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A Message from the President — As we speed towards 2001, the Atlanta conference planners have been hard at work. The programs look terrific. I know I’ll have a difficult time choosing between the excellent topics. Thanks to Herb Cihak and his committee for all their hard work.

The pre-conference Institute will address an issue that many of our libraries are tackling: Electronic Delivery and Web Products: Integrating and Managing a Hybrid Collection. Law librarians have anticipated that formats would change as technology advanced. While we may have contemplated many of the accompanying issues, now we must find practical solutions. How do we train users? How do we monitor user skills? Do we discard the paper source or support multiple formats? Originally, we anticipated that the Institute would appeal primarily to law firm librarians. I think that this is a universal issue and hope that there will be participants from all types of libraries. I commend Kathy Crosslin and Kay Todd for their work on designing an interesting program.

Rhea and the activity planners are completing their arrangements. We hope to have a SEAALL/SWALL ping pong tournament, sponsored by Hein. Details will be posted on the list but you can start practicing now. The winners will go on to the planned activity in Minneapolis.

SEAALL committee work continues. The Life member nomination form will soon be on the SEAALL web site. The scholarship committee has received applications for the Lucile Elliot Scholarship. The GRC members continue to monitor UCITA in our member states. Of course, the newsletter committee has created this informative issue.

The nominations committee has completed its work. Thanks are due to the committee members, Gretchen Wolf, chair, Donna Bausch, Carol Avery Nicholson, Jim Heller and Nancy Adams for their hard work. They have created a terrific slate of nominees. I also thank the nominees for agreeing to be nominated.

I am writing this on the day before the presidential election, when voter turnout is expected to continue to be low and apathy is the rule not the exception. We cannot always rely on others to do the association work that must be done either. When more people participate, we grow with the infusion of new ideas. When new people participate, we have the opportunity to mentor them and teach them why our organization is valuable.

SEAALL members are a great group of people. I urge everyone to volunteer for committee work when Herb asks in a few months. Or, if you are asked to run for office, please consider it carefully. It’s not a huge amount of work. You will get to know some of the other members better. You might even enjoy it. You will also help SEAALL continue to be a vibrant organization.

As Diana Osbaldiston noted in Puerto Rico, less than 50% percent of SEAALL members voted last year. I’d like to think that SEAALL members are less apathetic than the general population of voters. When you receive your ballot, please exercise your privilege and vote!

Finally, I encourage all members to let me know if you have concerns or comments. We can’t fix or work on a problem if we are not aware it exists.

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SEAALLer's:

Calling all Editor-wannabes! Now is your chance. We're looking for an enterprising, creative new talent to edit the SEAALL NEWSLETTER.

No application or interview necessary.
Just let Cathy Lemann
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know of your interest.

Thanks!
Editor's Note —

I would have liked to have some pictures in this issue, but other than using some past meeting photos, we didn’t have any new ones to include.

Please send me photos of your library, your colleagues, or anything that might be of interest to those of us in the Southeastern Chapter. They brighten up the Newsletter, and we’re always interested in seeing what’s happening as well as reading about what’s going on in our part of the law library world. Photos will be returned, I promise, so please share your news and your photos! Thanks.

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Winter January 30, 2001
Spring April 30, 2001
Summer July 30, 2001
Fall October 30, 2001
2001 SLATE of CANDIDATES

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the slate of candidates for the SEAALL 2001 election:

Vice-President/President-Elect:

Kathy Crosslin, Kilpatrick Stockton, LLP
Atlanta, Georgia

Terry Long, Virginia State Law Library
Richmond, Virginia

Treasurer:

Deborah Jefferies, North Carolina Central University
Durham, North Carolina

Lisa Smith-Butler, Nova Southeastern University
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

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Reba Best, University of Tennessee
Knoxville, Tennessee

Pedro Padilla Rosa, University of Puerto Rico
San Juan, Puerto Rico

Submitted by

Gretchen Wolf, Chair
SEAALL Nominating Committee 2000-2001
Annual Meeting News — Mark your calendars!

