Message from the Chair

 Blink and you miss it. That is my description for this year. It seems impossible to me that an entire year has passed. It feels like it was just yesterday that we were in Austin. Tempus fugit has new meaning to me even with five years of Latin.

As this year’s Chair, I feel as if my new associations with the colleagues I have met have enriched me beyond anything anticipated. The ability to meet new people, learn new things, and generally be challenged to think beyond the two feet in front of me is invigorating. Baltimore, with the Annual Meeting, is up next and I want to issue a challenge to you. Do something different this year. Meet a new colleague, make a new friend, attend a program that is out of your routine, visit Baltimore, do something to shake up the status quo and expand your horizons. I suspect you will be rewarded. If you need an idea, check out the programs planned and recommended in this issue of the newsletter.

Our annual membership meeting again will be a virtual meeting on June 20, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time. Mark your calendars and watch your email. Join me in extending thanks to Kate Irwin-Smiler at Wake Forest Law School for assisting with our virtual meeting.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who found time in their busy schedules to support the critical work of ALL-SIS. I know making time to volunteer is not easy but it is rewarding.

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From the Editor

This Summer issue is focused on the Annual Meeting & Conference—including program descriptions and schedules of ALL-SIS programs, roundtables and events, as well as other sessions of interest … not to mention Member News from many ALL-SIS colleagues you may run into while you’re in Baltimore.

Looking ahead to the Fall issue of the ALL-SIS Newsletter, we will be soliciting reviews of many of the educational sessions featured in this issue, so be on the look-out soon for a Call for Reviewers on the ALL-SIS discussion board (My Communities).

On a personal note, this is my last issue as Editor. I’m pleased to announce that Katie Hanschke will be stepping in as Editor of the ALL-SIS Newsletter. Over the past four years, I’ve truly enjoyed working with the Newsletter Advisory Board and ALL-SIS Executive Board in publishing this newsletter as a vital, engaging and informative forum for section members. And I am grateful for all of your contributions—your articles, stories, ideas, and news have been edifying, inspiring, and highly entertaining. I look forward to reading more from all of you. 😊
and you are needed. Special thanks goes to I-Wei Wang at Berkeley for her dedication and work on this newsletter. I would also like to recognize the members of the ALL-SIS board—Genevieve Tung, Prano Amjadi, Anna Lawless-Collins, and Amanda Runyon—for their tireless work and dedication to this section and the profession.

Have a wonderful summer and see you in Baltimore.

Caroline 🌞

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**Highlight—ALL-SIS Sponsored Program:**

**Strategies for Successful Independent Library Certificate and Educational Programming**

(D1) Monday, July 16 10:00am - 11:00am, Baltimore Convention Center Room 327-329

Speakers Patrick Parsons Research Instructional Services Librarian, Georgia State University College of Law Library; Laura Ray Outreach & Instructional Services Librarian, Cleveland Marshall College of Law Library

Information professionals are increasingly becoming responsible for providing legal research instruction within traditional law school curricula or via alternative educational programming. Did you ever start offering “extra” research or technology training sessions for law students, just to see initial momentum turn to malaise? This presentation will describe how library educational and certificate programming can pedagogically enhance law school legal research and technology curricula, as well as examine specific programming examples from inception, to proposal, to implementation and management. Panelists will discuss topic selection, institutional buy-in, marketing, and presentation issues, and utilize crowdsourcing to add participants’ collective knowledge to the discussion.

**Takeaways:**

1. Participants will be able to describe how library educational and certificate programming can enhance law school legal research and technology curricula.
2. Participants will be able to list methods for identifying library programming partners and supporters within law school communities.
3. Participants will be able to identify and strategize around common issues in the creation, and sustainable conduction, of library educational and certificate programs.

**Who Should Attend:** Individuals interested in legal research, technology, or other generalized training; individuals in charge of instructional programming or seeking ways to sustain or enhance current programming efforts. 🌞
Local Arrangements Committee Report:  
Join Us for the ALL-SIS Events in Baltimore!  
Section Sponsored Events at AALL 2018
Janet Sinder (Chair, Local Arrangements Committee), Brooklyn Law School

This year ALL-SIS is sponsoring four events at the Annual Meeting. Advance registration and ticket purchases may be made online, by clicking on the register button to update your existing conference badge registration (please note deadlines below!):

**Members’ Breakfast:** Sunday, July 15, 7:30-8:45 a.m., in Hilton Holiday Ballroom 6

Our speaker will be Professor Colin Starger of the University of Baltimore School of Law. Professor Starger is the developer of the SCOTUS Mapping Project, which allows users to create interactive maps of Supreme Court doctrine. He will be talking about this project at our breakfast. The breakfast is open to everyone; **tickets are $15 and must be purchased by June 18**. The breakfast is sponsored by LexisNexis.

**ALL-SIS Reception:** Sunday July 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m., at the University of Baltimore School of Law

Everyone is invited to join us for the annual ALL-SIS reception at the University of Baltimore School of Law. Buses will provide transportation between the Baltimore Hilton (HQ hotel) and the Law School. Admission is free, but please **register in advance so we know how many people are attending**.

Many thanks to the University of Baltimore School of Law for sponsoring this event! In addition to the opportunity to mingle with your fellow law librarians, this is a great chance to see the University of Baltimore’s new law school building. Tours of the library will be available.

**Middle Managers’ Breakfast:** Monday, July 16, 7:30-8:30 a.m., in Hilton Holiday Ballroom 2

This year’s breakfast will feature a panel of academic law librarians in middle management who will address a series of questions about how they handle certain situations. The panel consists of Lisa Goodman, Associate Law Librarian for Administration at Yale’s Lillian Goldman Law Library; David Matchen, Circulation/Reference Librarian at the University of Baltimore Law Library; and Wendy Moore, Associate Director for Collection Services at the University of Georgia Law Library.

Have a question to suggest? Submit it here: [https://goo.gl/forms/oiCfhgjJWs6U1Mjk1](https://goo.gl/forms/oiCfhgjJWs6U1Mjk1). **Tickets are $45 and must be purchased by June 18**; attendance is open to all members—whether you are a middle manager or hoping to be one soon.

**Directors’ Breakfast:** Monday, July 16, 7:30-8:30 a.m., in Hilton Holiday Ballroom 5

Our speaker will be Russell McClain, Law School Associate Professor, Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion, and Director, Academic Achievement Program, at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. Professor McClain will be speaking on implicit bias and ways to minimize it. **Tickets are $60 and must be purchased by June 18**. This breakfast is open only to library directors.

The Local Arrangements Committee looks forward to seeing you at our events!
Janet Sinder (Chair), David Matchen, Savanna Nolan, Neeri Rao
ALL-SIS Programs, Roundtables & Events
and Other Sessions of Interest at AALL 2018
selected and compiled by Katie Hanschke, North Carolina Central University

Charmed City, here we come! Here is the Newsletter’s selection of ALL-SIS sponsored programs, meetings and events, along with other sessions of interest to academic law librarians. Sessions are listed chronologically under the following categories—

- General Interest & Meetings
- Advocacy & Marketing/Outreach
- Collection, Discovery & Access
- Instruction & Research
- Patron Services
- Management & Professional Development

ALL-SIS activities are highlighted. For a chronological listing of these selected programs and events, see pages 15-16.

