

Official newsletter of the Southeastern Chapter of A.A.L.L.

From the President

Mark your calendars for April 15-17, 1993, the dates of the annual chapter meeting and institute in Charleston, West Virginia. Pam Williams and the members of the Program Committee have planned an interesting and exciting educational agenda for the meeting. I want to commend them for their fine work. I also want to thank Cam Riley and Marjorie Price, co-chairs of the Local Arrangements Committee, and their committee members for the efforts they have put forth for the upcoming meeting. Claire Germain, chair of the Education Committee, together with her committee have put together an excellent and timely institute for Thursday, April 14, 1993. The institute will focus on Internet. I am confident that this topic has broad appeal to SEALL members, and I am looking forward to strong attendance at the institute.

As I mentioned in my last column, SEALL is facing financial issues which require that the membership vote on a dues increase for 1993-1994. The newsletter, which will no longer be underwritten by Randall Brown of Law Book Exchange, needs to now be financed by membership dues and advertising revenue. Furthermore, the reception at the AALL annual meeting has become a strong addition to the business meeting. The Executive Board wants to continue to hold the reception and to underwrite some if not all of the expenses. The dues increase will also continue to underwrite in some measure the annual SEALL meeting. The reduction in support from vendors has eroded the ability of the Local Arrangements Committee and the Program Committee to plan extensive educational programs at the meeting while staying within the budget. Because I feel strongly that a major focus of SEALL is educational programming, I do not want to discourage innovative planning for the annual meeting. The strong program presented at the annual meeting is one of the major reasons that SEALL remains one of the best chapters in AALL. I am interested in the views of the membership prior to the vote of the Executive Committee on the amount of the increase. Please feel free to call me at Loyola at 504-861-5554 or write me a letter.

Another item of importance carried in this newsletter is the constitutional amendment regarding voting rights of associate members. In the spirit of more inclusion for all SEALL members, I asked Betty Kern, chair of the Articles and Bylaws Committee, to bring forth an amendment which allows voting rights for associate members. This area is not covered in the current articles and bylaws and needed to be clarified. I hope that you will read over the amendment and vote on this issue.

I also want to recognize the efforts of Jim Gates, the current editor of *The Southeastern Law Librarian*. Jim has smoothly made the transition from working with Randall Brown on the production and mailing of the newsletter to preparing and producing the master in-house at the University of Florida. Rhea A-L Ballard has also agreed to assist the chapter in a more aggressive pursuit of advertisers for the newsletter. An increase in advertising revenue would obviously offset the impact of the loss of Randall Brown's underwriting of our newsletter.

I hope to see all of you in Charleston in April.

Ed Edmonds

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Editor's Note

After several conversations with Ed Edmonds concerning the recent changes in the means by which this newsletter is published, we would like to suggest the following publication schedule:

Issue 1: Fall (October)

Will include Lucille Elliott Scholarship information.

Issue 2: Winter (February)

Will include SEALL pre-conference information.

Issue 3: Spring (May)

Will include SEALL post-conference information, committee preference form, and AALL conference information.

Issue 4: Summer (August)

Will include AALL post-conference information and new SEALL committee list.

Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions concerning this publication schedule.

Also, as noted in Ed's comments, Rhea A-L Ballard has offered to take on the difficult chore of gathering new advertisers for our newsletter. Positive results of her efforts will be seen in future issues.

Once again, my thanks to Pam Williams for her WordPerfect and proofreading expertise.

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November 1, 1992 - January 31, 1993

OPENING BALANCE	\$2,487.76
CD's Cashed ¹	<u>7,000.00</u>
INCOME	
Vendor Support-Annual Meeting	\$1,400.00
Dues	185.00
Newsletter Advertising	100.00
Checking Account/CD Interest	149.06
	<u>\$1,834.06</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,321.82
EXPENSES	
Newsletter Mailing	\$277.92
Newsletter Printing	520.00
Scholarship Mailing	366.34
Scholarships (2)	<u>1,000.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>\$2,164.26</u>
CLOSING BALANCE	
Cash at Bank	\$9,157.56

Respectfully Submitted,
Sue Burch, Treasurer

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**Proposed Schedule for Annual Meeting
Southeastern Chapter, American Association of Law Libraries
Charleston, WV April 15-17, 1993**

Thursday, April 15

Registration 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Reception (off site)

Friday, April 16

Information Centers in the Information Society - Keynote Address. James Hambleton, Dallas/Fort Worth School of Law Library and AALL Board Member; Fred Glazer, State Librarian of West Virginia.

The Word from Washington: Developments in the National Information Policy Arena and Government Printing Office. Susan E. Tulis, University of Virginia Law Library; Timothy Coggins, University of Alabama Law Library; TBA, representative of the U.S. GPO.

How to file a Freedom of Information Request. Dawn Warfield, Deputy Attorney General, West Virginia; TBA, United States Attorney General's Office.

Dialog on Westlaw - Tips from an Expert. Rosalie Sanderson, University of Florida, Legal Information Center.

Water/Air/Space Law. Peter Nycum, Northwestern School of Law, Paul L. Boley Law Library.

Strategies for Tight Budgets. James L. Gates, University of Florida, Legal Information Center; Lisa Williams, Parker, Poe, Adams & Bernstein.