Atlanta 2001: East Meets West — Librarians’ Odyssey

When: April 18 - 21, 2001
Where: Atlanta, Georgia
Who: SEAALL and SWALL — our second joint meeting
Hotel: Sheraton in Buckhead
Institute: “Electronic Delivery and Web Products: Integrating and Managing a Hybrid Collection.” Institute will be held on Thursday, April 19
Institute Coordinators: Kathy Crosslin and Kay Todd
Opening Reception: Carlos Museum at Emory University (Thursday evening 4/19)
Exhibit: Mysteries of the Mummies: the Art and Archeology of Death in Ancient Egypt
Plenary Speaker: Robert L. Oakley, AALL President
Special Events: Trivia Challenge Game
SEAALL/SWALL Ping Pong Tournament, sponsored by Hein and much more!!
SEAALL Sponsored Programs at Atlanta 2001

The programs at the SEAALL/SWALL Annual meeting this year are being developed by the SEAALL Program Committee, the SWALL Program Committee and the Atlanta Law Library Association Program Committee.

For a sneak preview of coming attractions, we thought you might want to see what’s being offered by the SEAALL Program Committee!

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Developing and Maintaining the Optimal Working Relationship Between Library and Technology Professionals

This program is designed to present various aspects of the Library/Technology relationship. Survey results will be presented that questioned technology staff to determine their general background and knowledge of legal applications. A panel will present models of effective relationships between the library and technology departments in the academic and firm environments. The models will also focus on methods used to improve existing relationships, approaches to supervising technical issues, and conveying library and technological needs in order to better serve online research users.

**Moderator:** Sue Burch, Associate Director, University of Kentucky Law Library, Lexington, Kentucky.

**Panelists:**

Don Adamick, Director of Library Services, Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Taylor Fitchett, Associate Director, University of Virginia Law Library, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Marian Parker, Director, Wake Forest University Professional Center Library, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

Martha Thomas, Law Librarian, Kilpatrick Stockton, LLP, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

**Program Coordinator:** Sue Burch

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Managing People: Leadership Strategies Throughout the Organization

Organizations continue to rank leadership development and interpersonal skills as the most important training needs for today’s employees. Join the Directors from the University of Kentucky and the University of Minnesota Law Libraries as they team up to discuss managing law library personnel issues.

**Speakers:**

Herb Cihak, Director, University of Kentucky College of Law Library, Lexington, Kentucky.

Joan Howland, Director of Information and Technology, University of Minnesota Law School.

**Program Coordinators:** Penny Gibson and Sue Burch.
Why Can't Johnny Research? Preparing Law Students to Perform Legal Research in a Law Firm or Court Setting

What can we do to better prepare law students for the types of research they will encounter in their careers? A law firm librarian, a law school librarian, and a court librarian discuss various problems and strategies and suggest ways in which law schools, law firms, and courts can work together to better prepare law students to do research in the "real world."

Speakers:

Monica Wilson, Director of Library Services, Steel, Hector and Davis, Miami, Florida.

Anne Klinefelter, Associate Director, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

TBA --Court Librarian

Program Coordinators: Clare Membiela and Maurine Mattson

Grantsmanship: The ABC's of Finding Grant Opportunities and Writing a Successful Grant Proposal

The Director of the Foundation Center in Atlanta (and former law librarian) shares tips for locating potential funders for law libraries in non-profit settings and for putting together winning grant proposals.

Speaker: Patty Johnson, Director of the Foundation Center, Atlanta, Georgia.

Program Coordinator: Carol Allred

Getting Published

Do you want to see your thoughts immortalized in print or on the Internet? This program discusses the wide variety of publication opportunities available for law librarians (including library websites, journal and magazine articles, and book-length works), and examines the publication process from the perspectives of author, editor, and publisher.

