President's Message

I regret to report that Robert Begg has resigned as President before the end of his term. Bob is leaving Ohio Northern for Albany where he will assume the position of Law Librarian at Union College of Law. Bob, we wish you well and thank you for your leadership during the past year. I'll be assuming the President's responsibilities as well as continuing to serve as program chairperson for the Fall Meeting. If the support and encouragement I have received thus far is indicative of what the year will bring, I am confident ORALL will have a fruitful year.

Thanks to the hard work of Lane Fichtenau and her committee, the ORALL brochure is completed. A special thanks is due to Matt Downs and Valparaiso University for printing the brochure. Copies will be available at the Fall Meeting or by request from me. The University of Dayton has graciously agreed to be the permanent mailing address for the Association.

This year two candidates for each ORALL office have been selected by the Nominating Committee. It is a credit to our Association that so many members are willing to give their time and to expend effort on behalf of us all.

The results of the computer survey are being compiled.

The guidelines have been prepared. Discussions about the cost and method of publication are taking place.

I want to thank Betty Busch and her committee for the lovely arrangements at the Spring Meeting. They certainly made my job much easier. The Dayton meeting was well attended and very informative.

The Fall Meeting will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel MICH/ALL and ORALL members are planning this joint meeting. The topic will center on computers in the law library. The Thursday morning session will be an introductory lecture on microcomputers. Thursday afternoon and Friday morning panels of librarians will discuss their experiences with automation. A vendor exhibit with booths of hardware, software, on-line retrieval systems and integrated systems will highlight the meeting.

Changing technologies, shrinking budgets and increased service demands force us to analyze our operations, inspect environmental constraints and suggest alternative solutions to traditional practices and procedures of information handling and dissemination. It is my hope that through the exchange of ideas by participation in formal conferences, panel discussions, committee activities, the ORALL Newsletter and informal conversations with colleagues at our meetings we can investigate new areas, expand on well used skills, and educate ourselves and our patrons.

Please begin to think about what committees you would like to serve on and what future meeting topics you would like presented.

See you in Grand Rapids!
The University of Cincinnati Law Library Prepares to Go Online

by Amy C. Price and Janice L. Platt

The Robert S. Marx Law Library is participating in the University of Cincinnati Libraries' Online Automation Project. U.C. is in the process of procuring an online public catalog and circulation system, which will initially include campus and branch libraries. Eventually other area libraries belonging to the Greater Cincinnati Library Consortium will be added.

In preparation for the installation of the system, the U.C. libraries are currently engaged in a separate, short term computer project, called the Editor's Catalog. The goals of the Editor's Catalog project are to combine the holdings records of the various University libraries, to develop standardized practice for manual editing of records from OCLC archive tapes, and to update these records via an AACR II "flip", which will be provided by Solinet. U.C. has purchased several TELEX terminals with printers and software from N.O.T.I.S. for use in this project. The Law Library is also participating in this project.

The installation of the automated library system is expected to occur in the Spring of 1984. The Marx Law Library will have public access terminals (some with pictures) for the online catalog in the Circulation area, stacks, Technical Services and Faculty library.

Planning for staff and user education has already begun, and the preparation of the database for the new system is well underway. The Law Library is looking forward to a successful startup next Spring.

[Amy Price is the Reference Librarian and Janice Platt, the Head Cataloger, at the University of Cincinnati Law Library.]

Ohio Northern University Law Library Addition

Library shelf space was more than doubled when Ohio Northern University completed construction on its Jay P. Taggart Law Library addition in October 1982. The new addition houses 8,000 shelves allowing for future acquisitions of over 125,000 volumes.

The 1.2 million dollar law library addition provides 17,000 square feet for Ohio Northern University's College of Law. An extra librarian's office, the Law Review office, the Moot Court office, a practice courtroom, eight new faculty offices, an audio-visual room and a computer room are some of the new features found in the library addition. There is also a study area reserved in the library addition that will be open to student use 24 hours per day.

