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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

by Lee Warthen

Greetings LISP members. Welcome to another edition of the LISP Newsletter, and many thanks to all who have taken the time to write for us and keep us updated on the many issues that concern our special interest section. We had a very lively and spirited discussion in our business meeting in Philadelphia, the minutes of which are published here. We have a very impressive group of people working with us. Thanks to all of you.

We need program ideas and proposals now for the 2002 meeting in Orlando. Please share them with the education committee and me during the next few months. If you want to get an idea of what a proposal looks like, check out

http://www.aallnet.org/events/01_handbook.asp for this year's proposal form. Other SISs are getting theirs done a year ahead, while we have been frantically working on program proposals during and after the annual meeting. This year we saw several that I thought were excellent and only one be approved. We need to be able to tweak and polish prepared proposals at the annual meeting, not be just starting them. There simply is not enough time to think up ideas, refine them, and produce polished proposals between the annual AALL meeting and the deadline, which this year was Aug. 14.

Secondly, we want to update our brochures. I have submitted to headquarters for publication the chapter brochure that we looked at during the business meeting, and it should be ready for us by annual meeting time, though things are a little uncertain with Peter Beck leaving AALL to take a position at the John

Marshall law school.

Also, Angus and I are working to update the *How to Research a Legal Problem* brochure. This LISP brochure has sold over 10,000 copies and is posted on our web page as part of the Public Libraries Toolkit. We are bringing it into the digital age.

Finally, we need volunteers to provide state-specific guidance for the Public Library Toolkit, to be posted as state pages on the website. Angus agreed to produce a template, and has done the first version for Oregon. Now we need volunteers to do additional states. I will be glad to receive your comments and your state pages at warthenl@law.utah.edu or fax to 801-585-3033. Angus's efforts are below:

AALL LISP PUBLIC LIBRARIES TOOLKIT SUGGESTED STATE INFORMATION (TEMPLATE)

by Angus Nesbit

1. State constitution
2. State code
3. State bills
4. State administrative code
5. County/municipal/city codes
6. State jury instructions
7. State form books
8. State legal encyclopedias
9. State cases (or if a good CD-ROM available)
10. State digest
11. Links to local AALL chapter/instructions on how to subscribe to listserv/become a member of chapter
12. Referral policies of local law libraries
13. Federal depository libraries within your state
14. Links to legal, bar association pages in your state
15. Links to pathfinders/research guides

AALL LISP PUBLIC LIBRARIES TOOLKIT SUGGESTED STATE INFORMATION (OREGON)

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1. Oregon Constitution - found in print version of Oregon Revised Statutes (below) Also online at www.leg.state.or.us/billsset.htm
2. State code: Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Also online at www.leg.state.or.us/ors/
3. State bills: Online at www.leg.state.or.us/billsset.htm

4. State administrative code: Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR); Also online at http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OAR_default.html
5. County/municipal/city codes: See online listing at <http://www.state.or.us/local.htm>
6. State jury instructions: Oregon Jury Instructions for Civil Cases. Lake Oswego, Or.: Oregon State Bar, Continuing Legal Education, c1993-; Oregon Jury Instructions for Criminal Cases. Lake Oswego, Or.: Oregon State Bar, Continuing Legal Education, c1994-
7. State form books: Civil Litigation Manual. Lake Oswego, Or.: Oregon State Bar, Continuing Legal Education, c1993- : Oregon Civil Pleading and Practice. Lake Oswego, Or.: Oregon State Bar, Continuing Legal Education, c1994- : Criminal Law. Lake Oswego, Or.: Oregon State Bar, Continuing Legal Education, c1994-; OCDLA Criminal Law Formbook. Eugene, Or.: Oregon Criminal Lawyers Defense Association, c1999. Note: Forms also contained in various topical practice guides. See lawlibrary.uoregon.edu/or-cle.html and www.orbar.org (use link for "CLE Catalog") for list of titles.
8. State legal encyclopedias
9. State cases (or if a good CD-ROM available): Oregon Reports (Oregon Supreme Court decisions). Salem, Or.: State Printing. Oregon Reports. Court of Appeals (Oregon Court of Appeals decisions). Salem, Or.: State Printing. Pacific Reporter (reproduces decisions from both of the above reporters). St. Paul, Mn.: West Pub. Co. Westlaw's PREMISE for Oregon (full-text Oregon caselaw on CD-ROM). St. Paul, Mn.: West Pub. Co. Slip opinions for newest Oregon decisions also online at www.publications.ojd.state.or.us/
10. State digest: Oregon Digest, 2d: Covering Cases From State and Federal Courts. St. Paul, Mn.: West Pub. Co.
11. Links to local AALL chapter/instructions on how to subscribe to listserv/become a member of chapter Western-Pacific Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries (WESTPAC) Website at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/westpac> Westpac listserv subscription open to members only
12. Referral policies of local law libraries
13. Federal depository libraries within your state Southern Oregon University Library 1250 Siskiyou Boulevard Ashland, OR 97520-5076 Phone: (541) 552-6851 Fax: (541) 552-6429 <http://www.sou.edu/library/Documents/index.htm>; Central Oregon Community College Library 2600 NW College Way Bend, OR 97701-5998 Phone: (541) 383-7560 Fax: (541) 383-7507 <http://www.cocc.edu/library/govt.html>; Oregon State University Valley Library Corvallis, OR 97331-4501 Phone: (541) 737-2761 Fax: (541) 737-1328; University of Oregon Knight Library Eugene, OR 97403-1299 Phone: (541) 346-3070 Fax: (541) 346-3485 <http://www.libweb.uoregon.edu/govdocs/>; Pacific University Harvey Scott Memorial Library 2043 College Way Forest Grove, OR 97116-1797 Phone: (503) 359-2835 Fax:(503)359-2236 <http://http://www.pacificu.edu/library/>; Oregon Institute of Technology Library 3201 Campus Drive Klamath Falls, OR 97601-8801 Phone: (541) 885-1772 Fax: (541) 885-1777 Eastern Oregon University Walter M.Pierce Library One University Boulevard La Grande, OR 97850-2899 Phone: (541) 962-3540 Fax: (541) 962-3335 <http://pierce.eou.edu/govinfo.html> Linfield College Northup Library 900 SE Baker McMinnville, OR 97128-6894 Phone: (503) 434-2518 Fax: (503) 434-2566