Empowering the End User. Jack Hurd, Nelson, Mullins, Riley & Scarborough.

Censorship and Intellectual Freedom. Judith Krug, Office for Intellectual Freedom, American Library Association.

Developments in Copyright Law. David J. Ensign, University of Louisville Law Library; James S. Heller, College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe Law Library.

Saturday, April 17

Heart Attack 101. Library Automation Stressors:

- 1) You Want Me to Put What Where? Steven R. Thorpe, University of Tennessee Law Library.
- 2) Technostress. Kenneth Hirsch, Duke University School of Law Library.

Promoting the Study and Appreciation of Legal History in the Law Library. Marsha Trimble, University of Virginia Law Library; Nancy Dobson, Florida Supreme Court Historical Society.

Pro Bono Service by Law Librarians: Ethical and Practical Considerations. Kathy Garner, Southern Illinois University Law Library; Catherine Lemann, Law Library of Louisiana; Robin K. Mills, Emory University Law Library.

Collecting Rare and Out-of-Print Materials. Vivian L. Campbell, Georgetown University Law Center, Edward Bennett Williams Law Library; Edwin M. Schroeder, Florida State University, College of Law Library.

SEALL 1993 Institute

Computer Networking in Law Libraries

Mark your calendars for Thursday, April 15, 1993 and plan to attend the 1993 SEALL Institute on "Computer Networking in Law Libraries", immediately preceding the annual SEALL meeting in Charleston, West Virginia. The Institute will be devoted to practical tips on how to maximize use of computer networking. This is a topic that you cannot afford to ignore, because it is the way of the future!

The survey on the Institute was sent out in the December 1992 issue of the Newsletter. 26 responses were received, 17 from academic law libraries and 9 from law firm, court and county libraries. The majority of respondents consider themselves at a basic level, 6 at the intermediate level. Most respondents are interested in learning about all Internet functions.

The Institute will cover a basic introduction to Internet, and how academic and non-academic law librarians can access it. The various Internet functions will then be explored with demonstrations, including e-mail, remote-logins to online catalogs and other files, access to Lexis and Westlaw, FTP (file transfer protocol), electronic bulletin boards, Usenet and listservs, as well as less familiar applications, such as Gopher (document and information retrieval), WAIS (Wide Area Information Services). A portion of the day will also be devoted to the use of Internet for resource sharing and document delivery services from commercial vendors. Finally, there will be a roundtable to share problems and solutions on network management and policies.

For more information, please contact Claire M. Germain, SEALL Education Committee Chair, Duke University, School of Law Library, Box 90361, Durham, North Carolina 27708-0361. Telephone (919) 684- 6182. Telefax (919) 684-8770. Internet: CMG@FACULTY.LAW.DUKE.EDU

Mentor/Mentee Program

by Elizabeth Validie
Loyola University

Ah mentoring! The opportunity to make someone believe that you are the most knowledgeable person

around. Who wouldn't want to take advantage of the chance to seem brilliant and helpful? A form for participation in the Mentor/Mentee program will be included in the pre-registration mailing for the annual meeting in April. If you have attended a meeting before and would like to be remembered forever with appreciation, please fill out a form and send it in so we can begin to match mentors with mentees. Share your experiences with someone who wants to hear about them.

Discover Charleston

by Margie Price
West Virginia Supreme Court Law Library

Hugging the Appalachian mountains where the Kanawha and Elk Rivers converge, the West Virginia capital offers a unique blend of modern technology and folk traditions. You'll find everything from a high rise shopping center to country quilts.

Once a part of Virginia, West Virginia seceded from the commonwealth to form its own state during the Civil War period. Charleston began as a wilderness fort and home of Daniel Boone in the late 1700's. This progressive and vibrant city is consistently named one of the best places in the nation to live.

The Town Center near the convention center offers one-stop shopping in a modern three-story complex. Over 165 shops and restaurants make it one of the nation's largest downtown enclosed shopping malls.

Or if you prefer, ride the Trolley to Renaissance Village's quaint boutiques, large department stores, 29 eateries, entertainment, cultural and service organizations. This area is a treasure chest of architectural detail and history lining brick sidewalks with cast iron lampposts.

For entertainment you may choose the West Virginia symphony, baseball in Watt Powell Park, a ride on the P.A. Denny Sternwheeler or West Virginia Belle riverboats on the Kanawha River. Museums, golf courses, tennis courts, hiking trails, a skating rink, white water rafting and other sports opportunities await adventurous conferees. "Dog-gone" good entertainment can be found in nearby Cross lanes. Tri-State Greyhound Park is a modern, year-round greyhound dog racing track. The grandstand is enclosed so the races are on rain or shine. You may even opt to have dinner there while you watch the

dogs run. You might be a big winner, but even if you lose, it's still great fun.

Guided tours are also available. Watch master craftsmen creating blown glass objects; tour the museum which contains exhibits of stained glass, capitol lighting globes, original Williamsburg stemware and a Country Music Award trophy. Historical walking tours route through three areas of Charleston.

Tourists will also want to take in the impressive sites of the State Capitol Complex, the centerpiece of which is the gold dome Capitol Building. Considered one of the nation's most beautiful, the capitol features a rotunda in which a two-ton chandelier of Czechoslovakian crystal is suspended some 180 feet above the floor.