General Interest & Meetings

- **ALL-SIS All Members’ Breakfast Meeting** Sun. 7:30 – 8:45 a.m.
  
  Sponsored by LexisNexis. See [Local Arrangements Committee Report, page 3](#), for program and speaker details. Deadline for [registration](#) ($15): **June 18**.

- **Opening General Session** Sun. 9:00 – 10:15 a.m.
  
  Sponsored by Bloomberg Law and LexisNexis. As an American film director, screenwriter, author, actor, stand-up comedian, journalist, and Baltimore native, John Waters rose to fame in the early 1970s for his transgressive cult films. While he is most well-known for breaking boundaries of acceptable filmmaking—his movies often cover topics of drugs, queers, abortion, and religion—Waters achieved box office and critical success for writing and directing *Hairspray*, which was adapted into a long-running Broadway musical. His live one-man engagements around the country are deliciously raucous and un-PC.

- **Poster Session Presentation Period** Mon. 8:45 – 9:45 a.m.
  
  Poster session creators will be available during the poster session presentation period (Monday’s exhibit hall break) to answer questions and discuss their work. (Poster sessions will be on display during all exhibit hall hours.) An award will be given to the poster deemed best by the Annual Meeting Poster Session Award Jury (to be awarded during the Poster Session Presentation Period).

- **Meet the Candidates for the AALL Executive Board**
  
  Mon. 8:45 – 9:45 a.m.

  Meet and mingle with the candidates for vice-president/president-elect, treasurer, and the AALL Executive Board. Take advantage of this opportunity to become better informed about the candidates before the October election. Come with your questions and find out what each candidate plans for the future of your Association.

- **ALL-SIS Marketing & Outreach, Social Media and Newsletter Joint Committee Meeting** Sun. 12:45 – 1:45 p.m.

- **ALL-SIS ALL-NEW Committee Meeting** Sun. 5:15 – 6:00 p.m.

- **ALL-SIS Reception** Sun. 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
  
  See [Local Arrangements Committee Report, page 3](#), for details. Deadline for [registration](#) (no fee): **June 18**.

- **AALL General Business Meeting & Members Open Forum** Mon. 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.
  
  Any member who wants to [submit a resolution](#) for consideration by the membership at the Business Meeting must do so by **June 25**. During this year’s Members Open Forum, AALL Executive Board officers will be available to respond to member questions regarding AALL, as well as its programs and activities. In addition to asking questions from the floor, members can also [submit questions](#) in advance.
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ALL-SIS Programs, Roundtables & Events

- **Cool Tools Café** (I5) Tues. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  Participants in the Cool Tools Café will learn about emerging or existing technologies from librarians who have implemented these technologies in their own libraries. The program will be presented in two parts. A formal session will feature a number of short presentations. Following this session, the presenters will be available in a small-group setting, allowing for a more intimate discussion.

Advocacy, Outreach & Marketing

- **Rewriting the Rules of the Federal Depository Library Program: The Struggle to Amend 44 U.S.C.** (A3) Sun. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  This program will convene a panel of librarians and government representatives who are active in the Title 44 discussion to explain what these changes will mean to law libraries and how law librarians can join the discussion and advocate for their interests.

- **Navigating the External Funding Adventure from Idea to Fulfillment** (C3) Sun. 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
  Successful externally funded projects require innovative ideas, solid research, compelling writing, efficient project and fiscal management, and a little luck. Navigating the terrain of external funding is not intuitive even for librarians with natural strengths in these areas. Grant recipients and reviewers will work with participants to evaluate possible funding sources and to develop individual project outlines.

- **Hot Topic — Modern-Day Debtors’ Prisons: The Criminalization of Poverty and Those Who Profit from It** (D4) Mon. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
  The exorbitant fines and fees imposed after an arrest can be extremely burdensome for low-income people to pay off. The criminal justice system enforces penalties as severe as jail time for failure to pay (which equates to a violation of probation), creating a revolving door at the courthouse for the indigent, and disproportionately affecting vulnerable minority communities. Learn what efforts are being made to end these abusive practices and enact policy reforms that protect low-income individuals who must appear in court.

- **Our Knowledge Put into Action: Helping Public Librarians Learn Basic Legal Research** (E6) Mon. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  This program will provide information on how law librarians can create and present free or low-cost educational programs or workshops on legal research basics to public librarians. Participants will also receive ideas about successful schedules, topics, exercises, and follow-up activities. Through workshops, law librarians will be able to add value to their communities and their institutions by building stronger bonds with other libraries, organizations, and underserved populations.

- **...And Justice for All: Three States and Three Approaches to A2J Outreach** (F6) Mon. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
  With threats to federal legal aid funding, it is imperative that law libraries reach out to people in their communities who don’t have access to the court system. Though librarians can’t give legal advice, there are other ways to address the access to justice gap. This program will examine the approaches taken by law libraries in three states—Louisiana, Maryland, and South Carolina—to provide legal assistance to those who can’t afford to hire attorneys to handle civil disputes.

- **It’s All About the Relationships: Marketing to Your Library’s Stakeholders** (G5) Tues. 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
  Social media, word-of-mouth-marketing, content marketing, programs, PR, displays—these can be great tools to market your library. But, if your library isn’t marketing the right things to the right people, these tools are as effective as a poorly focused reference question. In this session, participants will identify and match key attributes of their libraries with the needs of their library stakeholders via the Intentional Marketing process.

- **Telling Your Story: Using Metrics to Display Your Value** (H2) Tues. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
  Law libraries possess an abundance of data, but determining which metrics will showcase your law library’s value and performance is difficult. Speakers
from a law school, law firm, and court library will explain the different metrics they use to display their value to their stakeholders. After these short presentations, a “fishbowl” discussion will provide participants the chance to share and learn about different metrics and tools law libraries are using to best tell their story.

**Collections, Discovery & Access**

- **Manipulating Data with OpenRefine** (A2) Sun. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

  As the volume of data grows, so do the errors and inconsistencies in that data. We try to make the data fit within specific parameters and guidelines, but manual manipulation is time consuming. OpenRefine may be one answer for many of us. OpenRefine allows users to quickly view, identify inconsistencies in, and enhance a variety of data, whether from a spreadsheet of contact information, MARC data, or the contents of a digital repository.

- **ALL-SIS Collection Development Roundtable** Sun. 12:45 – 2:15 p.m.

- **Game Day! It’s Librarian Skills v. eRecords to Demonstrate ROI for the Win!** (B4) Sun. 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

  Records and Information Management (RIM)—both inside and outside the library’s parent organization—is a key part of today’s legal landscape. RIM plays a role in eDiscovery, cyber-security, and public records requests. This session first explains how librarian skills fit into RIM. Then, participants will play games that they can adapt to their organizations’ needs to train staff, students, and clients in good RIM practices.