<http://www.linfield.edu/library/acq/government.html> Western Oregon University University Library 345 North Monmouth Avenue Monmouth, OR 97361-1396 Phone: (503) 838-8899 Fax: (503) 838-8399 Blue Mountain Community College Library 2411 NW Carden Pendleton, OR 97801-0100 Phone: (541) 278-5914 Fax: (541) 276-6119 Lewis and Clark College Aubrey R. Watzek Library 0615 SW Palatine Hill Road Portland, OR 97219-7899 Phone: (503) 768-7285 Fax: (503) 768-7282 <http://www.lclark.edu/~refdesk/resources/subject/webgov.html> Multnomah County Library 801 SW 10th Avenue Portland, OR 97205 Phone: (503) 248-5234 Fax: (503) 248-5226 Northwestern School of Law Paul L. Boley Law Library 10015 SW Terwilliger Boulevard Portland, OR 97219-7799 Phone: (503) 768-6776 Fax: (503) 768-6760 <http://www.lclark.edu/~lawlib/collection.html> REGIONAL DEPOSITORIES Portland State University Branford Price Millar Library 951 SW Hall Portland, OR 97207-1151 Phone: (503) 725-4123 Fax: (503) 725-4524 <http://www.lib.pdx.edu/resources/govdocs/index.html> Reed College Eric V. Hauser Library 3203 SE Woodstock Boulevard Portland, OR 97202-8199 Phone: (503) 777-7554 Fax: (503) 777-7786 U.S. Department of Energy Bonneville Power Administration Library 905 NE 11th Avenue Portland, OR 97232-3621 Phone: (503) 230-4171 Fax: (503) 230-5911 Oregon State Library State Library Building 250 Winter Street NE Salem, OR 97301-3950 Phone: (503) 378-8800 Fax: (503) 588-7119 Oregon Supreme Court Supreme Court Library 1163 State Street Salem, OR 97310-0270 Phone: (503) 986-5640 Fax: (503) 986-5623 Willamette University College of Law Library 245 Winter Street SE Salem, OR 97301 Phone: (503) 370-6386 Fax: (503) 375-5426 Willamette University Mark O. Hatfield Library 900 State Street Salem, OR 97301-3992 Phone: (503) 370-6312 Fax: (503) 370-6141 <http://library.willamette.edu/webstation/gov/>

14. Links to legal, bar association pages in your state: Oregon State Bar Association online at <http://www.orbar.org>
15. Links to pathfinders/research guides: University of Oregon research guides online at <http://lawlibrary.uoregon.edu/guides.html> J. W. Long Law Library (College of Law, Willamette University) research guides online at http://www.willamette.edu/wucl/longlib/index_research_guides.html Paul L. Boley Law Library (Northwestern School of Law, Lewis and Clark College) research guides online at <http://http://www.lclark.edu/~lawlib/guides/>

