

# ORALL NEWSLETTER



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## Officers and Executive Board - 1979

The slate of officers recommended by The Nominating Committee was unanimously approved by the membership at the ORALL Fall Meeting, Indianapolis, October 13, 1978. Bernice C. Frank (Mich.) was elected to the Executive Board.

Barbara J. Rennolet (Ind.) President  
Andrew R. Brann (O.), Vice President/  
President Elect  
Karen M. Moss (Mich.), Secretary  
Kathy Welker (Ind.), Treasurer  
Richard L. Beer (Mich.) Past President  
Bernice C. Frank (Mich.), Exec. Bd.  
Carol M. Bratton (O.), Exec. Bd.

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## From the President

MEMBERS OF ORALL: December 1978

The publication of this Newsletter includes the 1978/79 ORALL committee appointments, and it brings to mind something that I regard as vital to the ongoing success of our association. I am speaking of the spirit of cooperation that I have observed in the past few weeks. We are a voluntary association and little could be accomplished if the members did not become active participants. It makes my job all the more rewarding, and I want to take this moment to thank everyone for their expressions of support and willingness to

help. I am looking forward to the activities of the coming year, and I am confident that with your help it will be a productive year.

The Spring 1979 meeting will be held May 10-12, 1979, in Toledo, Ohio. I have appointed Janet Wallin as Chairman and Debbie Cannaday as Co-Chairman of Local Arrangements. They have secured a block of rooms at the Sheraton Westgate Inn. The Spring 1974 meeting was held there, and I have heard many complimentary remarks concerning that convention. The program will be concerned with governmental information sources. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend! It promises to be of interest to all.

It seems unbelievable, but it really is the end of 1978. We have had a mild fall in Indiana, but I cannot hold out much hope that we will survive the winter with as much luck. (Especially after the Blizzard of 1978!) I do hope, however, that all of you had a pleasant fall and are now in preparation for a warm and wonderful holiday season.

Barbara Rennolet  
ORALL President

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For all of those skeptics in ORALL-LAND, Charlie does exist. The NEWSLETTER saw him in Indianapolis. Turn to p. 9 for a biographical sketch.

## 1979 COMMITTEES....

\*Denotes Chairperson

### ACTIVITIES

\*Andrew Brann           Bernice Frank  
Deborah Cannady       Betty Busch

### AD HOC PUBLICATIONS

\*Karen Moss            Penelope Lindner  
Andrew Brann           Pat Anderson  
Rita Fischer

### AUDIO-VISUAL

\*Frank Payne            Lucille DeMoss  
Carol Bratton           Lane Fichtenau  
Henry Tseng             William James

### CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

\*Robert Begg            Richard Beer  
Peter Kempel            Susan Taylor

### FINANCE

\*Kathy Welker           Barbara Overshiner  
Durand Dudley          Anne Watkins

### GUIDELINES

\*Nancy Miller           Sharon McIntyre  
Alvin Podboy            Majorie Wilcox  
Theodora Artz

### LEGISLATIVE

\*Anita Shew             Catherine Gillette  
Eugene Tonry            Wendell Johnting  
Vivian Balester         Charles Wolfe

### MEMBERSHIP

\*Catherine Gillette     Virginia Capute  
Wilma Daugherty        Palma Campo  
Kathy Welker            Brenda Woodruff

### MODEL BIBLIOGRAPHY

\*Christine Stevens     Kathy Friedman  
Thomas Vergamini       Virginia Capute  
Margaret Makar

### NOMINATIONS

\*Joanne Mosel           Janet Wallin  
Mary Ann Roman         Lorraine Kulpa  
Beth Gwynn              Karen Moss

### PLACEMENT

\*Peter Kempel           Karen Moss  
Martha Fischer         Jose Coutin

### UNION LIST

\*Sylvia Castano         Alice Hobson  
Keith Ashelman         Nancy Buchanan  
Jacqueline Stevens

## Jobs, too

Ohio State

Reference librarian. Requirements: Dual degree; or law degree with library experience. Spanish or German helpful. LEXIS experience desirable. Duties: Reference, circulation, assist in Legal Research program, collection department. Salary: Depends on qualifications. Liberal benefits. Send resume to: Mathew F. Dee, Director, or Mrs. Ruth Kessler, Asst. Director, Ohio State U., College of Law Library, 1659 North High Street, Columbus 43210.

