Greetings to all LLAW members! Another LLAW program year is drawing to a close, one that has seen many changes for our group. Our website has a new look, LLAW has a new logo, and the State Law Library has a new home. Law schools have seen the rush of final exams and law firms are preparing for a busy summer working with summer law clerks. That’s one of the many reasons I enjoy being a law librarian-never a dull moment!

For those of you headed off to Orlando or Los Angeles for the summer conventions, I encourage you when you’re writing up your notes to jot an article for our newsletter. I have always enjoyed reading highlights from the convention especially if I’m not able to attend.

Although our next program year will not start until early fall, planning is already underway to solicit your feedback in order to make our next year successful. Watch our listserv for your invitation to share your feedback on program topics for 2002-2003 and also the format for our LLAW newsletter. Plan to share your thoughts with us!

If summer affords you some time to take a class, remember that LLAW does award grants for members to pursue professional development activities. You can find the application for these grants on our website.

Finally, thanks to all of you for allowing me to serve as your President. LLAW is a great organization, one I have been proud to represent. I wish incoming President Connie Von Der Heide all the best in her tenure at the helm.

Wising you a great summer in all your pursuits!
Amy

My First Six Months
Observations of a new librarian
Bev Butula (Davis & Kuelthau S.C.)

What a great choice! Six months ago I began my journey as a law librarian. I was fortunate to secure a job just as I was completing my MLS from UW-Milwaukee. I knew from the beginning that I wanted to be a law librarian. I was a litigation paralegal in my prior life, so the transition seemed natural.

Well, six months into my new career I have realized many things. First, you can start over after 40. My other revelations, however, are much more job-related. This piece is a summary of what I have learned, need to learn, and wished I had learned.

What I have learned:

1. Librarians not only thirst for information, there is an internal need to share.

This goes beyond service to their patrons. I can name countless examples of inquiries made via listservs or telephone calls where professionals have taken time from their busy day to lend a hand to another librarian in need. I have

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President Amy Easton Bingenheimer called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm.

**Present:** Amy Easton Bingenheimer, Pat Ellingson, Kathryn Hensiak, Candace Hall, Jane Colwin, Jane Mogberg, Diane Duffey, Sunil Rao, Laura Olsen Dugan and Bonnie Shucha.

**Absent:** Connie Von Der Heide, Olivia Bradford Jaskolski, Heidi Yelk, Pam Noyd, Mary Koshollek, Jim Mumm and Ted Potter.

### I. Minutes
for the November 7, 2001 (Second Quarterly Board Meeting) were approved.

### II. Treasurer’s Report (Candace Hall)

- Checking Account Ending Balance: 3693.88
- Savings Account Ending Balance: 3121.20
- Certificate of Deposit Ending Balance: 3356.37
- **Total Ending Balance:** $10,171.45

### III. Committee Reports

- **Archives** – No Report.
- **Government Relations** – No Report.
- **Grants** – Jane reported that grant applications are available on the LLAW web site. Also, she will put an announcement on the LLAW listserv. We have funds available for three (3) $500 grants to members plus one (1) $500 grant for our president-elect and one (1) grant from AALL for the annual conference. Jane moved that we use the grant from AALL for Connie (in addition to the $500 grant) because the State of Wisconsin has put a moratorium on all out-of-state travel. Amy seconded the motion. A short discussion followed and the feeling was that it is important for LLAW and its president to have a presence at AALL in Orlando. The motion passed unanimously.

### Membership
- Pam reported (via email) the following figures: 94 active members, 7 associate members, 5 sustaining members and 5 student members for a total of 111 members. Also, Pam will not be the Membership Chair next year, Carol Schmitt from Boardman has agreed to take over. The Board agreed that the Membership Chair should continue to ask members on the Membership Application whether they would like to receive announcements electronically and whether they would like to be on the listserv.

### Newsletter
- In lieu of a report from Jim and Mary, Amy opened up a discussion about issues related to the newsletter that have been discussed at previous board meetings. As reported in a previous meeting, Mary discovered that online newsletters with Washburn are not allowed to contain advertisements and this is the server that AALL utilizes to house our newsletter. The following options are available: (1) move off the AALL/Washburn site; (2) strip advertisements out of the electronic version and notify advertisers that advertisements are for print only; (3) get more information from AALL about how to proceed; and (4) publish the newsletter in electronic format only and eliminate the need for advertising because no printing costs. After some discussion, it was decided that we move toward electronic publication only. Members without electronic access would receive a print copy. This eliminates the need for advertising revenue and the need for professional publication. Amy will present this to the membership at our next meeting and we will put something in the next newsletter. Also, Jim and Mary are looking for a copy editor.

### Nominating
- Jane is seeking nominations for the 2002-2003 LLAW board. Ballots must be sent out by March 1. Amy will make an announcement at the next membership meeting. Diane expressed an interest in running for Secretary.

