up for these events. The breakfast and lunches will be listed on the registration form, so you will be unable to sign up at the door.

Visit our Website for more information about the AALL Annual Meeting and events.

AALL Annual Meeting SCCLL to be Well Represented

*Kathy Carlson, Education Chair
Wyoming State Law Library, Cheyenne, WY*

The Education Committee met at the AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia to discuss program ideas for the 2001 meeting in Minneapolis. Prior to the meeting, a call had gone out via the SCCLL listserv for persons with ideas who might be interested in developing program proposals to attend the meeting or, if they could not attend, to send in their ideas. The Education Chair also contacted all those who had submitted proposals that had not been selected for the 2000 Philadelphia meeting to see if they would like to rework them for resubmission. At the Philadelphia SCCLL Education Committee meeting all of these program ideas were discussed and suggestions made. Discussions and suggestions regarding the proposals continued via e-mail until shortly before the submission due date. In the end, the SCCLL Education Committee coordinated the submission of seven program proposals and one workshop proposal. It also agreed that SCCLL should co-sponsor four additional programs being submitted by others. Of all these submissions, three SCCLL developed programs and three SCCLL co-sponsored programs were accepted. The **SCCLL developed programs** were:

1. New Opportunities Through Collaboration: The Minnesota Model (Anita Anderson) **(Accepted)**
2. Unpublished Judicial Opinions, Secret Settlements and the Judicial System (Cathy Lemann) **(Accepted)**
3. Another New Role: Law Librarians as Press Secretaries (Kathy Carlson)
4. Website Check-Up: Rx for a Long Life (Cathy Lemann)
5. Realities of Poor Workplace Design: A New Role for Librarians as Ergonomic Evaluators (Karlye Pillai)
6. Facing a New Reality: The Law Librarian as Fundraiser (Suzanne Dyer) **(Accepted)**
7. American Indian Law: Its Role in the Legal System (Cathy Lemann)

[SCCLL's proposal was not accepted but a very similar program proposal was accepted]

SCCLL Workshop Proposal:

1. Creating New Roles and New Realities : Marketing Your Law Library (Kathy Carlson)

Co-Sponsored:

1. Capital Punishment : Is a Moratorium the New Reality? (with VALL and SRSIS) **(Accepted)**
2. Pornography on the Internet : A New Reality (SRSIS) **(Accepted)**
3. Facing Reality: The Death of the Reference Desk? (RIPS) **(Accepted)**
4. Coping with the Wireless Revolution: The Impact of Wireless Technology on Libraries (David Badertscher & OBSSIS)

Although the SCCLL Education Committee did not co-sponsor the following idea, Cossette Sun, a SCCLL member, independently submitted the following proposal:

1. Happily Ever After? Personal Financial Planning for Law Librarians

As you begin thinking about which programs to attend in Minneapolis, please give serious consideration to supporting the SCCLL programs and your SCCLL colleagues.

My thanks to all who contributed ideas and proposals and all who provided comment and critique to assist in making all the SCCLL proposals very strong competitors in a tough field.

EDITOR'S NOTE: I asked the Coordinators of the three SCCLL sponsored programs that were accepted for this summer's AALL Annual Meeting to write for us a more detailed description of their programs (see below) so we can all anticipate them that much more!

PROGRAM A-3 (10-11:30 Sunday, July 15) Facing a New Reality - The Law Librarian as Fundraiser

*Susanne Pierce Dyer
Bernard E. Witkin Alameda County Law Library, Oakland, CA*

As anyone who has been paying even cursory attention is aware, the costs of maintaining a law library are rising steadily. Not only are the materials more expensive, but libraries are using ever more sophisticated (and expensive) technology, salaries must be competitive, etc. These realities are forcing more and more librarians in government, as well as academic libraries, to assume a new role, that of Director of Development or Fundraiser-in-Chief. This is a role for



which most of us have neither formal training nor practical experience. I for one, feel adrift when working on even the very modest fundraising that my library has attempted.