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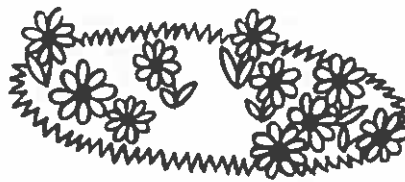
Reference librarian. Requirements: Dual degree/2 yrs. experience; or MLS/1 yr. law school/3 yrs. experience. Knowledge of international documents. Duties: Reference, some book selection, bibliography, collection and equipment maintenance. Salary: Depends on qualifications. Resume to: Jane E. Marshall, Personnel Officer, 1100 East 57th St., Chicago 60637.

## MEETING Plans

As our president mentioned on pg. 1 the ORALL Spring Meeting, 1979, will be held in Toledo May 11-13.

The membership may be interested to know that Cincinnati has extended an invitation to ORALL for the 1979 Fall meeting. ORALL representatives are negotiating with King's Island Inn, just north of Cincinnati on I-71, for the weekend of October 11-13, the last weekend of the season the King's Island Amusement Park is open. The meeting will, of course, include reduced rates at the park. Additionally, that weekend is the one during which the cheaper, off-season Inn rates become available.

ORALL hopes to make this a family-oriented meeting, a time when the ORALL member can take a mini-vacation with his or her spouse (and kids!).



# INDIANAPOLIS....



Notes on the ORALL Fall Business Meeting, October 13, 1978...

In addition to presenting her proposed estimated budget, the Treasurer commented on the generosity of our publishers for the meeting. The Fall, 1978, meeting was almost entirely paid for by donations.

The Executive Board has received an invitation from Detroit for the 1980 Fall meeting. No invitations have been received for the 1979 and 1981 meetings.

The Executive Board had been reviewing the suggestion that ORALL may wish to go to one meeting per year in the future. After four separate deliberations the Board recommends that two meetings be retained. In addition the Board has made other suggestions to the membership:

The Spring meeting may be moved up to April so it is not so close to the AALL annual meeting.

Rather than beginning association meeting activities on Thursday of the meeting weekend they could begin on Friday morning and extend through Saturday. Arrival by participants on Thursday evening would allow a complete Thursday workday for most people.

These issues will be taken up at the next business meeting.

The Executive Board recommends that the Ad Hoc Publications Committee continue another year. Next year under the new constitution it may be made a standing committee.

As committee reports were read special recognition was given to the Membership Committee for production of the annual handbook.

Peter Kempel gave a summary and explained certain aspects of the new,

proposed constitution. He also clarified an error in the recent amendments published in the NEWSLETTER: The treasurer will be elected for a two year term beginning next year.

Mr. Kempel, at the direction of the Executive Board has been exploring the incorporation of ORALL within the state of Delaware. He explained certain advantages and the ramifications of being without the status. The membership has licensed him to proceed in this matter.

Two proposed amendments to the existing constitution were unanimously approved: The office of Vice President converted to Vice President/President Elect; offices of Secretary and Treasurer were made two year posts.

The slate of candidates for office submitted by the Nominating Committee was unanimously approved.

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## ....pre-White House

Librarians all over the country have been gearing up for the September 1979, White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services. Local and state conferences have been, and will continue to be through early 1979, paving the way for the big event next fall!

In a letter to the editor (71 LLJ, Feb., 1978) Judith M. Foust, Pennsylvania State Law Library, describes the purpose of these conferences: (They are attempting) "to build public support and develop library programs for the 1980's. Major topics of discussion are sure to be networks, access, technology and funding, four major areas of concern for every library." She advises law librarians that they are not excluded from the project but they will be "overlooked, forgotten, bypassed" unless they speak up. She continues, "The agenda and delegates to the White House Conference will be determined by the preconferences in the states and territories. To insure representation at the White House Conference, law librarians must be

active in the preconferences."

Karen Moss of ORALL describes recent activities in Michigan:

The White House Conference on Libraries and Information Services: Addendum to Judy Foust's Editorial in 71 Law Library Journal (February 1978)

It's very important that we law librarians take an active role in our state conferences to insure that our voice is heard. We must make the library community aware of our existence, and of the services that we can provide for one another. J. Myron Jacobstein, the president of AALL, appointed an Ad Hoc Task Force, consisting of Pat Piper, Mary Oliver and Judy Foust, to keep AALL aware of the progress being made.

