Alumni warm up in Orlando

Two UW Law Librarianship alumni events are Orlando essentials at the AALL meeting this year:

Our annual reception is planned for Sunday, July 21, 5:30-7pm at the Peabody Hotel. A great time for you to see your classmates, renew acquaintances with alums from other years, and just plain have fun before the AALL Opening Reception. Many Gallagher law librarians will be there along with our six almost-graduated students--class of 2002. Former Law Library Administration teachers and former Gallagher employees are also most welcome. Thanks to the iSchool for their partial sponsorship of this traditional event.

Chinese, Thai--what's next for the Saturday gathering? Theresa has found a cool place--only in Orlando! Meet us at Cafe Tu Tu Tango, Saturday, July 20 at 7:30pm with $25 in your pocket for dinner complete with dessert and drinks! Address is 8625 International Drive, walking distance from the meeting.

We do need firm numbers for the restaurant --please email your R.S.V.P. to both events to Theresa Knier (tknier@u.washington.edu) no later than July 10. Thanks! See you there!

The Deskbook 3d is one hot-selling item!

The 2002 edition of the Washington Legal Researcher’s Deskbook was published in February. In less than two months, 150 copies have been sold! New chapters on local government law, Indian law for Washington practitioners, and historical and archival materials in Washington have been added. Careful editing and indexing by Cheryl Nyberg, and a beautiful 2-column layout by Theresa Knier make us very proud of this edition which replaces the 1996 work. See lib.law.washington.edu/pubs/db3toc.html. Authors Jonathan Franklin, Ann Hemmens, Mary Ann Hyatt, Peggy Jarrett, Nancy McMurrer, Cheryl Nyberg and Penny Hazelton worked hard to share their expertise.

UW Law Librarianship Program Website

Take a look! Current directory information about alums of the Law Librarianship Program, information about our authors, Association movers and shakers, and recent job changes. Help us keep this current with information from you! Send changes or ideas to Theresa Knier (tknier@u.washington.edu). lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibship or link from the Gallagher Law Library website.

What's up at the School of Law

The new building is on time and under budget, as new UW School of Law Dean W. H. Knight, Jr. (Joe) likes to say. Construction completion is scheduled for the end of May 2003. We will probably move sometime in August--after the AALL meeting. Check out the photos and webcam action at www.law.washington.edu/lawschool/newbldfaq.html

Information School News

Dean for almost a year now, Mike Eisenberg continues to transform one of the university’s small, little-known programs into a collaborative, visible School at the UW. He continues his extraordinary support of the law librarianship program by paying professors to teach three of the required five law librarianship courses. Senior Lecturer Mary Hotchkiss teaches Legal Research I and II, and a visitor teaches the Law Library Administration course each summer before AALL. Thanks again, Mike!
A Tribute to Mary Hotchkiss

Mary’s contributions to law librarianship students is the stuff of which legends are made. A full time Senior Lecturer in the Law School, Mary is teaching Legal Research I and II to students from three arenas: law librarianship, the regular MLIS program, and the law school.

This year she has also taken on other classes in the iSchool as well as legal research and substantive courses in the Law School. The students always learn so much in her classes--she gets rave reviews. Thanks, Mary, for your unstinting dedication to all your students as well as your loyalty and participation as part of the faculties of the Law School and Information School. You are an inspiration!

Thanks for your long-standing contribution to our profession. We are all better for your hard and creative teaching. And where do you find the time to edit Perspectives: Teaching Legal Research and Writing, too?

Landers Scholarship Winners '02

Lora Bennett and Bonnie McTaggart are this year’s recipients of the Melissa S. Landers Memorial Scholarship award that recognizes library school students who don’t have a JD but who show a special aptitude and interest in law librarianship.

Lora has shown her interest in law librarianship since November 2000, when she became a reference librarian at Snohomish County Law Library. Prior to that, she served as reference librarian and/or branch manager at several local libraries.

An officer in the UW student chapter of the Special Libraries Association, Bonnie also has volunteered as netmaster for King County Library System.

Get ready! AALL in Seattle 2003

AALL will meet in Seattle again in July 2003. Even though we will not yet be in our new building, we plan to have a big reunion/celebration of the law librarianship alums. So put the Seattle meeting on your calendar and begin to save your travel budget!

Class of 2002 fieldwork students and hosts

Student | JD Earned at | Fieldwork Host
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Kerry Fitz-Gerald | U Wisconsin 1995 | Preston Gates & Ellis (Seattle)
Sarah Hollingsworth | U Cal Hastings 1978 | Lewis & Clark Law Library
Bill Logan | U Cal Hastings 2000 | U San Francisco Law Library
Kristy Moon | U Cal Davis 1997 | U Cal Berkeley Law Library
Vicky Santana | U New Mexico 1973 | U Arizona Law Library

Over the years, many friends and colleagues have hosted students for their last academic course--fieldwork. Thanks to the many libraries and their staff who have mentored and educated these students over the years. We appreciate this important contribution to the growth of our profession!

Class of 2001: where are they now?

Olympia is still home for Jean Dart and her family. She remains in the market for just the right job!

John Dethman is a Reference Librarian at University of Missouri-Columbia Law Library, working with former Law Library Administration Visiting Professor Martha Dragich. John’s article on legal publishers is due to come out in LRSQ in the next year.

Law Librarian Janai Lane is at Whatcom County Law Library and has just finished a 6-month part-time assignment as a Faculty/Reference Librarian at Western Washington University. Janai won the Borgeson Award last year.

Scott Matheson is a Reference Librarian at Yale Law School. Scott accepted a 2-year post and has been busy learning everything he can from his mentors Blair Kauffman (1977?) and Ken Rudolf (1990).

Barry Shanks headed for New England and is busy teaching legal research and writing as a Reference Librarian at Franklin Pierce Law School Library.

The University of Utah Law Library was happy to hire Barbara Swatt as their new Reference Librarian where she is learning from the likes of Rita Reusch (1978?) and Suzanne Miner (1990).

Baltimore, the home of the University of Maryland, is now also Lisa Wagenheim’s new home. Situated near her family, Lisa is learning from alum Sara Kelley (1997?) and the other fine staff in the city of the Orioles.

Las Vegas still has not yielded a law librarian’s job for Patricia Wiesner, but she hasn’t given up!

2nd Borgeson Award Recipient

Judges Mike Chiorazzi (1981), Marguerite Most (1977?) and Dick Danner (2001 Law Library Administration Professor) have just decided on the winner of this writing contest. Sarah Devotion Garner will get $1000 and her paper published in LRSQ. Congratulations, Devo! Her paper is titled “Bridging an Intercultural Gap in the RefO: how to have an effective reference interaction with Asian LL.M. students”.

Law Library Admin Course 2002

Mike Chiorazzi, Law Library Director at University of Arizona, editor of Legal Reference Services Quarterly, and 1981 graduate of the UW Law Librarianship Program, will teach the Law Library Administration course in Seattle this summer. We hope Mike hasn’t forgotten what Seattle summers are really like!

Others who have enjoyed a Seattle summer and shared their talents and time to teach this class: Virginia Wise, Kay Todd, Pat Harris O’Connor, Judy Meadows, Margaret Leary, Virginia Kelsh, Nancy Johnson, Frank Houdek, Mary Hotchkiss, Jim Hambleton, Don Dunn, Martha Dragich, Dick Danner, and Barbara Bintliff. Thanks to all these fabulous professionals!