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A Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries



President's Message

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Having known the outstanding reputation of LLAM, I am honored to be in this remarkable environment. My charge in 2013-2014 is to continue to build on the excellent tradition of service and to expand upon the efforts of our LLAM members.

My promise is to work with all members to ensure that voices are heard and decisions are made collaboratively as we move forward together. I have had the privilege of working with Kate Martin and James Durham for a couple of years now. I am delighted that Kate will be serving as Vice President and James as a newly elected Board Member. Additionally, I am pleased that Bijal Shah has decided to continue as Treasurer. In the coming weeks, I plan to contact the Board and Committee members individually. During these conversations, I hope to learn about your concerns and suggestions. Your input will help us as we plan for 2013-2014 and beyond.

As most of you know, the Legal Research Institute program is scheduled for March 2014. I have no doubt that it will be an extraordinary event as Kate has suggested a couple of fantastic ideas. I hope that you will consider participating on the planning committee. If so, contact me or Kate and we will find a role for you.

As summer is upon us, many of us are planning our vacations and charting our AALL Annual Meeting itinerary. The conference will provide a smorgasbord of opportunities to energize ourselves and our careers by learning about trends in our profession, meeting new people, and trying out new roles in a committee, caucus, or SIS. Speaking of which, Kate and I will be attending the Chapter Leadership Training for Committees, SIS's and Chapters on July 13 as well as staffing the LLAM table in the Exhibit Hall.

Be sure to congratulate Mary Jo as she will receive the Chapter Professional Development Award for LLAM's 2012 program "Full Disclosure: Librarians Sharing Best Practices". Lastly, our very own, Steve Anderson will join the ranks as AALL President. LLAM has such a talented team of people who make a difference in our paths and those surrounding us. Give yourself a pat on the back!

Electronic archives of LLAM
LLAM news are available on
the LLAM web site at
<http://llamonline.org/newsletter/>

LLAM Election Results & Bylaw Change Approved

Sara Thomas, LLAM Secretary

Congratulations to our new (and returning) Board Members for 2013/2014.

Kate Martin, Montgomery County Circuit Court Law Library (Vice President/President Elect)

Bijal Shah, University of Baltimore (Treasurer)

James Durham, Maryland State Law Library (Board Member)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or anyone else on the Board.

The suggested Bylaw change (that was voted on at the Spring Fling on May 4th) passed by 100% of the ballots submitted. The new language will read:

ARTICLE X. Amendment of Bylaws

Amendments or changes to the Bylaws shall be proposed by the Board of Trustees or by petition signed by no fewer than ten percent (10%) of members of the Corporation. The number of members shall be based total members at the start of the Corporation's current fiscal year.

These Bylaws may be changed by a simple majority of the votes cast by a mail or electronic ballot conducted by the secretary. In case of a tie, a majority vote by the Board of Trustees will break the tie. Notice of proposed amendments or changes to the bylaws shall be provided to members or published in the Corporation's newsletter at least 30 days prior to the mailing of ballots.

Amendments of the bylaws shall be submitted to the American Association of Law Libraries bylaws committee by the secretary after approval by members.

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Government and Vendor—Joan Bellistri

AALL Conference

Seattle 2013 July 13-16

Here is the latest on the AALL Conference:

<http://www.aallnet.org/conference>

Volunteers Still Needed (great way to meet some new folks)

Volunteers are still needed to ensure the smooth operation of the Annual Meeting. Meet up with your AALL friends by volunteering to help at registration, the Opening Reception, and the Association Luncheon. [Sign up now!](#) If you have questions about available volunteer opportunities, email aallvolunteer2013@gmail.com.

AALL Annual Book Drive Announcement

It's time to start gearing up for the 15th Annual Children's Book Drive. The book drive, sponsored by the Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section (SR-SIS), is held every year in conjunction with the AALL Annual Meeting. In honor of our host city, this year's theme is "It's Raining Books!" The recipient for this year is Page Ahead, a leading provider of children's literacy services in Washington, serving more than 55,000 children in need every year.

Options for donating to the Book Drive include:

- Order a book online from the AALL Seattle 2013 Book Drive Wish List.
- Send a check (made out to AALL) or an online bookstore gift card to: Stacy Etheredge, West Virginia University College of Law, George Farmer Library, One Law Center Drive, Morgantown, WV 26506.
- Drop off books during the Annual Meeting at the SR-SIS activities table in the Exhibit Hall or give checks or online bookstore gift cards to any SR-SIS member onsite

Upcoming Deadlines

- **June 17:** Online deadline to register for preconference workshops and CONELL, library tours, and SIS ticketed events (paper registrations must be postmarked/fax stamped by June 10)
- **June 21:** Conference housing deadline
- **June 22:** Food and beverage guarantees due
- **June 24:** Deadline to submit a resolution for consideration by the membership at the Business Meeting
- **July 1:** Last day to purchase Association Luncheon tickets online (a limited number of tickets will be available for purchase onsite).

