PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
Pat Ellingson

Depending on your point of view we are either winding down on the first year of the new millennium or gearing up for the start of it, which ever it is I anticipate that this year will be a good one for LLAW. Thanks to Rick Hendricks and last year’s board for all of their hard work. I for one was glad to see the by-laws revision enacted.

Committee chairs have been selected and several members of last year’s board have agreed to stay on the board. I appreciate their commitment and I welcome the new board members. If you are interested in serving on a committee and neglected to note this on your membership renewal, please give that committee chair a call.

I attended AALL’s chapter leadership program at the annual conference this summer and several of the “talking points” may be of interest to our chapter. I will be reviewing them with our board to see if we could incorporate them into our chapter. Some of topics covered were: corporate sponsorship for membership meetings, community involvement, volunteerism and chapters’ relationship with SLA.

The State Bar of Wisconsin asked LLAW to appoint two representatives to the State Bar’s internal Staff-client Education Committee. I think this is a good opportunity for LLAW. Heidi Yelk and Carol Bannen volunteered to serve on this committee. I would like to thank both Heidi and Carol for volunteering.

Just a reminder, there are grants available for programs other than AALL. Contact Jane Moberg if you are interested.

I am looking forward to working with all of you this year.

Pat.
# LLAW Officers and Committees 2000/2001

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## INCOME 1999/00 actual

### CHECKING ACCOUNT
- Beginning Balance: 4257.59
- Hein Pubn royalties: 551.00
- Membership: 1682.50
- Newsletter Advertising: 360.00
- Newsletter Subscriptions: 32.00
- Program: 1550.40
- Program Lexis Donation: 300.00
- State Bar Gratuity: 1550.00

Subtotal: 10283.49

### SAVINGS
- Beginning Balance: 2713.71
- Interest: 50.67
- Transfer from Checking: 287.00

Subtotal: 3021.38

### CD
- Beginning Balance: 2946.67
- Interest: 135.88

Subtotal: 3082.55

**TOTAL INCOME**: 16417.42

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## EXPENSES 1999/00 actual

### Grants
- Member: 750.00
- V/P: 500.00
- VIP Program: 721.71

### Membership
- Renewal postage: 34.98
- Directory postage: 20.03
- Refund for newsletter overpayment: 16.00

### Newsletter
- 397.71

### Nominating
- 23.76

### Placement
- 0.00

### Program
- Accommodations: 200.00
- Dinners: 1771.60
- Overhead fee: 15.84
- Postage: 39.60
- Speaker dinners: 16.95

### Public Access
- 19.66

### Public Relations
- Shipping: 26.50
- State Bar table: 125.00

### Miscellaneous
- Checking maint.: 11.75
- President appreciation gift: 25.00
- State Bar filing fee: 10.00
- Transfer to savings: 287.00

**TOTAL EXPENSES**: 5013.09

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Respectfully Submitted, Victoria Coulter, LLAW Treasurer
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**Ending Balance (7/31/00)**: $3,127.14

### Total: Checking, Savings and CD

**Total**: $12,305.28

Respectfully Submitted, Victoria Coulter, LLAW Treasurer
Nominating. Officers for the following year were announced: Amy Easton Bingenheimer was elected vice president/president-elect, Vicky Coulter was re-elected as treasurer and Bonnie Shucha was re-elected as secretary.

Placement. Rick reported that Diane Duffey has been working with Kay Hallanger, Wisconsin Court System Personnel Specialist, to share job openings. The Wisconsin Court System has an employment opportunities page at [http://www.courts.state.wi.us/misc/employment.html](http://www.courts.state.wi.us/misc/employment.html).

Program. Pat Ellingson thanked everyone for coming to the last membership meeting of the year and wished luck to next year’s Program chair, Amy Easton Bingenheimer. Rick thanked Quarles and Brady (Amy), Northwestern Mutual (Pat), and West (Laura Olson Dugan) for sponsoring tonight’s meeting.

Public Access. The Consumer-Related Legal Research Sites page is now available on the LLAW website at [www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/links.htm](http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/llaw/links.htm).

Public Relations. Susan Madere announced that she will be leaving the Legal Resource Center due to repetitive motion injuries. She thanked the Public Relations committee members for all their hard work this year.

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IV. Announcements

1. **New Librarians** Jane Colwin announced that Cindy Secker (Reference/Outreach Services Librarian) and Rebecca Knutson (Library Associate) have recently joined the staff.

2. **AALL Archives Box** AALL is putting together a time capsule to be displayed at the Annual Meeting this summer. Each chapter has been asked to contribute one archives box. Suggestions about what to include were: State bar t-shirt, Elsie the cow, Mary’s book, Legal Resource Guides, Newsletters, Annual Report, West Olympics photo, and a LibraryFest program. Julia Jaet and Jim Mumm volunteered to compile the box contents.