Most of the states have completed their local conferences, and many, including Ohio (October 1978) and Indiana (August 1978) have concluded their state conferences. Michigan and Kentucky will hold their state conferences in March 1979.

Charley Wolfe, the acting state law librarian for Michigan, has been active on the White House Conference committee for some time. He has seen to it that many Michigan law librarians will be active participants in the March meeting. We are one of the special library groups to have been invited to submit an association report to the delegates. Ours will cover the various aspects of law librarianship in Michigan, including:

1. How we've tried to respond to the various law needs of the state.
2. How the formation of the Michigan Association of Law Librarians will serve both the legal and library community.
3. How law librarians, although concerned with service to our own distinct patrons, are also interested in assisting public librarians, school librarians, other special librarians, etc.

We will also be participating in the exhibit area, probably having a booth showing law library service in Michigan.

The delegates to the Michigan White House Conference will be split into twenty-six discussion groups, and each group will direct their discussion to six broad topics. Although issues of law librarianship could be included within any of the six topics, Charley successfully urged the steering committee to include law library service and special library service questions among the supplemental questions which will be given to each discussion group along with the six broad topics. We will also have at least one law librarian, Linda Schweizer, among the twenty-six discussion leaders.

September 1979 is rapidly approaching, and we need to be heard on a national level. In order for that to happen we must be heard on our state level! Librarians interested in the Michigan White House Conference, either as a participant or an observer, may call Charley Wolfe for further information (517/ 373-0630). The person to contact in Kentucky is Barbara Pospisil at the Kentucky State Library (502/ 564-7910).

**\*\*NOTE\*\*** I would be interested in hearing what happened at the Ohio and Indiana state conferences if anyone has that information (or can direct me to a contact).

Karen Moss

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## Michigan News Items

The Michigan Association of Law Libraries (MICH/ALL) held its Fall meeting in conjunction with the Michigan State Bar Annual Meeting on September 21, 1978 at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. The morning workshop was held on the trends of cataloging. Miss Constance Rinehart from the University

of Michigan School of Library Science spoke on historical and future trends of cataloging; Mr. Edward Lee from Wayne State University Law Library spoke on the effect future cataloging trends would have on legal publications. A lunch and a business meeting followed the workshop.

The new officers for the 1978-9 year are the following: President: Linda Schweizer, MSU Business Library; Vice President/President Elect: Peter Schanck, University of Detroit Law Library; Secretary: Majorie Wilcox, Grand Rapids Bar Association Library; Treasurer: Patricia Cupoli, University of Detroit Law Library; Member-at-large: Karen Moss, Levin Memorial Library, U.S. District Court; Member-at-large: Barbara Bonge, Cooley Law School Library.

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Submitted by Patricia Cupoli, University of Detroit Law Library, MICH/ALL Treasurer.

The Michigan Association of Law Libraries (MICH/ALL) will hold its spring meeting in Lansing on April 24, 1979. The meeting will deal with state legislative histories. The following schedule is planned:

- 10:05-10:50 "Significance and use of Michigan legislative histories: the attorney's perspective" (Tom Downs, Lansing attorney)
- 10:55-11:40 "The legislative process in Michigan: an overview (yet to be named state legislator)"
- 11:45-12:30 "The drafting process" (Arnold Rich, Legislative Service Bureau)
- 12:30-2:00 Planned luncheon
- 2:05-2:50 "Sources of Michigan legislative histories" (Peter Kempel)

2:55-3:40

National survey of what other states are doing about legislative histories (Marcia Koslov, Wisconsin State Law Library)

3:40-4:25

Questions from the floor (all participants)

The program is long, and MICH/ALL hopes to receive permission to give out CLE units to librarians who attend. A slight fee will be charged to cover expenses.

For further information, please contact Linda Schweizer (517/ 355-3380) Charley Wolfe (517/ 373-0630) or Peter Kempel (517/ 371-5140).

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## AALL 'n About

### AALL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENT

In joining AALL, Law Librarians become a valuable part of a strong professional organization. We, of the Membership Committee, solicit your help in attracting new members to AALL. If you know anyone that you feel would benefit from our association or who is interested in membership, please send me their name and address, or give them mine. Thanks! Faye E. Jones, Chairperson, AALL, Membership Committee, Nova University Law Library, Fort Lauderdale, Fl. 33314.

\*Lifted from Minnesota Assn. of Law Libraries Newsletter.

