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President's Message

What a difference a few months can make! When I last wrote, the temperature was in the 70's and my credit card balances were in control. Now Akron is the oldest place in the "Lower Forty-Eight" and the holidays have insured that I must work for another year or two. I suppose both conditions are common and induce character development.

Passing from the general to the specific, I wish to thank ORALL newsletter editors, reporters, and contributors for what I thought was an excellent December issue. With a little luck and cooperation perhaps each issue can be better than the last.

As you will note, we are again repeating the "Library Bill of Rights," along with an editorial signed and endorsed by the ORALL Executive Board. While we do not feel that the Executive Board position is at all controversial, we feel that an editorial could better reflect our individual views rather than ORALL policy. Discussion and/or contrary views are welcome. However, all editorials must be signed for inclusion in these pages.

In this issue you will also find my committee appointments. Selection was based primarily on individual request, followed by an attempt for geographic as well as library-type representation. If you wish to join a committee, please advise me; in ORALL it's never too late to volunteer. I'll include a "Committee Choice Form" in the third issue of the newsletter for Anita's benefit.

I am truly gratified by the positive response I have received from our Past-Presidents and Life Members for the new column you'll find in this issue. If your contribution is not in this issue, please be assured it will appear in a future issue of the newsletter.

Finally, as you will note, Anita Shew has put together an exceptional program for the spring meeting in Columbus. There is something for everyone, and the location is convenient for the majority of our members. I hope to see you all there!

Here's hoping you all get a substantial tax refund, and I'll see you at the races in Columbus!

Al Podboy,
ORALL President

Calendar

April 30	Newsletter Deadline—2nd issue
May 8-10	ORALL Spring Meeting—Columbus
July 6-11	ALA Annual Conference—Chicago
July 7-10	AALL Meeting—New York
July 31	Newsletter Deadline—3rd issue
August 1	Deadline for Nomination of Officers by Petition
August 18-24	IFLA (International Federation of Library Association) General Conference—Chicago
September 1	Nomination for Awards Deadline
October 16-18	ORALL Fall Meeting—Fort Wayne
October 31	Newsletter Deadline—4th issue
May 1986	ORALL Spring Meeting—Cincinnati

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Editorial

The Library Bill of Rights

This document first adopted by the American Library Association Council in 1948 and amended in 1961, 1967, and 1980 states that:

The American Library Association affirms that all libraries are forums for information and ideas, and that the following basic policies should guide their services.

1. Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.

2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of

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view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.

3. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.

4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.

5. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.

6. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.

The American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) in its Code of Ethics adopted September 1978 espouses the American Library Association statement of professional ethics. The ALA code of ethics states:

A librarian:

(1) Has a special responsibility to maintain the principles of the Library Bill of Rights.

(2) Should learn and faithfully execute the policies of the institution of which one is a part and should endeavor to change those which conflict with the spirit of the Library Bill of Rights.

[Reprint from AALL, Directory of Law Libraries, xvii (1984 ed).]

The exclusion of materials due to the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation is not in conformity with the AALL Bill of Rights. The Library Bill of Rights, its interpretations and a discussion of its applications may be found in the American Library Association's *Intellectual Freedom Manual* (2d ed 1983).

The proscription or removal of materials because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval also is not in conformity with the AALL Bill of Rights.

We as law librarians, whether we have formally adopted these principles or not,

should be aware of them. Our profession is based on the ideals embodied in this Bill of Rights. We have a duty to uphold these principles when they are attacked. The American Association of Law Libraries Code of Ethics states that "[a] librarian ... has a special responsibility to maintain the principles of the Library Bill of Rights."

Law libraries are places where judges, lawyers, and students go to confront controversy. The censorship, by any individual or group, of law library collections tends to blunt controversy. It is much simpler to deal with a legal controversy if you only read the authorities that support your position. Reading only one side, however, is likely to lead to unsatisfactory results.

There are many examples of acquisition discrimination. For example: a state Supreme Court Library within the ORALL area cancelled its subscription to the state's bar journal; county law libraries that are unable to purchase certain legal material because their board did not like the author's point of view; academic law libraries acceding to the demand of zealous faculty committees and deans to remove or not purchase materials written by authors or institutions they oppose; in firm and corporate law libraries, unwelcome legal publications that present legal issues against our corporate or client's point of view.

How obligated are law librarians to follow the Library Bill of Rights and the AALL Code of Ethics? Obviously there is no legal obligation, although the ALA statement of professional ethics says a librarian must learn and carry out institutional policy. If your superior or governing authority directs you to violate the Library Bill of Rights, you must do that if you wish to retain your job.