Speakers:

Richard A. Danner, Senior Associate Dean for Library and Computing, Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina.

Kent C. Olson, Public Services Librarian, University of Virginia Law Library, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Program Coordinator: Stephen Jordan
SEAALL BRIEFS — Compiled by Connie Matzen

Note: It has been a while since new members have been welcomed. This column will include names of those joining SEAALL during the past several months.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SEAALL has several new members from George Washington University: Virginia Bryant, Susan Chinoransky, Carol Grant, Christopher Knott, and Gordon Van Piel. Angela Foley of Kilpatrick Stockton is also a new member.

FLORIDA

Florida’s new members include Choung Akehurst of Stetson, June Buchanan and Sarah Pomerantz of Florida Coastal, Robin Schard and Sally Wise of the University of Miami, Christine Stillings and Susan Wild with Barry University, Christopher Vallandingham, and Helen Wohl.

Florida State University

Alva T. Stone (Head of Cataloging at Florida State University Law Library), has edited a book, The LCSH Century: One Hundred Years with the Library of Congress Subject Headings System, published by Haworth Press. The collection of 16 papers has also been issued as vol. 29, nos. 1/2 of the international journal, Cataloging & Classification Quarterly.

Margaret Clark is a new member.

GEORGIA

New members with Atlanta’s firms are Leslie Banta with Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice, Veleda Cofield and Margaretta Dye with Hunton & Williams, and Rachel Fisher with Kilpatrick Stockton.

KENTUCKY

SEAALL welcomes Jill Jensen and Matt Morrison to the University of Kentucky.

NORTH CAROLINA

New members from the law firms include Glenda Carey with Poyner & Spruill, Sarah Crouch with Maupin, Taylor & Ellis, and Tamara Rhynehardt with Moore & Van Allen.
In September, Masako Patrum moved to Lubbock, Texas, where she is now Cataloging and Reference Librarian at Texas Tech University School of Law Library.

University of North Carolina

Laura N. Gasaway, Director of the Kathrine R. Everett Law Library & Professor of Law at the University of North Carolina was on the faculty for the Cornell Computer Policy and Law Institute this year July 25-28. She taught sessions on copyright law in cyberspace.

The Kathrine R. Everett Law Library has also gained a new Graduate Assistant, Donna Nixon. Donna has a law degree from Stanford and an undergraduate degree in computer science from Brooklyn College of the City University of New York. Donna is completing her final year of study of librarianship at the SILS program at UNC.

Anne Klinefelter has been promoted to Associate Director of the Kathrine R. Everett Law Library and Clinical Associate Professor of Law at the University of North Carolina.

Wake Forest Professional Center Library

Maureen Eggert is the new Head of Public Services at the Professional Center Library. Formerly one of the Library’s reference librarians, Maureen succeeded Miriam Murphy who is now Assistant Director at the Indiana University Law Library in Indianapolis. Before coming to Wake Forest, Maureen worked at the Mississippi College Law Library in Jackson and at the Volusia County Law Library in Daytona Beach, Florida.

In April, Howard Sinclair left a position at the Chicago-Kent School of Law to become a law reference librarian at Wake Forest. A former lawyer and social worker, Howard is a recent library school graduate and is working to develop expertise in the area of international law.

Marcia Baker is the Professional Center’s newest librarian. In August, Marcia left a Greensboro law firm to become a law reference librarian at the Professional Center Library. Marcia has a J.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has previously worked as an attorney in Durham and as a librarian at the Tarleton Law Library in Austin.

VIRGINIA

Regent University has several new SEAALL members: Vicki Boggs, Ann Cannon, and William Magee. Roger Skalbeck at George Mason, Jeanne Ullian at Hofheimer Nusbaum, James Wirrell at the University of Richmond, & Peggy Rogers complete the list of Virginia’s new members.