- **Compressing an Elephant: How We Shrunk Acquisitions and Collections Workflows by Developing Our Own Best Practices for Operational Excellence** (E7) Mon. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

  Come to this session if you are interested in hearing about one academic law library’s experience with workflow review in acquisitions and collections. Learn how we worked within our library, with vendors, and with other stakeholders on campus to shrink our workflows, save time and money, and make our library a bit more nimble for those unknowns on the horizon. It wasn’t a cakewalk, but we hope you can learn from our mistakes!

- **Copyright, Digitize, and Lend: What You Need to Know** (F3) Mon. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

  In a time of limited resources, libraries are always seeking to maximize their reach with decreasing funds. One way to accomplish this goal is through collaborative digitize-and-lend, where libraries share the responsibility of digitizing materials and all libraries can benefit from the digitized versions. This collaborative arrangement can lead to collaborative collection development and resource mining services. Libraries perceive copyright as a roadblock to this vision, and this session seeks to demonstrate why copyright can be a library’s ally instead. It also aims to provide librarians with tools to talk to their deans or counsel, who may be very familiar with copyright, but are rarely conversant with copyright’s provisions as they apply to libraries.

- **Bepress and SSRN Integration Pilot Results: Exploring New Synergies for Open Access Legal Scholarship** Mon. 3:30 – 4:45 p.m.

  This spring bepress and SSRN launched a pilot to explore integration between their platforms, partnering with the University of Georgia School of Law and Columbia Law School. Join us in this lively session as we discuss the pilot, share our findings, and explore implications for the landscape of open access legal scholarship. The panelists will present findings from the pilot, share future plans, and engage the audience in a discussion of the value of a potential integration for law faculty, law libraries, and the legal community as a whole.

- **The PEGI Project: Preserving Electronic Government Information** (G7) Tues. 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

  This session will provide an update on a national effort to define government information for collection...
and preservation in the electronic age. Participants will spend time in facilitated discussion about their government information needs, which will inform the report produced by the PEGI project in fall 2018.

Instruction & Research

» Hot Topic—Keeping Up with the Legalities of Electronic Surveillance (A5) Sun. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Librarians have long been considered “privacy warriors” when it comes to protecting patrons, but as technologies and laws rapidly change and electronic surveillance expands, has our awareness kept pace? How does this awareness affect the legal research we conduct, and the instruction we provide? In this session, participants will be brought up to speed on this expanding area of law, and the implications for librarians and those we serve.

» ALL-SIS Legal Research & Sourcebook Roundtable (A5) Sun. 12:45 – 2:15 p.m.

» Diverse Interactions: Addressing Race and Implicit Bias in Legal Research Instruction (B1) Sun. 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Considering the obligations and responsibilities of legal research instructors to develop culturally competent lawyers, the first portion of the program will include a discussion of the importance of a legal research curriculum that addresses issues of race and implicit bias, despite possible unease when introducing sensitive topics in the classroom. In the second half, participants will learn tools and tips for incorporating issues of race and implicit bias into the legal research curriculum.

» ALL-SIS sponsored program—Strategies for Successful Independent Library Certificate and Educational Programming (D1) Mon. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

This presentation will describe how library educational and certificate programming can pedagogically enhance law school legal research and technology curricula, as well as examine specific programming examples from inception, to proposal, to implementation and management. Panelists will discuss topic selection, institutional buy-in, marketing, and presentation issues, and utilize crowdsourcing to add participants’ collective knowledge to the discussion.

» Demystifying Text Analysis: A Tutorial in Method and Practice (E3) Mon. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

This session provides an accessible introduction to text analysis using textual examples from one of AALL’s main periodicals, the Law Library Journal. This session will showcase how to preprocess a corpus of text for analysis, construct topic models to programmatically identify common themes, and analyze text sentiment. Attendees will also discuss some limitations of modern text analysis techniques.

» Teaching Tech: The New Frontier (F1) Mon. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Many law librarians are considering or are being asked to teach law practice technology courses. This type of class is different from the research classes with which most librarians are familiar, and they pose new challenges. This session will address: What technologies should you teach? What kinds of assessments should you use? What should you do if you are not familiar with all of the legal technology in practice today? If you don’t have a computer lab, how do you teach technology in a consistent manner?

» Biological Evidence for the Effective Use of Educational Technology (G2) Tues. 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

This program will review the current status of neuroeducational research, addressing cognitive abilities such as attention, memory, flexibility, sequencing, and inhibition. It will also examine effective applications of technology to strengthen the student-oriented educational process, particularly the design, implementation, and support of learning activities, environments, and assessments.

» Lightning Lessons: Research Instruction in a Flash (H3) Tues. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Lightning Lessons offer a solution to add to your instruction arsenal—how to capture an audience and continued on page 8
teach a topic in five minutes. Whether your patrons are students, attorneys, or members of the public, this method increases your opportunity for teachable moments, conveys important research skills rapidly, and builds your reputation as a reliable resource. Fast, friendly, and feasible for librarians in every setting, the Lightning Lesson helps you teach more skills, to more researchers, in less time.

- **What’s in the Black Box? An Inside Look at the Algorithms for Westlaw, LexisNexis and Fastcase** (II)
  Tues. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  This session builds on one of 2016’s most popular sessions, and will feature an inside look at the algorithms that rank results in Westlaw, Fastcase, and LexisNexis, to show why results vary, what choices determine what gets on the first page of search results, and how to teach and use these services most effectively.

- **Patron Services**
  - **Reaching the Invisible Customer** (B3) Sun. 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
    The “invisible customer” is the person (or department) who has either stopped using your products and services or who has never used them. Regardless of your sector (academic, firm, public, state/county/court, nonprofit, etc.), you can’t rely on success with just the people who already actively use your services. How do you find invisible customers? What do you say to them? This highly interactive program will provide practical strategies and advice about how to win back former customers, attract and maintain new customers, and create realistic, observable goals to measure success.

- **Uncertainty Management: A Tool to Assist Self-Represented Litigants** (C2)
  Sun. 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
  This session will explain uncertainty management theory; demonstrate appraisal mechanisms to manage uncertainty; and finally, using dramatized reference examples, demonstrate how these techniques can be applied to provide a better reference experience.

- **Library Services for Communities Living in Fear** (D2)
  Mon. 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
  In 2015, our host city, Baltimore, experienced massive protests against police brutality in reaction to the death of 25 year-old Freddie Gray. Some of these protests turned violent, and the despair and frustration of our communities were evident all across the city. Despite the unrest and riots, Enoch Pratt Free Library and its then-CEO, Carla Hayden (our current Librarian of Congress), decided to keep the library open. Similar to Baltimore in 2015, this session will explore library or librarians’ initiatives to support DACA students and refugees coming to or already living in this country. Panelists will provide: 1) the library or librarian’s personal story, 2) lessons learned, and 3) how best to apply these lessons to all libraries.

- **From Concept to Deliverable: Build Your Own Law Library Chatbot** (E5) Mon. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  This presentation will discuss the application of AI to law, what a chatbot is, how a chatbot can be used by law libraries, how to build a chatbot that requires no programming knowledge, mistakes to avoid when building a chatbot, how to maintain a chatbot so it is responsive to patrons’ needs, and methods to evaluate a chatbot’s performance.