As a law librarian, however, there is a moral obligation to maintain the Library Bill of Rights and to attempt to convince your institution to follow it. To believe otherwise denigrates the idea that law librarians are professionals with certain obligations that go beyond our current jobs and our own narrow self interest.

Some have said that private law libraries do not have to worry about the Library Bill of Rights. Others say publicly funded law libraries such as county law libraries and court law libraries do not have to worry about the Library Bill of Rights since again they are only open to the public as a courtesy. Private law schools may also claim the Library Bill of

Rights does not apply. Even public schools may say their board of trustees, president, faculties, deans and students are the ones who should determine the selection, not the public who are admitted where space is available. If all the law libraries and law librarians are right why did the AALL adopt a Code of Ethics espousing the Library Bill of Rights?

The best case for ignoring the Library Bill of Rights can be made by the law firm or corporate law library. These libraries usually have the most restricted clientele and their funding is most insulated from being called publicly supported.

Public funding, and public access to lack of it, should not determine when the Library Bill of Rights should apply. The Library Bill of Rights, and our obligation to attempt to maintain it, has particular relevance to us as members of a profession in a free society. Admittedly, a law firm or corporate law librarian will have much harder time maintaining the Library Bill of Rights than an academic librarian.

What is the reason you can give your superior for why you wish to follow the Library Bill of Rights, when he or she does not want a particular work or group of works in the law library? The most cogent reason is that in order to know the total controversy in any legal question, one needs to be familiar with relevant points of view in the controversy.

For example, a law firm or financial institution may own the *Equal Credit*

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Opportunity Manual by Clontz from Warren, Gorham and Lamont. This publisher generally sells its books to banks and lawyers. It has a large publication list in banking and commercial law. Its publications are likely to reflect the point of view of bankers and their legal counsel. The National Consumer Law Center also publishes a series of books on Consumer Credit and Sales Practice, including the *Equal Credit Opportunity Act* by Azzata. The Center receives funding from the Legal Services Corporation and is dedicated to helping consumers. A large firm or in-house counsel for a financial institution probably would prefer the Warren, Gorham and Lamont publication on Equal Credit, while the legal aid office would prefer the National Consumer Law Center publication. The lawyer involved might even be hostile to having the other publisher's title in the library. Yet a conscientious law librarian should strive to have both because a well-prepared attorney needs to know what opposing counsel will be reading and thinking on the same subject.

This is the underlying reason why law librarians should support the Library Bill of Rights, no matter how the library is owned or who may use it. You do a disservice to your users if you allow them to bury their heads in sand and believe what they wish, unchallenged by opposing points of view.

In the situation of the Supreme Court Law Library in our region that stopped its State Bar Association Journal subscription, the members of the Court are not obtaining the viewpoint of the bar association. The lawyer or judge who stops looking at all the various viewpoints in any controversy is being handicapped.

It is our obligation as law librarians to seek to uphold the Library Bill of Rights to insure our users are not going into legal controversies missing part of their armor because they did not have access to the opposition's arsenal of publications and viewpoints.

The ORALL Executive Board,

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Executive Board Meeting Highlights

The Winter Executive Board Retreat was held on November 28, 1984 at the Columbus offices of Baker & Hostetter. The agenda included: status reports by the Treasurer, President, and Vice-President/President Elect (Activities Committee); the ORALL Newsletter; publication of the ORALL guidelines; ORALL scholarships for meetings; the Library Bill of Rights; the Supreme Court Records and Briefs; and, Special Interest Sections (SIS).

The financial position of ORALL has not changed significantly over the past year. We broke even at the Fall 1984 South Bend meeting.

Al Podboy has sent letters to life members and past presidents of ORALL requesting articles for the newsletter that reflect their experience and unique perspective.

Recent appointments include Mary Grace Hune and Melanie Solon-Kochheiser to the Public Relations Committee for OCLIS. Keith Blough was appointed to the Ohio Library Foundation Board; Sue Schaeffgen and Molly Shemano have been reappointed as ORALL Representatives to OCLIS; and, Anita Shew has been appointed as the Chapter Liaison for the AALL Public Relations Committee.

Anita Shew has been working hard to find potential speakers for our Columbus meeting. Previous programming ideas which will be considered are the use of DIALOG, budget administration and auditing, First Amendment Rights, funding, basic legal research, reasons for going to a professional conference, training of non-professional staff, and technical services. Anita also suggested a program that would address administrative concerns, such as: personnel, statistics, and affirmative action. She also suggested the possibility of having a keynote speaker, an approach that has not been used at an ORALL meeting for some time. She will try to draw on unique resources in the Columbus area for our meeting such as Battelle, Chemical Abstracts, Ohio State University, and OCLC. Please direct any ideas for substantive programs to Anita Shew.