This program was born at the last year's SCCLL business meeting in Philadelphia. I happened to hear Regina Smith tell someone that "I used to be afraid to ask for money, and now you should see how good I am!" Bells instantly went off in my head! I wanted to learn how she did it - not only what techniques Regina uses for successful fundraising but also how she conquered the reluctance most of us have about directly asking for financial support for our libraries. I also wanted to learn from other colleagues and to share the information.

As a result, I did what I often do when I want to learn more about an area of law librarianship - I submitted an AALL program proposal and asked the most qualified people I could think of to be the speakers. I was thrilled when Regina agreed to be one of the speakers. She will describe how she evolved into a confident and successful fundraiser and how she was able to generate support for Philadelphia's Jenkins Memorial Law Library and rebuild an institution.

Robert J. Brink, the Executive Director of the Social Law Library in Boston will be our second speaker. He is the former Director of Development for the Social Law Library, and he will speak from the perspective of being an experienced fundraiser at a library with a longstanding tradition of active fundraising and community support. Robert's experience is not limited to libraries, and I look forward to hearing him compare the similarities and differences between development for libraries and other kinds of institutions.

The program will focus on designing and implementing fundraising and development projects including grant writing. The speakers will describe how to overcome the fear of asking for support. They will also describe how to identify and locate potential funding sources and how best to approach them. The program will cover techniques which are appropriate for any not-for-profit library including government, academic, bar association, and other.

I am really looking forward to the program and hope to see you there. I know that we will all acquire a lot of really useful new fundraising skills!

PROGRAM A-4 (10-11:30 Sunday, July 15) New Opportunities Through Collaboration: The Minnesota Model

*Anita Anderson,
Minnesota Office of the Attorney General, St. Paul, MN*

This Sunday morning program has been appropriately assigned to the "Partnership" track in the AALL program announcement. One of the articulated outcomes for the program is that participants will learn effective techniques for working with other libraries or groups to obtain goals that would be impossible to achieve individually.

This program will be based on experiences of the Capitol Area Library Consortium, known as CALCO. The presenters will discuss successful collaborative projects that have benefited the member libraries. Founded in 1973, CALCO consists of 22 publicly funded libraries serving state government and the citizens of Minnesota.



CALCO libraries have succeeded with a variety of projects. As a few examples, they have:

1. Worked with the state employee relations department to redefine the class specifications for library positions within the state to more accurately reflect their work and to adjust the pay ranges.
2. Successfully requested significant federal grants for special projects such as a bar coding project and backlog cataloging.
3. Persuaded state legislators to fund a shared, automated library catalog directly to the group rather than fund a variety of catalogs through each agency.

Our program will review these and other CALCO projects. As the projects are described our speakers will share their experiences and provide practical advice for success in reaching similar collaborative goals.

Speakers are:

- Barbara Golden is the Electronic Services Librarian and Webweaver for the Minnesota State Law Library. She has been a CALCO member since 1983 and served as President for the 1986-87 term when CALCO succeeded in obtaining legislative funding for the installation and operation of a "computerized

library catalog” for state government libraries. Since that time, Barb has represented CALCO on the MnSCU/PALS Deans/Directors/Coordinators Executive Committee, serving as president of this group for the 1999-2000 term. MnSCU/PALS is the vendor of the integrated library system that was chosen by CALCO in 1988. Most recently, Barb served on the Vendor Evaluation Team for MnLINK (Minnesota Library Information Network) which will replace our current system.

