

AALL Weekly eNews

MARCH 1, 2021

LAST DAY TO NOMINATE YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW FOR AN AALL AWARD

The purpose of the AALL Awards Program is to recognize law librarians, institutions, companies, and partners for significant contributions to and innovations in the legal information profession.

Today is your last chance to nominate yourself, a colleague, library, or company (including your own). Nominations/applications/entry forms may be found on the individual award webpages.



RENEW YOUR 2021/2022 AALL MEMBERSHIP / INVEST IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

During the unprecedented challenges and changes over the last year your AALL community has remained dedicated to providing you with the support you need for continued success. Renew today to continue to receive the benefits of membership including:

- · access to an extensive network of peers, including multiple discussion groups
- the ability to join special interest sections on issues that interest you
- access to valuable publications, including the State of the Profession 2021 report and the Salary Survey
- a calendar of Virtual Coffee Chats (members-only, informal discussions) and monthly webinars on a range of topics
- access to essential professional development (discounted and free) on AALL's new eLearning platform
- · and more great member benefits



If you have any questions about your membership renewal, please contact AALL Headquarters at membership@aall.org or 312.205.8022.

YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED / HELP PLAN THE NEXT AALL SELF-PACED COURSE

Last year, AALL unveiled its first self-paced course, "Introduction to Law Library Budgets." The Continuing Professional Education Committee is working on developing the next course, and asks

QUICK LINKS

AALL Events Calendar

AALL Career Center

AALL News

AALL COVID-19
Updates & Resources

AALL Anti-Racism, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion

STAY CONNECTED







CONTACT US

We encourage you to send us your suggestions and comments.

STAY INFORMED Join our mailing list.

that you participate in a brief survey to help them learn more about member preferences regarding topics.

Your feedback will help shape AALL's continued efforts to expand professional development courses for you. The survey will take about five minutes to complete, and responses will be kept confidential. Please complete the survey by Monday, March 8, 2021.



PARTICIPATE IN AALL'S VIRTUAL CAREER CONNECTION / MARCH 18

During a time when interviews and job searches are being conducted mostly in a remote environment AALL is excited to offer the first Virtual Career Connection. The virtual event will include a webinar as well as the opportunity for employers to meet with potential candidates for open positions. For both employers and job seekers, this is a great way to make a lasting connection. Job seekers will have the ability to interact with participating employers to learn more about open positions. Employers will connect with candidates looking to be part of a new team. The deadline to post a job on the AALL Career Center is March 1, 2021. Please note only employers who have posted a job on the AALL Career Center are eligible to participate.

CAREER CONNECTION WEBINAR FOR EMPLOYERS AND JOB SEEKERS

- Thursday, March 18, 2021 / 10:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. (CDT)
- Free for members and nonmembers



Attend the Career Connection webinar to learn more about AALL's Career Center offerings, as well as search and apply for jobs that interest you, upload your resume so employers can contact you, access career resources, and get job searching tips and tools.

Employers will learn how to search the Resume Bank using robust filters to narrow a candidate's search and how to include job postings in the Job Flash email. This exclusive email upgrade will put your job posting directly in the inboxes of Career Center job applicants.



ONLY TWO WEEKS LEFT TO REGISTER FOR THE 2021 AALL MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE / MARCH 23-24, 2021

REGISTRATION ENDS MARCH 15

Join more than 70 colleagues for the 2021 AALL Virtual Management Institute, and learn creative solutions to handle evolving workplace dynamics, exploring topics such as implicit bias, inclusive communication, managing multi-faceted team environments, and more.