Located on the capitol grounds is the Cultural Center, which showcases West Virginia arts. From the continuing legacy of handmade quilts, to objects of modern sculpture, the Cultural Center gives you a feel for the arts in West Virginia.

Charleston uses its proximity to the river for both trade and pleasure. Each year the city celebrates its riverboat heritage with the spectacular Sternwheel Regatta.

If you find historic homes of interest, you will be impressed by Charleston's Historical East End. There are numerous distinctive homes in a variety of architectural styles including Greek Revival, late Victoria, Queen Anne, Colonial, Georgian, Italianate and Renaissance. Another not-to-be-missed home is the Governor's Mansion in the Capitol Complex. Tours are available of the first floor state rooms.

Beautiful mountain scenery beckons you to spend some time in Charleston. The memories you make there draw you back to "Wild, Wonderful West Virginia," because, as John Denver sang, it is "almost heaven."

ADA

by Rick Donnelly
University of Florida

Panic is the word that might best describe the response of many librarians to the passage of P.L. 101-336, The Americans with Disabilities Act, or

ADA. Visions of major structural modifications, including demolishing buildings and starting over, were experienced by some who read early drafts of the bill or heard rumors of what bringing buildings and services into compliance might require. As the dust settles from enactment, and after more thoughtful consideration of the act's requirements, a calmer response is evolving.

The ADA is certainly comprehensive. Its expectations cover innumerable obstacles to people with disabilities. Equal access is the law's objective, and that includes equal access to information, or at least equal access to sources of information. That is where libraries come in. The buildings we occupy, the jobs we offer, and the information we control must be equally accessible to all. While many libraries have offered some form of assistance to people with disabilities in the past, the ADA sets thresholds and guidelines for assistance by which all libraries must measure assistance in the future.

As stated in section (1) of the "purpose" of the Americans with Disabilities Act, it is the purpose of the law, "to provide a clear and comprehensive national mandate for the elimination of discrimination against individuals with disabilities." If successful, such a mandate will open doors to many new users as yet unserved. Accordingly, every library should become acquainted with "what" is required, for "whom", and by "when."

A natural place to begin is a review of the law itself. Besides the public law, annotated editions of the act are available from several looseleaf publishers, and a number of monographs are in print which cover the act's language, regulations, and etiquette when assisting people with disabilities. Numerous journal articles have addressed the topic, as well as several government publications such as the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's technical assistance manual on the employment provisions of the act. A review of the literature should help library personnel identify potential problem areas in their current service policies for people with disabilities and offer practical solutions tried and tested by others.

Public services to people with disabilities will require some creativity and accommodation, but it does not necessarily mean major structural modifications. For example, the height of existing tables can be raised for easy use by wheelchair users by retro-fitting the

tables with longer legs, or by fixing blocks under table legs to raise them to the required heights. Library users' guides can be made available to people who are visually impaired by making enlarged print copies on an office photocopier. Visually impaired people might also benefit from audiotapes produced by library staff members of library publications or other users' guides. While there is no restriction on the height of library bookstacks, and therefore no need to shorten stack heights, public service departments should be prepared to assist people with disabilities by retrieving materials from unreachable shelves in the stacks upon request.¹

One item of equipment that should be considered for purchase by libraries serving people who are deaf is a V/TDD telephone. The V/TDD phone allows the deaf caller to "read" telephone conversations via equipment similar to a typewriter equipped with a small computer screen. Two callers with V/TDD equipment can communicate with each other by typing messages to each other. A V/TDD phone may be the only way a person who is deaf can call the library to make requests or inquiries, so an investment in the necessary V/TDD equipment should be considered. V/TDD phones currently cost from approximately \$350 to nearly \$500 to purchase. Monthly equipment leases from telephone companies begin at around \$10 per month. A dedicated line is not required for installation, and existing telephone lines will handle the V/TDD calls. Local and long distance tolls are the same as for regular telephones.

An often overlooked source of information is a library's potentially most valuable resource: library users with disabilities themselves. Who better to tell you about your existing obstacles to service than the people who are dealing with the problems on a regular basis. Consultation with individuals or library user groups with disabilities would likely offer a constructive critique of current services and may result in practical solutions to frustrating problems they encounter while being served.

Hopefully, in the near future, issues regarding retro-fitting buildings, and retro-fitting attitudes for serving people with disabilities will become minor issues as people plan their new buildings and services with the forethought of serving all potential users, disabled and non-disabled. Until then, every library should take advantage of the experience of others by learning from the literature, practical demonstration, and the counsel of people with disabilities as libraries

adopt the spirit and follow the letter of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

¹Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Accessibility Guidelines for Buildings and Facilities," 36 CFR 1191 (8.5).