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### PRIVATE LAW LIBRARIES SIS

The Private Law Libraries Special Interest Section of AALL is by far the largest such section, with current membership totaling 365. Several smaller interest groups within the Section itself are already being formed, such as

Corporate Legal Departments. An active organization, the PLL's meeting in Rochester drew about 350 attendees. Almost 10 hours have been allotted by the Program Chairperson at the 1979 Annual Meeting in San Francisco for PLL programs and meetings. SCALL members with an interest in private law libraries are urged to join this Special Interest Section. Membership dues are \$5.00 in addition to AALL dues. For further information, contact MARIE WALLACE, Vice-Chairperson/Chairperson Elect, Private Law Libraries SIS, Kindel & Anderson, 555 S. Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90071.

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#### SLA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Four \$2500 scholarships will be awarded by the Special Libraries Association for the academic year 1979/80. The awards, to be granted in May 1979, are for graduate study leading to a master's degree at a recognized school of library or information science in the U.S. or Canada. Preference will be given to those applicants interested in pursuing a career in special librarianship. Awards are made without regard to race, sex, age, religion, or ethnic background. Applications must be completed and returned by January 15, 1979. For more information contact: Special Libraries Association, Scholarship Committee, 235 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10003.

<Lifted from SCALL Newsletter>

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## Features Editor Appointed

Pat Anderson is the new Feature Editor of the NEWSLETTER as well as Gatherer of Membership News. She requests that any member who wishes to publish a short article in the NEWSLETTER contact her. She is interested in materials of practical application for the benefit of the entire membership. "How to" articles are one suggestion our future authors may wish to consi-

der.

Ms. Anderson will publish an article in the next NEWSLETTER issue which will discuss the methodology the U. of Toledo Law Library employs in handling its paperbound material.

Ms. Anderson requests that you send membership news to her:

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U. of Toledo Law Library  
2801 W. Bancroft St.  
Toledo, Ohio 43606

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#### Membership Items...

Exerpted from ON CAMPUS, U. of Texas:

Roy M. Mersky [noted ORALL member] attended and made a presentation to the International Congress on the Teaching of Human Rights held in Vienna this Fall.

Professor Mersky, who is director of research and librarian of the Law School's Tarlton Library, has done research on human rights, most recently preparing a bibliography of materials on human rights to be published in the UNESCO yearbook. Professor Mersky also is producer of the Law Library's "Checklist of Human Rights Documents," which is a compilation of documents from all over the world pertaining to human rights. The UT checklist is thought to be the only such compilation of its kind. It is issued monthly in cooperation with the U.S. Institute of Human Rights.

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Al Podboy, formerly of Case Western Reserve Law Library, is now Law Librarian at Baker, Hostetler, & Patterson, Cleveland...Ed Edmonds, Asst. Law Librarian at William & Mary, has had a baby boy. Father Ed is doing fine ...Beth Gwynn of Chase Library in Covington, Ky., has just had an article published in L.L.J., May, 1978. Title: Marketing the Law School Library... Cathy Hall was married this Autumn. Her new name is Gillette... kudos

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Mary Ann Roman  
Barnes, Hickam, Pantzer & Boyd  
December 7, 1978

## EDITOR'S

### RAP:

The NEWSLETTER is excited about the sanction ORALL has given it to continue publication. Thanks for the vote of confidence (and the budget)!

The NEWSLETTER wishes to continue including pertinent photographs and illustrations. To do this the Publication Committee must have access to a good camera. We have tried using Polaroid and Instamatic pictures but these have proven to be of poor quality when reproduced in the NEWSLETTER. Obviously, a 35 mm, reflex lens camera is what we need. Rather than going to great expense in purchasing a new model it seems reasonable that we exhaust more conservative possibilities first:

Perhaps a member could donate an old, working one she or he happens to have collecting dust.

A beneficiary might give us a new camera. (Think of the tax write off!)

Maybe a friend could sell the association an old one. Or, perhaps a member has a friend of a friend whose uncle is in the camera shop business and could get us one "at cost".

These are a few "maybe's". If anyone would like to bite on one of these ideas please let us know. If a member has a better suggestion by all means let us hear from you!

We have included a list of deadline dates for the four 1979 NEWSLETTER issues:

March issue, deadline Feb. 14.  
June issue, deadline May 16.  
Sept. issue, deadline Aug. 15  
Dec. issue, deadline Nov. 14.

If any ORALL member wishes anything published please send us the information before the appropriate deadline! Thanks.

The Editor

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