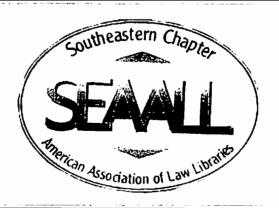
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Ramblings by your President

In my first message to you among my ramblings was a very brief history of the chapter. In this, my third message, I am going to reprint Ed Edmonds history that is found in the SEAALL Manual. Reading it will be helpful when you respond the SEAALL survey found inside this issue. Hazel Johnson and Tim Coggins are working on a fun program for the annual meeting in Lexington, KY from April 10-12, 2003 on which the survey answers depend. **Please respond to the survey**.

Now, for your history lesson...

The development of local chapters within the American Association of Law Libraries traces its origin to a group of ten law librarians from Duke University, Wake Forest College, the North Carolina Supreme Court Library, and the University of North Carolina. In October 1937 this group met in Chapel Hill to organize a group to meet several times per year in the "interest of fellowship, common exchange of ideas, and cooperative projects." The group adopted the name North Carolina Law Librarians. They established the positions of President and Secretary-Treasurer. With a desire to maintain informality, no fees nor standing committees were established. The organization's formal projects were of particular interest to North Carolinians including a list of bibliographies and checklists for locating North Carolina publications.

One of the major interests of this fledgling organization was the expansion of membership. Initially, this interest was directed at bar librarians throughout North Carolina. These attempts, however, were not particularly successful. In October 1938, the law librarian of the University of South Carolina was invited to join the group. The addition of Ophelia Strickland required renaming the organization the Carolinas Law Librarians. In October 1939, the Carolinas Law Librarians decided to apply to the American Association of Law Librarians for

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2nd Place Halloween Costume:

Taylor Fitchett congratulating(?) Kent Olson for his costume.

Editor's Note ---

We received some photos from Halloween. Thanks to Jim Heller, Stephen N. Blaiklock, and the rest of the staff at William and Mary. I hope to start earlier and send reminders for photos throughout the year. Photos are a great way for the Association to connect names and faces. I also want to thank John Barden from W & M for being the Inside Glimpses guest. This is something we hope to keep up and we look forward to suggestions. You never know when you may be called. Hope you enjoy the issue. Oh yeah, don't forget to fill out the survey and mail it in...

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Joe Cross and Diana Osbaldiston at their retirement party at the University of South Carolina in June.

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SEAALL Celebrates Anniversary with a Some Friendly Feuding

During the 2003 SEAALL Annual Meeting in Lexington, Kentucky, SEAALL will be celebrating what anniversary? "Twenty-fifth anniversary," says one person. "Good answer, good answer," screams the onlookers. "Thirty-fifth," says another person. More rounds of "good answer, good answer." Fiftieth Anniversary," says the third person. "Good Answer, Good Answer." Where are you? Plopped down in the latest episode of the television show "Family Feud" or at the SEAALL Golden Anniversary Celebration at the 2003 Annual Meeting? Answer both and you are right! Good answer!!

At the Annual Meeting in Lexington, SEAALL will be celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Southeastern Chapter. There will be displays of souvenirs and photos from previous annual meetings, an opening reception featuring 50's clothing, and lots, lots of fun! Oh, yeah, there'll be serious programs at the meeting as well. And there will be the opportunity to learn a little about SEAALL history, but with a twist.

The meeting will feature SEAALL's own version of the television show "Family Feud..." You remember the show. Richard Dawson hosted two families, who competed against each other to match answers to the results of a survey of one hundred people. I know, you can hear Richard Dawson screaming "Survey said" now. SEAALL's own version of this popular show, we're calling it "SEAALL States: Friendly Feuding," is set to begin in Lexington on Thursday evening at the opening reception. Teams representing the various states within SEAALL will compete by answering questions about SEAALL history, hoping to reach the Saturday finals where team members and the audience can cheer on their home team and shout their own "Good Answer, Good Answer." Your "Golden Anniversary Celebration" Committee planning this program needs your help NOW.