Julee Pittman of Capital University will be taking over responsibility for local arrangements in Columbus. (The previ-

ous Chairperson, Leverett Preble, has accepted a position with the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. and will be leaving the ORALL region.) The Columbus meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn in Downtown Columbus at Third and Town Street. Room rates are between \$39 and \$45 a night, and there is free parking.

Anita also reported that plans for the Fort Wayne meeting are progressing. Mary McDonald will be the local arrangements chairperson. The Library Bill of Rights was suggested as a potential topic for that meeting. Kathy Welker will be doing local arrangements for the Spring 1986 meeting in Cincinnati.

We are continuing to correspond with the Kellogg Legal Department in Battle Creek, Michigan, about the possibility of having our Fall 1986 meeting there. It would be a joint meeting with MICHALL.

Constance Matts reported on the state of the ORALL Newsletter. Four issues of the Newsletter are scheduled for 1985.

There was some discussion on the best method for distributing the ORALL Guidelines (Handbook). Ellen will investigate the possibility of distributing the Guidelines on a request basis at cost through her firm.

Al Podboy will request the Education Committee to consider the possibility of offering a scholarship to allow a newer ORALL member to attend a meeting.

The Editorial appearing in this issue of the ORALL Newsletter regarding the Library Bill of Rights was discussed. There was a question of whether it should appear under the auspices of the Executive Board or the Association.

The Ohio Supreme Court records and briefs are no longer being supplied by the Court to the Hein Company for publication. Many of our members have indicated their need for these records and briefs, but their letters to the Court have not received a satisfactory response. Concerned members may wish to write to the Court asking why these materials are no longer being published.

An important issue before the Association this year is the formation of the Special Interest Sections (SIS). This will be the primary purpose of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. It is expected that a compromise version of two previously introduced amendments will be adopted this year. ■

Past Presidents' Column

by Granville Cleveland



Today I celebrate twenty years of life as a law librarian, years that at times seemed like Hamlet's: weary, stale, flat and unprofitable. When I first started, I was law librarian for the Springfield Bar and Law Library Association in Springfield, Ohio. I was new to the profession, but I was given a chance to grow and learn. Although I received plenty of support from the Bar Association of Springfield, there were times when my job lost much of its challenge. Occasionally I felt like a "nobody," and I certainly was not getting rich!

I became a member of the (then) Ohio Association of Law Libraries, later to become the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries. The Association's name was changed to reflect and credit the membership of libraries in the states surrounding Ohio. This was the beginning of my wonderful relationship with a marvelous group of professional law librarians. I am very grateful to be among them.

Two distinguished law librarians with whom I have worked over the past fifteen years are also members of ORALL. They are Director and Associate Director of the Notre Dame Law Library, Mrs. Kathleen Farmann and Mr. Stanley Farmann, respectively. These two wonderful people are retiring this year; because I will miss them very much, I will take this opportunity to pay tribute to my friends, Mr. and Mrs. Farmann.

Kathleen and Stanley Farmann are two of the greatest people I know. They project a compassion that gives those around them power, sustenance, shelter,

and life. Their professional motto is: You will be weary, but your librarianship will not be stale, your days will not be flat, and there is good profit for the spirit.

When the Farmanns started at Notre Dame Law School Library, the Library contained between 55,000 and 60,000 volumes and was only open on weekdays, closing on weekends and over the summer. The staff was comprised solely of student assistants. Their budget was inadequate.

Over the next few years, the Farmanns put together a budget that expanded Notre Dame's Law Library from 55,000 to 190,000 volumes. They acquired five computers and microfiche facilities. The library staff grew from one professional librarian to five. The Notre Dame Library is now open daily, year-round.

Much can be said about the Farmanns' contributions. Perhaps their greatest accomplishment is the overall status that they have brought to Notre Dame's Law Library. This is evidenced by the fact that Roger Jacobs, the United State Supreme Court Law Librarian, will succeed Mrs. Farmann as Director.

Over the years I have watched the Farmanns work to make Notre Dame Law Library a leader among law libraries. At times bureaucracy seemed an insurmountable barrier to their efforts, but they persevered. On one occasion, Mrs. Farmann gave me some advice I shall never forget. Recognizing my frustration with academic bureaucracy and with my life as a law librarian, Mrs. Farmann said to me: "There is not a single path that you can take to escape bureaucracy, but you do have choices to make. You may choose to do well and nothing more; you may do well and not be recognized for it; or, you may try to do well but fall short of your goal. The important thing to remember is to always do your best, and that will be more than enough."

