Under the Crystals:
The Year at Gallagher Law Library

Some changes at Gallagher this year include:

Facilities
A second law school project in two years will create space in the law library for two newish student journals – the Washington Journal of Law, Technology, & Arts and the Washington Journal of Environmental Law and Policy. A corner of the Reference Area in the law library will be remodeled to create shared space for the students working on these journals. While the space is inside the library, the architects have found a way to create an entrance and exit outside the main library entrance. Jonathan Franklin is working with the law school on this project this summer. Alena Wolotira and Peggy Jarrett along with circulation students and the TS department are working to move discontinued sets from the Reference Area. A plan for the shift of this 6,000 volume collection is in the works.

Ex Libris
It’s been a bumpy road in implementation of Alma and Primo this year. Ann Nez (winning one of three law school staff SCALE Awards this year – yea, Ann!) led her fearless tech services team through months of implementation and change. Every person in the law library has been affected by our new system implementation. Merging our catalog with the UW Libraries catalog has had numerous impacts, including thousands of dollars worth of bills to law faculty for lost and unreturned law library books. Ask Jonathan about those stories!

Staff
We were happy to welcome Natalie Riha to Theresa’s old job in August. What a lifesaver! She has learned a great deal in the past year. We are going to miss her when she leaves mid-July for her dream job. But we have to be happy for Natalie. She will be taking on the roles of a full time faculty member and will be acting as the Interdisciplinary Arts Department Coordinator for the sophomore student’s studio courses, all within a brand new program within the Art Department at Cornish College of the Arts.

Well, the Sherry Leysen (2011) shuffle included one more … shuffle. For personal reasons, Sherry resigned her Reference position here and is now the Research/Instruction Librarian for Faculty Services at Chapman University Law Library. We have not yet filled her position. In great news, after a search per UW policy, Alena Wolotira (2011), Anna Endter (2012), and Grace Feldman (2012) accepted our offers of permanent employment as Reference Librarians. What a team!

Due to budget cuts, we had to scale back the hours the Interns could work in the fall, but were able to add more hours in winter and spring quarters. They were a great help in Reference (helping cover Sherry’s hours) and Circulation. No technical services intern time was scheduled because Alma kept changing so much — for months!

The Reference team (Cheryl Nyberg, Mary Whisner, Peggy Jarrett, Alena Wolotira, Grace Feldman, and Anna Endter) was awarded the Faculty Scholarship Award by Dean Kellye Testy for their exceptional support of faculty scholarship at UW Law.

Publications
The new revised 2014 edition of Specialized Legal Research was sent to our printer in early June and should hit everyone’s book shelves by the end of June. The book includes a new binder, new style sheet applied to all the chapters, and completely revised chapters for copyright, banking, and customs law. Though retired, Theresa Chemnick did all the production work for the book. And Natalie has been managing the business side. I must say, after having read the entire book several times doing the edits this spring, I am really impressed with its contents and the expertise of its many authors. This is a must-have book. No online research guide holds a candle to the research tips and scope of information on each of these complex legal topics. To order, see http://lib.law.washington.edu/pubs/splr.html.

Class of 2013: off to a super start
Last year’s class had a total of eight graduates. By the fall of 2013, they were (and are still) employed in these law libraries:

Sonal Desai is a librarian for the K&L Gates Law Firm in Seattle.

Cassie Dubay and Rebecca Sherman are both working as faculty and research services librarians at Southern Methodist University.

Jennifer Haire Gonzalez has been working on projects at the Law Library of Congress and is teaching at the University of the District of Columbia Law School.

The 10th Circuit Law Library welcomed Wendy Lamar as an assistant librarian.

Andrew Martineau has taken on the role of research librarian at Universtiy of Nevada Las Vegas.

Ryan Metheny is a members program reference librarian at the Los Angeles Law Library.

Kara Noel is working as a reference librarian at Alston & Bird LLP in Los Angeles.

As you can see, only three of our graduates were hired in academic positions in 2013. In the years I have worked with the program this is a first. In the past most graduates take academic jobs immediately after graduation. And it may be just an anomaly as five of our nine 2014 graduates already have jobs in academic law libraries. Join us for the UW Alumni and Friends Reunion, Saturday at 7:30pm in San Antonio! Details on the next page!
AALL Alumni Reunion

All alumni and friends are invited to the reunion at the AALL Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX, Saturday, July 12, 7:30-10:30pm, at The County Line BBQ on the Riverwalk, 111 W. Crockett Street. A traditional Texas BBQ spread will be available!

The UW iSchool is again partially sponsoring this fun event. Thanks, iSchool! A $20 donation at the door is suggested. Receipts will be available. Please let us know if you can come! **RSVP by July 7** to Natalie Riha, nriha@uw.edu or 206-543-4089. Thanks!

Meet the members of the class of 2014!

Admin Professor

We are delighted to welcome **Mary Ann Hyatt** as visiting professor for the Law Library Administration course—the fourth year in a row. The course is now taught in six days of class meetings.

Currently director of the University of Oregon Law Library in Eugene, Mary Ann is also the former Assistant Librarian for Access Services at Gallagher.

A big thank you to all the other law library administration teachers who have helped train the students to be the law library leaders in the future. See the complete list at [http://lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibrarianship/hiVisitingProfessors.asp](http://lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibrarianship/hiVisitingProfessors.asp).

What’s New @ Alumni Website

Check out the Law Librarianship Alumni Website at [http://lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibrarianship](http://lib.law.washington.edu/lawlibrarianship) for these features and more!

**NEW:** news briefs are now attached to profiles, so each person’s activities are listed on their profile page.

- **Borgeson Papers**
- **Alumni Activities**
- **History pages**

- **Interactive map** shows alumni & friends by state
- **Alumni and Friends directories** (includes URLs to personal web pages where available)
- **Giving links**

To access secure areas of the website, use the login **alum** and the password **gallgher** (note the exclamation points). Be sure to let us know if you have any news, and we will post it as a News Brief. Please send any news or comments to Natalie Riha, nriha@uw.edu. And don’t forget to send us new contact information as you move around!

Fieldwork Hosts

Thank you, Fieldwork Hosts! The students gain a wealth of knowledge from the expert training and supervision they receive as part of this graduation requirement. Our 2014 graduates are hosted as follows:

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Borgeson Award

We are happy to announce that **Kara Noel** won the 2013 Borgeson Award with her paper, “The Unbundling of Legal Services and its Implications for Law Librarianship”.

Judges Mike Chi-orrazi, Dick Danner, and Marguerite Most selected her entry from 8 excellent submissions. Several other 2012 and 2013 papers have been published:


**Anna Endter**, “Authentication of Online State Primary Legal Resources as a Social Justice Issue...” 31 LEGAL REF. SERV. Q. no. 3-4, 2012, at 293.

**Michael Umberger**, Checking up on court citation standards...”31 LEGAL REF. SERV. Q. no. 3-4, 2012, at 312.