This addition to the Jay P. Taggart Library at Ohio Northern University's Claude W. Pettit College of Law was completed last October.
University of Akron Utilizes New Space

by Paul Richert

The University of Akron Law Library obtained over 2,000 square feet of added space during Fall 1982. The student locker room was converted to a library store room. Shelving that was installed can accommodate over 16,000 volumes of older legal materials.

Five faculty offices on the second floor of the C. Blake McDowell Law Center were vacated and converted to library use. One room houses the new WESTLAW terminal, one room houses LEKIS, another room is an office for the computer librarian, Lynn Miller, and two rooms are reserved for group study.

The two group study rooms feature remote controlled video carrels for use by students watching video tapes or video critiquing their trial advocacy, moot court negotiations, interviewing, or other exercises. The video tape decks are at the Circulation Desk to minimize staff involvement in operating the carrels. The carrels have the ability to fast forward, stop, rewind, play, and reverse the tape. Time generators are connected to all law school video tape production units to allow students to rapidly find the starting point for the section of the tape they wish to see. Time generators superimpose on the videotape the hour, minute and second during which the scene was videotaped.

Additional offices allow all five librarians to have private offices.

On the third floor of the Law Center a classroom was converted into a microform reading area. Several new microfilm and microfiche readers and reader printers are housed in the room along with a large amount of new storage capacity. The room also contains several study carrels with audio cassette tape listening capabilities. The possibility of obtaining a microfilm strip camera processor for producing microfiche in jackets is being investigated.

These changes improve the reader service facilities in the Law Library and provide needed space for the collection.

Spring Business Meeting Highlights

Ellen Quinn reported that work has begun on the 83-84 ORALL Membership Directory. Banks-Baldwin should start production on it sometime in July. Ten new members have joined ORALL.

The Newsletter Committee reported that the Executive Board passed in November 1982 a motion to include a Legislative Committee report in each issue of the Newsletter. This will keep the membership up-to-date on legislation affecting law libraries in the ORALL member states. More news about, and from ORALL members was solicited.

Doris V. Cousins, formerly the Law Librarian at the Tuscarawas County Law Library Association, New Philadelphia, Ohio, and Simon L. Goren, formerly the Director of the Case Western Reserve University Law Library, were approved as life members of ORALL.

The Nominations Committee will reconvene any time before October if any nominations for the distinguished Law Librarian Award or the Outstanding Service Award are received.

Laura Kimberly reported for Kathy Welker, chairperson of the Bibliography Committee. The Committee has been compiling the States portion of the "Core Legal Collection", which will be forwarded to the Ohio State Bar Association for production. During the summer, the General Section will be updated so that the entire bibliography will be distributed to the membership before the end of the Committee's current term.

The Education Committee is continuing its work on the computer use in ORALL law libraries survey. There was a fifty per cent response to the survey. Lynn Miller, University of Akron Law Library, is compiling the data on academic libraries. Laura Kimberly, Indiana University-Indianapolis Law Library, is compiling the data on law firm libraries, while Matt Downs, Valparaiso University Law Library and chairperson of the Education Committee, is compiling the data on the remaining types of law libraries. A detailed analysis and report will be available at the Fall Meeting in Grand Rapids.

In an effort to serve ORALL and the cause of public access to legal information, Martha Cox's committee maintains a liaison with the Ohio Library Association and offers workshops to public librarians. The workshops have been very successful. Ohio Legal Resources-An Annotated Bibliography and Guide has proven a useful tool. Copies are available for $3.50 from Ohio Library Association, 40 South Third Street, Suite 409, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

The Union List Committee reports that 28 copies of the 1983 ORALL Union List have been sold. Participating libraries may obtain a print out of their own holdings for $10. If any ORALL law library is interested in participating in the Union List, please contact Janet Dakar, Editor, Kentucky Union List of Serials, University of Louisville Library, Belknap Campus, Louisville, Kentucky 40292. Although more libraries are using the OCLC serials union list function, the Committee believes it is still to ORALL's advantage to continue the ORALL Union List.