I will miss them dearly!

Granville Cleveland was the President of ORALL in 1965-1966, and he remains an active member. Mr. Cleveland is currently Assistant Law Librarian at Notre Dame Law Library, and the Administrator of the Sports and Law Program at Notre Dame Law School.

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*Per Bylaw VII, Sec. 1, the President serves as an ex-officio member of all committees.

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Placement Notices

Ohio State University College of Law
Position: Librarian 3
Salary: \$20,880 - 23,280

Requirements: MLS and/or JD degree, with considerable library experience, including law cataloging and OCLC (or other) automated procedures experience.

Job description: To be responsible for bibliographic control of the law libraries collection. This individual will: apply the library's unique classification system (AACR II and LCSH) to monographs, serials, rare books, microforms, audiovisual materials and other items in English and other languages; supervise processing of all materials (including bindery); make plans and recommendations to the professional staff on the use of automated procedures to improve library service.

Qualified candidates should send resume to:

Professional Employment Services
The Ohio State University*
Lobby, Archer House
2130 Neil Avenue
Columbus, OH 43210

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Ohio State University College of Law
Position: Librarian 3
Salary: \$20,880 - 23,280

Requirements: MLS and JD, or considerable law library experience including government materials and the use of LEXIS, WESTLAW, and DIALOG.

Job description: To organize and service the government documents section, and to provide training in use of documents to students and faculty; to assist with general legal reference; to participate in a legal research course; to assist in the planning and operation of a library program.

Qualified candidates should send resume to:

Professional Employment Services
The Ohio State University*
Lobby, Archer House
2130 Neil Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43210

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United States Courts Library (Cleveland)
Position: Satellite Librarian (after 4/1/85)
Salary: JSP 7-11 (\$17,824 - 31,211)

Requirements: College graduate with degree in library science and one year professional experience. Prefer those experienced in: legal reference (or some legal training); legal database searching; and, personnel supervision.

Job description: To administer the newly established Cleveland Library as part of the Sixth Circuit Library System; to develop a satellite library program; to direct the library move; to supervise assistants; to maintain catalog of holdings; to initiate acquisition orders; to perform legal and non-legal reference; to search WESTLAW as requested; to assist in maintenance of circuit lawbook inventory; and, to assist library users.

Qualified candidates should send resume to:

Kathy Joyce Welker
Circuit Librarian
617 USPO & Courthouse
Cincinnati, OH 45202

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Case Western Reserve University, College of Law Library
Position: Cataloger, Retrospective Conversion Project
Salary: Commensurate with experience.

Requirements: ALA-accredited MLS degree, plus one year experience cataloging on an online bibliographic utility in a law library setting. Prefer experience with retrospective conversion project.

Job description: To reclassify and recatalog 50,000 titles of legal and law-related materials into machine readable form for an online university-wide system; to supervise one paraprofessional and student help. This position is for a two-year term.

Qualified candidates should send resume and references to:

Kathleen Carrick, Associate Professor and Director of Law Library
Case Western Reserve University Law School
Gund Hall
11075 East Boulevard
Cleveland, OH 44106

Cleveland-Marshall College of Law
Position: Catalog Librarian
Salary: \$18,304 - 21,000

Requirements: Graduate library degree from ALA approved school, plus two years minimum library cataloging experience including OCLC and LC classification and subject headings, and knowledge of AACR2. Law library experience and knowledge of RLIN desirable.

Job description: To oversee operation of cataloging section; to perform original cataloging as necessary; to assist in planning departmental procedures, including reclassification and public catalog maintenance; to supervise two and one-half (FTE) classified employees; reference responsibilities some nights and weekends. Position reports to Assistant Director for Technical Services.

Qualified candidates should send resume to:

Professor Robert J. Nissenbaum, Director of Law Library
Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library
Cleveland, OH 44115

University of Bridgeport School of Law (Connecticut)
Position: Assistant Librarian for Administration
Salary: Commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Requirements: Substantial experience in library administration in a large or academic library; proven supervisory and budgetary experience; relevant academic credentials in information science or law strongly preferred.

Job description: To assist the Library Director in all matters relating to library resource management, budget, and collection development. All staff in serials, acquisitions, and cataloging report to the Assistant Librarian.