WEST VIRGINIA

Patricia Link with Jackson & Kelly is a new member of SEAALL.
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT — OCTOBER 2000

OPENING BALANCE  $ 30,734.38

RECEIPTS

Membership Dues  $ 1,630.00
Income from SEAALL 2000  $ 155.00
Total Receipts  $ 1,785.00

Total $ 32,519.38

EXPENSES

Prepayment to catering for Atlanta 2001  $ 4,895.25
Philadelphia Marriott for AALL reception  $ 2,498.47
AALL for room setup in Philadelphia  $ 35.00
Fidelity Cash Reserves for investment  $ 5,000.00
UR Law for mailing second dues notices  $ 31.35
Lynn Blue Print (newsletter)  $ 1,133.14

Total Expenses  $ 13,593.21

CLOSING BALANCE  $ 18,926.17

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Wambold
SEAALL Treasurer

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PLACEMENT NEWS

ST. THOMAS LAW LIBRARY

Position:  FACULTY SERVICES COORDINATOR

Responsibilities:  Supervise faculty liaison services, develop online support for faculty and serve as faculty liaison to assigned faculty members.  Supervise part time evening reference assistants and student research assistants.  Provide reference services to other library user groups: students, University community, legal community, and the general public.  Participate in collection development.  Contribute to formal and informal instruction of legal bibliography and research as assigned.  Prepare bibliographies, research guides and webpages.

Qualifications:  MLS from an ALA-accredited program and a JD from an ABA-approved law school.

Submit a detailed cover letter stating qualifications for the position, resume, and the names and phone numbers of three references by January 31, 2000 to:

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SOUTHEASTERN LAW LIBRARIAN

Placement News — continued

PAUL M. HEBERT LAW CENTER LIBRARY
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

HEAD OF REFERENCE SERVICES
Primary Responsibilities:
Reference and Research Services
Develop and coordinate reference and research policies and services for the Law Library of the Paul M. Hebert Law Center. Train, schedule and supervise the work of professional reference staff. Assist in staffing the Reference Desk (may include nights and weekends). Review journals, law reviews, and other publications for articles and items of interest to faculty. Provide research and reference services to library users, including faculty, students and staff of the Law Center, the legal community and the general public. Supervise and participate in the presentation of library exhibits. Actively initiate contacts with Law Center faculty to ascertain and meet their teaching and research needs.

Collection Development and Management
Select and recommend new and retrospective materials in appropriate areas (may include U.S., foreign and international law or particular subjects). Review and recommend acceptance of gift materials.

Education and Outreach
Supervise, organize and participate in library orientation lectures and tours. Create and update bibliographies, pathfinders, library guides and other library publications. Provide staff training in legal research, including computer assisted legal research. Organize, supervise and present research instruction for Law Center classes and library-initiated research instruction for students. Act as liaison for the library with the Legal Writing and Research Program and coordinate the library’s participation in the program.

Other Responsibilities
Develop and maintain documentation in all areas of responsibility. Hire, train and supervise student reference assistants including graduate assistants. Consult with other professional staff as necessary to provide service. Supervise paraprofessional staff working in the Reference Department. Supervise Public Services Department in the absence of the Head of Public Services. Other duties as assigned by the Head of Public Services or the Director of the Law Library, or as necessitated by job responsibilities.

Reports to the Head of Public Services.

Qualifications:
Required:
ALA-accredited MLS and ABA/AALS-accredited JD. Ability to work with people and a strong service orientation and proactive attitude. Ability to communicate effectively with both law-trained and non-law-trained audiences.

Preferred:
2-3 years teaching or reference experience in a law school library or law firm library, experience with electronic information sources and the Internet including CALI, and foreign languages.

Library rank and salary depending on credentials. This position is available immediately and applications will be accepted until November 22, 2000 or until the position is filled. LSU is an equal opportunity employer. Minorities strongly encouraged to apply. Send letter of application with the names of three references to:

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Atlanta nightlife awaits us in April, 2001! See you at the SEAALL/SWALL meeting.