- **Doing Our Part: The Library’s Role in Supporting and Promoting Bar Preparation and the Advancement of Students** (F8) Mon. 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
  During this timely session, a panel of experts representing academic success/support and bar preparation departments in different law schools will discuss their unique roles and initiatives in a moderated, town hall-style session. They will discuss how developing relationships and collaborating with those in the library can assist and promote the work they are doing to support law students and those preparing for the bar. Finally, the panel will discuss the student needs they have identified on their campuses and how those in the library can help with new programming or leveraging things most libraries already provide, such as study rooms and collection development.
ALL-SIS Programs, Roundtables & Events

- **Reference Analytics for Data-Driven Decision Making** (G4) Tues. 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
  
  Data analysis can help librarians identify trends in the work done by lawyers, students, and staff and help predict their future needs. This is particularly useful when creating a strategic plan or trying to maximize limited resources. Learn how an academic law school library and a large law firm library collect reference statistics and then analyze the data to find answers to these questions and more.

- **The Shape of Future Libraries: Planning Orientation for 2018 and Beyond** (I7) Tues. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  
  Creating interactive orientation sessions for your patrons provides a more thoughtful way to introduce them to library resources and policies. And, they can do it on their own time. Easy-to-use technologies that enhance library orientations are also a fantastic way to market your library.

Management & Professional Development

- **We Made It Through! Before, During and After the Disaster Hits: Improving Disaster Plans After the Event** (A6) Sun. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  
  There is no escaping from natural disasters occurring in a given region—hurricanes, fire, earthquakes, etc., or unexpected man-made events. What we can do is ensure that the disaster plan we write for our institutions will carry us through the event so that our libraries will be adversely impacted as little as possible, and recover as quickly as they can. Librarians who have dealt with such an event firsthand will relate to us how well their plan worked, what didn’t work, how they may have had to “fly by the seat of their pants” at the last minute, and how an existing plan was improved following the event.

- **Impostor Syndrome: The Plague (or Good Fortune) of the Smart Professional** (B2) Sun. 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.
  
  Talk to any smart and successful professional and you’ll hear the same story—Impostor Syndrome. First defined in the 1970s by psychologists Imes and Clance, Impostor Syndrome is that feeling of anxiety that you really don’t know what you are doing, you only got where you are by luck, and everyone will soon find out that you are a fraud. Sound familiar? These are feelings that live and thrive in the darkness; this program will seek to throw some light on them. The program will feature successful people who have struggled with and managed Impostor Syndrome and explain how other librarians can do the same.

- **Diversity & Inclusion Symposium — Hidden Disabilities: Coping, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Accommodations** (C6) Sun. 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.
  
  In this panel, librarians with hidden disabilities will discuss their experiences in the workplace with stigma surrounding their disability, coping with a disability, the process of seeking and implementing accommodations, and what colleagues can do to better support them and collaborate with them. The reasonable accommodations requirement of the ADA will be explained and tips will be provided for requesting and implementing accommodations.

- **ALL-SIS Directors’ Breakfast** Mon. 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
  
  See Local Arrangements Committee Report, page 3, for program and speaker details. Deadline for registration ($60): June 18. Open only to library directors.

- **ALL-SIS Middle Managers’ Breakfast** Mon. 7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
  
  See Local Arrangements Committee Report, page 3, for program and speakers’ details. Deadline for registration ($45): June 18. Open to all members—whether you are a middle manager or hoping to be one soon.

- **Don’t Just Hire the Best—Keep Them** (E4) Mon. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
  
  Many of us are fortunate enough to have outstanding teams and colleagues, but keeping them engaged and feeling supported can be a challenge depending on our resources, as well as institutional barriers and cultural norms. What can we learn from one another—across departments, libraries, and sectors—about alternative management models and

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support for professional development that will allow us to better retain high-performing team members? Let’s share what’s working and tackle perennial problems in a constructive, collaborative manner.

- **Deep Dive — From Talking to Communicating: Using Improv Techniques to Improve Understanding** (G8)
  Tuesday 8:30 – 11:00 a.m.

  Every day librarians are faced with the need to communicate with constituents who may not speak our language. Whether it’s teaching a class, demonstrating our value to an employer, justifying the cost of materials, or advocating for our profession, librarians talk to stakeholders who don’t know an OPAC from the CFR. Emerging research shows that improvisational theater techniques can help scientists and others translate sometimes bewildering concepts into ideas that anyone can understand by seeing through the audiences’ eyes. This program gives you the opportunity to free your creative side and go from “What?” to “Yes, And!”

- **Bringing Culture Back: Managing Unconscious Bias to Strengthen Your Corporate Culture** (I6) Tues. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

  Understanding unconscious biases and cultural awareness are critical first steps toward improving our performance; however, we cannot stop there. Awareness alone does not guarantee success. The ultimate question is how to take that awareness and put it into action in order to ensure these biases do not influence judgments about others. This directly impacts the library’s inclusive work environment and the strength of the corporate culture. This session will allow you to identify and understand your biases, and provide you with strategies for managing biases to help improve intercultural effectiveness within the library.

You can’t attend all the sessions, but take a look at the ALL-SIS Schedule at a Glance (pages 15-16) for all of the above events, programs and sessions in a handy-dandy printable list with times, locations and schedule overlaps. Still not sure what sessions to check out? Consult the official AALL Conference Schedule (linked from each title in the above listings) to find further information on speakers, organizers, program take-aways and intended audience. 🎟️
The first half of 2018 has been a busy time for ALL-SIS members who’ve been getting hired, returning to the profession, being promoted, achieving tenure, writing an impressive array of publications, giving presentations, retiring, and … ballroom dancing. Read on.

**Cynthia Condit**, Reference & Circulation Librarian and Supervisor of Law Library Fellows at the Daniel F. Cracchiolo Law Library at the University of Arizona in Tucson, proudly reports that two of their Fellows, **Ryan Rozanski** and **Michelle Penn**, have graduated from the Fellowship Program and will be moving on to new positions.

Ryan has accepted a Research Analyst position with Quarles & Brady, LLP in Phoenix, AZ, and Michelle will be starting as a Reference Librarian at Fordham Law Library in the Bronx, NY. Congratulations to both, who worked hard to complete their MLIS degrees in just a year, while also working 20 hours a week at the Law Library.

The University of Denver Sturm College of Law is thrilled to have two new hires join the Westminster Law Library. **Madeline Cohen** joined the Law Library in February as their Assistant Director, and **Andi Molinet** took up her position as Head of Technical Services in March. **Catherine M. Dunn**, Director of the Law Library, reports that before joining their team, Madeline spent over ten years at the U.S. Courts Library – Tenth Circuit, in Denver, and Andi spent over twenty years at the Syracuse University Law Library in New York.