### Placement
- Diane reported that if she were elected Secretary, she would step down as Placement Chair.

### Program
- Connie and Ted (via email) reported that the Program Committee would like concrete...
feedback from the membership about the kinds of programs they would find most useful or interesting. They would like to do a needs/wants assessment survey. They propose sending a questionnaire to each member in the membership renewal mailing in mid-May. The only cost associated with the survey is photocopying which would come from the Program Committee budget. The Board agreed that board approval for the survey was not needed and that the Program Committee should move ahead with the survey. Amy also suggested that LLAW should purchase a portable podium unit with recording options. The unit would be stored and maintained by the Program Committee Chairs. The Board agreed that we should pursue this.

Public Access – Sunil reported that AALL has an ongoing public library project. Sunil is finding out whether they need help with the Wisconsin portion.

Public Relations – Laura reported two items. First, she contacted the State Bar about getting a free booth at the upcoming Annual Meeting in May at Monona Terrace. No word yet on whether the State Bar will agree. Second, the 10th Annual Legal Teach-In is coming up. Laura is going to email the membership and ask for best practices and other ideas/suggestions from members. Laura will compile the results and put them up on our web site. Amy thanked Laura and Melissa Mooney for all of their hard work on the new LLAW logo.

Web Site – Bonnie demonstrated the new and improved LLAW web site. The Board thought it looked great. Bonnie will launch it as soon as possible but due to the scope of this project, it will take her a few weeks.

IV. Old Business

Professional Preparation of LLAW Newsletter
(See discussion under Newsletter Committee Report above.) The Board has agreed to pursue electronic publication of the newsletter in lieu of professional printing.

Hein Tennis Table Donation – Pat reported that the ping pong table has had an accident and it is beyond repair. Mary Mahoney offered to pay for it but since she has been kind enough to store it for LLAW, the Board felt that this was unnecessary.

WLA Affiliate Membership – The Board agreed that the membership would be held for LLAW in the name of the vice-president/president-elect. Pat will go ahead and switch the membership to Connie's name.

V. New Business

Submission of LLAW Spring Retreat 2001 for AALL Award – Amy will check if AALL is still accepting applications. The deadline was February 1, 2002. The Board agreed that we should submit an application if AALL has extended the deadline.

Other Items From the Floor:

1. Plaque for Excellence Award from AALL – At a previous meeting, the Board agreed to hang the plaque in the State Bar of Wisconsin Technology Center. The Board agreed to hang the plaque in the Computer Room at the new State Law Library instead.

2. 2002 Ping Pong – The Hein Table Tennis event will most likely happen again. Stay tuned for details.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Hensiak
Secretary
Fourth Quarterly Board Meeting  
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin  
Thursday April 25, 2002  
Delafield Brewhaus  
Delafield, WI  
6:00 pm

President Amy Easton Bingenheimer called the meeting to order at approximately 6:10 pm.

**Present:** Amy Easton Bingenheimer, Pat Ellingson, Kathryn Hensiak, Jane Moberg, Diane Duffey, Mary Koshollek, Jim Mumm, Ted Potter, Connie Von Der Heide and Bonnie Shucha.

**Absent:** Candace Hall, Olivia Bradford Jaskolski, Heidi Yelk, Jane Colwin, Pam Noyd, Sunil Rao and Laura Olson Dugan.

I. Minutes for the February 21, 2002 (Third Quarterly Board Meeting) were approved.

II. Treasurer’s Report (Candace Hall via Jane Moberg)

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III. Committee Reports

**Archives** – No Report.

**Government Relations** – (via email) Heidi had two issues to report. First, there is no news on UCITA, it has not been introduced in Wisconsin. According to AALL Washington Affairs office, the ABA working group on UCITA is recommending re-drafting the law. Second, AALL Government Relations Committee has secured a grant to study permanent public access of state government information. This will be a state guide to laws ensuring public access. Heidi will be researching and writing the Wisconsin section. Richard Matthews, Wichita State University, is the regional editor. The state study part is scheduled to be done by June 30 and regional editors are expected to complete the project by the end of 2002.

**Grants** – (via email) Jane reported that two grants were awarded for AALL. One grant was given to Connie Von Der Heide as our vice-president elect and another grant was awarded to Pam Noyd. No grants were awarded for professional development. Jane recommended that the board increase the grants to $750 for Connie and Pam and that we carry over the remaining amount to next year’s budget. The budget for the Grants Committee is $2500 for this fiscal year. The board moved to increase the grants to $750 for Connie and Pam and carry over the remaining funds to next year. The motion passed.

**Membership** – (via email) Pam reported the following figures: 94 active members, 7 associate members, 5 sustaining members and 5 student members for a total of 111 members. Also, Pam will not be the Membership Chair next year; Carol Schmitt from Boardman has agreed to take over. Also, Pam wanted to thank everyone for the grant to attend AALL.

**Newsletter** – Jim and Mary reported that they have a new production editor, Beverly Butula from Davis & Kuelthau. She has prior newsletter experience. Beverly will be responsible for editing and formatting articles for the newsletter. May 6 is the next deadline for the newsletter. Mary did receive some bids for professional publication of the newsletter. The bids ranged from $500 - $900 per issue. Some of the publishers are able to produce the newsletter electronically. Due to the expense involved with professional publication, this issue will be put on hold.