In this issue of newsletter is a survey about SEAALL history. We'll use your survey responses for the various rounds of "SEAALL States: Friendly Feuding." You don't have to provide the correct answer – just complete the survey with the answer that you think is right (remember the Family feud quiz is based on the answers to the survey. not necessarily the factually correct answer) and send it to Timothy L. Coggins (School of Law Library, University of Richmond, Richmond, VA 23173) by January 15, 2003. Competing team members will be trying to predict the answers given most frequently by SEAALL members.

Send in your survey now and then join us in Lexington for "SEAALL States: Friendly Feuding." "It'll be a hoot!" Good answer, good answer.

Timothy L. Coggins and Hazel L. Johnson Producers & Directors "SEAALL States: Friendly Feuding"

SEAALL States: A Family Feud Survey Questions

Please answer the following questions about the history of SEAALL. Return the completed survey to Timothy Coggins, School of Law Library, University of Richmond, Richmond, VA 23173

1.Identify your favorite SEAALL annual meeting by location of the meeting.
2. What state has hosted the most SEAALL annual meetings since 1953?
3.When was the first SEAALL pre-conference institute held?
4.Identify by location the most well attended SEAALL annual meeting.
5. What was the location of the final meeting that SEAALL held in conjunction with the Southeastern Conference of Law Teachers?
6. When was the first time SEAALL held a joint meeting with another AALL chapter?
7.Identify by location the first SEAALL annual meeting that provided concurrent programs?
8.Name an AALL chapter with which SEAALL has held a joint meeting.
9.Name a non-state capital city where SEAALL has held an annual meeting.
10. What was the name of the cruise ship where the 1990 meeting was held?
11. Name the location of the meeting when it snowed in April.
12. How many SEAALL members have been AALL President since 1953?
13. How many SEAALL Presidents have also served as president of another AALL chapter?
14.Name a Southeastern Law Librarian editor.
15.In what state have the most SEAALL presidents resided?
16.How many SEAALL members have chaired the AALL Council of Chapter Presidents?
17. How many SEAALL members have served on the AALL Executive Board?
18.Name a Southeastern Law Librarian editor who also chaired the AALL Council of Newsletter Editors.
19. How many SEAALL members have chaired the AALL Council of Special Interest Sections?

20. How many other AALL chapters exist within the same geographic area covered by SEAALL?
21. How many private law librarians have been SEAALL president?
22.Name a state or geographic entity that has been added to the boundaries of SEAALL since 1953.
23. What year did SEAALL hold its first contested election?
24. When did SEAALL incorporate as a 501c3 organization?
25. What was the name of SEAALL's predecessor chapter?
26.When did SEAALL become a chapter of AALL?
27. What percentage of 2002-2003 SEAALL members are also AALL members?
28. How many individuals were members of SEAALL at the chapter's inception in 1953?
29. What is SEAALL membership today?
30. How many Lucille Eliott scholarships have been awarded?
31. What year was the first Eliott scholarship awarded?
32. What year was the first Southeastern Law Librarian produced?
33.How much were SEAALL dues in 1953?
34. When was the first Service to SEAALL award presented?
35.Name the person who received the first Service to SEAALL award.
36.How much are SEAALL dues today?

2003 PAGI AWARD

AALL's Government Relations Committee (GRC) monitors federal and state legislative, regulatory, and judicial developments (except for copyright) that are expected to affect the Association, law librarianship, law libraries, or the dissemination of information. A standing committee of AALL, the GRC advises the Executive Board and the Washington Affairs Office about these issues and coordinates efforts to communicate Association views on information policy issues to government entities at all levels.