Women and Prison Reform in the Late 19th Century: Sources Dealing with the Work of Julia S. Tutwiler (1841-1916)

by Paul Pruitt
University of Alabama

The following is a brief report of a research project on prison reform in post-Civil War Alabama, concentrating on the activities of Julia Tutwiler, head of the prison-works department of the state Woman's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU). Tutwiler is famous as an opponent of Alabama's post-Civil War "Convict Lease" regime. Under this system, which was common in the late nineteenth-century South, prisoners were leased to private contractors -- who undertook to feed, cloth, house, work, and guard them. The results were that all too many prisoners (the majority of whom were black) did not survive their sentences; at one point during Reconstruction, forty per cent of the convicts died in one year. Though Tutwiler and the WCTU joined labor and reformist groups by the mid-1880's to improve conditions in the convict camps, the system continued to consume lives at an appalling rate. Ten per cent death-rates were not unheard of. The work carried out by prisoners (mostly coal mining) was dangerous, and living conditions were rough. But to Julia Tutwiler such problems were less disturbing than the moral degradation and intellectual stagnation experienced by inmates of the camps. Tutwiler worked for the last three decades of her life to insure the separation of inmates by age, gender, and seriousness of offense, and to provide convicts with access to basic religious and educational services. The daughter of a distinguished educator and herself a well-known teacher and administrator, she had ready access to legislators in Montgomery--and she proved to be a formidable lobbyist. Over the years she was directly responsible for improving conditions in county jails; she was the founder of a night school

program for inmates of the coal mining camps. She was instrumental, too, in securing the separation of women prisoners and in establishing reform schools for young men. She did not live to see the abolition of the convict lease system (which lasted in Alabama until 1928), a fact which troubled her greatly at the time of her death.

A Lucile Elliott Scholarship from SEALL helped defray the costs of Julia Tutwiler and prison reform research--specifically gasoline, photocopying, and postage expenses. Several libraries/archives hold collections relevant to the life and work of Julia Tutwiler and her WCTU colleagues. These include the Special Collections Department of the Gorgas Library, University of Alabama; the Alabama State Department of Archives and History, Montgomery; and the Birmingham Public Library. The Southern Historical Collection, University of North Carolina, and the Alderman Library of the University of Virginia have important Tutwiler-related holdings, too. Below is a survey of works and materials related to the history of Julia Tutwiler and women's involvement in Alabama prison reform. It is intended to be helpful but not exhaustive. It is also intended to be encouraging to researchers in other states--since Julia Tutwiler's reformist stance was not unique. In Georgia, take one quick example, the work of Rebecca Latimer Felton (1835-1930) largely paralleled that of Julia Tutwiler. (Felton's life has been covered in everything from brief articles to a full-length biography, but there has been no definitive account of her work against the convict lease system. Throughout the region, other prison reform crusaders have been even less fortunate in their treatment by scholars.)

SECONDARY SOURCES:

The best published treatments of the convict lease system in Alabama are found in *Allen J. Going, Bourbon Democracy in Alabama, 1874-1890* (University, Alabama, 1951) and *Robert David Ward and William Warren Rogers, Convicts, Coal, and the Banner Mine Tragedy* (University, Alabama, 1987). Mary Ellen Curtin, however, has written a dissertation, "*Legacies of Struggle: Black Prisoners in the Making of Post-Bellum Alabama, 1865-1895*" (Ph.D. Thesis, Duke University, 1992). The standard biography of Julia Tutwiler is *Anne Gary Pannell and Dorothea E. Wyatt, Julia S. Tutwiler and Social Progress in Alabama* (University, Alabama, 1961). It is a fine, pathbreaking work, but it devotes more attention to her academic preparation

and teaching career than to her career as a prison reformer. Mary Martha Thomas' *The New Woman in Alabama: Social Reforms and Suffrage, 1890-1920* (Tuscaloosa, Alabama, 1992) places Tutwiler's work in the context of the women's issues of the time. Paul M. Pruitt, Jr., "The Education of Julia Tutwiler: Background to a Life of Reform," forthcoming in the *Alabama Review*, XLVI (July 1993), deals with Tutwiler's values and the beginning of her interest in prisoners.

STATE DOCUMENTS:

Important state documents concerning prison reform in Alabama include the Acts of Alabama, which are indexed, and the House and Senate Journals, which are not indexed, but which provide useful information to those persons willing to turn pages and plod along. Also important are various state reports, including the various numbers of the *Biennial Report of the Inspectors of the Alabama Penitentiary* for the late 1870's and 1880's, and the *Biennial Report of the Board of Inspectors of Convicts* for the 1890's and early 1900's.

NEWSPAPERS:

The Alabama Department of Archives and History has a card-file of newspaper citations pertaining to Julia Tutwiler and her WCTU work. In general, the *Montgomery Advertiser*, *Birmingham Age-Herald*, and other dailies provide coverage. However, Tutwiler's childhood and academic career were spent in west Alabama, so local papers such as the *Tuscaloosa Gazette* and the *Livingston Our Southern Home* should also be consulted. Even on microfilm, old newspapers are enjoyable to read and contain a surprising amount of source-material for legal history.

PROCEEDINGS:

Some of Julia Tutwiler's most important work is recorded in the published papers of academic or reformist conferences. See, for example, her speech titled "Our Brother in Stripes, in the School-Room," in *National Educational Association Journal of Proceedings and Addresses, Session of the Year 1890* (Topeka, Kansas, 1890), 602-603. Also very important for prison reform studies are the Minutes or *Proceedings of the Alabama Woman's Christian Temperance Union* (beginning in 1884), many of which contain reports made by Julia Tutwiler in her capacity as superintendent of prison work. These proceedings are difficult to come by--they seem to have vanished from several libraries whose

catalogues list them. Fortunately Clara L. Pitts, *"Julia Strudwick Tutwiler"* (Ed.D. Thesis, George Washington University, 1942), 196-216 reprints a large sampling of Tutwiler's WCTU reports.

MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS:

The Special Collections Department of the Gorgas Library, University of Alabama, contains an important Julia Tutwiler collection, which consists of more than thirty folders of letters, writings, and materials copied by relatives. Papers relating to Julia Tutwiler and her work are scattered in depositories throughout the region (see above). A significant number of Julia Tutwiler letters are said to be contained in the Department of Corrections Papers, Correspondence of the Inspector of the Penitentiary, Alabama Department of Archives and History. This last reference has not yet been verified; its arrival by phone yesterday (January 12) is an example of the friendliness and professionalism of librarians, archivists, and historians in the region.

SUMMARY:

The study of Julia Tutwiler's work with the Alabama WCTU involves the convergence of legal history, women's history and Southern history. Librarians are well-qualified to understand the documents involved in such research, and can play a valuable role in bringing diverse documents together.

Adventures in Bird-Watching

by Barbara D. Morgan
Kay, Casto, et al.

There are strange birds in most law offices. Perhaps some of the following may sound familiar.

The Pucker-Billed Scolder: The constant complainer. If something is wrong, he lets you know; if something's not wrong, he invents a reason it should be.

The Horn-Rimmed Shrieker: Demanding. Expects instant service and perfection, and nothing is ever fast enough or good enough.

The Four-Eyed Nitpicker: Regardless of where it is, he wants to know why it isn't somewhere else instead. If any volume in the library has a missing page, he will be the person who finds it.

The Nest-Building Snatcher: A packrat, this type never sits down at a study table. May even go so far as to fill a rolling cart with reporters and wheel them all to her office where they may remain for weeks.

The Red-Crested Fussbudget: Quarrelsome and overly competitive. Seems to resent offers of assistance and misinterprets them as personal criticism.

The Silent-Footed Backstabber: She walks with her eyes on her shoes and never speaks. Remote and usually lost in thought, she never asks you about anything. This bird is the one who directs her questions and complaints to the Library Partner or the Management Committee and you hear about it from them.

The Zorro Bird: Extremely rare species but not yet extinct. Always leaves his mark by underlining or writing in the margins of the books. (The current generation of this bird more often reveals its true identity by failing to remove the sticky paper flags which it affixes to numerous pages throughout any volume it uses.)

It is unlikely there are any magic ways of dealing with problem attorneys who have "poison personalities," but here are some tricks to keep them from getting under your skin.

When confronted with a person who is upset, the first rule is to find some point on which you can agree, psychologically jump in on their side, and convey a sympathetic attitude. If they are furious because a certain book is missing, you can reply "You're absolutely right; this sort of thing should never happen. What is it you need and let me see if I can find it for you." If they are complaining about how the books are shelved or where some material is located, you might say "I never thought of that; that might be a good idea." (You do not have to say you intend to change anything.)

Most of the time when a person loses control under pressure, gets angry when frustrated, or consistently makes unreasonable demands, the cause is something within the person himself and not something for which you are directly responsible. If everything goes smoothly for an attorney in researching a brief, do you take credit for it? Likewise, you need not feel it is your fault if an attorney's research runs into difficulty.

Take comfort in realizing that you are not the only librarian who has to deal with difficult people. Knowing this is a problem that more or less goes along with the job can help you view an unpleasant situation more objectively and resist interpreting another person's bad behavior as a personal attack. You might try winning the person over generally in order to head off confrontations in the future. It is also helpful to do all you can to understand why they behave the way they do. Study their background, their likes and dislikes, reactions and prejudices. It is sometimes effective to share a problem of your own, describe what attempts you have made to cope, and ask their advice about how to find a better solution.

Of course, it is not realistic to expect to remain calm and handle every bird with ruffled feathers diplomatically every time. There are some people who will not be placated regardless of what you do or say; there will also be times when you are under stress yourself for some reason or another and, therefore, less able to stay cool and in control. Each time a difficult situation develops you will have another opportunity to practice responding with "How can I help make it better," rather than becoming defensive, apologizing, or making explanations.

COSELL Corner

by Carol Roehrenbeck

The COSELL Executive Board met via conference call on December 9, 1992. The participants were Carol Roehrenbeck, Chair, of Nova University; Nancy Johnson of Georgia State University; Camille Riley of West Virginia University; Rebecca Clapp of Samford University; William Beintema of the University of Tennessee; Thomas Steele of Wake Forest University; and David Ensign of the University of Louisville. Here is an overview:

Annual Reports/Five Year Plans:

Jim Heller of William and Mary is continuing to collect annual reports and five year plans developed by COSELL libraries. This information will be on file for the benefit of COSELL members. So far very few libraries have responded.

Picture Archive:

Camille Riley is maintaining a picture file of COSELL libraries. Members are requested to send photographs to keep the file current.