NATIONAL INDIAN LAW LIBRARY LAUNCHES INTERNET ACCESSIBLE CATALOG

The National Indian Law Library (NILL) is pleased to announce that its library catalog is now available on the Internet. Over the past twenty-seven years NILL has collected nearly 12,000 resource materials that relate to federal Indian and tribal law. The Library's holdings include tribal codes, ordinances and constitutions; legal pleadings from major American Indian cases; law review articles on Indian law topics; handbooks; conference materials; and government documents. Library users can access the searchable catalog which includes bibliographic descriptions of the library holdings by going directly to:

<http://wanderer.aescon.com/webpubs/webcat.htm> or by accessing it through the National Indian Law Library link on the Native American Rights Fund website at www.narf.org. Once relevant materials are

identified, library patrons can then choose to review their selected materials at the National Indian Law Library, located in Boulder, Colorado; request mailed copies for a nominal fee; or borrow materials through interlibrary loan. In addition to making its catalog and extensive collection available to the public, the National Indian Law Library provides reference and research assistance relating to Indian Law and tribal law. NILL serves a wide variety of public patrons including attorneys, tribal and non-tribal governments, Indian organizations, law clinics, students, educators, prisoners and the media. The National Indian Law Library is a project of the Native American Rights Fund and is supported by private contributions. For further information about the Library, visit: <http://www.narf.org/nill/Nillindex.html> or contact David Selden, the Law Librarian at 303-447-8760 or dselden@narf.org.

The Native American Rights Fund is a non-profit organization that provides legal advice and representation to Indian tribes, individuals and organizations nationwide in the areas of: the preservation of tribal existence; the protection of tribal natural resources; the promotion of human rights; the accountability of governments to Native Americans; and promoting the development of Indian law and educating the public about Indian rights, laws and issues. NARF is headquartered in Boulder, Colorado with offices in Washington, DC and Anchorage, Alaska.

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

American Association of Law Libraries
Legal Information Services to the Public
Special Interest Section
2000 Annual Meeting
July 17, 2000

I. The 2000 LISP Business Meeting was called to order at 5:25 pm by Chair Angus Nesbit, the following Board members were present: 1999-2000 Vice-Chair/Chair Elect Lee Warthen, 2000-2001 Vice-Chair/Chair Elect Debby Norwood and 2000-2001 Secretary/Treasury Elect Steve Thorpe.

A complete list of members attending, with e-mail addresses and institutional affiliations, appears at the end of the minutes.

II. OLD Business:

A. The 1999 Business meeting minutes were approved.

B. 2000-2001 Election Results

Running unopposed for Vice-Chair/Chair-elect was Debby Norwood of Washington State Law Library and for Secretary/Treasury-elect Steve Thorpe of the University of Tennessee College of Law Library.

C. Treasurer's Report

Steve Thorpe, Secretary/Treasurer elect, reported that the May 31, 2000 statement from headquarters, containing all revenues and expenses through May 2000, reflected a balance of \$4,375.13 for the SIS. Costs since May 31, 2000 are \$473.00 leaving a balance of \$3,902.31. This balance will be slightly reduced by business meeting expenses. Also a more accurate figure will be forthcoming from AALL after dues are collected.

D. Committee Reports

Newsletter Committee, report made by Betsy McKenzie.

Committee members called LISP members to solicit articles. Betsy also reported that Fred Hanson has put the Newsletter index on the web.

Clearinghouse Committee, report by Elizabeth Schneider.

Elizabeth reported that the bibliography is being weeded and that the Clearinghouse is going on the web. The Committee continues to collect research guides, syllabi and path finders. It was also reported by Betsy McKenzie that CALI, with assistance from the AALL Academic SIS, was working on "lessonettes."

Education Committee, report by Angus Nesbit.

What was the Planning Committee has turned into the Education Committee. The Committee is working two ahead in order to plan for AALL Annual Meeting Education Program proposals which are due each August.

Membership Committee, report by Lee Warthen.

The Committee is working on the draft of a brochure which will be published by AALL. Comments to the Committee on what to include in the brochure included, LISP Newsletter is not being published, and the dates on past programs should be removed just leaving the topics. Lee asked that additional comments be sent to him in the next couple of months. Lee suggested that to help recruit new members we use the LISP member list to see who has recently dropped their membership. A personal contact could be made to those dropped members to encourage them to stay in the SIS. Another method of increasing membership would be to have current members nominate new members.

The Committee also sponsored a LISP SIS table, with brochures, pencils and candy at the Annual Meeting. LISP was also represented at the CONNEL meeting.