GRC develops the legislative update session at the AALL annual meeting in conjunction with the Washington Affairs Office. In recent years the committee also has initiated a liaison program, wherein committee members make contact with AALL chapter officers or committee chairs who monitor information issues in their regions. To further this initiative, SEALL members vested with this responsibility for their local law library associations are urged to contact their GRC liaison, Charlene Cain (LSU Law Library, Ilcain@lsu.edu), with information policy questions or problems in their states.

In relation to another of its charges, the Government Relations Committee is currently soliciting nominations for the 2003 Public Access to Government Information (PAGI) Award. Established in1999, this award honors significant contributions by persons or organizations involved in the protection and promotion of greater public access to government information. Recipients need not be law librarians or members of AALL. Previous PAGI award winners have been the United States Government Printing Office in 1999 for its website, GPO Access, the Library of Congress in 2000 in honor of its website, THOMAS, and FirstGov in 2002. Criteria for selection include: 1) a contribution that significantly improves public access to government information, thereby increasing the public's knowledge about the workings of government; 2) the extent to which the individual or organization has had a positive impact on protecting and promoting public access to governmental information; 3) the extent to which the effort advances the AALL mission and Government Relations Policy. Though nominations are solicited annually, there is no requirement that the award be given every year.

The award is jointly administered by the Government Relations and Awards Committees. All nominations are considered on an individual basis, with complete confidentiality, and according to the criteria listed above. Nominations should be in the form of a letter to the chair, with at least one page of explanation about the nominee's qualifications for the award. Supporting documentation should also be included if available. Nominations must be sent to the Chair of the Government Relations Committee, Charlene Cain (Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-1010, Ilcain@lsu.edu), **no later than February 1, 2003.**

SEAALL Briefs

Compiled by Karin Den Bleyker

Florida

Barry University

As of Sept.1, **Sue Kelleher** is the new Head of Tech. Services at Barry University Law Library in Orlando. She previously held the position of Cataloger/Government Documents Librarian at the University of Arkansas Law Library.

University of Miami

The University of Miami Law Library welcomes **Barbara Brandon** to the staff as the Research/ Reference Librarian. Barbara recently graduated from the University of Pittsburgh, Department of Library and Information Sciences. She received the 2002 William Nasri Award for Best Paper on Legal Issues in Information. She received her LLM from Harvard Law School and her JD from the University of Pittsburgh Law School where she was Comment Editor for the Law Review. She has either been practicing or teaching law since she graduated from law school. We are so glad that she is now turning her energy to law librarianship.

Harry T. and Harriette V. Moore Justice Center

Susan E. Szymula, director of the A. Max Brewer Memorial Law Library, will be serving as president of FSCCLL, Florida State Court and County Law Libraries, for 2002-2003.

Louisiana

University of New Orleans

Dr. Warren M. Billings, Distinguished Professor and Chairman of the Department of History at the University of New Orleans is Visiting Williams Professor of Law at the T.C. Williams School of Law at the

University of Richmond for the fall semester. He is offering a seminar on the literature of early American law, which draws heavily upon the rare book collection of the UR law library, to third year law students. Professor Billings presented the law school's annual Emroch Lecture, which was entitled "Properties of the Elephant: The General Assembly of Virginia, 1619-1699." He spoke about the career of Governor Sir William Berkeley in the Virginia Heritage Resource Center's Mining the Treasure House lecture series, and he was a Jamestown Rediscovery lecturer. Earlier this year, he became a member of the board of directors of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, which is the oldest historic preservation society in the nation.

Mississippi

Mississippi College

On October 15th, a new floor of the **Mississippi College Law Library** was officially opened for use by the library's patrons. Prior to renovation, the ten thousand square foot addition functioned as the law school's parking garage. The addition features a domed ceiling, plate glass windows enclosing the floor at each end, a reading room with Tiffany lamps and seventy-two network connections, a lounge area, and electric compact shelving. The new floor has one hundred and twenty-four seats and 12,374 linear feet of shelving. Featured on this floor is "The Callen Collection" which consists of more than 3,000 books donated by J. Will Young Professor of Law Craig R. Callen from his personal collection. Professor Callen's gift includes a wide variety of fiction and non-fiction titles covering such subject areas as sports, history, physics, philosophy, and literature.