V. Old Business - None

VI. New Business

1. **State Bar Annual Meeting Volunteers** Jane Colwin announced that the State Bar is looking for volunteers to teach mini-technology sessions and staff the technology area. She will be sending out a notice with more details soon. In the future, the State Bar plans to hold annual meetings only.

2. **Passing of the Baton** Rick thanked all the officers and committee chairs and members for their hard work this year. He especially recognized the Newsletter and Public Access for their contributions. He officially passed the baton to our new LLAW President, Pat Ellingson, who also thanked Rick for his efforts.

The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 7:45 P.M., whereupon the program portion of the meeting commenced.

VII. Program

Pat welcomed Janis Johnston, AALL Treasurer and Director/Associate Professor of Law and Library Administration from the University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign. Janis spoke about new developments and the many benefits associated with membership in AALL. These included:

- Networking!
- New membership category for those interested in law librarianship
- Free membership to new member with returning members renewal

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LLAW Newsletter

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Carol Leland, the Keynote Speaker, immediately captured the attention of her audience with a rousing and robust rendition of a familiar camp song (Good Morning to You) and quickly illustrated why she is a leadership consultant. Although I had initially attended this session out of curiosity and to listen to AThe Keynote Speaker@a very short time into her talk I found myself reaching for paper & pen and jotting down a few notes. I became immersed in her talk, as she defined some basic concepts about leadership.

According to Carol, good leaders learn, grow, and change and they are proactive. They must be committed to continuous change and a fundamental set of core values. She identified the qualities for leadership as the Seven and divided them into 3 individual values and 4 group values. Individual values include Consciousness of Self, Congruence (talk the talk & walk the walk), and Commitment (for the individual). Group values included Collaboration (shared purpose), Controversy (disagreement with respect), Civility, and Citizenship. It was the group values which were emphasized, especially Collaboration.

Collaboration requires a good leader to ask questions, such as What does this situation require from me? and What am I striving for? The answer is: a good way to be collaborative. It is a commitment to a better answer. As a group we can come up with a better answer as we combine all of our individual competencies for a better combined result. Collaboration is very difficult, because we have to be willing to compromise to reach consensus. Collaboration also takes a great deal of time. We have to give up control, but will ultimately share the reward for achievement. The risk, of course, is the possibility of failing and looking foolish. Collaboration raises things to a higher level; it enables us to do things better.

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Mark November 30th on your calendar – that’s the date for the **WISCONSIN LAW & TECHNOLOGY SHOW** in Milwaukee. The Technology Show is organized by the National Practice Institute with presenters from LLAW, the State Bar of Wisconsin, the Milwaukee Bar Association, the Wisconsin Chapter of Legal Marketing Association, the Paralegal Association of Wisconsin and the Dane County Bar Association. The show is designed for attorneys, law librarians, MIS professional, paralegals, legal secretaries, court personnel and legal administrators. At a cost of only $99 for Lawyers and $49 for Non-Lawyers, it is designed to be an affordable legal technology show.

LLAW members will be staffing the Internet Café all day, similar to what we do at the State Bar Conference each year. If you are interested in volunteering to help out with the Café, please contact Pam Noyd at (608) 258-4255, pnoyd@foleylaw.com.

For more information on the Show, visit the National Practice Institute’s website, [www.npilaw.com](http://www.npilaw.com) and watch for a brochure in the mail.

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**DON’T FORGET**

The deadline for submitting articles for the next **LLAW NEWSLETTER**

is

**Monday, November 6, 2000**

(Submit articles to Jim Mumm)
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Prior to the AALL's annual meeting, Lexis and the AALL presented the second Teaching Research in Academic Law Libraries (TRIALL) program in Philadelphia. Thirty-two applicants were selected to participate. We were a diverse group in terms of teaching experience, ranging from law librarians who were going to teach their first legal research class in the fall to law librarians who had been teaching for years. The types of legal research instruction programs we represented spanned just about every possibility, from a first year course fully integrated with the legal writing program to a six-week stand-alone research course for first year students. Some courses were graded; others were pass/fail. Not every law school offered advanced courses (I was pleased to report that Marquette just imposed that requirement for graduation). In lieu of formal advanced classes, some librarians were able to reach upper level students by lecturing on specialized research as part of a substantive law class.