**At this time, the board engaged in a discussion about surveying our membership about various issues. Jim and Mary would like to survey the membership about distributing the newsletter electronically. Connie and Ted would like to survey the membership about possible program ideas. The consensus was that the individual committees would survey the members to assess their needs. The survey will most likely be done via email sometime over the summer. The board authorized the committees in question to move forward with the survey.**

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LLAW MEETINGS (continued)

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**Nominating** – Jane is seeking nominations for the 2002-2003 LLAW board. The nominee for vice-president elect is Bonnie Shucha. The nominee for secretary is Diane Duffey. Jane is still seeking a treasurer.

**Placement** – No report.

**Program** – Connie and Ted reported that the next membership meeting is Wednesday, May 8 in Madison. The evening will begin with a reception at the Boardman law firm followed by a tour of the Supreme Court by Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson. Following the tour, dinner will be served at the new State Law Library.

**Public Access** – (via email) Sunil reported that the committee is working on updating the Introduction to Legal Materials publication that was last compiled by LLAW in 1989. After some discussion, the board recommends to Sunil that the committee produce the publication in print but have the web resources available electronically on the LLAW website. Also, the consensus was that LLAW should subsidize the cost of printing the publication.

**Public Relations** - (via email) Laura reported two items. We will have our usual LLAW booth at the AALL annual meeting. Laura will be seeking volunteers to set-up, staff, and take down the booth. Watch the LLAW listserv for more details. The State Bar of Wisconsin has been very unresponsive to our request to have a “free” booth at the State Bar's Annual Convention in Madison in May 2002 (May 15-17, 2002). They want to charge us $200.00, despite the fact that LLAW has done much for the State Bar of Wisconsin (Internet legal research seminars, staffing the CyberCafe at annual meetings, etc.). As such, LLAW will not have a booth at the 2002 annual meeting. Working on LLAW/State Bar of Wisconsin relations is a development opportunity for our 2002-2003 term.

**Website** – Bonnie reported that she purchased new software. Also, the server has been down for several weeks so she has not been able to update the website.

IV. Old Business

**Purchase of Portable Audio System** – Amy purchased the audio system on behalf of LLAW. The podium will be turned over to the Program Committee chairs.

**Submission LLAW 2001 Spring Retreat for AALL Award** – Amy contacted AALL. The deadline was not extended. Therefore, we will not be submitting the retreat for an award.

V. New Business

Jim Mumm raised the idea of attracting more members to LLAW. After some discussion, the consensus among board members is that we should engage in activities to raise our visibility in the community. It was suggested that LLAW should focus on the liaison program with the library schools in Madison and Milwaukee. Also, the board discussed reaching out to public libraries.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Hensiak
Secretary
LLAW MEETINGS (continued)

Third Quarterly General Membership Meeting  
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin  
Thursday, February 28, 2002  
Potawatomi Bingo Casino  
Milwaukee, WI

President Amy Easton Bingenheimer called the meeting to order at approximately 6:50 pm.

I. Minutes. Minutes from the Second Quarterly Membership Meeting (dated November 14, 2001) were approved.

II. Treasurer's Report. (Candace Hall)

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Savings Account Ending Balance 3121.20  
Certificate of Deposit Ending Balance 3356.37  
Total Ending Balance 10,171.45

III. Committee Reports

Archives – No Report. Members are reminded to send materials to Olivia Bradford Jaskolski for storage in the LLAW archives.

Government Relations – No report.

Grants – Jane Colwin reported that an email went out on the LLAW listserv about available grants. Three $500 grants are available to members for professional activities. The application is available on the LLAW website and the deadline is April 1, 2002. Applications should be mailed or faxed to Jane. LLAW received one complimentary grant from AALL for the Annual Meeting in Orlando. The Board awarded this grant to our incoming President, Connie Von Der Heide.

Membership – Pam Noyd reported that LLAW has 94 active members, 7 associate members, 5 students members, and 5 sustaining members for a total of 111 members. Pam introduced three new members who were in attendance – Pat Bolter, Amy Anderson and Mark Weinberger.

Newsletter – Jim Mumm reported that the deadline for the spring issue has been extended. Members interested in submitting an article should send it to Jim or Mary

(Please see February 28 Minutes on page 8)

Fourth Quarterly General Membership Meeting  
Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin  
Wednesday, May 8, 2002  
Wisconsin State Law Library  
Madison, WI

President Amy Easton Bingenheimer called the meeting to order at approximately 8:05 pm.

I. Treasurer's Report. (Candace Hall)

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Savings Account Ending Balance 3,126.24  
Certificate of Deposit Ending Balance 3,384.58  
Total Ending Balance 9,258.12

II. Committee Reports

Archives – No Report.

Government Relations – Heidi Yelk reported (via Amy) that the American Bar Association working group on UCITA (the Uniform Computer Information Transaction Act) is recommending re-drafting the entire law.