Qualified candidates should send resume and at least three current references to:

Professor Madeleine J. Wilken, Director of Law Information Services
University of Bridgeport School of Law
Bridgeport, Connecticut 06601

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Senate Bill 44: Public Use Issue

Senate Bill 44 is the direct offspring of SB 161. On January 15, 1985, it was introduced by Senator Zaleski into the 61st Legislature, and it incorporates suggestions raised by librarians in 1983-1984. This bill seeks to amend Ohio Revised Code Sections 3375.48 and 3375.55 to read as follows:

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

Sec. 3375.48. If the board of trustees of a law library association that receives moneys under sections 3375.50 to 3375.53 of the revised code appoints a librarian, or a librarian and not more than two assistant librarians, for the law library, the judges of the court of common pleas of the county in which the law library is located shall fix the compensation of those persons. The compensation shall be paid from the county treasury.

Sec. 3375.55.(A) The board of trustees of a law library association that receives moneys under sections 3375.50 to 3375.53 shall grant admission to, and the use of, the law library free of charge by members of the general assembly, judges of the courts in the county, and officers of the county and of the municipal corporations and townships in the county.

(B) The board of trustees of a law library association that receives moneys under sections 3375.50 to 3375.53 of the revised code shall admit members of the public to the law library free of charge. The board may limit hours of admission to hours when library personnel are on duty.

The board shall not unreasonably limit access by members of the public, but may adopt rules reasonably necessary for the management and protection of the law library and its property, including, but not limited to, rules governing the days, hours, and conditions of admission to the law library and use of the law library and its property, and rules assuring the recovery of the direct costs of usage incurred. ■

Noteworthy Video Collection

by Vicki Lee Brown

Since 1983 the Ashtabula County Law Library Association has purchased approximately sixty video tapes to supplement their reference materials. After several months of renovations in late 1982, a "video room" was added to the law library. The video tape collection at this time covers areas including: depositions, trials, torts, cross and direct examination, summation, jury instructions, medical malpractice, bankruptcy, workers' compensation, insurance, wrongful death, sentencing, social security, Ohio new drunk driving laws, civil and business litigation, domestic relations, and using the video tape in trial practice.

The "video room" consists of two VCR recorders and players, two 12" television sets, and an extensive collection of audio cassettes provided by the Ohio Judicial College. This equipment provides members the opportunity to copy tapes not restricted by copyright laws.

The Ohio State Bar College has indicated CLE credit will be given for each 60 minute tape viewed, and partial credit for time spent less than 60 minutes thereafter. Tapes viewed are recorded on an Ohio State Bar College form, which is then returned to the college after collecting 24 hours in one year. Credits from other CLE sources may be applied. Credit is given only to attorneys viewing tapes in groups of three or more.

Lastly, these tapes are available to members for viewing at home or in their office. Individual tapes can be checked-out for a maximum seven day period. We have found this to be a very successful program. ■

Spring Meeting

Make plans now for the ORALL Spring Meeting in Columbus, May 8-10. The general theme of library administration should appeal to each county law librarian, whether he or she reigns over the circulation desk or periodicals or filing. There will be Thursday afternoon breakout sessions for the various types of libraries. On Wednesday afternoon, fol-

lowing library tours, the Court/County Law Librarians will meet between 3:30 and 5:30. The agenda will include discussion of the proposed amendment to the ORALL Constitution; Senate Bill 44; and, specific ways to respond to the possible passage of the bill. We also hope to invite all county law library trustees (who may be attending the Annual Ohio State Bar Association Convention at the same time) and hear from some trustees on issues of administration from their perspective. Please put this on your agenda and bring your trustee. ■

SIS Section for County Libraries

Revised text of the ORALL Constitutional Amendment establishing an SIS section for county libraries will be voted on once more at the ORALL Spring Meeting. If you need or value the specific emphasis on your type of library, plan to be there with your vote. You will receive copy 30 days in advance—watch for it!

Akron Law Library on the Move

The plans and specifications have been complete for the Akron Law Library Association. Bids for construction have been approved. The remodeling project will greatly expand their space and solve some (not all!) of their problems. In the process, they will go through *two complete moves* of the entire library!

Perspective Member

Corliss C. Davis is the new Assistant Librarian at the Akron Law Library Association. She was previously a Librarian for the City of Akron Department of Planning and Urban Development. Mrs. Davis has her M.L.S. and is completing her 6th year certificate in Library Science at Kent State. She is a member of the Special Libraries Association and hopefully will join us at ORALL. Corliss is married and has two children to consume her free time. She replaces Greta Southard who has moved on to Dayton and is employed by the Cincinnati Law Library.