North Carolina

Duke University

This just in from **Mark Bernstein**. Duke Law School will host the 2003 Conference for Law School Computing from June 19-21, 2003.

Poyner & Spruill

Congratulations to Jennifer Carroll of Poyner & Spruill in Charlotte, NC, who is the

lucky winner of a refund of the registration fee for Boot Camp for Teachers of Electronic Research.

Tennessee

Vanderbilt University Law School

Emily Urban is a new reference librarian at the Alyne Queener Massey Law Library, Vanderbilt University Law School. Emily holds a B.A in History (1993), a J.D. (1999), and a M.S.I.S. (2001) from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. While working on her Masters in Information Science, she worked as a student reference assistant at the Joel A. Katz Law Library (UT) and as a student assistant in the Legal Research program.

Pauline Aranas has accepted an appointment as Associate Law Librarian at UCLA School of Law's Hugh & Hazel Darling Law Library. She leaves her position as Assistant Dean for Library and Information Technology at Vanderbilt University Law School in early November. "I wanted to return to Los Angeles for family and personal reasons. My deep appreciation to my SEAALL & COSELL colleagues for all their support and encouragement." Martin Cerjan will serve as Acting Assistant Dean for Library and Information Technology.

Virginia

Washington and Lee University

Washington and Lee University's **Wilbur C. Hall Law Library** has added the 400,000th volume to its collection. When fire destroyed the Law School in 1934, it also destroyed the library's collection of 11,000 volumes. Nearly 70 years later, the librarians have chosen American Law in the 20th Century by Lawrence M. Friedman to mark this milestone. Friedman's book focuses on how law in the 20th century has affected the daily aspects of Americans' lives. The book's acquisition was celebrated with a party, and it is on display for the Fall semester.

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status as a chapter. The organization's request was accepted on the condition that a constitution be submitted to the national Association and that the name of the local chapter be altered to reflect its relationship to the national Association. The constitution was drafted by William R. Roalfe and the name was changed to the Carolinas Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries. The funding of the chapter was based upon a receipt of a certain percentage of dues paid by members who belonged to both the chapter and the national organization.

A major effort by the organization in February 1940 was the inclusion in the North Carolina Law Review of a three-part list showing the contents of a model library of North Carolina legal materials. The chapter also offered assistance to local bar librarians in methods of establishing and maintaining these libraries. The Chapter was instrumental in encouraging both state bar associations to establish a committee on law libraries.

By spring 1943, the continuation of World War II caused the Carolinas Chapter to agree to discontinue meetings for the remainder of the war. In fall 1948, the group was reactivated. Post-war activities included revitalization of law schools throughout the region as veterans returned to enroll in law schools. Primary among these activities was the completion of a number of new law school buildings.

On September 9 through 11, 1953, a Chapter meeting was held in Durham and Chapel Hill with the Southeastern Regional Conference of Law Teachers. Seventeen librarians from seven states came to this conference and agreed to organize and request chapter status as a larger regional group. The decision was also made to retain a loose affiliation with the Law Teachers.

At the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries in Miami, Florida, in 1954, the establishment of Southeastern Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries was approved. The new organization drafted and adopted a constitution and bylaws and launched a newssheet. At the business meeting in which this new organization was formed, Mary Oliver was elected president and Sarah Leverette was elected Secretary/Treasurer. The group also agreed to hold meetings at the Annual Meetings of the American Association of Law Libraries and that future meetings would take place in conjunction with the meetings of the Southeastern Regional Conference of Law Teachers.

In October 1964, the Chapter created a scholarship honoring Lucile Elliott for her many contributions to the Chapter, the American Association of Law Libraries, and law librarianship. The purpose of the scholarship was to advance the professional knowledge and the careers of law librarians in the southeastern region. Lucile Elliott was president of

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the American Association of Law Librarians in 1953 and a founding member of the North Carolina Law Librarians. The first recipient of this scholarship was Kathleen Langan.