The Ohio Council of Library and Information Services held a meeting at OCLC in Dublin, Ohio on April 29, 1983. Mollie Shemano, Voyris, Sater, Seymour & Pease, and Susan Schaefer, Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur, attended as representatives of ORALL. They reported on the aims, goals and function of the Council.

The ORALL Brochure was distributed at the Business Meeting. Additional copies may be obtained from the University of Dayton Law School Library, which is the permanent mailing address for ORALL.

Robert Begg resigned as President of ORALL. He has accepted the position of Law Librarian at Union University Albany Law School Library. Loree Potash, Vice President/President Elect will serve as President for the remainder of Bob's term.
MEMBER NEWS

Jorge L. Carro, Professor of Law and Head Law Librarian, University of Cincinnati, and Andrew R. Brann, Cataloging Department Head, Ohio State University, coauthored "Use of Legislative Histories By The United States Supreme Court: A Statistical Analysis." The article was published at 9 Journal of Legislation 282 (1982) and reprinted at 22 Jurimetrics Journal 294 (1982).

"Ohio Jurisprudence, 3D: A Critique of Format" was authored by Rosemarie Chrisant, Library Director, Akron Law Library Association. The article appeared at 2 Legal Reference Services Quarterly 73 (1982).

Since April 1, Byron Cooper has been the Director of the University of Detroit Law Library. Byron was previously the Associate Director at Indiana University-Bloomington Law Library. Byron authored "Cataloging Loose-Leaf Publications" at 26 Library Resources and Technical Services 370 (October/December 1982).

Paul Richert, University of Akron Law Library, Jan Novak, Cleveland Public Library, and Anita Shew, Butler County Law Library Association, conducted a three hour legal research workshop at the Ohio Library Association meeting in Cleveland on October 15, 1982.

Anita K. Shew, Librarian, Butler County Law Library Association, authored an article in 5 Legal Times of Washington 16 (June 14, 1982) entitled "SCOLL Helps Public Librarians Combat Hard Times." Anita is currently serving on the OHIONET Cataloging Council.

Congratulations to . . .

Barbara Cusen-Feinberg and her husband, Jan, on the birth of their son, Benjamin Frantz, October 26th.

Cathy Gillette and her husband, Jim, on the birth of their son, Peter James who was born on November 9th.

Loree Potash and her husband, Steve, on the birth of their daughter, Karen, on December 19th.

Pat Denham and her husband on the birth of their son, Michael Richard, January 8th.

Come to the Fall Meeting!

On October 14-16, 1983 a joint MICH/ALL-ORALL meeting will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel. The topic will be computers in the law library. The first session on Thursday will feature a lecture by an outside consultant on the basics of hardware and software. On Thursday afternoon and Friday morning, panel presentations by librarians will discuss microcomputers and other computer applications in the law library setting. A vendor exhibit featuring hardware, software, on-line retrieval systems and other automation products will highlight the meeting. Marge Wilcox of the Grand Rapids Bar Association Library is the local arrangements chairperson. Duncan Webb, Michigan State Law Library and President of the Automation Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries is MICH/ALL president. A social event on Wednesday evening and regular business meetings will also occur.

Treasurer's Report

The following Treasurer's Report was delivered by Alvin M. Podboy at the Spring Business Meeting on May 13, 1983 at Dayton, Ohio.

In March, 330 individual dues invoices were mailed to all "members" appearing on ORALL's mailing list. First class postage, envelopes and photocopies were donated by Baker & Hostetter. Forty names have been deleted for non-payment for two years or at the individual's request. ORALL has eleven life members. As of May 10, 1983, 220 membership payments have been received.