ORALL Officer Nominations

The promotion, growth, advancement and improvement of law librarianship, and the spirit of helpfulness and cooperation among law librarians of the Ohio Region, can best be continued through the leadership provided by the Officers of ORALL.

To that end, the Nominating Committee is soliciting your nominations or applications for the following ORALL offices: Vice-President/President-elect, Treasurer (two year term), and Executive Board member (two year term).

Nominations are also being accepted for the recipients of the two awards ORALL bestows: the Distinguished Law Librarian Award, and the Outstanding Service Award.

The *Distinguished Law Librarian Award* honors "an individual who has been in ORALL at least five years and who has shown a professional commitment to law librarianship and ORALL serving in leadership roles on committees or as an officer, by taking an active role in other Association activities, and by contributing to the literature or advancement of law librarianship. This award is to give special recognition to a person who has contributed above and beyond the expected level on a consistent basis." (Bylaw XI, sec. 1)

The *Outstanding Service Award* honors "an individual for a specific achievement in the form of an idea, publication, or organizational project that benefits ORALL members." (Bylaw XI, sec. 2)

The names of the candidates are to be submitted prior to April 8, 1985, in order that the Nominating Committee may have a slate ready for publication in the spring issue of the ORALL Newsletter. When responding, please include information that will be helpful to the Committee in making its selections.

The names of the candidates may be sent to:

Teresa Trimboli
Chairperson, Nominating Committee
Dayton Law Library Association
505 Montgomery County Courts Building
41 North Perry Street
Dayton, Ohio 45422

Candidates' names may also be submitted to any Committee member:

Joanne Beal—Dayton Law Library Association (OH)
Lane Fichtenu—Adams-Pratt Oakland County Law Library (MI)
Thomas French—Chase Law School Library (KY)
Wendell Johnsting—Indiana University School of Law Library (IN)
Ellen Quinn—Hahn, Loeser, Freedheim, Dean & Wellman (OH)

Professional Resources

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Ohio Library Foundation

by Keith Blough, ORALL Representative

The Ohio Library Foundation was founded in 1963 to promote Ohio libraries and librarians in order to facilitate improvement of library services and to increase public awareness of these services. As a charitable organization, the foundation gratefully accepts donations which are used for a variety of programs.

The Foundation Board of Directors is comprised of the Executive Vice President, three Directors-at-Large, and one representative from each of the six participating library organizations.

One noteworthy program the Foundation will administer beginning in April of this year is the *Ohio Cooperative Conservation Information Office* (OCCIO).

Directed by Rebecca Winkle, the OCCIO office is located at the State Library, Ohio, and the purpose of the program is to promote conservation of library materials. To encourage libraries to implement conservation programs, the OCCIO sponsors numerous workshops, maintains a workroom at the State Library where personnel can receive training in conservation techniques. The office also has book repair kits which are available to libraries through interlibrary loan. For more information on this program, write or call the following address:

Becky Winkle, Director
Ohio Cooperative Conservation
Information Office
65 South Front Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 221-2064

The foundation has made substantial progress in its twenty-three year history under the capable administration of J. A. Chapman Parsons, Executive Vice President, and Mr. Walter Brahm, Director of Employment. As with any other charitable organization, there is room for growth with respect to financial resources and new ideas.

If you are concerned about our profession and ways to support it, I urge you to keep the Ohio Library Foundation in your mind. ■

The Institute on Cataloging and Management of Legal Information will be held July 2 - 5, 1985 at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. The Institute will concentrate on solving problems associated with bibliographic control of legal publications, issues concerning automatic machine readable record keeping, and document organization. For further information contact one of the Co-Directors: Marilyn Nicely at the University of Oklahoma Law Library (Norman, OK); Maryruth Storer at O'Melveny & Myer (Los Angeles, CA). ■

The *Law Library Journal* would like to hear from you! Anyone with contributions or ideas for writing projects should contact Richard A. Danner, Editor, American Association of Law Libraries, *Law Library Journal*, Duke University Law Library, Durham, NC 27706. ■

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Abstracts of Book Reviews in Current Legal Periodicals is an acquisition tool published by Brigham Young University Law Library since 1974. Each issue represents approximately 200 pages of actual reviews. Each abstract is fully referenced to the original journal to guide subscribers to book reviews they want to read more fully. Reviews received during the preceding two week period are included to keep *Abstracts* current. Subscriptions to this time-saving resource are welcome. Prepaid or billable at \$24.00 for 24 semimonthly issues and an annual index. Contact: Lovisa Hurtado, Abstracts Editor, 282 JRCB, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602. ■