- Sara Galligan has been the Dakota County Law Library Manager since May 2000. Prior to her position at Dakota County, Sara was Head of Technical Services at the Minnesota State Law Library for fifteen years and was an Information Resources Specialist for the Department of Transportation Library for a year and a half. She is a past CALCO President, and as past chair of CALCO legislative and automation committees, she participated in collaborative lobbying efforts as well as grant writing. While at the State Law Library, Sara supervised the library’s shared document depository program and its cataloging outsource program. These two programs extended services to other state government libraries.
- Jerry Baldwin has been a librarian with the Department of Transportation and its predecessor, the Department of Highways, for twenty-nine years. He began his career in state government as a library technician and the only full-time employee in a library that provided a limited range of services to the department’s employees. The library has since become the nation’s leading state transportation agency library. Its staff of ten is the core of the Minnesota Transportation Libraries program that provides a full range of library services to the state’s entire transportation community. He is one of the original incorporators of CALCO and served as its first president. Jerry has also been active in the formation and development of a number of efforts to improve access to transportation related information, including the Government Transportation Research Information Council, an international group of librarians working to improve worldwide access to transportation information resources. He is currently a member of the Library and Information Services for Transportation Committee in the National Academy of Sciences’ Transportation Research Board.
- William F. Marx is the Chief Fiscal Analyst for the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Job responsibilities include monitoring, reviewing, and analyzing the state budget and its various components, tracking state revenues and expenditures and monitoring related programs. The Chief Fiscal Analyst, working with the House Fiscal Staff, must assure that all House members are provided with the fiscal information they need. Prior to becoming the Chief Fiscal Analyst in 1997, Bill was a fiscal analyst assigned to K-12 education finance. He has worked with education and budget issues for the Minnesota Legislature since 1977. Bill is active in the National Conference of State Legislatures and is a Past-President of the National Association of Legislative Fiscal Offices.

Information about CALCO and its member libraries can be found at <http://www.state.mn.us/libraries/calco.html>. Fiscal information prepared by the Minnesota House of Representative’s Fiscal Analysis Department is available at <http://www.house.leg.state.mn.us/fiscal/fahome.htm>.

PROGRAM B-5 (1:15-2:30 Sunday, July 15)
Unpublished Judicial Opinions, Secret Settlements and the Judicial System

Catherine Lemann
Law Library of Louisiana, New Orleans, LA

When I proposed this topic for the 2001 Annual Meeting, the issue of unpublished judicial opinions was flying below the radar for most lawyers and librarians. Now it is an issue that we see on law-lib, in legal newspapers, and elsewhere.

At our reference desk, we remind patrons that they cannot cite to unpublished judicial opinions. Why? Well, court’s rule, wanted to settlement l i c i z e d ability or cases. We that they available, are not l i s h e d . The parties agreed to it or the court sealed the record. Some of the patrons wonder how this can be. Why aren’t these public records public? Why are there unpublished opinions?



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The speakers for this program may not have all the answers but I am sure that they will give us

**STATE, COURT & COUNTY SIS
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF LAW LIBRARIES
GRANT APPLICATION**

[Please Append Additional Pages As Needed]

1. Name (Last, First, M.I.): _____
2. Address (work): _____
3. Phone number (work): _____
4. Current position: _____ How long: _____
5. Previous law library experience or other relevant experience:
Employer: _____ Position: _____ Dates: _____
6. Education beyond high school
School Attended: _____ Dates: _____ Degree/Cert.: _____

7. Are you a State Court & County SIS member? List State, Court & County SIS and/or AALL activities:

8. List previous State, Court & County SIS meetings attended:

9. Have you received a State, Court & County SIS grant previously? If so, when?

10. What portion of your expenses will your employer pay for attendance at this meeting?

11. Estimated travel expenses (Supersaver rate):

Hotel expenses: _____

Registration expenses: _____

Estimated meal expenses: _____

(Receipts are required for all expenses and must be sent to Grants Committee Chair within one week of end of conference. Recipient is responsible for paying any expenses over the grant limit).

12. What is your career goal and how will attendance at this meeting benefit you in furthering your goal?

13. How will attending this meeting benefit you and your employer?

14. How will you apply what you have learned?

15. What continuing professional education programs have you attended in the past year?

Two letters of recommendation are required and must be sent with your application. At least one letter should be from a person who supervises or has first-hand knowledge of your work responsibilities. The recommendation should include information about the applicant's potential contribution to the field of law librarianship and AALL, as well as need for the grant.

