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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

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Happy 2009 to all of you! The so-called ancient Chinese curse, “May you live in interesting times” is really not a curse at all; it is a blessing. By the time you read this newsletter, our 44th President, Barack Obama will have been sworn into office. With the winds of change, we are heading towards interesting and hopeful times on both the national and international scene. We will need the hope especially, as we face the next few years of global strife and economic turbulence.

As the old year and the old guard morph into the new, I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date with some ALL-SIS activities and to alert you to some of the ALL-SIS

programming for the 102nd annual AALL meeting in Washington, D.C., from July 25 - 28, 2009. As you know, the annual meeting theme is **Innovate!**. President James Duggan has reminded us to think about times that we have “used innovation and creativity to solve a problem or help someone. Law librarianship is constantly changing, and we must innovate as a profession to stay current. New challenges and opportunities appear on a daily basis, requiring us to be both innovative and inventive.”

Many of the ALL-SIS committees have been both innovative and diligent this year. Some of the highlights of their activities are: the

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Academic Law Libraries SIS Awards

Patricia Harris O’Connor
Chair, Academic Law Libraries SIS
Awards Committee

As Chair of this year’s Academic Law Libraries SIS Awards Committee, I would like to remind members of the ALL-SIS that it is the time of the year again to begin thinking of which of our colleagues should be recognized for their hard work and contributions to the profession. In particular,

please start contemplating who should receive the following awards:

- **The Frederick Charles Hicks Award for Outstanding Contributions to Academic Law Librarianship:** This award recognizes the individual or group who has made outstanding contributions to

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Advocate for Law Libraries at AALL's Day on the Hill 2009

Emily Feldman, Advocacy Communications Assistant
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Each year, January is an exciting time filled with anticipation for what the upcoming year will bring. In 2009, at least on the political level, this is especially true! With a new Administration and the start of the 111th Congress, there are many opportunities for AALL and law librarians. To take advantage of these opportunities, the AALL Government Relations Office needs your help to deliver our message to key members of Congress.

The Government Relations Office and Government Relations Committee invite you to become an effective advocate for law libraries by attending AALL's Day on the Hill: Legislative Advocacy Leadership Training 2009. During this year's full-day Advocacy Training, you'll learn about AALL's pro-active legislative agenda, network with new colleagues, and develop your communication skills to help you become a successful advocate. Best of all, you'll be able to practice your skills by spending the afternoon in meetings with your Congressional delegation on Capitol Hill. The Advocacy Training is free of charge and will take place right before the Annual Meeting on Friday, July 24, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. By coming to D.C. early, you'll have time to explore the many treasures of our Nation's capital before the Annual Meeting begins.

As a participant in our Advocacy Training, you'll learn about the important issues on AALL's legislative agenda, including:

- Adequate annual funding to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts for no-fee public access to PACER;
- A public domain citation system for legal information;

- The enactment of "Orphan Works" legislation to allow libraries to digitize and make publicly available materials whose copyright owners cannot be found despite extensive and costly searches; and,
- The repeal of Section 215 (the so-called "library" provision) of the USA PATRIOT Act which is due to sunset on December 31, 2009.

In addition, you'll hear from this year's special guest speaker, "Advocacy Guru" Stephanie Vance. Ms. Vance will lead an educational and fun session on what you need to know to build successful relationships with your lawmakers. With more than 15 years of experience working with Congress, Ms. Vance knows the tricks of the trade and she'll turn you into an advocacy expert, too! By the time you're finished with the morning session, you'll be armed with the tools you need to get your message heard on Capitol Hill and beyond.

AALL Day on the Hill is a wonderful opportunity for law librarians new to advocacy as well as those "expert advocates" who want to learn the latest issues, practice their skills, and spend an afternoon on Capitol Hill. To register, please contact Emily Feldman at efeldman@aall.org by June 15. We look forward to seeing you here in July!

Bob Oakley Memorial Symposium: The Future of Today's Scholarship

Jen Davitt, Georgetown Law Library

The Georgetown Law Library will be holding a symposium on the topic of preserving the research value of blogs on July 25, 2009.

We believe that blogs have become part of the canon of legal scholarship and that future legal researchers will turn to blogs as sources for their scholarship. This conclusion, however, presents great challenges for future researchers of material currently populating the blogosphere. How will these future researchers of today's blog scholarship find valuable, historic blogs? How will they be assured of perpetual access to this scholarship? How can any researcher be confident that documents posted to blogs are reliable?

This symposium will bring together academic bloggers, librarians, and experts in preservation to brainstorm and debate these topics and to develop best practices to ensure that the value of blog scholarship is not easily lost.

Our first panel will lay the groundwork for these discussions by presenting librarians' and legal scholars' views on the future research value of today's blogs. Will future legal scholars turn to legal blogs as reputable and reliable sources of information? In this panel, experts on legal research will analyze the much-debated issue of whether future legal scholars will be interested in the analysis found in blogs or the documents posted to blogs. In addition, the panel will also address the rise of legal blogs and blogging as a phenomenon.

Our second panel will assemble a group of national experts and leaders from a variety of backgrounds to share their perspectives, experiences, and visions with respect to the problem of blog preservation. Specifically, this panel will discuss who is responsible for blog preservation; how will we begin the process of prioritizing and

collecting legal blogs; and what are the current standards, as well as the technological, economic, and social considerations that must be addressed, in Web harvesting and digital preservation.

Our third panel will be devoted to examining the issue of the reliability of legal documents uploaded to blogs. From Newsweek's posting of the "Torture Memos" to ScotusBlog's postings of Supreme Court briefs, news agencies and bloggers regularly upload legal documents to support their stories. Although these web sites and blogs are often the only sources for these documents, few electronic documents have any verifiable proof of reliability. Future researchers wanting to rely on these documents must be aware of this issue and must be able to confirm that the posted document is complete and unaltered from the version authorized for publication by the author. This panel will discuss this issue and the current standards for proving the authenticity of a document in order to foster a system for preserving the value of blogs and documents found on blogs for future researchers.

The symposium will conclude with a working group break out session to create a uniform standard for preservation of blogs for bloggers and librarians.

Our late director, Bob Oakley, firmly believed that librarians have an obligation to ensure access to information and was committed to meeting the challenges posed by information in a digital form. In this spirit, we dedicate this symposium to him.

Details about the symposium can be found at www.ll.georgetown.edu/ftls/.

Call for PEGI & Robert Oakley Member Advocacy Award Nominations

Steve Mirsky
Connecticut State Library

AALL's Government Relations Committee is seeking nominations for the 2009 Public Access to Government Information (PAGI) Award and the Robert L. Oakley Member Advocacy Award. Both awards are administered by the Government Relations Committee in coordination with the AALL Awards Committee. Please send your nominations directly to me at SMirsky@cslib.org by February 28, 2009.