The TRIALL program consisted of two full days of instruction and discussion. First, we introduced ourselves and briefly discussed the general problems we faced teaching legal research (lack of time and support, exploding number of online resources, students' attitudes towards print materials, coordinating with legal writing instructors, etc.) We then plunged into adult and experiential learning theory in order to have an overall framework for the rest of the sessions. We focused on a learning cycle that takes the learner through four quadrants: Why, What, How and What If? Research shows that students who are taken through the entire cycle retain about 90% of the material presented, compared to a 20% retention rate for students who stay in one quadrant.

The instructor has different roles to play in each quadrant. The "Why" quadrant requires the instructor to act as motivator, to show students how the course is relevant and where it fits into the big picture. The "What" quadrant covers the actual dissemination of material. The instructor assumes the role of an expert. "How" is a key component of the cycle. Students use the material and see how it works in a safe environment. The instructor acts as a coach. And last but by no means least, "What If" requires students to apply the information in a real world context. The instructor acts as an evaluator.

The following sessions and breakout groups gave us helpful tips on how to work within this framework. Sessions included "Active Learning" (where we learned about flamenco dancing!), "Knowing Your Audience," "Creating Teaching Opportunities," "Developing Curriculum," "Handouts" and "Evaluating Learning." The class was split into different assigned groups to work on several projects and report back to the entire group. The break out group projects involved: (1) coming up with a teaching opportunity (i.e. reaching out to a target group), (2) designing an advanced course, (3) designing handouts, and (4) instructing the class in a child's game using all the techniques covered. Everyone attending was enthusiastic and eager to share their experiences--the conversations with colleagues both in class and outside of class were invaluable.

Lexis underwrote the course and provided us with a substantial binder of course materials and extravagant meals and snacks. Lexis and AALL are considering holding TRIALL every two years in conjunction with the AALL meeting. I am sure, based on the positive feedback, that a third TRIALL will be presented in 2002.
Carol also distinguished between management and leadership: although both utilize similar processes, management is the daily task of getting the job done, whereas leadership involves the future and effecting change. In summary, leadership is a challenging and costly investment, but one which empowers employees, fosters a good learning environment, encourages shared purpose, and values change.

AALL: EFFECTIVE LISTENING
by Sue Center
Assistant Director for Public Services
University of Wisconsin Madison Law Library

As one who has great difficulty with active listening (and remembering what I hear) I knew that the program entitled Effective Listening: Moving from Simply Hearing to Really Listening would be of great interest to me. Sandra Yancey, the consultant who led this informative presentation, emphasized that listening is very hard work. We spend 65% of our day listening, but at only 25% effectiveness! Ineffective listening is one of the most frequent causes of misunderstanding and mistakes.

Why is effective listening hard work? An active listener registers increased blood pressure, a higher pulse rate, and more perspiration. The good listener must be willing to concentrate on the other person rather than ourselves. There is a great deal of competition for our attention, because information is coming at us in different formats, from different media, and we must make choices about what we wish to hear and from what sources. Although we do more listening than speaking, reading, or writing, we usually receive no formal education in listening.

Ms. Yancey presented the secret of good listening as C-A-R-E-S-S. Each letter in this very caring word represents a trait that is important for an active listener. Concentration is critical for maximizing the amount of information we receive. We must focus on the speaker’s message & try to eliminate other distractions. It is important to Acknowledge the speaker and demonstrate understanding, appreciation & use body language to show that you are listening and understanding the message. Research is the art of asking questions, gathering more information from the speaker, and providing feedback. It asks the speaker to clarify and expand the message. Exercising Emotional Control is important. It requires us to listen to the message and not be distracted by prejudices and biases such as reacting to the speaker’s dress, grammar, or accent. This can be a tremendous challenge.

As much as 93% of the meaning transmitted can come through non-verbal communication. Thus, Sensing the message via vocal intonation and visual clues such as the speaker’s body language is very important to interpretation. Finally, we must Structure the message by mentally indexing, sequencing, & prioritizing it (identify key points), e.g. compare fact vs. theory, advantages vs. disadvantages, actual vs. projected, etc. This is an extremely important listening skill, because this better enables us to remember the essence of the speaker’s message.

Active and effective listening takes a great deal of practice and effort. However, it can result in fewer mistakes and misunderstandings, reduce tension, increase effectiveness, and benefit both the individual and the organization. Additional information from the presentation is available in the Educational Program Handout Materials booklet from the conference (p. 211-218).

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Law firm newsletters and memos are proliferating on the Web. Mr. Anderson explains how to find them, discusses their usefulness, and speculates on their future.


Ms. Baker discusses recent developments in litigation between Jurisline and Lexis.


An introduction covers threats to privacy, the right to privacy, the evolution of data protection, and models of privacy protection. This is followed by individual reports on the state of privacy protection in 54 countries.