A mid-April meeting has been scheduled in Dayton with Mead Data Central, to discuss Lexis-related matters such as pricing, documentation and customer service. Helen Burwell, of Hutcheson & Grundy in Houston, has been invited to represent librarians and has offered to solicit and synthesize suggestions, comments, and complaints. Your letters are welcome and may be directed to: Helen P. Burwell, Librarian, Hutcheson & Grundy, 3300 Citicorp Center, Houston TX 77002. ■

ORALL Conference Schedule

The following schedule lists places and dates of upcoming conferences. The previous committee had suggested possible program topics such as: Budget Administration, Technical Services, Basic Legal Research, Use of Dialog, and Training Non-professional Staff. Please send any program ideas to Anita K. Shew, Activities Committee Chairperson.

Spring Meeting 1985

Location: Columbus, Ohio
Dates: May 8-10
Local Arrangements:
Julee Pittman,
Capital University

Fall Meeting 1985

Location: Ft. Wayne, Indiana
Dates: October 16-18
Local Arrangements:
Mary McDonald,
Lincoln National Corp.

Spring Meeting 1986

Location: Cincinnati, Ohio
Dates: May ?
Local Arrangements:
Kathy Welker,
U.S. Court of Appeals

Announcements

WSU Arthur Neef Law Library News

by Georgia Clark

Facilities, staff, book budget and services are changing at Wayne State University in the Arthur Neef Law Library in Detroit. The Library has begun to take on a fresh new appearance through the generosity of friends of the law school and the law library. The reference area has been renovated, the microforms are available for public access, microform carrels have been added, an index alcove has been created, a separate copy machine room has been added, a WESTLAW room has been added, and new carpet has been installed on the first floor. Within the next few months we hope to renovate the four group discussion rooms on the first floor, and add an OCLC terminal at the reference desk.

Automation plans for the on-line public catalog and circulation are nearly complete. Our inventory is over 50% done and 25% of the shelflist has been converted to machine readable records.

Since Stuart Yoak left in August for Washington University Law Library, we have had to reallocate responsibilities in public services. Kanhya L. Kaul, formerly of the WSU Purdy Library, is on the staff as a Public Services Librarian. He is in the throes of learning all there is to know about reference in a law library. A completely unique experience as many of you know! Within the next few weeks a job announcement should appear in the library literature for a replacement for Stuart's position. Watch for it!

The book budget has increased significantly and we have every reason to believe it will continue. All librarians are involved in collection development, both current and retrospective. Ask us about our experience with an approval plan.

The staff continues to be overworked but challenged by their involvement in collection development, automation, faculty liaison and library instruction. Not only have we reached faculty and students in the law school but we have held sessions for faculty and students from the departments of Social Work, Education, Library Science, Political Science, Criminal Justice, Sociology and Business Administration. All together, a total of over seven hundred students have been instructed by four librarians: Margaret Heinen, Marianne Maher, Lida Keem and Georgia A. Clark.

Since June 1984, Susan Adamczak, a part-time librarian and full-time law student, has been abstracting Michigan Supreme Court, Michigan Court of Appeals and Michigan Attorney General opinions for the *Detroit Legal News*. This, along with our Information Services Center fee-based activity, has benefited the attorneys in the community.

From the above update you can tell that we're busy—but never too busy to be involved in ORALL or to interact with our fellow librarians. Come visit us in Detroit!

Staff Changes at the Cleveland Law Library Association

On June 30, 1984, Arthur W. Fiske retired as Director of the Cleveland Law Library Association after 43 years of distinguished service.

The Board of Trustees then appointed Robert E. Barner the Librarian effective July 1, 1984. Mr. Barner had been the Assistant Librarian since 1962. He holds a B.A. from Western Reserve University and an L.L.B. from Western Reserve Law School.

The position of Assistant Law Librarian was left open until a suitable person could be found. After a diligent search, Jan Ryan Novak was appointed First Assistant Librarian effective January 14, 1985. Ms. Novak had been Department Head and Law Librarian of the Public Administration Library in the City of Cleveland since 1975. Ms. Novak's credits include a B.A. from Wittenberg University, an M.L.S. from Kent State University, and a J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

Eric Hess was appointed Second Assistant Librarian, effective January 7, 1985. Mr. Hess has been employed by the Library since May 1983, and will obtain a B.S. degree from Dyke College.

Plan Now for Fall

The ORALL Fall Meeting will be on the use of computers in the law library. If you have any questions, suggestions for exciting speakers, or just plain good advice, now is the time to communicate. Submit your inquiries to Anita Shew.