**The staff of Stanford University’s Robert Crown Law Library is glad to welcome two new reference librarians, **Kevin Rothenberg** and **Shay Elbaum**, both joining them this summer!**

Kevin is currently the Scholarly Research and Law Library Fellow at the Wake Forest University School of Law. Kevin graduated from Wake Forest University School of Law with a JD in May 2017 and will earn his MLIS degree in July 2018. During his law school tenure, Kevin worked as a research intern at the General Counsel Office of University of North Carolina School of the Arts and in the headquarters office of Hillary for America presidential campaign in New York. Kevin is starting his career as a reference librarian at the Robert Crown Law Library in June 2018.

Shay is currently a Law Library Intern at Northeastern University School of Law Library. He earned his JD degree with honors from the University of Michigan Law School in December 2014. While at law school, he was a Reference and Research Assistant at the University of Michigan Law Library. After leaving Michigan, Shay worked at the Native American Rights Fund in Alaska and clerked for Justice Joel H. Bolger of the Alaska Supreme Court. Shay received his MLIS degree from Simmons College in May and will join Stanford in July 2018.

**Deanna Barmakian**, Research Librarian, Harvard Law School Library reports on her return to law librarianship after an 11-year break from the field. Deanna says “It’s great to be back, and fun to see what’s changed. (Hein has way more, Bloomberg is killer, and I’d better figure out APIs.)” She’s looking forward to connecting with old friends and new colleagues at the Annual Meeting. Welcome back Deanna!

**New Hires & New Positions**

**Returning to the Field**

Marlene Harmon, UC Berkeley School of Law & Nina Scholtz, Cornell University Law Library

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Bonnie Shucha has been appointed Associate Dean for Library and Information Services and Director of the Law Library at the University of Wisconsin Law School. She joined the UW Law Library staff in 1999 and has served as Reference & Electronic Services Librarian, Head of Reference, Assistant and then Associate Director for Public Services, and most recently Deputy Director. Bonnie is very active in AALL and the Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin and is a member of the Wisconsin State Bar Communications Committee. She has written numerous articles, including several in the Law Library Journal and AALL Spectrum.

Michele Knapp has some news of her own to report. After 5+ years as Reference and Interlibrary Loan Librarian at the University of San Diego Legal Research Center, she began a new position on April 1 as USD’s Head of Collection Services. Congratulations Michele!

Congratulations, one and all!

Susan David deMaine, Assistant Director for Information Services at Indiana University reports a banner year at Indiana: three(!) law librarians across the two law schools of Indiana University were granted tenure as well as promotion in rank to Associate Librarian: Ashley Ahlbrand at IU Maurer School of Law in Bloomington, and Susan deMaine and Benjamin Keele at IU McKinney School of Law in Indianapolis. In addition, Ashley has a new title: Assistant Director for Public Services.

Dana Rubin, Reference/Educational Services Librarian at New York University School of Law Library shares her good news with us. She was just granted tenure in May. She is now officially a tenured member of the NYU Law Library Faculty.

And not to be outdone, three librarians at Rutgers Law School have also been granted tenure. Genevieve Tung, Reference and Circulation Librarian at Rutgers reports that she, along with Nancy Talley, Reference and Collection Development Librarian, and Charlotte Schneider, Reference and Government Documents Librarian, were promoted and granted tenure this past April. All three joined the Rutgers Law Library faculty in Camden in the summer of 2012.

Taryn L. Rucinski, Supervisory Librarian, U.S. Court of International Trade in New York City, has started competitive ballroom dancing. She competed with her coach, Zachary Bordonaro at the New York Dance Festival in February and with her amateur ballroom dance partner, Apinant Hoontrakul at the Manhattan Amateur Classic in January and in the 18th Annual DanceSport Competition this past March. Taryn and her dance partners garnered awards at all three competitions. Congrats Taryn!!
Steve Barkan, Professor of Law and Director of the Law Library at the University of Wisconsin Law School retired this spring. He joined the UW Law School faculty in 1995 and also held positions at Marquette Law School, the University of Texas at Austin School of Law, the US Supreme Court, and the University of Southern California Law School. Among many activities at the UW Law School, Steve taught Torts I and Torts II for many years. In 2015 he received the Classroom Teacher of the Year Award from the Wisconsin Law Alumni Association. He is chair of the Wisconsin Board of Bar Examiners, and he has served on numerous ABA accreditation site visit teams. He is a co-author/editor of Fundamentals of Legal Research and founding editor of Perspectives. In February, he was honored with a Leaders in the Law Lifetime Achievement Award from the Wisconsin Law Journal.

News from Western Michigan University Cooley Law School Library: Aletha Hon sowitz, Head of Public Services at WMU-Cooley Law School, Grand Rapids Campus, will be retiring September 4, 2018 after 40 years and 9 months of working in various positions in the WMU Cooley Law Library. Aletha worked at the Lansing Campus for 27 years and has been the Head of Public Services at the Grand Rapids campus for the past 14 years.

Best wishes on your future endeavors Steven and Aletha!

Jan Bissett, Reference & Faculty Liaison Services Librarian for Wayne State University’s Arthur Neef Law Library (Detroit, Michigan), and Margi Heinen, Manager of Research Services for Sherman & Howard LLC (Denver, Colorado), are co-authors of Research Mashup: Disparate Approaches, published in the March 2018 Michigan Bar Journal, at page 38.

Emily Donnellan, Public Services Librarian, Concordia University School of Law (Portland, Oregon), has published a law review article with former Idaho Supreme Court justice Cathy R. Silak: Enhanced Campaign Finance Disclosure and Recusal Rules to Offset the Influence of Dark Money in State Supreme Court Elections, 39 UALR L. Rev. 559 (2018).

Annalee Hickman Moser, Law Library Fellow at the Howard W. Hunter Law Library at Brigham Young University, has some advice for law students. She has published two articles for the Student Lawyer magazine:


Go Ahead and Google. Then Do a Subject-Based Search, 46 Student Law., Mar./Apr./May 2018, at 8.

Persuasive Authority and the Nebraska Supreme Court: Are Certain Jurisdictions or Secondary Resources More Persuasive than Others?, by Stefanie Pearlman, Professor of Law and Reference Librarian at University of Nebraska – Lincoln’s Schmid Law Library, was published in The Nebraska Lawyer, Mar./Apr. 2018, 33-37.

Ronald E. Wheeler, Director of the Fineman and Pappas Law Libraries, Associate Professor of Law and Legal Research at Boston University School of Law is pleased to announce the release of the Fourth Edition of Sources of Compiled Legislative Histories, a must-have source for those doing federal legislative history research. Ron co-authored the Fourth Edition with Jenna Fegreus, Senior Legal Information Librarian at Boston University. It is published by William S. Hein & Co. Inc. The book is dedicated to the late Nancy P. Johnson, who was the original compiler of Sources of Compiled Legislative Histories.
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Organizations, Awards & Professional Development

Congratulations to Colleen C. Manning, Director of the Fred Parks Law Library and Assistant Professor of Law at the South Texas College of Law in Houston! Colleen was just elected President of the Houston Area Law Librarians for 2018-2019.