A major effort of the Chapter in the late 1960's and early 1970's was to check holdings of member libraries against the Association of American Law Schools List of Books Recommended for Libraries. A committee was formed to encourage cooperative use of resources and to establish areas of expertise in collection development. This cooperative attempt, however, was never successfully completed.

In spring 1975, the Southeastern Law Librarian was initiated. During its formative years it was edited by Gene Teitelbaum. The quarterly publication highlighted a state legislative information series and a list of key court personnel.

After the 1981 summer meeting in Williamsburg, the organization agreed to spring meetings and the relationship with the Southeastern Conference of Law Teachers was severed. In 1982, the organization held their spring conference in Atlanta.

In recent years the members of the Chapter have helped create new chapters in Atlanta, South Florida, New Orleans, and Virginia.

In April 1989 under the direction of President Mary Smith Forman, the Chapter was incorporated in Florida. Shortly thereafter the Chapter held its first meeting outside of the continental United States during a cruise from Miami to Nassau.

Ed Edmonds

Now, for a couple of announcements:

- VOTE! In January you will receive a ballot from the SEAALL secretary to chose a
 vice-president/ president-elect, treasurer and a member-at-large (You will receive a notice on SEAALL-L as to who the candidates are.). Please vote! Then in
 March you will receive a ballot from AALL to choose a vice-president/ presidentelect and two members of AALL's Executive Board. Note one of SEAALL's own,
 Tim Coggins, is a candidate for vice-president/ president-elect. VOTE!
- Mark your calendars for the annual meeting in Lexington, KY on April 10-21, 2003; the golden anniversary of the formation of a Southeastern chapter.

Terry



Inside Glimpses

John R. Barden Reference/Research Services Librarian Muse Law Library University of Richmond School of Law

B.A., Augusta College; M.A., College of William and Mary; PhD., Duke University; M.S.L.S., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; J.D., University of Virginia.

QUESTIONS

- 1. How did you get into Librarianship? I've been interested in books and libraries as long as I can remember. I worked in school libraries and public libraries while I was growing up, then later at college. I guess I didn't think about librarianship as a career at first because of all the stereotypes: I couldn't see myself "shushing" people for the rest of my life. However, as I encountered more and more libraries, I realized that most of them are vibrant places that encourage communication as part of the learning process. Finally, after years in a profession where I never really felt comfortable, I reevaluated my career and decided that the library environment was where I would be happiest.
- 2. What is your advice for people getting into law librarianship? Don't get into the field just because you enjoy working with the books (or the databases). Make sure you enjoy working with the people. In lots of fields, but especially in ours, we are less and less the custodians of the books and more and more the transmitters of information. You have to be excited not just about finding the answer, but about passing it on.
- 3. Who were you influenced by and why? Among librarians, I have to mention my high school librarian, who taught me that it can be fun to help other people get the information they desire. She was the first person I ever met who tackled reference questions with a smile instead of a sigh. She died just a couple of months ago after a memorable career of over fifty years in my home town's schools. Coincidentally, the same motivation (helping people get information) played a role in my decision to take up law librarianship in particular. In my last career, I worked with a lawyer on a particular project and was impressed with her love for steering people toward answers to their legal problems and needs. I saw that a good lawyer has many of the same objectives as a good librarian in helping people grasp the right information. I then decided that law librarianship was the best fit for me.