Grants – Jane Colwin reported that there were not very many applicants for grants this year. Both Pam Noyd and Connie Von Der Heide will be receiving grants to attend the AALL annual meeting. Carol Bannen will receive a grant to attend the West Group librarian program which precedes AALL. The rest of the grant money will be saved for next year's AALL in Seattle, or can be used by members for other professional or educational opportunities if they apply for a grant.

Membership – Pam Noyd reported that LLAW has 94 active members, 7 associate members, 5 students members, and 5 sustaining members for a total of 111 members. Pam is stepping down as Membership Chair; the new Chair is Carol Schmitt. The new membership forms will be mailed out within a month.

Newsletter – Mary Koshollek reported that the deadline has recently passed for submissions for the latest issue, which may be a double issue. Roving reporters are needed for the AALL meeting. The Newsletter Committee may survey membership for feedback on newsletter format, i.e., changing it to electronic access only.

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**LLAW MEETINGS (continued)**

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Koshollek. Jim and Mary are searching for a copy editor to help with the newsletter. Amy mentioned that the Board has discussed publishing the newsletter in electronic format in lieu of professional printing. Currently, AALL houses the LLAW Newsletter on the Washburn server and they do not permit advertising. Members will be asked on the Membership Renewal Form if they would like to receive the newsletter electronically. The newsletter may be housed on the server without advertising.

**Nominating** – Jane Moberg reported that she is seeking nominations for LLAW officers. She is looking for candidates for vice-president and treasurer. Please volunteer – this is an excellent way to get involved. The deadline is March 7, 2002. Please contact Jane if you are interested or if you know someone else who might be interested.

**Placement** – No report.

**Program** – Connie Von Der Heide reported that the next Program Meeting would be Wednesday May 8, 2002 at the new State Law Library. Connie mentioned that the Committee is interested in surveying the membership about possible program topics. It was mentioned that a retreat was held several years ago and this topic was discussed. Amy will check the President’s files.

**Public Access** – No report.

**Public Relations** – Laura Olsen Dugan reported (via Amy) that the plaque awarded to LLAW at AALL last summer will be placed in the computer room at the new State Law Library. Laura will be sending out an email to members soliciting ideas for National Library Week. She will compile the results and post them on the web site.

**Web Site** – No report. Amy noted that Bonnie Shucha has redesigned the LLAW web site and it was just put up in the last few days. Thanks to Bonnie and all of her hard work. The web site also showcases our new LLAW logo. Thanks to Melissa Mooney for her design.

**IV. Announcements**

None

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Hensiak
Secretary

**PROGRAM**: An excellent presentation followed the business meeting. Judge Edward Brunner, Chief Judge of the 10th Judicial District and Barron County Circuit Court Judge, discussed the background and signing of the state-tribal court agreement between the 13-county 10th District and the four northern Wisconsin Chippewa tribes. Signed on December 7, 2001, it is believed to be the first such agreement in the United States. Sharing the podium with him was Attorney Kevin Osterbauer, General Counsel to the Bad River Band of Chippewa, one of the 4 tribes involved in the state/tribal courts agreement. Mr. Osterbauer was one of the drafters of the new protocols.

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**Nominating** – On behalf of Jane Moberg, Amy reminded everyone that the ballots for LLAW officers have been mailed out, and that people should return them to Jane as soon as they can.

**Placement** – No report.

**Program** – Ted Potter reported that the Program Committee is considering surveying membership for ideas for programs.

**Public Access** – Sunil Rao reported that the Introduction to Legal Materials publication that was last compiled by LLAW in 1989 will be updated soon. It will be made available in print; portions will be made available electronically.

**Public Relations** – Laura Olsen Dugan reported that volunteers are needed to staff the LLAW both at the

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LLAW BOARD MEETINGS

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AALL annual meeting. The popular cow stickers and erasers will be made available at the booth again this year.

Web Site – Bonnie Shucha reported that she is going to be presenting at the AALL program, “Marketing Your Web Site.” She is stepping down as Web Site Chair; her replacement is Amy Anderson.

III. Old Business

Amy reported that LLAW has purchased a portable sound system unit for use at LLAW meetings and programs. The unit will be turned over to the Program Committee.

IV. New Business

Amy wanted to clarify the news about lay-offs at von Briesen, Purcell & Roper (now von Briesen & Roper) in Milwaukee: their library staff has been laid off; Keri Bongey, who has an M.L.S., will be taking over direction of their library.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:23 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Diane Duffey,
for Kathryn Hensiak,
Secretary

PROGRAM: The business meeting was preceded by a social hour at the Boardman Law Firm. At 6:30, those in attendance walked over to the State Capitol where Robin Whyte, assistant to Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson, met the group. She showed LLAW members the Supreme Court Reading Room on the first level, then led the group upstairs for a tour of the restored Supreme Court Hearing Room and Justices’ Chambers by Chief Justice Abrahamson herself. The Chief Justice pointed out some of the new features of the Hearing Room, such as the cameras and the fact that the room is equipped for computers. She then showed LLAW members the Justices’ Chambers and Conference Room. Following the dinner and business meeting, tours were given of the new Wisconsin State Law Library.