Angus commented on the Research Brochure that it was valued by others in the Association and that it would be revised in the next two months. Lee reported that according to Peter Beck at AALL, the 10,000 LISP Research Brochures have been sold out.

Another LISP publication, the Public Library Toolkit was then discussed. Marsha Thomas had started the Toolkit which was still being developed. The next step in development was to add annotated state pages. Angus will start with Oregon which can then be used as a template in the future. A form, developed by Marsha Thomas, will be distributed for comments. Other suggestions, which are being done at other institutions, were to sell an internet bookmark list for \$10.00 and to teach a class to pro se's and legal assistant's class for \$15.00

E. AALL Time Capsule, report by Angus Nesbit.

Forty-one AALL committees, SIS's and Caucuses have given items to Sue Birch to be included in the AALL Time Capsule which will be opened in twenty-five years. LISP has submitted and labeled many items to be included in the Capsule.

F. Programs accepted for Annual Meeting 2000, Philadelphia.

A list of three programs with descriptions was distributed. The programs included a joint program with the SCCLL Chapter titled: "Gateway to legal Information: Building Partnerships with Public Libraries; a joint

program with RIPS SIS titled: "Greeting our Lay Patrons at the Gateway: Who Are They and How Can We Help Them?"; And a joint program with SR titled: "Taking the Lead in Pro Bono Work."

New Business

A. Program Proposals for 2001 AALL Annual Meeting

The AALL program handout is available and program proposals are due August 14, 2000. Some possible programs include; Accuracy of reported legal events in the media being worked on by Trish Cervanka; Meet your AALL representative being planned by Alva Stone. Another idea was a program or workshop on legal research classes for Pro se litigants.

B. ALA has requested a LISP liaison for the Public Libraries Association.

C. The strategic plan for the AALL is on the web, <http://www.aallnet.org/about/strategic.challenge.asp>. LISP is listed, on the web site, as a recognized expert on helping the public.

D. LISP Grants

Grants are being proposed for new and active members to help defray the cost of attending the annual meeting. Joan and Angus volunteered to draft a document for LISP grants. It was suggested that dues money be used for funding the grants.

E. E-Mail Reference

24/7 software is being developed to link together librarians throughout the country to answer reference questions. Thomas Bruce at Cornell could pass along the questions from the Cornell web site. Susan McGlamery is working on a similar project in California. It was suggested that LISP conduct a pilot project.

F. GPO Committee, report by Betsy McKenzie.

Betsy reported that the Committee needs help. She will compile a list of areas they need help with.

IV. Passing of Gavel to New Officers

Angus thanked the members for attending and passed the gavel to the new Chair, Lee Warthen.

V. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

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BOOK REVIEW

by **Elizabeth Schneider**

BRB Publishing recently published the second edition of [The Source Book to Public Records Information](#). It combines the *Sourcebook of State Public Records*, *The Sourcebook of County Court Records*, *Federal Court Records*, *County Asset and Lien Records*, and *The County Locator*, making it possible for the researcher to now access information on locating and obtaining all types of public records in one convenient title. Anyone searching for information contained in a public record may quickly determine where the relevant records are kept, access requirements, and whether the records are available on line. The first section of the book provides a general introduction to public records and includes information on restrictions in accessing state public records, the types of state documents available to the public, and the means of accessing federal documents electronically. There is also a chart of which agency maintains UCC and real estate records in each state, as well as city/county and zip code/city cross-reference tables.

Section two provides the name, address, phone and fax numbers, and web site address for listed agencies, as well as information on indexing and storage formats, restrictions on searching, means of access, and fee and payment information for the agencies, licensing and regulatory boards, federal courts, county courts, and the county recorders in each of the fifty states. It also provides the address, phone and fax numbers, web site address, and office hours for the governor's office, attorney general's office, state court administrator, and state archives for all 50 states.

The work's systematic organization makes it easy to use. Anyone should be able to quickly determine where and how to locate and obtain the public record in question. Law libraries, public libraries, and any other library whose patrons seek information contained in public records will find this work a valuable resource. It should enable researchers to substantially reduce the amount of time spent locating and obtaining records. Its only fault may be that the work contains over 1500 pages and the paperback binding may not withstand heavy usage.

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SEND US YOUR NEWS!

LISP wants to know what its members are doing. Have you, or anyone you know, given or attended a lecture, seminar, training session or other presentation? Published an article? Discovered a good Internet site or other resource? Know of any other news that LISP members may be interested in? Don't keep it a secret - LISP wants to know! No news is too small!

Please send submissions to:

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Email or use regular mail - with 3.5" floppy, and current version of Word or WordPerfect.

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