Melissa Bernstein, Library Director & Professor of Law at the James E. Faust Law Library, S.J. Quinney College of Law at the University of Utah, shares some good news about Felicity Murphy, their Head of Student Services. Along with receiving her MLS degree from San José State University, Felicity was the recipient of San José State’s 2018 Ken Haycock Award for Exceptional Professional Promise. The award consists in part of being selected as the Student Commencement Speaker for their virtual convocation ceremony. The recipient is selected based on GPA and other accomplishments that contribute to professional promise, including public service, work experience, and publications. Kudos Felicity!

More news from the University of Utah: Law librarians from the James E. Faust Law Library at the University of Utah and from the Howard W. Hunter Law Library at Brigham Young University met on Thursday, May 17 at BYU for their second annual Legal Research Workshop. Melissa Bernstein reports that it proved to be a terrific get together and opportunity to share ideas. “We talked about scholarship in progress and ideas, discussed teaching legal research, and had a practitioner panel.”

Here’s a little of everything from Jeff B. Woodmansee, Associate Professor of Law Librarianship, Research Support & Reference Librarian at the University of Arkansas Little Rock Bowen School of Law: Jeff was recently named Chapter President of the Southwest Association of Law Libraries (SWALL) for 2018-19. He presented “Legal Research Worldwide,” describing his teaching experiences as part of “The School of US Business & Law” partnership with colleagues at the University of Silesia School of Law in Poland and his other international legal education involvement, at the SWALL Annual Meeting held in Houston, April 5-7, 2018. His article, Teaching in Poland, was published in the SWALL Bulletin, 41(2), Spring 2018.

The group’s next annual conference is being planned for Little Rock in April 2019 — “SWALL 2019: Rockin’ Roles for Legal Info Pros,” and will include events being held in conjunction with Little Rock Central High National Historic Site and the Clinton Presidential Center, as well as a pre-conference session covering legal research resources and trends for local public librarians and legal paraprofessionals in the area. Congratulations on your accomplishments Jeff!

Have something to share with your fellow ALL-SIS members? Send your news along to Marlene (mharmon@law.berkeley.edu) or Nina (nes78@cornell.edu) at any time. 😊
**ALL-SIS Schedule at a Glance**

Locations are in the Hilton (headquarters hotel) unless otherwise noted. ALL-SIS activities are highlighted.
- CC = Baltimore Convention Center
- Exh. Hall = Exhibit Hall

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Committee Reports
ALL-SIS Committee Activities in 2017-2018

The 2017-2018 ALL-NEW committee membership includes Andrea Alexander (chair), Taryn Marks (vice-chair), Rachell Purcell, Irene Crisci, Gail McDonald, and Sarah Slinger. The committee is preparing to represent ALL-SIS in Baltimore at the Annual Meeting with a table at the CONELL marketplace and a speaker discussing mentoring opportunities during the CONELL Introduction to the Association—From Rookie to Mentor. Andrea Alexander Chair

Andrea Alexander
Vanderbilt University

The committee received no nominations for the Frederick Charles Hicks Award for Outstanding Contributions to Academic Law Librarianship, Outstanding Service Award, or Outstanding Article Award.

In addition to determining grant recipients, the committee edited language pertaining to the Awards Committee on the ALL-SIS webpage for clarity and uniformity and is working with the Executive Board on a potential new award to honor publications other than articles.

Anna Blaine
Chair

The members of the 2017-2018 Awards Committee are Anna Blaine, Jessica Wimer, Matthew Flyntz, Joyce Janto, Creighton Miller, and Caroline Young. The Awards Committee selected the following grant recipients this year:

- Leadership Academy Grant—$1,000 each awarded to Patrick Parsons, Georgia State University College of Law Library, and Zanada Joyner, North Carolina Central University School of Law Library, and $500 awarded to AJ Blechner, Harvard Law School Library.
- Active Member Stimulus Grant—$1,000 awarded to Carol Bredemeyer, Chase College of Law Library, Northern Kentucky University.
- Regular Member Stimulus Grant—$1,000 awarded to Jennifer Wondracek, UNT Dallas College of Law.
- CONELL Grant—$500 awarded to Nicole Catlin, Schoenecker Law Library, University of St. Thomas School of Law.

We will honor these stellar colleagues at the ALL-SIS Reception, Sunday, July 15 at the University of Baltimore Law Library.

The Bluebook Committee continues to struggle with support from the Bluebook Editors. We received a question from a member but received no reply. At the 2018 meeting we will decide on our plan of attack for the coming year. One of the editors with whom I spoke is very interested in moving it forward. Merle Slyhoff, Chair

Merle Slyhoff
University of Pennsylvania

The 2017-2018 members of the ALL-SIS Continuing Education Committee were Rachel Forden, Suzanne Graham, Rebecca Green, Tawnya Plumb, Allison Symulevich, Jane Woldow, and Annmarie Zell. In commitment to providing free educational opportunities to the membership and in fulfillment of our charge, we planned several engaging sessions this year and applied for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant.

We collaborated with other committees within ALL-SIS and other Special Interest Sections to extend the

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reach of programming and to ensure we addressed topics of high relevance and impact. The committee members explored different content delivery platforms and sought feedback on the platforms to improve accessibility and convenience for the membership. We also compiled a sample calendar and procedural tips for next year’s committee.

Below are the live sessions that we assisted in providing:

- The Human Equation: What Star Trek Teaches Us about Leadership (reprise of an AALL Annual presentation)—September
- Student Employee Funding & Academic Law Libraries: Adapting to Funding Changes and Uncertainty (roundtable discussion)—October
- Library Metrics Roundtable Discussion (presentation and discussion in collaboration with ALL-SIS Statistics Committee)—December
- Cataloging Liaisons Debrief from ALA-Midwinter (presentation in collaboration with TS-SIS and OB-SIS)—February
- Effective Educational Technology Products for VARK Learning Styles (reprise of AALL Annual presentation)—March
- Emergency Preparedness and Recovery (presentation)—May
- Building a Bridge Between Generations and Getting over the Divide in the Workplace (presentation)—pending in June

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Graham


We reviewed the Faculty Services Toolkit and determined that no revisions were needed at this time. Three members of the committee volunteered to work with RIPS-SIS on a project dealing with high-value patrons.

We will offer the following discussion topics at our roundtable event at the AALL meeting in Baltimore:

- Tracking faculty publications/scholarly impact
- Collaborating around the university/interdisciplinary research
- Empirical research
- Training the Millennial (and post-Millennial and Gen-Z) research assistant
- What have you stopped doing/what new services are you offering?
- Supporting clinics and clinical faculty

Submitted by
Carol Bredemeyer, Chair

In 2017-18, the Newsletter Advisory Board, which retains members for indefinite terms, consisted of: Daniel Brackmann, Katie Hanschke, Yasmin Sokkar Harker, Marlene Harmon, Benjamin Keele, Jocelyn Kennedy, Ruth Levor, Nina Scholtz, and I-Wei Wang (Chair). This year we published three regular and one combined Spring issue with the Election special edition issue, comprising 88 pages of content, including:

- 9 feature columns by Advisory Board members
- 11 articles contributed by ALL-SIS members and committees and 12 annual committee reports.
- 22 program reviews covering sessions from the 2017 Annual Meeting and Conference in Austin.
- Candidate statements for the 2018 ALL-SIS election.