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT'S COMMITMENT

If a grant is awarded, I will submit an article to the SCCLL newsletter on an aspect of the AALL Annual Meeting, as agreed upon with the SCCLL newsletter editor.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS MUST BE SENT BY FIRST CLASS MAIL WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF REGISTRATION PACKET MAILING TO MEMBERS, OR APRIL 15, WHICHEVER IS LATEST. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. Please send SIX (6) copies of completed applications and letters of recommendation to: SCCLL Grants Committee, c/o Nancy G. Joseph, Librarian, The New York Law Institute, 120 Broadway, Room 932, New York, NY 10271-0043.

much to think about. Laurie Kratky Dore', Professor of Law at Drake University School of Law, has studied confidential settlement agreements for a number of years. She will discuss the "confidentiality debate." Proponents of confidentiality argue that settlements conserve scarce judicial resources. Opponents are public access advocates who suggest that the public creates and subsidizes litigation, thus entitling them to monitor the system to be sure that it's functioning properly.

I first heard Martha Dragich, Director of the Law Library, University of Missouri-Columbia, speak about unpublished judicial opinions at a SEAALL Annual Meeting. I was shocked at the figures she cited about how few opinions are selected for publication. She even noted cases where federal statutes were declared unconstitutional without published opinions. Last summer, the U.S. 8th Circuit Court of Appeals decided in *U.S. v. Anastasoff* that it could not ignore a prior decision in an unpublished case. In rehearing the case en banc, the Court decided that the issue of the constitutionality of the court rule stating that unpublished opinions have no precedential effect was rendered moot by virtue of settlement of the underlying tax issue in the case. This issue will likely come up again and will be a topic of discussion.

I hope that you find these issues as intriguing as I do. Make plans to join us for program B-5, Sunday, July 15, 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.

SCCLL Grants for AALL

*Nancy Joseph, Grants Chair
New York Law Institute, New York, NY*

The State, Court & County SIS will be awarding grants to assist members in attending the 2001 AALL Annual Meeting in Minneapolis. Receipts will be required and grant recipients, or their institutions, will be responsible for paying any excess over the grant limit. If you do not plan to use the grant application, please pass it on to someone who may not have received one because they are new to law librarianship in the State, Court & County SIS.

RULES FOR AWARDING GRANTS

1. Membership in State, Court & County SIS is a prerequisite to receiving the grant.
2. Grants should be made on the basis of:

- a. Financial need
- b. Proven potential ability
- c. Promise of future usefulness and permanence in the law library profession

3. Grants may be withdrawn for sufficient cause by unanimous action of the Committee.
4. Should circumstances prevent use of the grant by the recipient, the award is to be handled at the discretion of the Committee.
5. Recipient is required to provide receipts of expenses, sent to the Committee Chair within a week of the conference conclusion and repay any surplus over actual expenses.
6. Only one award per year will be made to any individual. First time applicants will take priority over previous recipients. However, an award may be presented to a previous recipient if there are fewer qualified applicants than awards available.
7. All members of SCCLL are eligible regardless of number of years of membership. There is not an upper limit as there may be for other grants.

We look forward to receiving your applications. If you have questions, please call: The State Court & County SIS Grants Committee Chair, Nancy Joseph at (212) 732-8720.

Get to Know Your ... SCCLL Committee Chairs

NAME: **Anne C. Peters**

COMMITTEE: **Awards**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director of Development, Social Law Library. Also Deputy Director, Supreme Judicial Court Historical Society – an educational trust operating under the auspices of the Social Law Library.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: The Committee solic-

its the nominations of the membership and awards each year one of the Section's three triennial awards: The Connie E. Bolden Significant Publication Award; the Bethany J. Ochal Award for Distinguished Service to the Profession; and the O. James Werner Award for Distinguished Service to Persons with Disabilities. This year, the focus of the Committee is the O. James Werner Award. The Committee also nominates section members for AALL awards and the Spirit of Law Librarianship Award when appropriate.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: The opportunity to go to library school. I thoroughly enjoyed being in the classroom again and learning the technical workings of the institution I represent.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: It is an opportunity to contribute to the profession. It's also an enjoyable way to get to know your fellow Section members.