To prepare you for the conference, AALL is offering an electronic [Preview Edition](#) of the conference newspaper, [Sound Off](#). This edition includes helpful tips, scheduling information, and highlights of what to expect at AALL 2013. In Seattle, print editions of each day's *Sound Off* will be available to AALL Conference attendees, and digital editions will be posted online.

Latest in LLAM Legislative Advocacy

Government Relations Committee Update

Maryland Legislative Panel and Annual Maryland Library Legislative Day Joan Bellistri

The Annual Maryland Library Legislative Day was held on February 13, 2013. Librarians from across the state came from a variety of libraries, including public, school, academic and special libraries. There were at least 11 law librarians attending. (Catherine McGuire, Ann Baum, Julie Shenk, Susan Herrick, Johanne Greer, Jackie Curro, Don Osborn, Monica Clements, Mary Jo Lazun, Joan Bellistri and Tonya Baroudi.)

The day began in the Anne Arundel County Public Law Library where there was a breakfast briefing. The Law Library Association of Maryland provided the breakfast and Mary Baykan, chair of the Maryland Library Association Legislative Advisory Panel, went over the issues of concern this year. After the briefing, the group of more than 30 librarians walked to the State House where it was proclaimed Maryland Library Day in both the House and the Senate. Joan Bellistri, LLAM's GRC chair was invited to be one of the librarians on the floor when the proclamation was read in the Senate. Also on the floor was Maureen Sullivan, President of ALA and a resident of Anne Arundel County.

Next year we plan to have the President of AALL, Steve Anderson, on the floor. The rest of the day is usually devoted to visits with legislators, but this year LLAM provided a lunch time program on legislative history. Catherine McGuire of the Maryland State Law Library presented on Maryland Legislative History and Pamela Craig of the Library of Congress provided a demonstration of congress.gov. The day ended with a reception for the Governor, Lt. Governor and legislators and their staff that is attended by librarians and library board members. The event allows those in attendance even more time to develop relationships with their representatives.

As the LLAM Government Relations Committee Chair, I have also been the LLAM representative to MLA's Legislative Advisory Panel. The panel addresses both federal and state issues of concern to librarians. On the federal level, the panel watches and advocates for such issues as LSTA and literacy, public library involvement in the Workforce Investment Act. At one meeting there was a good discussion with ALA President, Maureen Sullivan, concerning e-books and the impact of publishers' policies for pricing on public libraries. This year the Panel's focus was on the public library Capital Grant Funding Formula Revision - Wealth Based Cost Share (HB685/SB633) which would make it easier for poorer or smaller counties to qualify for the funds. This measure was signed into law as CH. 512. The Panel has also been working with the State Highway Administration to add signage for public libraries now that the libraries are considered as essential services per the Maryland Emergency Management Administration (MEMA).

Local Advocate Lobby Day

Janet Camillo with Joan Bellistri

Several members of LLAM attended the AALL Local Advocate Lobby Day on April 18, joining librarians from New York, Virginia and D.C.. The first half of the day featured speakers including Robyn Russell, Legislative Director to Congressman Mike Quigley (Illinois 5th), who gave us the legislative offices' "view from the other side of the desk". Her talk was peppered with hints for the proper approach to legislators and their aides for maximum impact. Emily

Feltren, Director of Government Relations and Elizabeth Holland, Public Policy Associate from AALL told us about the issues we were to discuss with our legislators including the Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act and funding for the U.S. Government Printing Office and the Library of Congress. These were not controversial issues and as Emily pointed out might actually allow the Congress to agree on and pass something this session.

After a catered lunch we all went to visit our representatives and senators. Kate Martin and I visited Congressman Van Holland's office and were pleasantly surprised to find that the aide we spoke with had researched AALL and our issues and was encouraging about supporting the bills. Joan Bellistri visited Representative Sarbanes and then we visited our Senators. We were happy to find that our representative were supportive and interested in learning about our issues and our work.

After our visits on the Hill, it was important that we follow-up with a thank you email. In those emails we added offers to help with constituent services by sending the referrals that we use frequently in our libraries. It is also suggested that we might visit the local offices this summer to further solidify the contacts made on Lobby Day.

The AALL Government Relations Office has created a new page on the AALL website where you can find all you need to learn about advocacy efforts concerning issues of interest to law libraries. (<http://www.aallnet.org/main-menu/Advocacy/aallwash>) If you will in Seattle for the AALL Annual Meeting you can learn even more about lobbying for library issues by taking the Advocacy Training at AALL on July 13 from 8:30-noon.