New contributions and ideas for content from ALL-SIS members and committees are always welcome.

Changes are afoot for the Advisory Board, as Katie Hanschke steps in as the next Editor and Chair. Also,
long-time Board Member/contributor Ruth Levor has stepped down; we have enjoyed her *Great Ideas from the Halls of Academe* column and wish her well in her future endeavors.

Thank you as well to all of this year’s authors; to our ALL-SIS webmaster, Ellen Augustiniak, and AALL web coordinator, Chris Siwa; and to our Executive Board liaison Anna Lawless-Collins, along with the entire ALL-SIS Board.

*I-Wei Wang*,
Editor & Chair

First, congratulations to Patrick Parsons (Research Instructional Services Librarian at Georgia State University College of Law Library), whose program has been selected as the ALL-SIS self-sponsored program chosen by AMPC for presentation. It is program D1: *Strategies for Successful Independent Library Certificate and Educational Programming*, scheduled for **Monday, July 16, 2018** from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Be sure to regularly take note of My Communities and the Education Committee’s email blasts to remain current on what happening for ALL-SIS members during our conference in Baltimore. You can check out all programs that have been selected for presentation as well as committee and other meetings through the websites listed below:

- Programs and workshops: https://www.aallnet.org/conference/agenda/programs-workshops/
- Schedule at a glance: https://www.aallnet.org/conference/agenda/schedule-at-a-glance/

**P.R. & Marketing**
Heather Joy, Chapman University & Errol Adams, Pace University

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**Research & Scholarship**
Andrew W. Lang, Georgetown Univ.

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The 2017-2018 Public Relations & Marketing Committee roster currently includes: Co-Chairs Errol Adams and Heather Joy; Vice Co-Chairs Casandra Laskowski and Harvey Morrell; and members Sibyl Marshall, Eliza Fink, Zanada Joyner, Judith Lihosit, Katie Hanschke, Eric Yap, Tiffany Camp Johnson and Shannon Roddy. Susan Urban and Talisa Thompson resigned early in 2018.

This spring the Public Relations Committee (PRC) and Social Media Committee (SMC) merged to form the Public Relations & Marketing Committee (PRMC). The change will help streamline marketing efforts and reduce overlap in responsibilities. A new charge was drafted to reflect the updates, and was approved by the ALL-SIS Executive Board in April. The new committee has met and jointly reviewed the new charge.

Prior to the merger the SMC focused on a number of new initiatives as it was a fairly new committee (formed in 2016). The SMC primarily worked on improving ALL-SIS’s brand image and social media presence (i.e., Twitter and its blog page). The SMC also added Facebook, and recently, Instagram to its social media arsenal. Social media interactions were highest during AALL’s conference last year. Recent statistics show that Facebook likes doubled in the last year, from 32 in July 2017 to 74 as of May 2018. Twitter likes increased from 449 in Sept. 2017 to 542 as of May 2018. Our Instagram was only initiated in March 2018, but already has 5 postings and 83 followers. Our blog page presence continues to improve.

PRMC has set out a series of initiatives for the remainder of the year, with a focus on the upcoming AALL Annual Meeting. One project currently underway is the redesign and update for the ALL-SIS poster and brochure. Please stop by to see the unveiling in the exhibit hall in July!

Respectfully submitted,

*Errol Adams & Heather Joy*, Co-Chairs

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The 2017-18 ALL-SIS Research & Scholarship Committee consisted of Leizel Ching, Ryan Greenwood, Sooin Kim,
Committee Reports—Research & Scholarship

Anne Klinefelter, Andrew Lang (chair), Stacy Posillico, Sarah Slinger, Theresa Tarves, LeighAnne Thompson, Mark Williams, and Gregory Wurzer. The committee held four conference calls and multiple e-mail exchanges over the course of the year.

This year the committee expanded several successful projects from previous years. The committee has been building our internal documentation on My Communities to store the results of our member surveys, versions of our resource lists, information about reviewing grants, and committee meeting minutes. Having this information in a single place should provide a helpful reference point for future iterations of the group. The committee also created an updated version of the *Grant and Publishing Resources Guide* that was first created by the 2016-17 committee; the new version is now available online.

The committee continued to explore ways to promote our research grant, building upon past committee efforts to advertise through the AALL message boards and reaching out to other SIS groups, fora, and committees. Information about our grant has also been added to more pages on the AALL website. We also expanded the grant’s description to recognize that the grant may be used to cover travel costs for paper workshopping events. Through our grant reviewing subcommittee, the committee awarded two research grants this year—the most since the committee’s inception. This year’s recipients were James M. Donovan for *Library Space as Intrinsic Facilitator of the Reading Experience: An Empirical Investigation* and Rachel Jorgensen for *The Career of Margaret Klingelsmith, Librarian*.

The committee also initiated several new projects this year. First, in October of 2017 we conducted a survey of AALL members’ interest in scholarship to help direct future committee projects and set committee priorities. The survey was intended to collect information about member interest in scholarly projects, obstacles to this work, kinds of support provided, and kinds of support that would be appreciated. We received 155 responses. The results of this survey and the director survey mentioned below are in the process of being distilled for publication as a “Trending” column for *AALL Spectrum*. Other groups interested in the survey results are encouraged to contact the committee as we are happy to share what we have learned.

Building on the survey of member interest, the committee wanted to collect more information about institutional support for law librarian scholarship. To gather this information, we conducted a survey of academic law library directors. This project was spearheaded by Anne Klinefelter with assistance from Ryan Greenwood. The survey was conducted in January and February of 2018. We received 73 responses and four example policies. We hope to use information collected to either build a repository of policies or craft model policies in the future.

Spurred by interest from the ALL-SIS Board in reviving the committee’s scholarly mentoring network, which has been inactive for several years, the committee began exploring ways to collaborate with other SIS groups that were working on similar projects. With board approval, we have decided to partner with PEGA-SIS as they work to make their annual Beer & Edits event into a year-round scholarly feedback program open to all AALL members. Andrew Lang joined the PEGA-SIS Beer & Edits Committee and has worked to find ways that the two committees can support each other. The relationship as currently envisioned is for the Research & Scholarship Committee to continue building and curating a toolkit/document repository to serve as resources for the network that the Beer & Edits Committee will create and manage. In the spring of 2018, our committee created a bibliography of articles about giving and receiving feedback on writing. We are still working to finalize the content and format, but envision that this will serve as the second major piece of our growing Research & Scholarship toolkit.

The committee will be hosting a roundtable at the Annual Meeting in Baltimore on Monday, July 16, from 5:30-6:30 p.m.; we hope to see many of you there!

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Lang, Chair
Members of the Statistics Committee this year were Margaret Christiansen, Michelle Hudson (chair), Amy Lipford, Natalie Palermo, DeCarlous Spearman, and Rena Seidler.

Our charge for 2017-2018 included two main tasks:

1. Look at statistics issues facing law libraries, generally, including alternatives to gathering information in light of elimination of library questions from the ABA survey.


To address the first point, we held a well-attended and lively roundtable discussion in coordination with the Continuing Education Committee last December, which included expert panelists discussing how they gather and use metrics about their libraries.