AALL PAGI Award (http://aallnet.org/about/award_information_application.asp)

AALL has given a PAGI Award since 1999 to recognize individuals or organizations that have made significant contributions to protect and promote greater public access to government information. The 2008 PAGI Award went to OMB Watch, led by Executive Director Gary Bass, for their efforts to promote greater government transparency and accountability. Recipients of this award may be any individual or organization.

Judging criteria:

- A contribution that significantly improves public access to government information, thereby increasing the public's knowledge about the workings of government. The award is given in accordance with AALL's mission to provide leadership in the field of legal information and to promote equal access to government information. The award will reflect this by honoring the achievements of those who have championed public access.
- The extent to which the individual or organization has had a positive impact on protecting and promoting public access to governmental information.
- The extent to which the effort advances the

AALL mission and Government Relations Policy.

AALL Robert L. Oakley Member Advocacy Award (http://aallnet.org/about/award_oakley.asp)

Established in 2008, this new award is given to recognize an AALL member who has been an outstanding advocate and has contributed significantly to the AALL policy agenda at the federal, state, local, or international level. The award honors the memory of Robert L. Oakley, AALL's Washington affairs representative (1989 - 2007). Members of AALL, with the exception of current members of the Government Relations Committee, are eligible for this award. Nominees must have made a significant contribution to the advocacy agenda of the Association.

Judging Criteria:

- A significant contribution to the advocacy agenda of the Association. The award is given in accordance with AALL's mission to provide leadership in the field of legal information and to promote equal access to government information. The award will reflect this by honoring the achievements of those who have been especially energetic or effective advocates of this mission.
- The extent to which the individual has been an active advocate for law libraries and legal information at the federal, state, or local level.
- The extent to which the advocacy advances the AALL mission and Government Relations Policy (www.aallnet.org/about/policy_government.asp).

Both awards will be presented during the Annual Legislative and Regulatory Update (Program H5) to be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 at the AALL Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C.

AALL Annual Meeting/Workshop Grants for New & Experienced Members Available

AALL Grants Committee

Thinking about attending the 2009 annual meeting, but need financial assistance? Apply now for an AALL grant to attend the AALL Annual Meeting or a workshop in Washington D.C.! Grants are awarded to cover registration fees for the Annual Meeting or workshops presented at the Annual Meeting.

For the first time, two categories of grants are available: one for experienced members (5 or more years) who have a proven record of professional accomplishment and service to AALL and the other for Students/New Members (less than 5 years of professional experience) who hold promise of future involvement in AALL and the law library profession. Previously, newer members and students were given a scoring advantage, but the committee feels that experienced members are also in need of assistance to attend AALL Annual Meetings or workshops.

The application deadline is **Wednesday, April 1, 2009**. Don't delay!

For more information, see the Grants Committee website: www.aallnet.org/committee/grants/grant_application.asp.

Still have questions? Feel free to contact any member of the Grants Committee, www.aallnet.org/public/committees.asp?code=COMMITTEE/COM_GR. Looking forward to receiving your application.

The Morris L. Cohen Student Essay Competition

Katherine Hedin

University of Minnesota Law Library

The Legal History and Rare Books Special Interest Section of AALL, in cooperation with Gale Cengage Learning, announces the first annual Morris L. Cohen Student Essay Competition.

The purpose of the competition is to encourage scholarship in the areas of legal history, rare law books, and legal archives, and to expose students to AALL and law librarianship through their attendance at the Annual Meeting.

Eligibility

Currently enrolled students attending accredited graduate programs in library science, law, history, or related subjects are eligible to enter the competition. Students may be enrolled either full- or part-time. Members of AALL are eligible if they meet other eligibility requirements.

Requirements

Papers may be on any topic related to legal history, rare law books, or legal archives. Papers must be submitted by **April 15, 2009**. The winner will be announced by May 15.

Prize

The winner will receive a \$500.00 prize from Gale Cengage Learning. In addition, the winner will receive up to \$1000 to be applied towards expenses associated with attendance at the Annual Meeting of AALL. (Gale Cengage and the Legal History and Rare Books SIS will each contribute to the travel expenses).

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Cohen Competition, Cont'd

Attendance at the AALL Annual Meeting is strongly encouraged, but not required. The 2009 Annual Meeting will be held July 25 - 28 in Washington, D.C. Winners will receive recognition at the Association-wide Awards Luncheon and at the Business Meeting of the Legal History and Rare Books SIS. Winners will also have the opportunity to present their paper at the Legal History and Rare Books SIS Roundtable or at a program during the Meeting.

Detailed procedures and an application form are available at the LHRB webpage: www.aallnet.org/sis/lhrb/.

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OR Jennie Meade, Jacob Burns Law Library, George Washington University: jmeade@law.gwu.edu.

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academic law librarianship through continued efforts to improve law librarianship. The award is named in honor of Frederick Charles Hicks, the first great American law librarian/scholar who was also the first academic law librarian to serve as president of AALL.

- The **ALL-SIS Outstanding Article Award** which honors section members for contributions to the enhancement of academic law librarianship through publishing. Articles published in any format in any publication other than Law Library Journal and AALL Spectrum during 2008 are eligible.
- The **ALL-SIS Outstanding Service Award** honors an ALL-SIS member who has made outstanding contributions to the SIS in areas of section activity and in professional service.

The deadline for nominations for each award is **March 31, 2009**. There will be future communications to the membership closer to the deadline, but it is not too soon to begin identifying individuals or groups.

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia Harris O'Connor, Chair, Academic Law Libraries SIS Awards Committee, at poconnor@wsulaw.edu.

Introducing "ALL-NEW"

David Hollander, Chair
ALL-NEW Committee

ALL-NEW is the new name of the ALL-SIS Committee that organizes the annual meeting for new and newer academic law librarians! For the last few years this has been a committee in search of the right name. Most recently, it has been known as the NALLM (New Academic Law Librarians' Meeting)/Mentoring Committee. Prior to that, it was known as CONALL, which was often confused with CONELL. The committee will now be known as "ALL-NEW" and the meeting that the committee plans will be "The ALL-NEW Meeting (New Academic Law Librarians Meeting)." The committee is hopeful that this new name, which incorporates both the widely known acronym for academic law librarians, ALL, and at the same time is a play on the colloquial expression "all new" will help establish a new and independent identity for this committee and the meeting it plans. The ALL-NEW committee looks forward to seeing ALL-NEW ribbons, and hosting new academic law librarians at the ALL-NEW Meeting in Washington, D.C. next year.

An SSRN eJournal for the Profession

Randy Diamond

University of Missouri School of Law

Late in 2008 I posted to the ALL-SIS and Directors lists an idea for a new SSRN eJournal.

Inspired by the Cleveland workshop and the upcoming San Diego programming on law librarian scholarship, I believe the time is ripe for a journal on SSRN we can call our own. *The Legal Writing Journal* gives the legal writing field a presence in an arena law faculty and other academics frequent. I propose that a Law Librarianship and Legal Research and Technology Journal would provide similar opportunities for developing our scholarship and reaching a wider audience.