LLAW Treasurer Report

LLAW Quarterly Treasurer’s Report
February 21, 2002

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance (10/31/01) $5,188.07
Income:
  Membership
    Active (2) $20.00
    Student $10.00
  Miscellaneous
    Hein Royalty Check $121.32
    Newsletter Advertising $200.00
    Program
      November member meeting deposit $400.00
      Return of deposit from Nov. meeting $35.00
Total $786.32
Expenditures:
  Miscellaneous
    DFI Renewal Filing Fee $10.00
    New checks $22.50
  Newsletter
    Postage $80.00
  Placement
    Salary Survey Expenses $148.35
    Salary Survey LCOMM Expenses $200.00
  Program
    Postage November meeting $6.80
    November meeting $465.53
    Security deposit Feb. meeting $600.00
  Public Relations
    Logo design winner $100.00
    Logo design $527.50
    WI Law/Tech Show items $119.83
Total $2,280.51
Ending Balance (1/31/02) $3,693.88

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance (10/31/01) $3,113.01
Interest $8.19
Ending Balance (1/31/02) $3,121.20

CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT

Beginning Balance (10/31/01) $3,322.17
Interest $34.20
Ending Balance (1/31/02) $3,356.37

TOTAL: CHECKING, SAVINGS AND CD $10,171.45

Respectfully Submitted, Candace E. Hall, LLAW Treasurer
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Report of the
LLAW Newsletter Committee
Mary Koshollek (Godfrey & Kahn)

The newsletter committee published four issues as part of volume 18. LLAW members again generously contributed reports and articles of interest to all. Article highlights included: the 2000 AALL convention in Philadelphia, several LLAW chapter programs (including the Wisconsin Innocence Project and the LLAW Spring Conference), National Library Week celebrations and the highlights of the AMPLL and Information Innovators Institutes. Issues also regularly featured membership news, financial reports, membership minutes and a recommended readings section.

The newsletter had several corporate and law firm sponsors who underwrote the cost of copying including: Northwestern Mutual, Foley & Lardner, Reinhart, Boerner, et. al. and Michael, Best and Friedrich. Several vendors also were regular advertisers including West Group, Lexis-Nexis, Wisconsin Juris, and Cassidy Cataloging.

The LLAW Newsletter, both current and archived issues, appeared in electronic format on the LLAW website. New advertising rates went into affect to reflect web access.

The newsletter was also composed in a new way. The committee purchased, and began using, Microsoft Publisher software, which could easily accommodate pictures and graphics and better enable each issue to go to the web. The newsletter committee also welcomed Jim Mumm as co-editor who expertly laid out several issues in this volume.

Thanks to everybody who contributed time and talent!

Mary Koshollek
Co-Editor,
LLAW Newsletter

News from the Grants Committee

The committee is pleased to make these awards, but we were disappointed in the very low number of applicants. We recognize that many firms and institutions have cut out-of-state travel to professional meetings way back. So the Committee, with the Executive Board’s approval, will carry over the unspent Grants funds to next year and increase the amounts of the grants. We hope this will encourage more people to apply. The AALL Annual Meeting is in Seattle in 2003 – it’s a great place for meetings and fun!

The committee is awarding a $750 grant to Pam Noyd to attend the AALL Annual Meeting in Orlando this summer. In addition, Connie Von Der Heide, as incoming chapter President, is also receiving a $750 grant. Carol Bannen has been selected as our chapter’s delegate to West Group’s “Life in the Fast Lane” program that is being held on July 20th in Orlando. Although Carol’s designation does not have a monetary award associated with it, the committee handled the application/selection process. Congratulations to all three. We will expect to hear all about their experiences in a later newsletter.

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never been part of such a “community”.

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I truly believe mine was shorter due to my prior experience. I already understood the law-making process, legal organization, cite checking, and primary v. secondary sources. I tip my hat to those entering this field cold.

3. Not everything is on the Internet and what’s there may not be worthy of sharing.

I cannot thank my professors enough for stressing the importance of the Internet, as well as, its shortfalls. I evaluate sources, understand relevance ranking, and can explain the need to look elsewhere when an attorney says – “You shouldn’t have to spend too much time, it must be on the Internet.” The Internet has made all our jobs much easier and many government sites are a blessing, but some things still need to be obtained the “old fashioned” way. Or, in the alternative, a quality commercial database needs to be searched.

What I need to learn:

1. How to use the entire arsenal of materials available and identify “the best source” for various types of information.

I need to broaden my knowledge set. Slowly, I am learning what items contain what information. Loose-leaf filing sure has helped me grasp the scope of materials within a publication. Suggestions from attorneys and other librarians have also assisted in my education.

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What I wished I had learned:

1. The real world of on-line research.

Wouldn’t it be great to be able to search for hours in a database just like when you were in school? It’s not only the cost, but also the time! I truly believe that it would serve everyone better if we were taught that research is a two-fold process:

a. The correct information needs to be located

b. The client cost of the database, along with, the librarian’s time must be understood (not just mentioned as a passing consideration).