The author provides background information on Law.com, describes the organization of the site, and offers some suggestions for improvement. He concludes that, from a practitioner's perspective, Law.com is particularly useful for checking current legal news or identifying hot legal topics related to a particular practice area.

Berring, Robert C. "The Paperless Chase: Don't Throw Out the Librarian with the Library." California Lawyer 20:50-54 (June 2000)

Professor Berring discusses the conversion of law firm libraries from collections of print resources to gateways to electronic sources, and how this change makes the law firm librarian more valuable than ever. An elegiac sidebar mourns the loss of the physical library, while a second sidebar follows a senior editor from California Lawyer as she is expertly led through a maze of electronic legal information by Boalt Hall librarians.


The author provides a short, annotated list of searchable IP databases maintained by government, academic and institutional sites. Although she suggests that the free databases don't consistently offer the same level of completeness and reliability that come from a commercial search, she maintains that they offer a quick, cheap, and convenient starting point. Entries are arranged under four headings: Copyright, Patent, Trademark, and Commercial Services.


This list of slip opinion alert services is arranged by jurisdiction, and includes both free and fee-based services.


This paper examines the nature of knowledge management, outlines the three major categories of knowledge, discusses the two major types of knowledge management strategies, and examines the
issue of measuring the return on investment of a knowledge management initiative. The author explains why she believes information professionals can and should play a critical role in knowledge management.


Sarah Carter, Law Librarian at the University of Kent, begins this guide with an introduction to the UK legal system and court system. She then describes and cites to both print and electronic formats for legislation, case law, indexes, government documents, and specialized sources for Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland. References to the legal profession, legal education, legal publishing, current awareness, and standard texts in a variety of subject areas are also included.


Instructions are given for citing treaties, decisions, legislation, and various government publications.


This bibliography lists contemporary articles by or about federal admiralty judges and courts, focusing on the individual personalities of the judges and the institutional characteristics of the courts.


This is a comprehensive guide to treaties, treaty indexes, and other reference materials that identify and cite treaties, in both print and electronic formats. A useful table suggests tools for researching specific types of treaties. There are also sections on treaty compilations by topic and by selected international organizations.


Mr. Halvorson summarizes the outcomes of both lawsuits between Reed Elsevier and Matthew Bender on the one side, and Jurisline.com on the other.


This resource list can help users find out more about knowledge management. Citations to journal articles are arranged under these headings: What is knowledge management; Return on investment, cost justification and economics; Knowledge management technologies; Knowledge management methodologies; and The chief information officer.


The author discusses how law firms can integrate technology into their practices more efficiently. He offers a five point game plan from which any law firm can start out on this process.

This comment provides background and analysis of eighth and second circuit opinions involving West copyright claims.


According to the author, this Web page is designed as a finding aid for people interested in locating English translations of German business and commercial laws. Both print and Web formats are included. In addition, there are links to related sources in English providing background information on the economic and legal environment for doing business in Germany, and useful reference tools.


This article describes the organization of the WTO Website, with special emphasis on its environment section. It also explains how to search the site, and highlights other resources that can be found there.


This In Focus section, issued to coincide with the annual AALL conference, includes articles on information literacy, the transition from print to electronic formats, and typical weeks in the lives of a law firm and a law school librarian.


Ms. Liu, a librarian with the New York University Law Library, offers this pathfinder for Chinese legal information in electronic form. After an introduction to the laws of the People's Republic of China and the current state of legal information access there, she provides an annotated list of resources, including legal online services, electronic legal publications, legal research tools, law-related Web sites, and CD-ROM products.


The fiftieth anniversary of the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees will occur next year. According to its author, the purpose of this guide is to direct readers to some of the key texts and resources available on the Web that can help shed light on, and provide a context for, current refugee issues.


This bibliography attempts to bring together references to articles, books, and papers that discuss different aspects of the legal and physical protection of refugee women. The references are organized in reverse chronological order under topic. A final section cites Internet sources.


This article is intended as a follow-up to another by this author published in Law Librarian a year ago. She discusses a great many changes in the past year relating to electronic access to European Union materials. The predominant feature of these changes, according to the author, has been the continued development of the Web as a means of delivering databases.
Mersky, Roy M. and Percy, Kumar. "The Supreme Court Enters the Internet Age: The Court and Technology." LLRX http://www.llrx.com/features/supremect.htm (June 1, 2000)

The authors examine the Supreme Court's cautious approach to new technology. They go on to discuss alternatives for access to Supreme Court opinions and oral arguments.


There is an overwhelming amount of information by and about governments on the Web. Subject searching is difficult precisely because there is so much. According to its author, this introduction to government-oriented megasites can help streamline the searching process.