I received many enthusiastic messages in response. The momentum I sensed in Cleveland for extending our scholarly agenda and reach was further confirmed by the “Librarian as Scholar” program in San Diego. Panelists Jonathan Franklin, Julie Jones, Margaret Leary, Lee Peoples, and Marilyn Raisch presented examples from their recent research and scholarship to a packed and captivated audience. (The [podcast](#) from this stimulating program is available on the AALS web site; for more information go to the Sessions page, January 8, 2009, 10:30 am, Law Libraries.) Conferences like AALS and the one to be held in June on “Legal Information: Scholarship and Teaching” at the University of Colorado provide excellent opportunities for building our scholarly networks.

The SSRN eJournal will provide another avenue for increasing scholarly engagement through sharing works in progress, accepted papers and recent publications. My co-editor, Lee

Peoples, and I hope that it will encourage the profession to write more, increase opportunities for obtaining feedback on works and progress, and connect law librarian scholarship to a wider audience both in the legal academy and other academic disciplines.

Lee and I met with members of the journal’s advisory board at AALS in San Diego. I am pleased to report that the **Legal Information & Technology eJournal** is under construction. This new title (and description below) emphasizes the profession’s legal information expertise both in its scholarship and practice.

This eJournal includes working papers, forthcoming articles, and recently published articles in all areas of legal information scholarship. Topics include (but are not limited to) the impact of legal information on domestic, comparative, and international legal systems; the history of legal information systems including technological advancements; access to legal information and its impact on the justice system; legal information design and assessment; attorney/law student information seeking behaviors; and the relationship of substantive areas of law (such as information law, intellectual freedom, intellectual property, and national security law) and other academic disciplines (e.g., information science) to legal information. This includes the scholarship of law librarians, other legal scholars, and other academic disciplines.

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The eJournal also includes working papers, forthcoming articles, recently published articles, and selected documents (such as White Papers, briefings, reports, course materials) on the practice of law librarianship. Submissions are welcome in all areas of law librarianship including: 1) administration, management, and leadership; 2) facility design and construction; 3) evaluating and marketing law library services; 4) all aspects of public, technical, and technology services; 5) collection development, including sample collection development policies and procedures; 6) research services; and 7) legal research instruction teaching methods and substantial or innovative course materials.

We thank MALLCO, the Mid-America Law Library Consortium, for agreeing to be the journal's founding sponsor. We also thank advisory board members for their support and input. They are Duncan Alford, Barbara Bintliff, Georgia Briscoe, Paul Callister, Michael Chiorazzi, Richard Danner, Mark Engsborg, Penny Hazelton, Marci Hoffman, Mary Hotchkiss, Richard Leiter, John Palfrey, Carol Parker, Marilyn Raisch, and Janet Sinder.

Editor's Update

Source: Summary from Lee Peoples & Randy Diamond, Editors, *Legal Information & Technology eJournal*, email, dated Dec. 5, 2007, Subject: [all-sis] previewing the new SSRN eJournal.

We are delighted to present the *Legal Information & Technology eJournal* to the academic law library community. The archive

already includes over 150 papers and is growing daily. Subscribers will soon start receiving email issues announcing works in progress and recent publications. SSRN will issue a formal announcement soon, but we are pleased to provide a pre-launch viewing.

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We are in the process of inviting LLJ, LRSQ, IJLI, and Perspectives authors to post their works back to 2005 and welcome all other publications from that time frame fitting within the journal's subject matter. If you already have an SSRN account please upload your paper and classify it under the Legal Scholarship Network > LSN Subject Matter eJournals > *Legal Information & Technology eJournal*.

If you do not have an SSRN account it is very easy to set one up and upload your paper for free at www.ssrn.com.

We have also attempted to identify papers previously posted to SSRN for inclusion. In the short time frame we have been working, we will surely have missed some. If your paper is already on SSRN and we have not contacted you, please let us know and we can have it reclassified under the *Legal Information & Technology eJournal*. We hope you enjoy the eJournal and welcome your feedback and suggestions.

People to People: Legal Research and Library Science Professional Delegation to China, 2008

Richard Leiter, Pat Court,
Peggy Martindale and Linda Rees

This past October, a group of law librarians had a rare privilege to visit China, as law librarians, with the express goal of learning about Chinese legal bibliography and their legal system. Over the course of about ten days, from October 24 to November 3, we visited three universities, a public library, and two publishing houses. Below is an account of our trip compiled from our group journal written while we on the road. An online version of the journal and many more pictures can be found at <http://theleiters.net/China>.

The visit was arranged and facilitated by the People to People International, Citizen Ambassadors Program, headquartered in Spokane, Washington. If you haven't heard of the organization, please check out their website at www.ptpi.org. As stated in their website, "The purpose of People to People International is to enhance international understanding and friendship through educational, cultural and humanitarian activities involving the exchange of ideas and experiences directly among peoples of different countries and diverse cultures." People to People International sponsors a number of different varieties of programs, from student visits and exchanges to professional ones. Ours was a professional program comprised of ten law librarians from academic, private, and public libraries.

The "Legal Research and Library Science Professional Delegation," consisted of the following librarians:

- Barbara Bonge, Director, Michigan Supreme Court;

- Pat Court, Associate Director, Cornell Law Library;
- Gretchen Feltes, Faculty Services Librarian, NYU;
- Pamela Gregory, Maryland Legal Assistance Network (retired);
- Peggy Martindale, Assistant Director, Tarrant County Law Library;
- Donna Nixon, Assistant Director, University of North Carolina;
- Linda Rees, Reagan County Library (Texas);
- Michael Schiffer, Associate Director, De Paul University;
- Mary Voegtler, Law Librarian, Dallas, Texas.



Richard Leiter served as the leader of the program, stepping in for the late Roy Mersky of the University of Texas.

Beijing

Most of the delegation met up in Los Angeles International and braced for the fourteen and a half hour flight to Hong Kong. Two days later (including crossing the International Date Line), the entire delegation met up at the fabulous Kunlun Hotel, Beijing.

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The first day in Beijing consisted of a day-long orientation. The morning segment was a four-hour walk through Chinese history by our country guide. It was fascinating not only in that it demonstrated to us just how little we westerners know about Chinese history, but it was fascinating to learn that the Chinese view their country as very young, while at the same time relishing the great history of their culture. I also found it fascinating that the younger generation of Chinese (that we were exposed to any way) didn't see their country as totalitarian or even primarily Communist. Our country guide insisted that modern China was democratic with eight political parties, each with representation in the congress.

The afternoon consisted of a lecture about the history of the Chinese legal system and legal education by Dr. Xie Zengyi, Associate Professor from the Institute of Law, Chinese Academy of Social Science. Dr Xie traced the history of the modern Chinese legal system to the adoption of the modern constitution in the late 1970's. The specter of watching a legal system develop in support of such a huge, developing and booming economy is fascinating, and, my impression was from the citizens and scholars that we visited was that they were daunted by the prospect and take it very seriously.