2. The curriculum does not explore the daily operation of a library in enough detail.

It isn’t the university’s fault. So much of this profession is learned through “hands on” experience. My paralegal education was extremely practical. We learned to draft pleading, became familiar with standard forms, and experienced the “legal process”. Theory went hand in hand with actual work, based on real cases, which easily transferred to the work situation. That luxury does not always exist in the library world. I wish I could have seen real vendor licenses and contracts (and the negotiation process), experienced how difficult weeding really is (theory doesn’t touch reality), and maybe set up accounts to fight through billings with publishers.

I can honestly say that the past six months has left me thirsty for more. It is a welcomed challenge and a road worth traveling. I love to hear what veteran librarians believe is important to the development of law librarians. It helps mold the profession.

LLAW began the 2001-2002 season by accepting the “Excellence in Marketing Award” at the 2001 AALL Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, MN. LLAW received the award for its innovative Internet legal research seminars offered at the State Bar of Wisconsin. LLAW’s seminar offerings helped raise awareness in Wisconsin as to the important role fulfilled by law librarians. The award is housed in the Computer Room at the Wisconsin State Law Library in Madison, WI. An announcement concerning the award was published in Wisconsin legal periodicals and newspapers.

Throughout the year the PR committee worked to publicize the events and accomplishments of LLAW and its members in AALL Spectrum’s chapter and member news columns. The LLAW brochure was updated, as it is each year, to reflect chapter changes.

The PR committee held a logo design contest, and Melissa Mooney of Madison, WI’s Foley & Lardner library submitted the winning logo design. The PR committee worked with Pike & Company (a Madison, WI design firm) to finalize the logo, sharpen the image, and obtain a professional layout in numerous electronic file formats. The logo now graces the LLAW website and chapter literature.

LLAW had a small booth at the second annual Wisconsin Law and Technology show in Milwaukee, WI in the fall of 2001. Two winners, attorneys from Madison and Elk horn law firms, each received Amazon.com gift certificates.

Special thanks to Susan Janik and Patricia Sommer for serving on the LLAW Public Relations Committee. Special thanks to Barb Walker for serving as the UW-Milwaukee School of Information Science LLAW liaison.

In March 2002 a National Library Week/National Legal Research Teach-In information exchange took place on the LLAW listserv. Ideas were shared as to ways in which to maximize National Library Week/National Legal Research Teach-In events in law libraries. Best practices were shared regarding events LLAW members sponsor to heighten awareness as to the value of legal information agencies.

The PR committee appointed library school liaisons between LLAW and the UW-Madison School of Library and Information Studies and the UW-Milwaukee School of Information Science. The liaisons serve as the link between LLAW and Wisconsin’s library school students. The liaisons work to promote LLAW and law librarianship, and to encourage library school students to join LLAW and attend LLAW meetings.

Respectfully Submitted by Laura Olsen Dugan on April 30, 2002
This spring I had the privilege of being selected as an attendee for LexisNexis’ Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries (TRIPLL) conference. The conference was held in Phoenix, Arizona from April 12-14, 2002. The beautiful setting was a background for this conference, which had the mission of teaching law librarians how to target training programs for people within their firms.

The conference began with an overview of the United States law firm market by Leigh Sempeses, LexisNexis Vice President. The number of lawyers has doubled in the past 20 years in this country and high competition continues for the top graduates. Globalization is a continuing trend as a method to enhance revenue growth. We have now seen the first Top Ten U.S. law firm merge with a leading U.K. firm. In the future, it is predicted that twenty global firms will dominate the market worldwide. Altman Weil, Inc. suggests that law firms selectively raise rates, market strategically, and train leaders for the long term in order to maintain their competitive advantage. The great challenge to law firms is still to continually locate new clients. To this end, several librarians reported that the reporting structure at their firms had changed. These librarians were now reporting to a Director of Marketing with skilled library research professionals working with marketing people to develop potential client databases of information.

Cindy Spohr of LexisNexis then presented a class on assessing firm training needs. The main focus of this presentation was on needs assessment and the various ways surveys can be conducted. The different types of assessment – written survey, focus groups, and open house – were discussed. Several firms were using zoomerang.com, an Internet service, whereby one can post their survey on zoomerang, staff has private access to the survey via the zoomerang's interface and your results are tabulated by zoomerang. Monice Kaczorowski of Ross & Hardies in Chicago provided samples of her training surveys specific to each area of law practiced at her firm. She stated that one thing she discovered about surveying people regarding training is that at times the survey highlights not only training needs, but organizational problems within the library and its processes as well. (People commented not only on training needs, but on other library-related issues as well.) In the end, the goal is the establishment of a training program that increases the skills of participants, avoids embarrassment for the trainee and cuts down or avoids repeat questions at your reference desk.

In conducting a training class, the librarian’s greatest competition is always the billable hour. How do you get attorneys/paralegals to attend a class that takes away from their billable hours? Couple this with the fact that the attorney may not be getting CLE credit for attendance. Many attorneys may also feel they will learn what they need to know from partners or their peers. Hooks to lure people into training were discussed – food, prizes, timed e-mails that count down to the moments before training, etc. The more one publicizes the class, the better. Getting a powerful person within your firm to see the value of training and sup-

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digital transmission technologies that support distance learning. Representatives were also encouraged to produce a database protection bill this session that will allow fair use of databases.