Buying Club:

Tom Steele reports that proposals have been received and reviewed by the committee, additional information is being requested from the jobbers. The committee is planning to make a report at the April SEALL meeting. Currently, 33 COSELL libraries have expressed an interest in participating in the voluntary discount purchase agreement.

Imaging Grant:

Unfortunately, the fiche-to-fiche project was not funded. We are looking at other ideas for grants and a committee will look into the possibility of an imaging project. Bill Beintema, Tom Steele, and David Ensign volunteered to serve on the committee; John Doyle of Washington and Lee was asked to serve as Chair.

COSELL Bulletin Board:

I have distributed lists of Internet and Bitnet addresses of COSELL members. A bulletin board will be established as soon as members verify their listings. An Internet memo will be sent when the system begins functioning.

AALL Scholarships

AALL scholarships are available to anyone interested in pursuing library or law degrees as a means of furthering a career in law librarianship. The AALL is extremely committed to promoting and expanding its scholarship efforts, and very much would like all potentially-deserving applicants to be aware of this opportunity for financial support of educational endeavors.

The scholarships are divided into four categories: Type I - For law school graduates working toward a degree at an accredited library school; Type II - For library school graduates who are in the process of working towards a law degree at an accredited law school and have meaningful law library experience; Type III - For college graduates with meaningful law library experience who are degree candidates in accredited library schools; and Minority Stipends - For college graduates with law library experience who are members of a minority group as defined by current government guidelines and are degree candidates in accredited library or law schools.

SEALL Committee Reports

Articles and Bylaws Committee

Betty Kern, Donna Bausch

Proposed Bylaw Addition/Change

The Articles & Bylaws Committee has forwarded the following proposed addition to the Southeastern Chapter Bylaws, Article I, Section 2a:

CURRENT:

Section 2. Attributes of Membership

a. Rights and Privileges

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These additions/changes are published in compliance with Article IV, Section 1 of the Bylaws of the Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Committee on Service to SEALL

Carol Billings

A highlight of the annual chapter meeting in Charleston will be the presentation of the commemorative plaque to this year's recipient of SEALL's Distinguished Service Award. The Committee on Service to SEALL, comprised by Past-President Mary Cross and past-award recipients Hazel Johnson and Carol Billings, chair, is eager to receive nominations from members by the March 15 deadline.

Guidelines for the award specify the following qualifications:

1. The selection shall be based on cumulative, or continuing, service to the Chapter.
2. The recipient should have been a member of the Chapter for at least five years. Current and most recent past officers are not eligible. This will be the fifth presentation of the award. Previous honorees are Ed Edmonds, Larry Wenger, Carol Billings and Hazel Johnson.

Letters of nomination should be sent before March 15 to Carol Billings, Law Library of Louisiana, 100 Supreme Court Building, 301 Loyola Ave., New Orleans, LA 70112. They also may be faxed to 504-568-5069.

Local Arrangements Committee 1993

Margie Price

Plans are proceeding for the Spring meeting which will be held at the Charleston Marriott with an off-site reception at the Supreme Court in the West Virginia Capitol. The Committee is working on plans for a special dinner on Friday evening with some local mountain music for entertainment. Registration packets should be ready for mailing by February 1.

Membership Committee

Elizabeth Valadie

As part of our charge to welcome new members to SEALL, someone from the Membership Committee has been contacting each new SEALL member. Ideally, the Membership Committee should be composed of members representing each state in SEALL so that a more personal approach can be made by someone who could continue to be a useful contact for the new member. The Committee still needs members from Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, South Carolina, West Virginia, and Puerto Rico. If you are interested in serving on the Membership Committee, please give me a call at (504) 861-5637.

SEALL Scholarship Committee

Mary Smith Forman

On December 18, 1992 the SEALL Scholarship Committee announced its Lucille Elliot Scholarship awards to attend meetings in 1993. The recipients are:

Sue Burch, Univ. of Kentucky
(to attend AALL in Boston)
Margaret Collins, Duke Univ.
(to attend AALL Winter Inst.)
Kevin Hourihan, Tulane Univ.
(to attend AALL Winter Inst.)
Barbara Jones, Georgia State Univ.
(to attend SEALL in W. Virginia)
Catherine Lemann, Law Lib. of Louisiana
(to attend SEALL in W. Virginia)
Marguerite Most, Univ. of North Carolina
(to attend AALL in Boston)

SEALL Briefs

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Please send news items about members and Southeastern law libraries to Jack, or to: Julia Best, University of North Carolina, Reba Best, University of Tennessee, Richard Boaz, Jackson & Kelly, Charleston, Sue Burch, University of Kentucky, Sherry Young, University of Mississippi, Bea Citron, St. Thomas University, Nancy Deel, Georgia State University, Diana Osbaldiston, University of South Carolina, Nora Everlove, Special Library Service, Saint Petersburg, Ed Craig, Cumberland School of Law, or Elizabeth Valadie, Loyola Law School. Thanks to everyone who contributed!

ALABAMA

Cordell Hull Law Library of the Cumberland School of Law, Samford University, participated in the first annual Alternative Careers Information Fair, held at the law school on October 24. The Library provided information on careers in law librarianship and legal publishing. AALL literature describing both the profession and available scholarships was distributed, and a librarian was on hand to answer student questions during the fair.