In the course of Dr. Xie's talk, some of our questions were about procedures and processes for publishing and distributing records of the Congress, the courts, and various rule-making bodies. Some of the questions clearly caught Dr. Xie off-guard, especially when we inquired about the challenges of a young lawyer or small firm to get access to legal materials. Legal history of China is so short at this point, that they haven't yet had to deal with the horrendous challenges of volume that Western, especially American, lawyers have

to deal with. At this point, Chinese lawyers are dealing with only many dozens of volumes of materials and a very robust online publishing market, lead by ChinaLawInfo.com.

The next day, the group visited three significant institutions of the Beijing legal academy and legal publishing: the headquarters of ChinaLawInfo.com (CLI.com), Peking University Law Library, and China University of Political Science and Law Press.

The delegation was welcomed at the headquarters of CLI.com and given a thorough introduction to the service by the Vice President and several staff members. The product itself is very good and growing at an amazing rate. But one of the most interesting things about CLI.com is that it is apparently a product owned and managed by the faculty of Peking University School of Law. The president of the company is Prof Wang Jin, a professor of Environmental Law at Peking University School of Law, and he indicated that the Vice President of the company essentially runs CLI.com, and that his position is one primarily of oversight on behalf of the faculty. CLI.com is located at the very edge of campus in the heart of a bustling commercial district, on the top floor of a ten-story building. The ground floor is a veritable flea market of electronic merchants.

Later in the morning we drove through campus to the Peking University School of Law. The campus was stunning with a remarkable combination of new and old buildings and a beautiful lake. We met the law library director, Ye Yuang Sheng, who was clearly thrilled to show a group of law librarians her library. The group hit it off immediately. When we asked about challenges she faces, we were surprised by her answer: in preparation for the Olympics, the Chinese Olympic

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Committee chose to build the Table Tennis Gymnasium next to the law school. When the gymnasium was finished, the Committee decided that the law library was too close and summarily chopped off about half the library's space - with a promise to replace the building in 2010. (And we think we have space problems... .)



That afternoon we visited China University of Political Science and Law (CUPSL) and we assumed that we would visit the law library, but we ended up with a meeting of the Editor and his entire executive staff of the CUPSL Press. There were also a number of lawyers in attendance. One of their projects is publishing the American Law Series, with titles by Dworkin, MacKinnon, and many others. [[See accompanying list.](#)] An editorial committee of Chinese and U.S. scholars surveyed Chinese law firms on what they needed and made recommendations of titles, of which 60 are now published. They also translate legal treatises from many other countries, especially Germany, France, and Japan. Their theoretical treatises are all digitized and on the web, and can be downloaded for a price. The educational materials are primarily in print form for students.

The law librarian of CUPSL spoke about online access that they have for faculty and students. It was perhaps surprising for our delegation to learn that Westlaw, Lexis, and HeinOnline are all available there.

After discussion of law firm libraries in the U.S. as compared to the "resource rooms" in Chinese law firms, the group exchanged gifts and posed for ceremonial photographs.

Shanghai

After a day of sight-seeing, during which we covered Tianamen Square, the Forbidden City and The Great Wall (seriously, we saw it all in one day!), we took a travel day to go to Shanghai, one of the most cosmopolitan and populous in China. A stunning city of 22 million people, Shanghai presents a world of contrasts, from the Old Town section, that the people call "China Town," to the Bund and the French Concession to the remarkable shopping district on Nanking Street, it provides a full spectrum of experience of the modern, cosmopolitan China.



We had one full day of meetings with counterparts in Shanghai, and the day was full of surprises. Our first stop was at East China Normal University (ECNU). The director of the library, Huang Xiuwen, had representatives from several departments on hand, including Administration,

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Data/IT, Reading Room, Reference, and Research.

ECNU was established in 1951 as a teacher training university. The library consists of four million books in paper and over one million electronic books, with an Asian collection of 330 thousand volumes! The Asian collection consists of many materials published before 1911, the oldest being over 1000 years old. The library of ECNU is ranked as the third largest library in Shanghai and ninth largest library in China. Supporting the curriculum of the university, the library provides traditional and digital/online services for thirty thousand students and all performed with 230 library employees (professional and non-professional) including nine reference librarians. Fifty percent of the library collection is in closed stacks. ECNU offers undergraduate, graduate, and PhD degrees in numerous subject areas including law, library management, and other information majors. Several dozens of ECNU graduates of their library school programs are currently employed by ECNU, Peking University, and many local libraries. The ECNU Library has a popularity problem: Seating is at a premium, and students come early to the library because if they do not there is no place for them to sit. The circulation numbers are staggering: 600,000 to 700,000 books are borrowed each year!

Our tour of the library included a visit to the rare books room and a delightful visit with the rare book librarian. When asked why the old materials in the collection don't have leather bindings, he looked wide-eyed and responded that "the Chinese thought that it would be a horrible waste to kill all those animals just to cover books." As a consequence, ancient Chinese books are printed on rice-paper and tied with twine and covered in stiff paper bindings which are

considered consumable. Therefore, rare book preservation is largely a routine part of library maintenance in China.

That afternoon, the delegation visited the Shanghai Public Library. The group was greeted by the library director, Dr. Wu Jianzhong in a large conference room. The present public library was built in 1996 and has 83,000 square meters (roughly 270,000 square feet) in floor space. The inspiration for the Shanghai public library was American libraries. There are reading rooms, research carrels, exhibition halls, seminar rooms, and audio-visual rooms. The library is open every day of the year and has approximately 9 million visitors a year. It has 50.95 million items including ancient artifacts and manuscripts. The majority of the collection is in closed stacks, but the library is equipped with a cybernated book-carrier which allows delivery of resources kept in the closed stacks from the 6th to the 23rd floors to readers at the counter on the first floor in less than 20 minutes.

Homeward Bound

As our trip drew to an end, we were met by several important realities. First, ten days is not nearly enough to see China. To truly experience the culture, see its wonders, and understand its modern development would require a lifetime. Second, a visit to China of any duration is worth every minute. It is remarkable to see a gigantic country that is so young striving to enter the "first world." As it is now, it is a country filled with enormous potential with feet firmly planted in both the "third" and "second" worlds. It is more than a question of prosperity or politics; the people are striving to build a country that is technologically advanced and provides opportunity and security for its citizens. It is a

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How Other Associations Do It: Attending a Non-Library Association Conference

Carol Bredemeyer, Chase College of Law Library
Northern Kentucky University

Have you ever wondered what other associations' (not libraries) conferences are like? I had the opportunity to attend the 2007 conference of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Commission on Colleges. SACS is the body that accredits our university and has 800 member institutions from Virginia to Arkansas. In preparation for a 2009 site visit, we have to complete a number of processes, one of which is to show that we are in compliance with SACS requirements and standards. Because SACS has recently revamped its reaffirmation of accreditation process, our delegation was hoping to learn from both the SACS staff and other universities who have completed the process.

The conference was held in the New Orleans Hilton, which was the Headquarters hotel for the 2007 AALL annual meeting. This gave me a slight advantage in that I already knew the lay of the land - where to find coffee and how to get to the Riverwalk.