WHY THE AWARDS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: Identifying and celebrating individuals of great accomplishment – it's an entirely pleasant assignment, and one which doesn't demand an extraordinary amount of your time.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: Well, I'm only tangentially a law librarian. If I could put myself in any other field it would be music.

HOBBIES: Choral singing. Tennis.

NAME: Georgiana G. Wellford

COMMITTEE: Bylaws

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director of Library Services, Office of the Attorney General (VA).



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: 1. To make sure that the SCCLL-SIS Bylaws conform to AALL Bylaws and 2. To review Bylaws and recommend changes to the SCCLL-SIS Executive Board as needed.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: When the television game show Jeopardy's Research Dept. called my library for reference assistance. I returned the number immediately to make sure that not one was playing a joke on

me. It was the real thing.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: 1. To be able to confer with law librarians in a similar library. 2. To make sure that our type of law library has a voice in AALL.

WHY THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: This committee makes sure that that the structure of the SIS is in accordance with AALL and members' needs.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A jeweler.

HOBBIES: Playing bridge, and traveling.

NAME: Kathy Carlson

**COMMITTEE: Education;
Co-Chair Membership**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director, Wyoming State Law Library.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEES:
Education: To coordinate the submission of all program proposals prepared by SCCLL members to AALL headquarters. To orchestrate committee review and critique of the drafts of these programs to maximize the probability of acceptance for presentation at the AALL Annual Meeting. **Membership:** (my role) To prepare sample recruitment documents to be placed on the SCCLL Web- site to assist all SCCLL members in their recruitment efforts for the "each one, reach one" campaign. (These documents are in final draft form and have been sent to co-chair for final review prior to posting). To pull together an accurate table of 20 year membership pin recipients and membership origination dates for all current SCCLL members.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Writing the draft of the order for Wyoming's adoption of the Uniform Citation Format and having the proposal approved unanimously by the Board of Judicial Policy and Administration.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: To meet great "public" law librarians and others interested in "public" law libraries from around the country—it's a great network!

WHY EDUCATION COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: You have a chance to develop educational programs to share with the entire AALL membership. Additionally, if you have something you want to learn, you can develop a program proposal and offer it for presentation—you may get the educational opportunity you want. If you wait for someone else to offer a similar proposal, it may never happen.

WHY MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: It's always nice to share something good with others and membership in SCCLL is worth sharing!

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A travel agent.

HOBBIES: Travel, reading, baking.



NAME: Lisa (Mecklenberg) Jackson

COMMITTEE: Newsletter

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Electronic Services Librarian, State Law Library of Montana, Helena, Montana.

GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Produce a great newsletter for SCCLL three times a year! The newsletter should be available primarily online (to cut costs) and more advertisers are needed.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Recently having the State Law Library of Montana chosen as the Montana Library Association Library of the Year based on a letter I wrote and letters submitted by several of the patrons I help on a regular basis. It felt really wonderful to be recognized for the "wonderful service" we provide to our users.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: As a newer member of the profession, I have learned how important it is to learn from those more experienced than I. SCCLL has some wonderful role models and mentors and the knowledge I have gained from these people has been invaluable.

WHY THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: Because you get to decide what everyone else should read! It's also an excellent way to keep your finger on the pulse of what's happening in SCCLL.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A taste tester in the Hershey's chocolate factory or a mountain climber in Alaska.

HOBBIES: Hiking, sports (the latest is fencing), dogs, and social events!

NAME: Donna K. Bausch

COMMITTEE: Nominations

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Law Librarian, Norfolk Law Library.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: To field a qualified and talented slate of candidates for SCCLL office.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME: Sharing the past 20 years in law librarianship with such fine colleagues. Having the opportunity to interact with such bright, helpful, resourceful people on a daily basis makes this career unique. It is a rare field in which ones' colleagues compete to assist one another. While brokers, lawyers, bankers and salespeople thrive on cutthroat competition, our success as law librarians depends upon our willingness to cooperate and share resources. What a privilege to be part of something so positive!