Alma Surles, Reader Services Librarian at the Alabama Supreme Court and State Law Library, was a presenter at the Data Users Seminar held September 9-10, in Montgomery. The purpose of the seminar was to enhance knowledge and understanding, among data users in both state government and the news media, of the wealth of data available and how to get it. She talked about the purpose of the Supreme Court Library, its collection, library publications, the resources available, and the services provided by the reader services staff.

New SEALL member:
Kris Gilliland, student.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Jane Walsh, Georgetown University Law Library, new SEALL member.

FLORIDA

Nova University Law Library has moved into their new library building which was formally dedicated on November 11th. The members of the Florida Supreme Court took part in the ceremony.

The St. Thomas University Law Library has launched a weekly newsletter, *St. Thomas University Law Library Brief*, which contains library news, notices, facts, helpful information, and items of interest about the Law Library and its collection. The newsletter is distributed to the law school community and library patrons. Each week a different part of the library is featured.

The Law Library staff and faculty library committee luncheon meeting on October 22 featured Hope Fernandez, Information Officer of the Miami Dade Public Library System, and Shirley Wolfe, Library Director of the Education Resource Center of the Central Agency for Jewish Education in Miami, who spoke on how their libraries were coping with problems caused by Hurricane Andrew. On November 16th, Carol Roehrenbeck, Director of Nova Law Library, spoke to the same group on her experiences in building and moving into a new library.

Denise Gibson, a graduate of Nova Law School, has joined the St. Thomas Law Library staff as a reference librarian.

Sharon Allen, from Syracuse and a member of the New York State Bar, is the new Assistant Librarian for Collection Development at Nova University Law Library.

The South Florida Association of Law Libraries' (SFALL) first meeting of the year was held on October 23rd at the U.S. District Court House in Miami. Faith Mesnekoff and Jackie Rubin of the Public Defender's Office and Maggie Morefield of the U.S. Probation Office spoke on federal sentencing guidelines. A holiday social was planned for December.

St. Thomas Law Library and Nova Law Library periodicals holdings are now included in the Southeast Florida Library Information Network (SEFLIN) union list of serials. SEALL members are encouraged to check the OCLC union list

subsystem for detailed holdings before submitting any ILL request for periodical material. The SEFLIN union list's symbol is SE@L.

Virginia Thomas has been appointed Associate Librarian at the University of Miami Law Library, effective January 4, 1993. She holds a J.D. degree from IIT Chicago Kent, an A.M. in Library Science from the University of Chicago, an M.B.A. from the IIT Stuart School of Business Administration, and a B.A. from DePaul University.

The Florida State Court and County Law Libraries met for their 15th annual conference in Palm Beach, October 15-17. Jeanne Underhill, Broward County Law Librarian, was installed as the new president. Sessions focused on administrative law and round table discussions. Tours of the law libraries at the 4th District Court of Appeal and Palm Beach County were offered. Next year's conference site will be at St. Lucie County.

New SEALL members:

Thomas Baxter, Florida Dept. of Legal Affairs;
Sharon Bradley, student, FSU.

Teresa Stanton, another new member, has been Reference Librarian at Dade County Law Library for less than a year. She was in practice for the previous five years, most recently in Miami. Following a BA from Oberlin, she received her law degree from the University of Florida and is earning her MLS at the University of South Florida.

GEORGIA

Two new Atlanta SEALL members, both in the Coca-Cola Company Law Library: Barbara Beach is the Library Manager; she has a BA from the University of Georgia, an MLS from the University of South Florida, has been with Coca Cola for four years, and was previously Reference Librarian and Director of the Library at Kilpatrick and Cody, Atlanta. Susan Suggs, the Assistant Librarian, has an MLS from Emory and has been with Coca-Cola for about three years.

The University of Georgia Law Library is installing the serials and acquisitions modules from Innopac. The library staff is busy with training and implementation.

KENTUCKY

Kentucky State Law Library:

Sallie Howard, Kentucky State Law Librarian, attended the District Judges Judicial College in September and the Circuit Judges Judicial College in October. Staff of the Library and of the Administrative Office of the Court participated in a seminar on criminal law, taught by the staff attorney.

The Library now has a local area network consisting of two stations and two printers. Using WordPerfect and Paradox, the staff hope to have all 239 judges' inventories online, and to distribute a subject catalog of holdings to all judges. Case updates will also be included in the system.

David Ensign, Director, University of Louisville Law Library, has written an article for a symposium issue of *The Bookmark*, a New York State Library publication. It will appear in the Winter issue and is entitled "Facts -- a special case."

The Library received in September a copy of the 1802 compilation of Kentucky statutes, the second oldest compilation of Kentucky law.

University of Kentucky Law Library:

Mark Linneman, Director, announces that a computer lab comprising approximately 25 computers and 2 printers will be housed in the library. The equipment is the result of increased student registration fees; construction of the lab should begin in February.

Ebba Jo Sexton and **Sue Burch** of the Law Library, **Jennie Carrigan**, of Wyatt, Tarrant & Combs, and **Lynn Fogle**, of Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald, participated in the University of Kentucky College of Library and Information Science Job Fair in October. Prompted, no doubt, by letters from the SEALL Publicity and Public Relations Committee's letters to library school deans, the U.K. Library College contacted numerous special, academic, and public librarians and asked them to talk to graduate students. Small group sessions were held for approximately 75 students, who asked about recommended courses, "real" library work, and job opportunities.