One of the first differences was the look of the attendees. Most of them were university administrators. Suits were the fashion of choice. There were few examples of "business casual" dress. Another was the diversity of the group. Because of the concentration of historically black colleges and universities in the South, there was a large number of African Americans amongst the attendees.

It was easy to pick out the university presidents in this bunch. They were dressed slightly better than the rest (their suits were more expensive and fit better). Many of them had more than one cell phone or other small electronic device. They would huddle in groups of two or three, with serious expressions on their faces like

they were negotiating a nuclear arms agreement!

There was an Exhibit Hall. Unlike AALL where Thomson/West and LEXIS dominate, there was no vendor who had the corner on this market. The vendors represented a wide range of services - from software to manage your physical facilities to food service providers. The trinkets were mostly pens, although one group gave away soccer stress balls and two vendors held drawings for iPods.

There was a plenary speaker each day - and you had to get to the room early to get a seat! I waited too long once and had to sit in the overflow room and watch via closed circuit TV. One speaker talked about diversity in education. One day's speaker was a noted pediatric neurologist (he has been involved in several conjoined twin separations) who has decided to use his notoriety as a bully pulpit to stress the need for educating young people. He told the story of 25 year old twin girls who were being separated. "They had graduated from college and both had law degrees - only one wanted one!" A luncheon speaker talked about teamwork, illustrated by juggling - and audience participation.

Like AALL, staff from local colleges were used to staff a "Concierge Desk" and assist in other areas. Internet access was available 24/7 in the hallway outside one of the ballrooms.

The biggest difference for me was going to a conference where I knew no one - until I ran into someone who had previously worked on our campus. I had no committee responsibilities. I just went to the programs that were relevant to me. Knowing that I probably won't ever attend this conference again made that okay. There was an emphasis on networking, but no one does it like law librarians!

Survey Roundup

I-Wei Wang

UC Berkeley School of Law Library

ALL-SIS members often run informal surveys on the ALL-SIS listserv and later release the results. We thought it would be useful to compile the results in a convenient place so decided to start this new column. This first column has results reported from informal surveys from December 2007 to December 2008. Future columns will cover surveys between issues of the Newsletter.

Legal Research Teaching & Materials

Question: Short legal research videos available to the public.

Summary of responses:

Videos/vodcasts

- Harvard Law Library, *Tutorials & Videos*: www.law.harvard.edu/library/research/tutorials/ (original link updated by editor);
- Oklahoma City University School of Law Library, *Introduction to Federal Statutory Research*: www.okcu.edu/law/lib/statutesqt.mov;
- Boston College Law Library, *Shepard's in Print*: www.bc.edu/schools/law/library/research/researchguides/shepards.html;
- Stanford Law Library Librarians and Advanced Legal Research Students, *Legal Research - The Movie*: www.youtube.com/watch?v=XCX3RkVTRkI;
- University of Denver Westminster Law Library, *Case Finding Using Reporters and Digests*: www.law.du.edu/flashvideo/library/case%20finding%20using%20reporters%20and%20digests.htm (original link updated by editor).

Audio/podcasts

- University of Buffalo, Teaching Legal Research students, *Buffalo Legal Research Podcast*: <http://buffalo.legalresearchpodcast.classcaster.org/>;
- Case Western Reserve University School of Law, *Andy's Research Lectures*: <http://blog.case.edu/andy/feed.atom> (original link updated by editor);
- *Berring's Legal Research Podcast*: www.berringlegalresearch.com/podcast.asp;
- Ross-Blakley Law Library Channel, Diane Murley, *Using Search Engines Better*: http://ross-blakley.law.library.classcaster.org/blog/internet_searching/2007/09/02/using_search_engines_better;
- Southern Illinois University School of Law Library, Diane Murley, *Introduction to Researching Administrative Law*: http://media.law.siu.edu/murley/adminlaw_intro.mp3; transcript available at www.law.siu.edu/lawlib/guides/adminlaw_intro.rtf (link & transcript added by editor);
- Southern Illinois University School of Law Library, Diane Murley, *Why and How to Use Secondary Sources*: http://media.law.siu.edu/murley/secondary_review.mp3; transcript available at www.law.siu.edu/lawlib/guides/secondary_review.rtf (link & transcript added by editor);

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- Southern Illinois University School of Law Library, Diane Murley, *Introduction to Practice Aids*: <http://media.law.siu.edu/murley/practiceaids-20070314.mp3>; transcript available at www.law.siu.edu/lawlib/guides/practiceaids.rtf (link & transcript added by editor).

Source: Sue Altmeyer, Electronic Services Librarian at Cleveland Marshall College of Law, CSU Ohio. Summary is from her email to all-sis@aallnet.org, dated Dec. 5, 2007, Subject: [all-sis] Legal Research Vodcasts.

Question: Commercially printed legal research workbooks

Summary of responses:

Do you use a commercially printed workbook for legal research instruction?

Yes - 42; No - 109; No answer - 3

Which one?

- Sloan & Schwim, *Basic Legal Research Workbook* - 23;
- Oates and Enquist, *Just Research* (exercises included in text) - 2;
- Mersky & Dunn, *Assignments Accompanying Fundamentals of Legal Research and Legal Research Illustrated* - 3;
- Johnson & Phillips, *Legal Research Exercises Accompanying Finding the Law* - 12;
- McKinney, *Legal Research: A Practical Guide and Self-Instructional Workbook* - 5;
- Teply, *Legal Research and Citation* (exercises included in text) - 3;
- Murray and DeSanctis, *Legal Research and Writing: Problems and Exercises* - 2;

- Kunz, et al, *The Process of Legal Research* (accompanying exercises) - 15;
- Armstrong & Knott, *Where the Law Is: An Introduction to Advanced Legal Research* - 1.

Source: Shaun Esposito, Head of Public Services and Adjunct Professor of Legal Research at Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona. Summary is from his email to all-sis@aallnet.org, dated Oct. 22, 2008, Subject: [all-sis] Legal Research Survey PDF version.

Faculty/Student Services & Programs

Question: Cost recovery for faculty ILL and document delivery

Summary of responses:

Of 10 responses, none charge through the costs. Ideas from the narrative responses included:

- Keep information for reporting contributions to the dean;
- “If a professor wants something quite blatantly ‘personal’ and costly, rather than for their direct research, we would ask that they charge it to their \$2000/year stipend.”;
- Budget costs in as part of the costs of faculty research support (part of research/collection development budget);
- Allot each faculty member annual sum to buy library materials (not office collections), allowing fund-pooling for large purchases, and including updating costs as part of allocation.

Source: Ellen Platt, Senior Reference Librarian at Heafey Law Library, Santa Clara University. Summary is from her email to all-sis@aallnet.org,

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dated July 2, 2008, Subject: [all-sis] Cost recovery for Faculty ILL.