The author, a reference librarian at the Tartu University Library in Estonia, highlights Estonia's legal and court systems and provides links to relevant sites and full text laws, indicating when the information is in English.


Mr. Miller describes XML (eXtensible Markup Language) and discusses its usefulness for libraries.


According to the author, the purpose of this article is to consider the best of recent writings about acquisitions against the context of law libraries. Topics discussed include shrinking acquisitions budgets, changes in legal publishing, building and managing an acquisitions program, preservation, outsourcing, gifts, and acquisitions-related use of the Internet.


The EU Privacy Protection Directive forbids the transfer of personal data to a country outside the EU which lacks adequate personal data privacy safeguards. Because the U.S. falls into this category, the Commerce Department has been conducting safe harbor negotiations so that U.S. companies will be able to operate in compliance with the Directive. This article discusses the issues involved in this process.


Government efforts to balance personal privacy and law enforcement have resulted in several pending Congressional bills, which Ms. Morrissey summarizes. She explains Digital Storm and Carnivore, FBI programs that collect data electronically, and RIP, or Regulation of Investigatory Powers, a British bill granting wide-ranging police powers over the seizure of electronic communications.

On July 6, Lexis launched a new Web site called lexisOne. The site targets solos and small firm attorneys and is free of charge. This review provides an overview of lexisOne design, navigation, access features, and content.


This pathfinder begins with a substantial background section on Australia's history, politics and legal system. Following this are sections on parliaments and laws, courts and judgments, treaties, secondary sources, publishers, current awareness, discussion lists, information brokerage, and major texts by topic.

Quint, Barbara. "Legal Arena Continues to Buzz: West Partners with Northern Light; Supreme Court Opens Web Site." Information Today 17:32, 38 (June 2000)

Ms. Quint discusses West's alliance with Northern Light Technology to create a legal Web search engine. She also reports on the recent unveiling of the U.S. Supreme Court Web site, and what it does and doesn't offer.


The authors briefly discuss the Polish legal system, then list sources of Polish law, with numerous links to primary materials and government agencies.


The author speculates on the effects small, startup online legal research services will have on Lexis-Nexis and Westlaw. Her discussion includes reference to Loislaw, VersusLaw, Quicklaw America, and the National Law Library.


Mr. Skalbeck, Technology Services Librarian and Webmaster at George Mason University School of Law in Virginia, evaluates two Web management programs of differing complexity: Microsoft's FrontPage 2000 and Macromedia's Dreamweaver 3. He includes references for further help and reading, and a briefly annotated list of three other Web management programs.


The fourth edition of Mr. Svengalis' book, Legal Information Buyer's Guide and Reference Manual, has recently been published. In this interview, he brings readers up-to-date on what he sees as the state of publishing at the end of the twentieth century and offers his forecasts for the beginning of the next century.


Mr. Taylor compares the completeness of the Shepard's and KeyCite databases by re-creating part of Fred Shapiro's 1998 statistical study that was published in Legal Information Alert. Mr. Taylor also compares the currency and accuracy of the two systems. Here he presents the mixed results of his research along with suggestions for improvement and for using both databases wisely.

The author analyzes the U.S. Supreme Court's changing views on legislative history following the intense period of debate between critics and proponents of textualism in the late eighties and early nineties.


In another of her practical, down-to-earth columns, Marie Wallace lists the advantages of flip charts, describes the various types of flip charts on the market, and gives tips on using flip charts effectively. She includes references to two publications on flip charts for further reading.


In this installment Ms. Wallace extols the benefits of active listening. Checklists highlight characteristics of active listening, how to apply good listening to becoming a better speaker, and barriers to active listening that need to be understood and minimized.


URLs and annotations are provided for eighteen Web sites related to juvenile legal issues.


This introductory guide to international commercial arbitration includes both print and electronic resources. It includes references to primers, megasites, treaties, arbitral institutions, arbitration rules, national laws, drafting concerns, decisions and awards, specialized arbitration, finding tools, and organizations.


This bibliography annotates articles from 1998-1999 on a variety of women's legal topics, including domestic violence, child custody, discrimination, gay rights, harassment, AIDS, rape, and reproductive rights.


This paper discusses Internet development in China, the use of Chinese character displays on the Internet, search engines for searching Chinese Web sites, specific Chinese legal materials available on the Web, and Internet guides for Chinese law. Many of the sites cited in this paper include English-language resources.

* Photocopies of articles from periodicals cited herein may be obtained through the regular photocopy services of the UW Law Library (Outlaw: 608-262-3394) or the Wisconsin State Law Library (608-266-1600).
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