A new SEALL member: **Andrew Steinberg**, U.K. student.

LOUISIANA

Carol Billings, Director of the Law Library of Louisiana, has been nominated for Vice President-President Elect of AALL for 1993-94.

Birchey Butler has replaced **Pat Sarsfield** at Deutsch, Kerrigan & Stiles, New Orleans. Birchey was formerly at Chaffe, McCall, Phillips, Toler, & Sarpy, New Orleans.

Ed Edmonds, Director of the Loyola University Law Library, has been appointed acting Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the School of Law for the 1992-93 academic year. Ed has also been elected President of the Conference of Law Libraries of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities.

Margareta Horiba, Acquisitions Librarian at Tulane University Law Library, will be on the faculty for the AALL Winter Institute, "Introduction to Foreign Legal Systems."

Louisiana State University's **Paul M. Hebert Law Center** co-sponsored a one-day NOTIS "New Serials Control Workshop" on November 13.

New SEALL member at LSU: **Brenda Ball**.

NORTH CAROLINA

A new SEALL member at Patton, Boggs, & Blow, Greensboro: **Jacqueline Stamant**. Jacqueline has been with the firm for only a few months; she received her BA from Guilford College this year and hopes to attend law school in the near future.

SOUTH CAROLINA

KAREN TAYLOR joined the Catalog Department of the University of South Carolina Law Library in September. Karen has worked as a graduate assistant and as an intern in the department. She received her MLIS from the University of South Carolina. **Cassandra Gissendanner** has moved to a senior position in the Catalog Department of the University Library.

VIRGINIA

Ann Haley, formerly Law Librarian at Central Rappahannock Regional Library, has become Adult Services Librarian. The new Law Librarian is

Carmela B. Witzke, who has been at Central Rappahannock as a reference librarian for thirteen years.

Jerilyn Polson gave birth to a son, Michael Gerard Polson, on July 7. Jerilyn is Librarian at Fairfax Law Library; she is married to Thomas L. Polson, Legislative Librarian with Jones, Day, Reavis & Pogue, Washington, DC.

Jean Holcomb, former Law Librarian at the Norfolk Law Library, on October 1 assumed the directorship of the King County Law Library, Seattle, Washington. King County has a staff of ten and a collection of about 100,000 volumes. New Librarian at Norfolk Law Library is Donna Bausch.

New additions and renovations to The T.C. Williams School of Law, University of Richmond, were dedicated October 23, culminating a series of presentations and other events which began on October 9. Presenting the dedication address was U.S Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia.

The Alexandria Law Library reports with sadness that Nicholas C. Voeroes, Librarian, died on May 10 in Falls Church, after a long illness. Lisa R. Stanley has been appointed Law Librarian. She has a BS from Southern Illinois University and will receive her MLS from the University of Maryland in December. She was previously with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, in Chicago and Washington, DC.

Placement

The SEALL Placement Committee is chaired by Claire Engel. Should you wish to place an advertisement in the *Southeastern Law Librarian*, please contact Claire at Kilpatrick and Cody, 100 Peachtree Street, Suite 3100, Atlanta, GA 30303, 404-815-6261 or 404-815-6555 (fax).

In addition, the Placement Committee maintains a resume file of job seekers. If you would like to put a resume on file, or to review those presently in the file, please contact Claire or any member of the Committee.

FLORIDA

Associate Librarian/Catalog Librarian:

Coordinate and supervise all cataloging and bibliographic maintenance activities. Requires ALA-accredited MLS; 5 years relevant experience; knowledge of MARC format, OCLC/RLIN, LC rules, LC classification schedules, LC subject heading, and authority control standards; experience with original and copy cataloging, and automated library systems. Supervisory experience is preferred. Active professional record is anticipated. This is a 12 month, tenure track appointment, with faculty status. Salary range is \$30-35,000. Contact: James L. Gates, Assistant Director for Technical Services; Legal Information Center; College of Law; University of Florida; Gainesville, FL 32611.

Evening and Weekend Reference Librarian:

Provide evening and weekend reference and research assistance. Prepare and teach classes on research methods, LEXIS, Westlaw, and other online services. Participate in faculty liaison program and collection development. Requires and MLS and JD (relevant experience may substitute for degree). Strong service orientation, communication skills, microcomputer background is desired. Non-tenure faculty appointment. Minimum salary is \$28,000 with comprehensive benefits. Resume and references to: Virginia C. Thomas, Associate Librarian; University of Miami Law Library; P.O. Box 248087; Coral Gables, FL 33124.

NORTH CAROLINA

Associate Director:

Day-to-day administration of large academic law library, collection development, planning library services, participation in legal research program, and provide reference service. Requires accredited JD and MLS degrees, minimum of five years law library experience, increasingly responsible positions in large research law libraries; strong supervisory, organizational and administrative skills. Salary commensurate with experience and qualifications. Faculty status position. Resume and references to: Richard A. Danner, Director; Duke University Law Library; Box 90361; Durham, NC 27708-0361.

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