Question: Library internship programs

Summary of responses:

Library Type

- Academic - 21
- Firm - 4
- County - 2
- Public/Court - 2

Length of Time

- Semester/summer - 18
- One Full School Year - 3
- 100+ hours - 3
- Varies - 5

Number of Interns at One Time

- One - 15
- No more than two - 9
- Three - 1
- Varies - 4

Intern Compensation

- Volunteer - 1
- Paid - 6
- Credit - 12
- Varies - 10

Department Specific Internships

Yes - 6; No - 23

Number of Years Hosting Interns

- One - 1
- Two to Four - 10
- Five+ - 8
- Ten+ - 2

- Twenty+ - 6
- Did not answer - 2

Source: Kathleen Brown, Adjunct Professor and Faculty and Student Services Librarian at St. Thomas University Law Library. Summary is from her email to all-sis@aallnet.org, dated Dec. 9, 2008, Subject: [all-sis] Intern Survey Numerical Data Summary.

New Publications, Resources and Technologies

Question: Print or online Tax Management Portfolios

Summary of responses:

- Library has no online and no print - 1;
- Libraries keep print and have no online - 2;
- Libraries are all online with no print - 21;
- Libraries currently have subscriptions to both print and online - 14. Of these:
 - Maintained both subscriptions, with no plans to cancel - 7;
 - Initially cancelled print and went entirely online, but re-subscribed to print based on faculty response - 4;
 - Maintained both subscriptions but are evaluating cancelation of print - 2;
 - All online and the Estate and Gift portfolios in print - 1.

Source: Chuck Marcus, Head of Reference at Hastings College of the Law Library, University of California. Summary is from his email to all-sis@aallnet.org, dated Nov. 25, 2008, Subject: [all-sis] BNA Tax Management Portfolios - summary of results.

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Library Marketing & Outreach

Question: Pushing library information, blogs and newsletters

Summary of responses:

The suggestions I received included:

- Publicize blogs by displaying them prominently on the library web page, or mentioning them in workshops, etc.;
- Send blog highlights out in an email newsletter - either with the posting, or a headline and a link to the posting;
- Have an e-mailed newsletter in addition to, or instead of, a blog;
- Use a Mylaw page from AppointLink;
- E-mail news to faculty that is automatically archived to a blog;
- Use an RSS feed to populate a web page;
- Publish news/articles or summaries of blog posts in the law school's newsletter;
- Have contests on your blog where the students can win prizes like free coffee certificates;
- Use a Facebook page for the library;
- Use FeedBlitz to allow email subscriptions to the blog;
- Make your blog posts controversial to attract readership.

Source: Janet Sinder, Associate Director for Research Services at Thurgood Marshall Law Library, University of Maryland School of Law. Summary is from her email to all-sis@aallnet.org, dated Nov. 5, 2008, Subject: [all-sis] Library blogs/newsletters: Responses.

China, Cont'd

thrill to watch the rapid economic, technological, and political transformation happen at such a rapid pace and on such an enormous scale.

Third, we came face to face with the prospect of that fourteen hour plane ride. Despite the dread, it was our only way home, and left us all with a strong melancholy about having to leave: on the one hand we were ready to come home after many days of meetings and "travelings," on the other we all wanted to stay longer, see more sites, eat more wonderful food, and learn more about China, that country that's been such a mystery to us all.

FCIL Schaffer Grant for Foreign Law Librarians

Christopher S. O'Byrne

2009 FCIL Schaffer Grant Committee Chair

The Foreign, Comparative and International Law Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries (FCIL) is now accepting applications for the 2009 FCIL Schaffer Grant for Foreign Law Librarians.

The FCIL Schaffer Grant for the July 25 - 28, 2009 Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., provides a waiver of the AALL Annual Meeting full registration fee and a grant of a minimum \$2,000 to assist with accommodations and travel costs.

Applicants must be law librarians, or other professionals working in the legal information field, currently employed in countries other than the United States with significant responsibility for the organization, preservation, or provision of legal information. The application deadline is **March 1, 2009**. The Grant Committee will not consider late or incomplete applications.

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A Law Librarian in the Dark

Yasmin Alexander

Barbara & Maurice A. Deane Law Library
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Happy 2009 and welcome to *A Law Librarian the Dark*, a new column about movies on DVD. In each installment, I will highlight a movie (or a group of movies) that may be suitable for a law library feature film collection or is otherwise of interest to academic law librarians. Movies about lawyers, law schools, litigation, famous trials, crime and punishment, or movies that contain otherwise “legal themes” are all possible topics. I’ll be looking at new movies as well as older “overlooked” movies; serious as well as light-hearted films; and both fiction and documentaries. If you have a movie title that you would like me to discuss, e-mail me at lawyea@hofstra.edu.

For the first installment, I’ve decided to look at an “overlooked” film from the early 1970’s. *Punishment Park* (Dir. Peter Watkins) is a fascinating “fake documentary” that captures the political and social turmoil of the time period. Released in 1971, the movie immediately received a scathing review from the New York Times declaring it “wrong-headed.” The movie was given a very limited distribution and then almost disappeared until it was re-released on DVD in 2005.

The movie depicts a fictitious reality in which President Nixon declares a state of emergency allowing the government to round up political dissidents (generally anti-Vietnam war protesters, draft dodgers, and members of radical campus groups) into “corrective groups,” detain them without charges, and place them before “emergency civilian tribunals.” Those convicted by the tribunals are given a choice - serving several years in a federal prison or 3 days in “Punishment Park.” In Punishment Park, they are forced to run across several miles of California desert without

food or water while being chased by law enforcement officers and National Guardsmen. If they make it to the flag at the other side of the park, they are released. If not, they are sent to serve their prison sentences.

With this rather brutal premise, the movie begins with “Corrective Group 638,” a group of shackled, long-haired dissidents, as they are driven across a desert road. They are being taken to face one of the emergency tribunals, apparently being held in tents adjacent to Punishment Park. In the meantime, the last of “Corrective Group 637” has been sentenced. They begin to run as the law enforcement officers check their weapons and prepare for the chase. The temperature is 89 degrees Fahrenheit. As an off-screen voice matter-of-factly narrates, we come to understand that a group of documentary filmmakers are recording the events. It is through this documentary framework that we see two stories unfold - the story of Corrective Group 638’s hearings before the tribunal and the story of Corrective Group 637’s struggle through Punishment Park.

Of particular interest are the tribunal hearing scenes in which civilian members (patterned after prominent conservative figures such as Phyllis Schlafly) interrogate the dissidents under a giant picture of Nixon. The result is a flurry of verbal attacks and ideological screaming matches that border the ridiculous. Apparently, the tribunal scenes were modeled after notorious contemporary trials - most notably the Chicago 7 trial and the trial of Bobby Seale.

The scenes that make up *Punishment Park* are emotionally unnerving - especially because the documentary quality makes it seem like it just might be real. That in itself gives us an interesting filter through which to look at this time in history.