ORALL made a modest $234.92 subsidy towards the Fall 1982 Meeting in Indianapolis. This resulted from total cash receipts of $1,995.83 and expenditures of $2,230.75.

ORALL's checkbook balance as of May 10, 1983 was $5,263.15. This, however, includes advance receipts of $2,111.00 from the Spring Meeting in Dayton.

ORALL also has two $1,100.00 certificates of deposit located at Banc Ohio National Bank, Chardon, Ohio.

The ORALL officers and Executive Board met on November 19, 1982 at Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio. Seated left to right: Lane Fichtenau, Matthew P. Downs, Robert T. Begg, Wendell Johnting, Brenda Woodruff, Alvin M. Podboy.
Legislative Committee Report

Indiana
Senate Enrolled Act No. 96 concerns the continuation, termination and restructuring of state judicial agencies. The Act eliminates the Indiana Court Reporter's office as of January 15, 1985.

House Enrolled Act No. 1083 opens administrative records to the general public. Among the Act's exceptions are "library records which can be used to identify any library patron."

Michigan

1982 Public Act 455, entitled the Library Privacy Act, prohibits any school, college or public library from disclosing library records which identify users, without the consent of the person identified, unless ordered by a court.

1982 Public Act 540 transfers the State Library, including the State Law Library, to the Department of Education for the Legislative Service Bureau. It creates a nine member Board of Trustees to determine policy. The Act also changes the name of the State Library to the Library of Michigan. The State Attorney General has been asked to rule on the constitutionality of this Act.

Ohio
Senate Bill 161 would require a county law library association that receives fines and forfeited bail distributions from the courts to allow free use of library materials and equipment by members of the general public. This bill is still under consideration by the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Executive Board Makes Endorsement

During its meeting in Dayton on May 13, 1983 the ORALL Executive Board endorsed the following statement of the Public Access to Legal Information Committee.

TO: Executive Committee of ORALL
FROM: Committee on Public Access to Legal Information

I. This committee recommends that ORALL immediately express opposition to Ohio H.B. 291 which would delete the intangibles tax for public libraries and replace it with a percentage of the income tax, on the following points:
1. The proposed financing offers little stability because both the income tax (now being challenged by a recall) and the percentage allocated are arbitrary and unependable.
2. The proposed financing will be a significant reduction of funding, therefore services, for larger libraries.
3. The imbalance in per capita funding which now exists will continue since income levels in depressed areas (i.e. Appalachia, N.E. Ohio, etc.) are based on the incomes.
4. During an era of expanding information, the state is cutting back the information sources, thereby establishing a climate of censorship and limitation.
5. The proposed financing removes the local control element.
6. During an era necessitating expanding services (i.e. legal resources for public education for children, etc.), funding will be lowered, thereby jeopardizing freedom of information.
7. The need in the field of information dissemination is for the equalization not the lowering of per capita; this indicates a need for subsidizing, in particular, poorly financed libraries.

II. This Committee proposes that this Committee be renamed "The Public Services Committee" to parallel the AALL structure and the new ORALL brochure.
**PLACEMENT NOTICES**

**Michigan**

Assistant Reader Services Librarian. Thomas M. Cooley Law School Library. Requirements: M.L.S. from an ALA accredited school and preferably J.D. from an ABA accredited school; library experience in an academic or law library. Duties: Scheduled noon to 8 P.M., Monday through Friday, some weekends. Provides reference service including working with government documents and online data bases, assists in collection development and general administration of the Reader Services Department. Salary: Commensurate with qualifications; minimum $17,434. Available: Immediately. Contact: Peter M. Kempski, Law Librarian, Thomas M. Cooley Law School Library, 217 South Capitol Avenue, P. O. Box 13038, Lansing, Michigan 48901.