ALL-SIS Statistics & Continuing Education
Library Metrics: What We’re Tracking & How

Moderator:
- Michelle Hudson, Empirical Services & Assessment Librarian, Yale Law School

Panelists:
- Jonathan Franklin, Associate Dean for Library and Information Systems, University of Washington School of Law
- Teresa Miguel-Stearns, Law Librarian & Professor of Law, Yale Law School
- Ronald Wheeler, Director of the Fineman and Pappas Law Libraries, Associate Professor of Law and Legal Research, Boston University School of Law

If you missed it, the audio recording of this session (.m4a formatted audio file) is available by request (michelle.hudson@yale.edu).

The committee’s evaluation of the ALLStAR platform was greatly informed by this roundtable discussion as well. The evaluation will be available after it’s submitted to the ALL-SIS Chair before AALL 2018.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Hudson

The 2017-18 AALL Student Services Committee consisted of Ian Barksdale, Rob Beharriell, Stewart Caton, Brian Detweiler, Nicole Downing, Gail Mathapo, Kristen Moore, Patrick Parsons, and Charles Perkins.

This April, we posted four student services-related discussions via the ALL-SIS Listserv in a “Question of the Week” format. By opening this discussion to all of our membership, we were able to hear from colleagues across ALL-SIS who may not be able to attend our annual Student Services Roundtable discussions. A similar “Question a Day” discussion was held in 2015, so we were able to get updated feedback on certain issues and ask some different questions as well. The results of our discussion were posted on the Student Services page at https://www.aallnet.org/allsis/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2018/05/ALL-SIS-Student-Services-Question-a-Week-April-2018.pdf.

We also look forward to holding our yearly Student Services Roundtable discussion at this year’s Annual Meeting in Baltimore on Monday, July 16, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., in Hilton Carroll B.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian Detweiler

The report of the Local Arrangements Committee for the 2017-2018 year, whose activities included planning section-sponsored events at AALL 2018 in Baltimore, appears on page 3 of this issue. Current annual reports, along with archived reports from ALL-SIS committees, may also be found online at the ALL-SIS website.

—Ed.
Save the Date!

ALL-SIS Virtual Business Meeting
Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 2:00 p.m. (Eastern time)

To avoid a conflict with another section’s business meeting, the ALL-SIS Virtual Business meeting—previously announced as June 19—has been rescheduled. The meeting will now take place on Wednesday, June 20, at 2 p.m. EDT, 11 a.m. PDT. This will be our third year hosting our business meeting online. Please be on the lookout for a message via My Communities with instructions on how to register and attend online. The meeting will also be recorded for members who are not able to attend. We hope you will join us!

AALL2go

Picks of the Month

It’s been half a year since the Newsletter ran this feature, which aggregates the AALL2go Picks of the Month from the AALL eNewsLetter. Summer is here—what better time to catch up on some continuing education, think outside the box, and hone your leadership skills?

January
Serving Law Students Beyond Traditional Library Hours

Are you looking for ways to communicate and serve your millennial students and associates? This 2017 AALL Annual Meeting program, coordinated and moderated by Austin Williams and featuring speakers Carol Bredemeyer and Michelle Wu, provided advice on how best to serve students outside of traditional library hours. Using streaming services, ebooks, seamless access to digital content and more, law librarians can learn options for services for their students that match what is available in many current business models.

February
Screencasting: Adding New Tools for Reference and Research

Have you looked for ways to spotlight your skills and research centers? Have you delivered the same how-to training session to new co-workers and research center users? Have you thought “there must be a way to make training sessions digitally available at the exact time that a researcher needs the information?” Creating screencast videos can be helpful for your users, but did you know that these videos can also provide you with statistics on how many times they’re viewed? This program provides best practices and tips for creating a professional screencast video. This educational video is
helpful for researchers in the following areas: firms, government centers, academic environments, special research centers, and public research centers.

March
**Hot Topic: How the Legal Market Continues to Change in the Aftermath of the Great Recession**
Some may argue that the Great Recession of 2008 was simply a moment in time and that we are “over it.” This presentation from the 2017 AALL Annual Meeting states that the legal profession is still feeling the effects of the Great Recession. This is evident in a number of ways, specifically, in terms of what clients will pay for legal services, who will be able to attend law school, and what sort of job opportunities will be available to law school graduates. This presentation is a useful tool for the research librarian who wants to better understand the changes occurring in the business of law, and how this understanding can be tied to career development and marketability.

April
**Library and Marketing: Always Be Cross-Selling**
Do you have a good relationship with the marketing team at your firm or corporation? Library/marketing collaboration can help your business improve its competitive advantage and can also give your department an edge by linking you to the business development and competitive intelligence functions at your workplace. You’ll learn a lot from this webinar and from the unique perspectives of your colleagues in the marketing world. Have a listen and start making marketing connections in your own firm.

May
**Introverts as Leaders**
Are you one of the many librarians who self-identifies as an introvert? Are you tired of leadership training that just tells you to be more extroverted? Then this program is for you. Learn how you can become a better leader, while being the person you are. Don’t change yourself, change your awareness. The presenters discuss the difference between shyness and introversion, and present tips for overcoming some of the unique challenges that introverts face in leadership roles (not by telling you to change your personality type!). They also suggest ways to play on the unique strengths that you have as an introvert in leadership and provide practical suggestions for everyday use in connecting with co-workers.

Find all these and more free continuing professional education programs and webinars for AALL members on AALL2go (login required). 😊
GENERAL INFORMATION

ALL-SIS was established in 1979 to promote interest in and to address issues of common concern to those employed in academic law libraries. The SIS serves as the umbrella organization for all interests—administration, collection development, consortia, directors, fees for service, interlibrary loan, public services, technical services, middle management, etc.

ALL-SIS provides opportunities for all librarians to contribute to the overall betterment of the entire academic law community. ALL-SIS has grown to approximately 1,200 members and is the 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.

Deadlines for the 2016-2017 Academic Year

We rely on member contributions to keep the ALL-SIS Newsletter going strong. We welcome your comments, questions, and ideas.

Are you organizing or presenting at an event of interest to your academic law library colleagues? Is your library working on a special project? Have you recently attended a professional development activity and learned something new to share? Or are you just eager to speak out about an issue of concern to academic law librarians?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, please contribute! Member News announcements may also be submitted to the column editors, or directly to the ALL-SIS Newsletter Editor.

The submission deadlines for the 2018-2019 academic year will be in August and November, 2018, and May, 2019. Exact dates will be announced soon and posted on the Newsletter web page.

Digital archives (PDFs) of the ALL-SIS Newsletter are available on the ALL-SIS website, under the News & Events menu. The Newsletter is also available to subscribers via HeinOnline.

ALL-SIS on the Web

Visit the ALL-SIS home page at https://www.aallnet.org/allsis/ for information about the special interest section and its activities and resources.

The ALL-SIS discussion group is used for official ALL-SIS announcements, news from AALL, and discussion of topics of interest to section members. To read or post to the discussion group go to the ALL-SIS group (login required).