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Chair, Cont'd

Continuing Status/Tenure Committee, led by Kathy Carrick (Case Western Reserve), is about to launch an ambitious survey on tenure and status to the membership - watch for more information on it. This year our Program Committee, chaired by Paul Moorman, has produced some really excellent and innovative programs. At the annual meeting, the ALL-SIS is sponsoring:

- The Academic Law Library of 2015: Predicting the Future and Making It Happen;
- Legal Research Questions on the Bar Exam: Preparing Our Students; and
- Understanding the Mean: How the Average Law Librarian Can Encourage Empirical Research Initiatives.

ALL-SIS is also co-sponsoring a program with the OBS-SIS this year. It is entitled *Latest Trends in Library Automation: Building Creative and Inspiring Discovery Platforms*.

The ALL-SIS will sponsor two additional programs recommended by the Committee:

- Beyond the Ivory Tower: Reaching Out to Practicing Attorneys and Law Firm Librarians to Improve Legal Research Instruction, and
- Weed, Shelve, or Store?: Making the Hard Decisions.

The ALL-SIS will be hosting an exciting and innovative VIP this year. Marshall Breeding, the noted librarian-technologist, from Vanderbilt will be joining us.

Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose. As you know, based on a survey of the ALL-SIS membership, we have decided to go back to holding the ALL-SIS Reception and Awards event at a local school. This year it will be at the Georgetown Law Center on Sunday evening, July 26. Christine Ciambella (George Mason) is the Planning Chair for

the ALL-SIS Reception and Awards event. The ALL-SIS Business meeting will be a morning meeting with a light breakfast (probably coffee and breakfast pastry) on Sunday, July 26. The Middle Managers Breakfast has been resurrected, chaired by Larry Abraham (Fordham). The Middle Managers Breakfast will take place at the same time as the Directors Breakfast on Monday morning, July 27. The Directors Breakfast is chaired by Billie Jo Kaufman (American).

Before I sign off, I would like to ask that each of you think about individuals and colleagues that you would like to nominate for one of the ALL-SIS awards and grants. Although the deadline for submitting nominations is later in the spring, it is time to start thinking about worthy candidates. The Awards Committee is chaired by Patricia Harris O'Connor (Western State University). Be well, work hard, play happy, and stay healthy.

Peace,

Filippa Marullo Anzalone

ALL-SIS Chair

FCIL Schaffer Grant, Cont'd

Details regarding the FCIL Schaffer Grant, as well as the application form, can be found at <http://aallnet.org/sis/fcilsis/grantsnewsite.html>.

Please contact me directly at cobyne@nd.edu or (574) 631-5664 if you have any questions about the 2009 FCIL Schaffer Grant.

New Member Spotlight

Sally Wambold, University of Richmond
Membership Committee



Julie Dorn is an especially welcome new member in my book; although her chief responsibility at the University of Minnesota Law Library is cataloging, she expresses a fondness for preservation, one

of my favorite causes. Her hometown is Black Creek, Wisconsin; but she has lived equally long in both the Twin Cities and in Atlanta, Georgia. She earned a B.A. in Art from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. Currently she is enrolled in the online MLIS program through the University of North Texas, School of Library and Information Science's program in Atlanta; her second semester began on January 14.

She has worked at the University of Minnesota Law Library for three years as a cataloging library assistant. Previously, she worked for a year at the Gwinnett County Public Library, Collins Hill Branch, in Lawrenceville, GA and for three years at the Atlanta Alzheimer's Association as the manager of their informational materials and as program resource coordinator.

Julie finds working in a law library to be very challenging since she does not have a background in law. Nevertheless, she enjoys learning as much as possible during the course of her responsibilities. Julie also claims to have a strange sense of humor which leads her to enjoy finding bizarre gems hidden in the collection (like a comic book made by one of the state ombudsmen or a rap video made to promote the law school in the

1980's). As I mentioned at the outset of this intro, Julie likes to help preserve damaged items in addition to her primary duty which is cataloguing.

I personally hope Julie will hang around ALL-SIS for many years to come because her talents will come in handy!

Cathy Elliott was born in Rexburg, Idaho, but has lived in Southern California most of her life. She went to San José State University (SJSU) for Library School and has



worked for Chapman Law Library as their Business and Financial Technician handling both Capital and Operational Budgets for the last eleven years. She worked circulation in a public library but prefers the law library. Legal topics she finds most interesting are Civil Rights and Environmental Reform. Plus Cathy loves the enthusiasm of the law students at Chapman. When not working, she loves to travel, read and work in the garden. Cathy is an outstanding addition to the ALL-SIS membership!



Caroline Young is both Reference and Technical Services Librarian at Rutgers Law Library - Newark. She grew up in New Jersey, although she has lived

in Los Angeles and New York City. Her law degree is from Cardozo and her library degree is

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Member News

Events & Awards

Aletha L. Honsowitz, Head of Public Services, **Thomas M. Cooley Law School Library** (GR Campus), received the Thomas M. Cooley Alumni Distinguished Service Award, October 2008. Recipients of this award are graduates who have provided exemplary service in furtherance of the mission of the Alumni Association. She also received the Thomas M. Cooley Law School, Center for Ethics, Service and Professionalism Award for outstanding community service, December 2008. Each year Cooley's Center for Ethics, Service, and Professionalism presents a Great Deeds Award to a faculty or staff member who has exhibited an outstanding dedication to community service throughout the year.

Ryan Saltz, Circulation Librarian at **Florida Coastal School of Law** was selected to attend the AALL Leadership Academy in October of 2008. He will be speaking about his experience and what he learned during the Take the Lead: Journey to Authentic Leadership Webinar sponsored by AALL on January 29, 2009.

Colleen Martinez Skinner, Reference Librarian at **Florida Coastal School of Law** was awarded the SEAALL Student Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to the student whom has indicated a genuine interest in the profession of law librarianship and is likely to pursue a career in law librarianship. Colleen is currently pursuing her MLS online at Florida State University.

New Positions and Promotions

The **Boston University Pappas Law Library** welcomed two new librarians to the reference department. **Karina Condra** joined the staff in fall 2008 as the new Reference & International Law Librarian. **Jennifer Duperon** will join the staff in January 2009 as the new Reference & Electronic Services Librarian. Jennifer and Karina replace former reference librarians **Stefanie Weigmann** and **Russell Sweet**, who are now Head of Reference Services and Assistant Director for Library Systems & Collection Services, respectively.

Ken Hirsh has been appointed Director of the Law Library and Clinical Professor of Law at the **University of Cincinnati College of Law**, effective February 1, 2009. Ken was Director of Computing Services at the Duke University School of Law from 1993 - 2008.

Peter J. Egler is serving as the interim director of the **Drexel University Earle Mack School of Law Library** until July. In July, **Mark Bernstein** will begin as the new director.

Two reference librarians have recently joined the staff at **Harvard Law School Library**. **Lisa Junghahn** is the Library's

new Business and Corporate Law Specialist. This is her first professional position; while in library school, she worked part time at both Drexel Law Library and the University of Pennsylvania's Biddle Law Library. **Meg Kribble** is the Library's new Reference Librarian/Outreach and Community Relations. Meg was formerly the Emerging Technologies Librarian at Nova Southeastern University Law Library.