**Ohio**

Cataloging Librarian. Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library, Cleveland State University. M.S.L.S. from ALA accredited school required. Two years minimum library cataloging experience, including use of COCC, LC classification and subject headings for law and other materials, and knowledge of AACR and AACR2 preferred. Law Library experience desirable but not essential. Duties: Overseas operation of cataloging section, perform original cataloging as necessary, assist in planning departmental procedures, plan and implement section procedures, including reclassification and public catalog maintenance, and supervise two and one-half classified employees. Some reference work. Position reports to Technical Services Director. Salary: $16,000 minimum. Position available July 1, 1983. Contact: W. Nicholas Pope or Marie Nehmen, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio 44115.

**Director of the Law Library**

Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library, Cleveland State University. Faculty rank. Director is responsible for the overall planning, budget control, development, and administration of the law library. Position requires leadership for 5 professional law librarians, 10 support staff, and 25-30 student assistants. Proven abilities in scholarship and teaching are desired since the law library serves diverse faculty research interests, a day and evening law student program, and members of the bar. Duties will include some teaching and scholarship responsibilities consonant with a tenure track faculty position. Qualifications: M.S.L.S. from an ALA accredited school or J.D. from an ABA accredited law school, substantial experience in academic law library administration, knowledge of computer applications in libraries, and ability to interact well with faculty, staff, students, other users and members of the university community. Salary: Competitive. Available: Immediately. Contact: Professor Elizabeth Moody, Chairman, Faculty Appointments Committee, Cleveland State University, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law, Cleveland, Ohio 44115.

**Head of Public Services, Ohio Northern University Law Library**

Requirements: M.L.S. from an ALA accredited school; course work or experience in legal research. Experience in public services or in a law library is helpful, but not required. Coursework in government documents is also helpful. Responsibilities: The Head of Public Services is primarily responsible for reference services to the law school community and for the supervision of the circulation desk. References include presentation at the law school orientation and to several law school classes, tours of the law library, and aiding students and faculty in the use of LEXIS, as well as individual assistance with reference questions. The librarian also oversees the reference collection and makes suggestions regarding its development. Circulation duties include overseeing the circulation desk, the reserve collection, and stack maintenance. The Head of Public Services supervises one full-time staff member and schedules, trains, and supervises approximately eleven student assistants. Duties also include working on special projects as they arise and working one to two nights a week. Salary: Competitive; commensurate with experience. The position is a tenure-track position with faculty rank. Appointment will be made at the Instructor level. Available: September 1, 1983. Send resume with names and addresses of three references to: Daniel S. Guy, Dean, Pettit College of Law, Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio 45810. Ohio Northern University is an equal opportunity employer.

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**Trash or Treasure?**

The following publications are available for the asking, and the cost of postage. Please contact by September 20, 1983 Carolyn Vinyard, Librarian, Bricker & Eckler, 100 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215; (614) 227-2300.

**BUTTERWORTH'S LAW LIST: COMMONWEALTH AND INTERNATIONAL LAW**


**THE LAWYERS' DIRECTORY: AN INTERNATIONAL SELECTION OF LEADING LAWYERS AND CORPORATION COUNSEL**


**THE LAWYERS' LIST: COUNSEL IN GENERAL, CORPORATION, TRIAL PRACTICE, PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT PRACTICE**


**MARKHAM'S NEGLIGENCE COURT DECISIONS: ANNUAL DIRECTORY OF SELECTED NEGLIGENCE & WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AT- TORNEYS, 1969.**

Stamford, Conn.: Markham Publishing Corp., 1966. Condition: GOOD.

**WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA, 41st Edition**


**JOURNAL OF THE ASSOCIATION OF TRIAL LAWYERS OF AMERICA**


**NACCA LAW JOURNAL: WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, RAILROAD, ADMIRALTY, PERSONAL INJURY LAW**


**OHIO STATE LAW JOURNAL**

Volume 27—No. 1 and Volume 30—No. 3 only. Ohio State University, 1966 and 1969. Condition: GOOD.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES FORTNIGHTLY**

Committee Appointments 1983-84

TO: All ORALL members
FROM: Loree Potash, President

It is important to have all ORALL committees for 1983-84 in place by the Fall Meeting so that there can be a smooth transition at that time. All committees are important, and it is through them that you have your greatest opportunity to participate in the growth of ORALL. Membership on committees can provide the opportunity to make new friends, to see how our organization actually functions, and to get professionally involved.