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: Enlightened self-interest. What do I mean by that? By developing strong ties with colleagues on SCCLL projects and committees, formal and informal networks develop. These networks prove their worth in unexpected ways on the job every day. By contributing to the profession, you develop both the contacts and the confidence to seek the input and support of colleagues. Without our colleagues, we are worth far less, no matter how skillful we may be on our own.

WHY THE NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: It is a privilege to play a role in assuring a bright future for SCCLL. What better way to accomplish this than to identify the best and the brightest among us to lead us in the coming years?

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: Practicing law and wondering if there isn't a way to use my research and writing skills in a profession where cooperation and collaboration are valued more than adversarial skills.

I would hope that I would have seen the light by now!

HOBBIES: Travel, movies, and reading history and biographies

NAME: **Betsy Vipperman**

COMMITTEE: **Publicity/
Public Relations**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Senior Librarian for Public Services, Appellate Division Law Library in Rochester, NY.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Develop a publication series to build relationships with SCCLL library "customers"; Continue to develop a media/public relations toolkit template for marketing to law library governing boards and committees; Continue to solicit member authors to write articles describing the talents and expertise of law librarians for submission to targeted judicial/court administration/bar publications; Work with the Membership & Mentoring Committee to publicize their activities

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Teaching my first Internet class and discovering I really do have some grasp of this technology stuff.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: It's a way to give back to our profession. By contributing your own individual knowledge, experience, and ideas you help SCCLL become more than the sum of our parts.

WHY PUBLICITY/PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: If you take delight in the visual or verbal, creative or fun, and care about making connections with others, this is the committee for you. We've designed and written text for the SCCLL brochure and press releases, come up with prizes, contests, and giveaways to spice up our table at the annual conference, and more. We have several pending projects to continue educating others in AALL and our library organizations as to who we are and what we can do.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A children's librarian.

HOBBIES: Knitting, choral music, reading

NAME: **Mike Miller**

COMMITTEE: **Standards**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director, Maryland State Law Library.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Keep Regina Smith happy by completing her charge to our committee to write new standards for electronic services and update existing appellate/county law library standards.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Becoming a part of our court's management team and moving from a manual to a completely automated library environment, including a pretty good Website in a year and a half - with a lot of excellent support from a great crew.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: To open the door to opportunities to interact with a bunch of great professionals across the country. May sound corny, but networking does work for our professional selves and our libraries!

WHY THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: Members can literally have a first hand impact on setting standards/guidelines, nationwide, for court/county law libraries. Talk about being in the "driver's seat!"

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A bartender/tavern owner or a college professor.

HOBBIES: Staying fit (young) - awfully challenging!; reading good fiction; growing tomatoes for my wife to make homemade sauce for pasta; rooting for the Nittany Lions (PSU)- a little exasperating in 2000, and the Baltimore Ravens (Super Bowl in our future?).

NAME: **Shirley David**

COMMITTEE: **Strategic Planning**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director, Sacramento County Public Law Library.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Work with Committee chairs to implement the 2000-2001 Strategic Plan.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Making sure the Sacramento County Law Library is an integral part of the local legal community activities.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: It's an opportunity to work with colleagues to improve our own professional skills and to set standards for our type of libraries.

WHY THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: Working towards a Strategic Plan keeps us focused.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A Marketing Manager.

HOBBIES: Sailing, reading, and traveling.

NAME: **Jean Holcomb**

COMMITTEE: **Trustee Caucus**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Law Librarian, King County Law Library, Seattle, Washington.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Work with the Membership and Mentoring Committee to develop mentoring opportunities for members of law library governing bodies who become new members of the section; Promote the "Mini-CONNELL session for Trustees at next year's AALL Annual Meeting in Minneapolis; Work with the Membership and Mentoring Committee to foster increased member usage of the SCCLL Listserv and Website by members of law library governing bodies who become new members of the section; Develop a program/luncheon or dinner program for libraries with governing boards for the 2001 Annual Meeting in Minneapolis; Work with the Publicity/PR Committee to develop a vehicle to attract trustees as AALL and SCCLL members; Determine if there is enough interest for the caucus to petition to be an SIS: 2001 will be the 4th year of the caucus

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: I'm currently participating in a project as a member of the Washington Access to Justice Board's communication and technology sub-com-

mittee to draft and implement a Technology Bill of Rights for Washington that will address digital divide issues in Washington state.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: Membership in SCCLL provides amazing opportunities to learn about how other similar libraries provide services and solve problems. Membership provides an opportunity to meet the librarians who are the leaders in our types of libraries.