E-Rate and Universal service were mentioned & all Representatives & both Senators were thanked for the discount program, even though there is no specific bill addressing this at this time. The existing program is very good & legislators were reminded that libraries remain strong participants in the program.

In the areas of government information and access, the delegation asked Senators Feingold and Kohl to co-sponsor and support S. 803, which was introduced by Senator Lieberman & addresses e-government. In addition to establishing a new Office of Electronic Government, the proposal addresses the issue of preserving electronic information provided by the federal government for long-term permanent public access. On a related issue, representatives were asked to co-sponsor and support Representative Horn’s “Presidential Records Act Amendments of 2002” (H.R. 4187) which nullifies Executive Order 13233 and sets other limitations on the assertion of executive privilege in relation to presidential records.

With appropriate follow-up as these issues are being acted upon, we are hopeful that our library advocacy will be fruitful for libraries and patrons throughout Wisconsin. National Library Legislative Day next year will be held May 12-13, 2003. If you are interested in library issues and would like to become involved in advocacy, please consider participation next year.

In February, Richard Hendricks of DeWitt Ross & Stevens, was named Newsline Editor for the Anomalist website. Started in 1996 by Patrick Huyghe (former contributing editor to Science Digest and Omni, author of several books, and editor-in-chief for Paraview Press), the Anomalist is the premiere site for worldwide anomaly and strange science reporting.

Hendricks gave two “Weird Wisconsin” talks for National Library Week: one in Marion, and the other in Waukesha. Recently, he and other members of the Wisconsin Paranormal Research Center were featured in a 4.5-minute news segment on WDJT-TV, CBS-58, in Milwaukee shot at an investigation at the Blue Agave restaurant in Mequon. He is currently putting together two conferences for fall - Ghostspoozl in Wausau, and Weird Wisconsin 2002 in Madison which features several Wisconsin writers, editors, and other people of questionable taste. And, as usual, he is working on all kinds of weird projects.
“Anastasoff, Unpublished Opinions, and “No-Citation” Rules.”

After the publication of *Anastasoff v. U.S.*, the topic of unpublished opinions became hot again, even though *Anastasoff* was later vacated as moot. This mini-symposium collection of papers presents a variety of opinion, theory, and research concerning the use and value of unpublished decisions and rules limiting their citation.

Anderson, Steven P. and Davidson, Stephanie.
*Legal Information Alert* 20:1-7 (September 2001)

The authors evaluate seven low-cost competitors to LexisNexis and Westlaw: Loislaw, VersusLaw, Quicklaw, TheLaw.Net, National Law Library, RegScan Law, and Lawprobe. They discuss the results of three identical searches in all the services, examine the quality of the services’ case law, and compare pricing. Tables summarize search functions and costs for all seven services.

*LLRX* [http://www.llrx.com/features/hungarian.htm](http://www.llrx.com/features/hungarian.htm) (December 3, 2001)

This overview includes sections on the Hungarian constitution, parliament, president, constitutional court, parliamentary commissioner, local government, judiciary, legal profession, law faculties and institutes, and sources of legal literature.

Berring, Robert C. “The Evolution of Research: Legal Research and the World of Thinkable Thoughts.”
*Journal of Appellate Practice and Process* 2:305-318 (Summer 2000)

Using Blackstone’s *Commentaries* as an example, Prof. Berring focuses on how the changing habits of the new computer-oriented generation of legal researchers point toward a fundamental change in the way lawyers think about law.

Biehl, Kathy and Halvorson, T.R. “Securities Mosaic: Somebody Thought This One Through.”

Securities Mosaic is an information portal for professionals who work closely with federal securities regulations and disclosure documents. It offers comprehensive federal statutes, regulations, SEC news and releases, and public filings. The reviewers agree that it is an excellent, inexpensive tool for securities practitioners.


SurfWax is an inexpensive tool that makes it easier to locate and organize online information. Before running a search, a user can define the sources that the search query will comb. SurfWax also includes “My InfoCubby” for storing documents and data in user-created folders.

*(Please see Recommended Readings on page 17)*
Bissett, Jan and Heinen, Margi. “Finding Lawyers: Directories, Web Sites & State Bar Sources.”
LLRX http://www.llrx.com/columns/reference32.htm (December 17, 2001)

This column is intended to help researchers find attorney information from a variety of sources, especially State Bar directories of members, which are listed and linked alphabetically by state.


This well-organized guide includes sections on the political system, legal system, and legal profession, followed by a bibliography and a list of Internet resources.

“Corporate Counsel’s Guide to CISG Resources on the Internet.”
Corporate Counsel’s Quarterly 17(4): 49-63 (October 2001)

This is a guide to Internet resources relating to the U.N. Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods.

Foster, Lynn and Kennedy, Bruce. “The Evolution of Research: Technological Developments in Legal Research.”