Public Services Committee Seeks Volunteers

The Public Services Committee is in urgent need of volunteers from all over Ohio to participate in our consulting programs and workshops. Please join our list of available speakers, so that we can help libraries in your area of the state with collection development and legal reference service. Contact Jan Ryan Novak at the Cleveland Law Library Association, Cuyahoga County Courthouse, 1 Lakeside Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44114. Or telephone her at (216) 861-5070.

If you haven't ordered our new edition of *Ohio Legal Resources*, do so now, for this document has much to offer our membership. Send \$4.50 for each copy to the Ohio Library Association, 40 S. Third Street, Columbus, Ohio 43209. ■

Volunteers needed for AALL/ORALL at OBAR Convention

A traveling booth sent by AALL headquarters will be the backdrop for an exhibit publicizing law librarians and their professional organizations (i.e. ORALL & AALL) at the upcoming Ohio Bar Association Convention.

We need zippy volunteers and perhaps "I Love Lawyers" buttons to go along with our publications and literature. Please contact Anita Shew, Program Chairman, if you can work peak times. Peak times are on Wednesday from 4:00-8:00 p.m., Thursday from 8:00-10:00 a.m., and early Friday afternoon. ■

Member News

Evalyn Greene is the new Reference/Research Librarian at Case Western Reserve University Law Library. Eve has just completed her M.L.S. from Indiana University, Bloomington. Prior to that, she practiced law in New York City after completing her J.D. at Columbia University in 1979. Eve has an M.A. in English Language and Literature from the University of Michigan (1974). She has also worked as a writer, editor, and translator both in New York and abroad for the OECD. ■

The telephone number for the Valparaiso University Law Library is incorrectly listed in the ORALL Membership Directory. Please change the listing to (219)464-5438. The entry for Valparaiso is found on page four. ■

Publisher Profiles

Additional copies of the *Publications Clearing House Bulletin* Volume 7, 1984, special issue may now be purchased for \$10.00 each. To order send your check, payable to PCHB, to:

Mary S. Bourget
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P.O. Box 231
Orlando, FL 32802

This special issue contains over one-hundred pages of information, profiling thirty-two law book publishers and covering such topics as: corporate structure, the ten best-selling products, special consumer policies, approval/return policies, and important contact sources. ■

New ORALL directories have been published. If you have not received one, contact: Janet Johnson, c/o Murphey Young & Smith, 250 East Broad Street, Columbus Ohio 43215. ■

Please note the following schedule for the 1985 ORALL Newsletter. By establishing these tentative dates and guidelines, we hope to ensure prompt quarterly publications.

	Deadline	Final copy mailed
2nd issue:	April 30	June 15
3rd issue:	July 31	September 15
4th issue:	October 31	December 15

Please submit your articles double spaced on 8½ x 11 paper, one article per page. Copy may be sent to Patricia Bresnahan, c/o Stark County Law Library; or, Constance Matts, c/o Indiana University School of Law Library. ■

Medical Literature

Health Matrix: The Quarterly Journal of Health Services Management will be publishing the proceedings of our spring 1984 meeting in the Spring 1985 issue of the journal. The panels on Medical Literature for Law Librarians, and Lawyers and Medical Jurisprudence—Medico-Legal Aspects of Litigation, will appear. The cost of an individual issue is \$8.00. Subscriptions can be ordered using the form below.

Michelle Williams, editor of the journal at Case Western Reserve University School of Law, is interested in getting someone to write a column on the literature of law and medicine. Contact her if you would like more information.

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Spring Meeting — A "Capital" Idea

Join your colleagues May 8-10, 1985, Columbus for ORALL's Spring Conference. The main theme will be library administration including items of interest to all law librarians, with extra time given to specific topics of interest in various types of libraries.

The program is structured on three levels: intellectual freedom as it involves us as librarians and citizens; administrative aspects of running our libraries; and heightened awareness of our roles and benefits as Association members. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

A registration packet will soon be sent out to all ORALL members, under separate cover.



A Night at the Races

On Wednesday evening, May 8, 1985, after you have toured some of Columbus's many law libraries and/or attended the county programs, join your colleagues for a unique evening at the Scioto Downs harness races and dinner. A reception on the "patio" will open the evening, and you may choose either to snack or dine in leisure as you watch the races. JOIN US!

Guest Speakers

Come, don't miss our exciting guest speakers. Nationally known Judith Krug, Director of the Office of Intellectual Freedom, will be our keynote speaker. AALL's Bob Berring will entertain us at our evening banquet. And for those who haven't heard Bob - look out!

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