"As director of a county law library, the Management Institute provided me with a wonderful opportunity to spend one-on-one time with other leaders in different types of libraries and to explore the management process. It was a unique opportunity to explore the complexity of the roles we are engaged in, our personal leadership style, and to receive support in addressing the issues and problems unique to being in a management position." - Diane L. Roberts; Director, Collin County Law Library; McKinney, TX



- · March 23-24, 2021 / 11:00 a.m. 4:15 p.m. CDT
- Members \$499 / Nonmembers \$749
- · Space is limited



TOPICS

- Management vs. Leadership Responsibilities of Managers
- Managing Remote and Hybrid Workplace Dynamics
- · Creating and Maintaining Organizational Culture
- · Training on Implicit Bias
- Inclusive Decision-making and Consensus-building
- · Strategies for Improving Conflict/Constructive Conversations
- · Professional Development Planning

Offered by the American Association of Law Libraries in partnership with:



AALL CONNECTION / REGISTER NOW

To stay informed on what the Association is working on to help you in your professional growth and what decisions were made during the virtual Spring Board meeting (April 8 and 9, 2021), please register for the next AALL Connection.

• Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021

• Time: 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. (CDT)



This session will be recorded and made available to members on AALLNET.

We encourage you to submit questions ahead of time to leadership@aall.org. You will also have the opportunity to submit questions via live chat, if time permits.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE AALL SPECTRUM & LAW LIBRARY JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARDS / APPLICATIONS DUE TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

AALL is seeking applicants to serve on the 2021-2023 AALL Spectrum Editorial Board, and the 2021-2023 Law Library Journal Editorial Board.

Please read through the AALL Spectrum Editorial Board member job description and the Law

Library Journal Editorial Board member job description before applying. For more information visit the AALL Spectrum and Law Library Journal Editorial Board profiles on AALLNET.

*You may apply for both editorial boards, but can only be selected for one. Please consider lending your time and talent to AALL--submit your application by Tuesday, March 23.



UPCOMING COFFEE CHAT & WEBINARS / REGISTER NOW



LAW LIBRARIANS & LEGAL INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS AS PARTNERS IN THE ACCESS TO JUSTICE MOVEMENT

- Wednesday, March 3, 2021 / 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. (CST)
- · Free for members and nonmembers



Law librarians and legal information professionals are in an excellent position to help close the growing access to justice gap. Law libraries that are open to the public may be interested in partnering with public libraries to provide greater access to legal information and support for navigating legal services. Law librarians can also assist public librarians with expanding their knowledge and improving their skills to respond to legal questions. This webinar will highlight different partnership models and introduce current opportunities and resources. Speakers include Brooke Doyle (WebJunction), Sarah Larsen (Minnesota State Law Library), and Rebecca Haas (Anne Arundel County Public Library).

As follow-up to the webinar, we encourage you to enroll in WebJunction's Facilitator Training that **begins on March 8 and runs through March 26**. This is a free, three-week training on how to guide peer learning groups through the **Creating Pathways to Civil Legal Justice** series of self-paced courses. The training is designed for anyone passionate about learning with others to augment the role libraries can play in access to justice issues. This training is part of WebJunction's Improving Access to Civil Legal Justice through Public Libraries training initiative in partnership with the Legal Services Corporation.



THOMSON REUTERS PARTNER WEBINAR: STATE OF THE LEGAL MARKET IN 2021

- Tuesday, March 9, 2021 / 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. (CST)
- Members Free / Nonmembers \$60



Last year taught us many things including the need for accurate, timely, and meaningful information to make sound decisions. For law firms, this means understanding the market forces impacting their businesses, and leveraging the most up-to-date competitive intelligence to drive tactical and strategic decisions. This session will focus on the economic forces in the legal market, from both a quantitative and a qualitative perspective, and will offer suggestions for potential areas of focus. Speakers include Bill Josten (Thomson Reuters Enterprise Content - Legal) and Jennifer Dezso (Thomson Reuters Client Relations Market Insights & Thought Leadership).



LEARN MORE ABOUT CPE PROGRAM GRANTS

- Tuesday, March 9, 2021 / 3:00 p.m. 3:45 p.m. (CST)
- · Members only; space is limited



Do you have an idea for an educational program but are not sure how to fund it? Whether you are planning a program as an individual AALL member or part of a chapter, SIS, caucus, or member institution, you could qualify for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant. Learn how you can distribute your program to a broad audience and get the financial support you need. Join us for an informal conversation about the grant application process and hear from grant recipients regarding their experiences. This discussion will be co-moderated by Michele Knapp (University of San Diego) and Mariah Ford (Vanderbilt University).