Bill Ketchum joined the staff of **University of La Verne College of Law** in Ontario, California in March 2008 as a reference librarian. He came to academia from the Law Library for San Bernardino County (California).

As of 02/01/09 **Dragomir Cosanici** is the new Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Technology Services and Law Library Director at the **Louisiana State University Law Center**.

The **University of Miami Law Library** welcomes **Jootaek Lee**, who became the Reference/Internal Instructional Services Librarian in December. He recently received his M.L.S. from Florida State University. Jootaek also received his J.D. from Florida State, and a B.A. and LL.M. from Korea University.

Carol A. Parker was recently awarded the honorary title of Keleher Professor of Law (2008 - 2010) in recognition of excellence in scholarship, teaching and service on behalf of the **University of New Mexico School of Law**.

Texas Tech University Law Library recently welcomed a new law librarian. Ms. **Fang Wang** has joined the library as the Digital Information Services Librarian, effective Monday, January 5. Most recently she was with the Florida State University (FSU) as a Teaching Assistant and a doctoral student in Information Studies. While at FSU, Ms. Wang also served as a Research Assistant and a Digitization Project Assistant. She has also interned for the National Library of China as a Librarian, for the China Culture Daily as an Editor, and for FSU in the Special Collections. As an undergraduate, Ms. Wang earned two bachelor degrees, Management in Library Science and the other in Journalism, both from Wuhan University (Wuhan, China). She received her Master of Science in Information Studies in 2006 from FSU.

Lisa A. Goodman was promoted to Senior Public Services Librarian at the Dee J. Kelly Law Library at **Texas Wesleyan University School of Law**. She previously held the position of Public Services Librarian.

The **Daniel F. Cracchiolo Law Library**, **James E. Rogers College of Law**, **The University of Arizona**, has two new library fellows: **Charles (CJ) Pipins**, a New York Law School

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graduate, and **Alexandra Lee Delgado**, a graduate of the Rogers College of Law, recently started their studies at The University of Arizona's School of Information Resources and Library Science. **Katy Stein**, one of last year's fellows, has left for a position as a faculty services librarian at the Sarita Kenedy East Law Library, **St. Mary's University School of Law**, San Antonio, Texas.

Carissa J. Vogel is the newest reference librarian at **Columbia University's** Arthur W. Diamond Law Library. She received her MLIS from the University of Washington in August 2008 and previously worked as an intern at the Gallagher Law Library.

Publications

Julie Graves Krishnaswami, Associate Law Library Professor & Faculty Services Librarian at CUNY School of Law, recently published her first article: Justice Sandra Day O'Connor: A Selected Annotated Bibliography, 10 Cath. U. Law Rev. 1099 (2008).

Joel Fishman, Asst. Director for Lawyer Services, Duquesne U. Center for Legal Information/Allegheny County Law Library has published the following works:

- Liu, Frank Y., Joel Fishman, Dittakavi Rao, & Tsegaye Beru, Pennsylvania Legal Research Handbook (2d ed., 2008).;
- Co-author, **Bisel's New Jersey Municipal Lawsource** (2008 - 2009 ed., 2008).;
- Index to Fiduciary Review (1933 - 2007).;
- Co-editor, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas Orphans' Court Division Reports (2000 - 2005) (2008).;
- *Franklin, Benjamin, The Greenwood Encyclopedia of Love, Courtship & Sexuality through History. Volume 4 The Colonial and Revolutionary Age* (Merril D. Smith ed., Greenwood Press 2008).;
- *Index to the Pennsylvania Family Lawyer Volumes 27 - 29 (2005 - 2007)*, 30 Penn. Fam. Law., no. 1, at 50 (2008).;
- *The First Amendment, the Declaration of Rights, and Pennsylvania Constitutional Jurisprudence (Food for Thought Column)*, 8 Legacies, May 2008, at 40.;
- *A Failed Legal Periodical of Mid-Nineteenth Century Pennsylvania: Olwine's Law Journal (December 29, 1949 to May 18, 1850)*, 1 LH&RB Newsletter, Winter 2008, at 1.

Please send future submissions for the **ALL-SIS Member News Column** to Sue Kelleher, sue.kelleher@ttu.edu.

New Members, Cont'd

from Pratt Institute. Rutgers Law Library is her first position as a law librarian. She previously worked as a reference librarian at NYU School of Medicine. She has also practiced law and worked at a legal research company. Right now she is really focused on medico-legal research. However, she finds almost any area of law interesting! Her favorite aspects of law librarianship are the opportunity to learn so many new things all the time and working with her bright and dedicated co-workers. She spends most of her free time with her husband and running after her one year old son. Caroline's focus on medico-legal research is something that ALL-SIS members can find fascinating and her varied experience is a definite plus.

In the Dark, Cont'd

In his filmed introduction to the movie (included as an extra on the DVD), Watkins claims that part of his motivation for making this film was the Kent State shootings - he wanted to provoke discussion about contemporary social and political crises. After more than thirty years and so much social and cultural change, Punishment Park deserves a second viewing.

The DVD extras include a filmed introduction by the director, an additional short film by the director, a feature length commentary, an essay on audience responses to the movie, a booklet containing excerpts of a book about Peter Watkins, and images of the original press kit. The DVD was released in 2005 and is produced by New Yorker Video.

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General Information

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ALL-SIS provides opportunities for all librarians to contribute to the overall betterment of the entire academic law community. ALL-SIS has grown to more than 800 members and is the second largest SIS in AALL. Our members come from all aspects of academic law librarianship. Because of the SIS's broad coverage and subtopic focus, all those working in academic law libraries can benefit from membership and are encouraged to join.

The ALL-SIS Discussion Group

The ALL-SIS discussion group, aka mailing list, is used for official ALL-SIS announcements, news from AALL, and discussion of topics of interest to our members. If you're a member of ALL-SIS, you should be automatically subscribed! To send a message to the list, address the message to all-sis@aallnet.org. Please direct any questions to the forum moderator at owner-all-sis@aallnet.org. For more information, see *ALL-SIS Discussion Group Instructions*, 23 ALL-SIS Newsletter 18 (Summer 2004), available at www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/newsletter/23_3/

Discussiongroup.htm.

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ALL-SIS is on the web! Visit the ALL-SIS Home Page at www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/. Electronic versions of *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* are available on our website, as well as other vital information.

Newsletter Information & Deadlines for 2008 - 2009 Academic Year

Please submit all articles and announcements to the ALL-SIS Newsletter Editor. Are you working on any interesting special projects? Have you attended a meeting and learned something you want to share

with colleagues? Do you just want to rant and rave about some problems related to academic law librarianship? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please send your thoughts. Any format, printed, faxed, or e-mailed will do, but it would be easiest for Newsletter production if the article is sent either as an attached text or word processing file or as the body of an e-mail. The **deadline** for this year's remaining issue is **May 20, 2009**. Thank you for your contributions and for your consideration.