WHY THE TRUSTEE CAUCUS COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: Trustees and the members of SCCLL library governing boards may now become AALL and SCCLL members. Trustees and members of governing boards are our library's advisors and advocates. Planning opportunities for their professional development and involvement will help ensure the continued viability of our libraries in times of great change and challenge.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A futurist working with someone like Watts Wacker, the author of *The Visionary's Handbook*.

HOBBIES: A few of my favorite things: Chocolate, reading maps and planning trips, taking trips, and reading mysteries.

NAME: **Anita Anderson**

COMMITTEE: **Website/Listserv**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director, Minnesota Attorney General Library.

GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Our committee will continue to develop and maintain the SCCLL Website. Because we want to offer useful information to the membership at our Website, I encourage all members to provide suggestions for additional content or further development.

We are also looking for ways to encourage all of our members to join and actively participate in the listserv. We are particularly interested in developing ways to reach out to our new section members including trustees and members of the law library governing bodies.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME



WAS: Developing the library services portion of our office Intranet. Because of that success I convinced our administration that the library staff should organize and coordinate all aspects of the Intranet.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: Getting to know other librarians working in similar settings who are struggling with the same problems. As a result, you are very comfortable calling on them for advice, whether by phone, personal e-mail, or on the listserv.

WHY THE WEBSITE/LISTSERV COMMITTEE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: What is fun about this committee is that there are so many ways to be active - you can work on creating Web pages, write articles promoting the listserv, or communicate with other committees to develop ideas.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: Something completely different.

HOBBIES: Taking fun pictures with my new digital camera, cooking/baking, enjoying friends.

NAME: **Anne Grande**

COMMITTEE: **Working Group on a Model County Law Library Code**

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Director, Hennepin County Law Library, Minneapolis, MN.



GOALS FOR COMMITTEE: Have a draft of a model code ready for submission to the SCCLL Executive Committee at the 2001 AALL Annual Meeting in Minneapolis.

A GREAT WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE FOR ME WAS: Working with our court system to set up a Self-Help Center for pro se litigants.

MOST IMPORTANT REASON TO GET INVOLVED IN SCCLL: To work with great people to come up with ideas to solve problems facing us all - and to have fun with those people!

WHY THE WORKING GROUP ON A MODEL COUNTY LAW LIBRARY CODE IS A GOOD SCCLL COMMITTEE TO BE A PART OF: County law libraries are all faced with similar governance and funding problems. We have an opportunity to create a model code that will be available as a

major reference for the state legislatures when they decide to address these problems.

IF I WEREN'T A LAW LIBRARIAN, I WOULD PROBABLY BE: A French teacher.

HOBBIES: Golf, tennis, and gardening.

April 1 Deadline for AALL Grants

AALL has grants available for financial assistance to cover the costs of registration for the AALL Annual Meeting/Workshops for this summer's conference in Minneapolis. The deadline for application is April 1, 2001. The complete application, purpose, qualifications, and instructions can be found at http://www.aallnet.org/services/grant_application.asp.

SCCLL News

The U.S. Attorney's Office Library in Denver has a new location. At the end of December 2000, they moved to 1225 Seventeenth Street, Suite 700, Denver, CO 80202. Mariann Storck, Legal Information Specialist, Dept. of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office.

Welcome to New Members of SCCLL (since Dec. 1, 2000)

Charles L.B. Kitzen
Juris Publishing Inc.
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Huntington, NY 11743

Monica Overly
Union County Law Library
215 W. Fifth St.
Marysville, OH 43040

Donald Schlauer
Fish & Neave
525 University Ave.
Palo Alto, CA 93401

Jessica Wimer
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Bloomington, IN 47408