THE FERENGI MINDSET: LIBRARY LEADERSHIP UNDER THE RULES OF ACQUISITION

- Tuesday, March 16, 2021 / 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. (CDT)
- Members Free / Nonmembers \$60



Many law librarians do not feel that they have the power, savvy, or information needed to act as strong advocates for their libraries and push back against administrators and other stakeholders when being asked to make changes to their budget or services. *Star Trek's* Ferengi species have an answer to this dilemma--a list of rules that guide these ruthless alien entrepreneurs to maximize profit with minimal risk. The Ferengi Rules of Acquisition provide an amusing framework for exploring how, when, and why to advocate for ourselves and our libraries. Presenters will address how to approach communication with stakeholders and vendors, build strategic partnerships, and secure needed funds and resources with a little more guile. Speakers include Benjamin Carlson (University of Connecticut School of Law), Sherry Leysen (Chapman University Fowler School of Law), Deborah Schander (Seton Hall Law), Carla Wale (University of Washington), and Genevieve Tung (University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School).



RE-OPENING IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

- Monday, March 22, 2021 / 3:00 p.m. 3:45 p.m. (CDT)
- · Members only; space is limited



We have all been dealing with COVID-19 for almost a year. With the vaccine on the horizon, more institutions and libraries look toward reopening. This informal conversation, co-moderated by Caroline Nevin (BC Courthouse Libraries) and Jenny R.F.F. Silbiger (Hawaii State Judiciary), is an opportunity to share protocols, ideas, and ask questions of your colleagues about this important safety topic.

APPLY FOR AN AALL SCHOLARSHIP OR ENCOURAGE A FRIEND OR COLLEAGUE TO APPLY BY MAY 1

AALL is committed to providing opportunities for your professional growth. Each year, the

Association awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to law school and library school students as well as to AALL members. The following scholarships are now open for applications:

- Library School Scholarships (for those with or without JDs)
- Law School Scholarships (for those with MLS/MLIS and those seeking dual JD/MLIS)
- · Scholarships for Library School Graduates Seeking a Non-Law Degree
- · LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship
- · George A. Strait Minority Scholarship & Fellowship
- Marcia J. Koslov Scholarship for members to attend continuing education programs for state, court, or county law librarians

The deadline for applications is May 1, 2021. For additional questions, please contact AALL at scholarships@aall.org.

COMMUNITY WEBINARS

PEGA-SIS WEBINAR: LIVE INTERVIEW SERIES: SO YOU WANNA LEARN TO MANAGE UP?

- Thursday, March 11, 2021 / 12:00 p.m. 12:45 p.m. (CST)
- · Open to all AALL Members



Managing up is a strategy every employee can use to work with a supervisor to get the best possible results for all involved. It can improve relationships, facilitate getting buy-in for your ideas, and help navigate difficult situations--leading to better job satisfaction. In this So You Wanna...? interview, Patrick Parsons will talk with our panelists: Allison Reeve Davis (Library Manager at Littler), Kelly Leong (Head of Reference at Fordham Law), and Alex Burnett (Senior Law Librarian at the Law & Legislative Reference Library of the Maine State Legislature). They will discuss what it means to "manage up," why it's a valuable skill, and what strategies you can use to affect change from any institutional level. This series is brought to you by the Professional Engagement, Growth & Advancement SIS and the AALL Continuing Professional Education Committee.

GLL-SIS WEBINAR: SYSTEMIC RACISM, IMPLICIT BIAS & PRIVILEGE: CULTIVATING CHANGE IN OUR WORKSPACES AND COMMUNITIES

- Thursday, April 8, 2021 / 2:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m. (CDT)
- · Open to all AALL Members



Please join the Government Law Libraries SIS (GLL-SIS) for this 90-minute webinar/training that will provide an overview of structural racism, implicit bias, and privilege, including how these themes affect working institutions and spaces. Then, through a combination of presentation and audience participation, this webinar will provide insight on how participants can address and cultivate a positive difference around these challenges with colleagues/peers, stakeholders (i.e., patrons that come into respective library spaces), and also provide an opportunity to think about how awareness around implicit bias and privilege can affect the wider systems within which we work.