Membership on committees is usually guided by your preference. I will make committee appointments based upon your response to the form whenever possible. If I do not hear from you I will assume that you wish to remain on the committee on which you are currently serving.

Please respond no later than September 15, 1983 to:
Loree Potash
Case Western Reserve University
Law Library
11075 East Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio 44106

The following are brief guidelines for each of the ORALL Committees to help you decide on which you wish to serve.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Activities Committee: Under the direction of the Vice President/President Elect, this Committee plans the programs and the locations for the two meetings each year. The Committee plans subcommittees into Program and Local Arrangements. The 1983 committee determines the topics and the locations for 1984. Then the 1984 committee fills in the details of the topics suggested, locates speakers, sets the schedule, etc. The 1984 committee also decides the topics and the locations for the 1985 meetings.

Constitution, Bylaws and Guidelines Committee: This committee reviews the documents of the Association for their consistency and considers proposed changes for their amendment. The chair or a delegate member serves as the Parliamentarian at the Business Meetings.

Legislative Committee: This committee monitors proposed legislation affecting law libraries in each member state and makes recommendations for appropriate action to the Executive Board and the membership.

Membership Committee: This committee solicits new members, supplies membership forms, and publishes the annual directory with the help of the Treasurer and Banks-Baldwin.

Newsletter Committee: Under the direction of the editor, this committee edits and authors articles for the three or four issues published each year and harassed officers, committee chairs, and members to communicate their news prior to deadlines.

Nominating Committee: This committee evaluates and selects candidates for offices and Executive Board, makes recommendations for life members, and evaluates nominees for the Distinguished Law Librarian and the Outstanding Service Awards.

Placement Committee: This one person committee maintains files of openings in law libraries and resumes of applicants seeking positions. This task is closely related to AALL's Placement Committee. Openings are published in both ORALL and AALL newsletters and posted at ORALL meetings.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Bibliography Committee: This committee has prepared and continues to revise bi-annually the list of recommended law books for law libraries in the region. It involves adding new publications of relevant value, updating prices, and deleting out-of-print titles. It would be of immense value if someone on the committee had a word processor to reduce the typing chore for the other members.

Education Committee: This committee seeks to encourage and advance the exchange of ideas and experiences of ORALL members through the use of surveys and any other means which can lead to future program topics of broad interest to the membership. It differs from the Activities Committee in the amount of time it can spend exploring a particular subject in depth.

Public Access to Legal Information Committee: Now that the work of the ORALL/OLA Taskforce has been completed, this committee will work toward teaching legal research skills to librarians who seek them, consulting about law collections, and meeting the professional responsibility of providing citizens with access to the laws and regulations that govern their lives.

Union List Committee: This committee is exploring the possibility of putting the Union List on OCLC since so few libraries are interested in participating in the list and those who do, for the most part, are on OCLC.

SPECIAL PROJECT

ORALL Chapter Breakfast in San Diego during AALL Convention: This one person committee sets the date, the menu, the price, and handles the registration fees for this early morning get-together.

Committee Appointments for 1983-1984

Name ____________________________
Library __________________________

Committees (Check one or prioritize 2 or 3)

- Membership
- Activities
- Nominating
- Constitution, Bylaws and Guidelines
- Legislative
- Placement
- Bibliography

Education
Union List
Newsletter
Public Access to Legal Information
San Diego
Chapter Breakfast

Will you be willing to chair a committee? [ ] yes [ ] no

I have worked on the following committees in the past:

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Complete and return by September 15, 1983 to: Loree Potash