See photos from both events on [LLAM Online](#)

EVENTS

The summer is when LLAM takes a bit of a hiatus. A lucky few will be heading off to one of the major conferences. For those going to AALL the big event is the LLAM Dine-Around.

LLAM Dine-Around at AALL in Seattle

When: Saturday July 13th at 7:00pm

Where: Il Fornaio
600 Pine Street
Seattle, Washington 98101

The menu is developed collectively by the company's two-dozen Italian chef-partners and is based on authentic Italian recipes. Emphasis is placed on simple, fresh ingredients and Italian cooking methods. Rotisseries are used for variety of preparations and pizzas are baked in a wood-fired oven. Fresh pastas are made in-house daily and the dried pastas are imported from Italy. All meals are complemented by a selection of hand-made breads baked according to traditional methods. Please see the following website for more information.

http://www.ilfornaio.com/?page=138&restaurant_id=3916

LLAM News

2012 LRI Conference “Full Disclosure” Wins AALL Chapter Professional Development Award!!

Past President and LRI Conference organizer Mary Jo Lazun will be on hand at the AALL conference in Seattle to accept the award.

LLAM Grant to AALL Conference Awarded to Jean Hessenauer

The LLAM Scholarship Committee, after reviewing a very high-caliber application pool, has decided to award this year’s AALL travel grant in the amount of \$500 to **Jean Hessenauer** of Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP. Please join me in congratulating her.

Thank you to David Matchen and the other members of the Committee for the time and consideration given in their deliberations: Flossie Barnes, of the Carroll County Law Library, and Kathie Sweeney, of Semmes. Thank you to those of you who submitted applications.

Kindergarten Graduation

Baltimore County Circuit Court Library Director Stephanie Levasseur’s son Mark graduated from kindergarten at Immaculate Conception School on May 30, 2013. They are so proud of him.



Spring Fling a huge bunch of Fun

Thanks to Kate Martin for her wonderful catering and party planning!

Click here for a few [photos](#)

Memberships

For membership inquiries, please visit the LLAM Membership page at www.aallnet.org/chapter/llam/membership.htm or contact Membership Committee Chair Pat Behles by email at pbehles@ubalt.edu.

On The Radar: What's New in the Library World?

James Durham, Deputy Director of Maryland State Law Library

This selection of upcoming events and opportunities has been gleaned from library organization discussion lists and websites.

- The 23rd Annual CALI Conference (Center for Computer Assisted Legal Research), will be held Thursday, June 13 - Saturday, June 15, 2013 at the Chicago-Kent College of Law. Details and online registration are available at <http://www.cali.org/CALI-Conference>.
- The Government Information Interest Group of the Maryland Library Association (MLA) is offering **National Treasures III: Special Libraries in D.C.** on Friday, June 21, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The tour will include visits to the U.S. Department of the Interior Library and the Ralph J. Bunche Library at the U.S. Department of State. Contact Carl Olson at colson@towson.edu or at 410-704-3267.
- The American Library Association (ALA) will hold its **Annual Conference and Exhibition** from Thursday, June 27 - Tuesday, July 2, 2013, at McCormick Place, 2301 S. Martin Luther King Drive, in Chicago, Illinois. Details and online registration are available at <http://ala13.ala.org/>.
- "Rethink Your Value," the 106th **Annual Meeting and Conference of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)**, will be held Saturday, July 13 - Tuesday, July 16, 2013, at the Washington State Convention Center in Seattle, Washington. Details and online registration are available at <http://www.aallnet.org/conference>. Registration is now open.
- The **Public Library Association (PLA)** will present a conference called "**Results Boot Camp: Management Tools and Techniques to Improve Library Services and Programs,**" from Tuesday, August 6 - Saturday, August 10, 2013, at the Nashville Public Library. The schedule and registration information are available at <http://www.ala.org/pla/education/bootcamp>.
- The **Maryland State Library Resource Center (SLRC)** will hold its fall 2013 conference on Wednesday, October 16, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 Cathedral Street in Baltimore. Tours of the Library and departments will be available. Lunch will be provided. Attendees will accrue 6 CEUs. The schedule and registration information will be posted in September at <http://www.slrc.info/index.aspx?id=79201>. If you have questions, please contact Shayna Glicksman at 410-396-5490 or at slsiegel@prattlibrary.org.
- The **Library Information Technology Association (LITA)**, a division of ALA, will offer the **2013 LITA Forum: Creation, Collaboration, and Community**, from Thursday, November 7 - Sunday, November 10, 2013, at the Hyatt Regency in Louisville, Kentucky. Additional information is available at <http://www.ala.org/lita/conferences/forum/2013>

LLAM eNews Submissions

The LLAM Newsletter Committee welcomes submissions from LLAM members on a variety of engaging topics, including but not limited to legal research tips, member news, and local events. Look out for emails requesting submissions.

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