This article traces the history of the publication of appellate decisions in the U.S. and their conversion to electronic format, the resulting changes in the nature of legal research, and the debate over who owns the different forms of case law. It concludes with some speculation on appellate decision dissemination in the future.

Fullerton, Barbara. “Hunting for a Job? Try the Internet.”
LLRX http://www.llrx.com/features/jobhunting.htm (February 1, 2002)

This feature article provides descriptions and links to general job boards, sites specifically geared to law library positions, and sites for library positions generally. It also links to state library association’s Web sites that include job announcements.

Gebbia-Pinetti, Karen M.
“Select Advisory Committee on Business Reorganization (SABRE): Annotated List of Resources.”
Business Lawyer 57:245-344 (November 2001)

The annotated resource list emphasizes materials that provide data, opinions, and recommendations concerning the cost and time of Chapter 11 business reorganization. It also includes sources that address a broad array of related issues.


This guide to legal research in Azerbaijan includes sections on the legislative system, sources of basic law, courts and case law, government, and law faculties. It provides Internet links to a variety of sites both within the text and at the end.

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This guide is arranged by form of material. The first section following the introduction covers secondary sources, including reference works, treatises, restatements, ALRs, digests, and legal periodicals. The next section deals with primary sources, both official and unofficial, and their finding aids. The final section is devoted to Internet resources.


In Spring 2000, the Association of Legal Writing Directors issued a new legal citation manual that it designed to be easy to use, whether or not the user was experienced with citation form. This article gives the new manual high marks in achieving the goals of citation and the goals of a good citation manual.


This overview of Belarus law includes sections on the government, presidency, legal system, judicial system, legal documentation, and Internet resources (with links).


This article examines the premises behind the Anastasoff opinion, concludes that the judge misinterprets the intent of the framers of the Constitution, and rejects the judge’s views on historical attitudes toward predecential hierarchies.


This bibliography covers articles published after 1995 and ALR annotations that have been supplemented since 1995. Citations are arranged by topic. Topics include Abortion, Adoption, Child abuse, Children’s rights, Confidential communications, Cyberprivacy, Employment, Genetic testing, Health information, Mediation, Parental rights, Religious freedom, Reproductive technology, Schools, Sexual orientation, Torts, and more.


Shook, Hardy & Bacon librarian Janet McKinney describes her firm’s intranet implementation, using SV Technology’s off-the-shelf portal product LawPort.

Milder, Forrest David. “Useful Links and Websites for Housing Lawyers.” Affordable Housing & Community Development Law 11:1-11 (Fall 2001)

This article describes and provides URLs for the many available Internet sources of law and data related to housing.

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Prof. Nimmer presents his views on the Digital Millennium Copyright Act in the form of a judicial opinion from the far future that he chanced upon after falling into a trance while meditating on the Act.


This introduction to Lithuanian law includes sections on the legal system, sources of law, the courts and case law, parliamentary and other government information, law schools, lawyers, law libraries, legal reference works, publishers, news, and organizations. It also provides links to Internet resources throughout.


This article explores the evolution of the law of hyperlinking and the role click-on agreements may play in preventing hyperlinking in the future.


This article reviews linking claims and potential claims, including cases of direct linking, deep linking, metatags, keyword purchases, inlining, framing, and derivative liability. It analyzes the legal theories asserted, suggests defenses and strategies for combating linking claims, and concludes with recommendations for link-law policies.


The author discusses a number of Internet sites for finding personal information such as social security numbers, addresses, phone numbers, birth dates, names of relatives and neighbors, bankruptcies, tax liens, civil judgments, real property data, motor vehicle registrations, and on and on.


This overview of Uzbekistan legal research includes sections on primary sources, government, courts, lawyers, constitutional laws, and market laws. It lists Internet links at the end.


This comment explores the development of unpublished opinions, the argument set out in Anastasoff, and the historical roots of precedent. It rejects the arguments used in Anastasoff, and instead argues that denying pre- cedential value to unpublished opinions is a violation of due process and equal protection.

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Tyburski, Genie. “Click and Go Seek.”  
Law Office Computing 12(1): 90-91 (February/March 2002)

This installment of the Tyburski Files column offers researchers six strategies for finding “beyond the basic” on private companies—competitors, customers, new products, research and development, etc. A sidebar lists twelve relevant Web sites with their URLs.

Wallace, Marie. “Room Setups for Presentations & Training: One Size Does NOT Fit All.”  

This column defines and explains different styles of both large and small group room setups. It also includes an arrangements checklist for presenters.

LLRX http://www.llrx.com/features/e_parliament.htm (November 15, 2001)

The author summarizes the passage of a bill through the parliamentary process and provides references to electronic resources that are available to help track the bill along the way. A tabular guide summarizes resources for bill tracking, and a chart outlines the parliamentary process for a public bill.

LLRX http://www.llrx.com/features/airlinetickets.htm (February 1, 2002)

This article provides an overview of the airline ticket industry and a description of the types of tickets available to consumers. It also includes a comparative sampling of 26 travel Web sites and the fares they offered on Dec. 7, 2001 for three sample destinations.

* 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)