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- 4. What is your view of the future of libraries? I think the future of libraries is secure for the time being; I think the position of librarians is secure for the foreseeable future. First, we are years and years away from having all useful information available online; until that time, we need libraries as a storehouse for those resources only available in print. Secondly, even as the world of electronic resources grows in relation to the print world, we need librarians as information "shepherds" to determine what data is kept where, who has access to what, and what needs to be added to the "flock." I would very much like to see law librarians take a more visible role in determining how legal information is gathered and presented, perhaps even to the extent of developing new resources that are not now readily obtainable.
- 5. Is there a particular project you're working on? I've floated a couple of trial balloons about digitization projects, especially Virginia Supreme Court records and briefs. Right now I'm waiting on feedback and also seeing where some related initiatives are heading. I'm also inventorying our own extensive collection of records and briefs on the principle that you should paint your own house before you tell your neighbor how to paint his.
- 6. What are your Library aspirations? Not to look too far ahead. (laugh) I'm very happy doing what I'm doing right now. I have the good fortune to work for an outstanding library director and with a very talented and agreeable group of colleagues. I came to the profession later than a lot of other people (I was past 40 when I got my first law library job), so my path may not be the same as it would have been had I started ten years earlier. If a suitable administrative position were to open, I'd probably take it; however, I'm more "turned on" by opportunities in digitization and resource development, which I can do from my current position.
- 7. What is your favorite reference tip; your favorite reference source? I'm ashamed to say it (although I don't know why I should be), but I find myself turning more and more to "Google" unless another resource pops into mind. This week's stumper was recent Omani royal decrees on commercial law; the web site for the Muscat Stock Market had some of them. I would say Google and WorldCat are where I get most of my answers.
- 8. What is your pet peeve about law libraries? Anything you would change? Oy! Well, I think we can all dream up things we would like to change about our local libraries, but law libraries in general? My issues are more with the world of legal information, i.e., how we have granted a handful of major publishers virtual monopolies over certain categories of legal data from public sources, even those that don't require editorial enhancements, such as administrative regulations and opinions. I'd like to see law libraries use their clout to expand access to public legal information or at least more reasonable access for small players.

9. Quick questions:

Hobby? I'm a historian on the side, have published one collection of Civil War letters and am working on a second. I enjoy my classical music collection (compulsively cataloged, I might add) and working on my old house. And then there are the cats (OK, not all librarian stereotypes are false).

Best Book? Best summer read? I became a Harry Potter fanatic after the movie came out. Favorite music? see above

Favorite movie? don't go very often; I threw out my TV in 1985 and have been pretty impatient with "real-time" entertainment media since then.

SEAALL @ 50: Jockeying for the Gold!

Your Conference Planning Committee has been busy this fall! While Nancy Johnson and the Program Committee have been organizing some fantastic educational programs and speakers, we have been hard at work lining up special events, soirees, and have even made arrangements for a 50's dance!

Other highlights for our SEAALL meeting include:

- * Thursday, April 10, law firm tours and an opening reception at the Lexington Children's Museum
- * Friday night, April 11, dinner and the special 50's dance at Spindletop Hall, a former horse farm mansion now owned by UK
- * Saturday afternoon, April 12, Keeneland Racetrack, racing as it was meant to be.

In addition, a special Fiftieth Anniversary Committee has been formed, and that group has lots of surprises and fun events in store for everyone. Some of those plans include a special opening plenary session, historic SEAALL exhibits, a Golden Anniversary Game Show and lots of other surprises. Members of the committee are Carol Billings, Jim Heller, Hazel Johnson, Tim Coggins, Rhea Ballard-Thrower, Bill Beintema, Nancy Johnson, Terry Long, and Sue Burch.

Mark your calendars **April 10 - 12, 2003**. Join your colleagues at SEAALL's Fiftieth Anniversary meeting in **Lexington, Kentucky**. You won't want to miss this one!

Rebecca Trammell and Sue Burch, Co-Chairs, Local Arrangements

SEAALL MEETING TRIVIA CONTEST

We want to make sure everyone is ready to enjoy and appreciate Lexington, Kentucky, the site of the SEAALL Fiftieth Anniversary meeting, so we're beginning a trivia contest. Answer the trivia questions that will appear in the newsletter and later on the SEAALL listserv correctly, and your name will be entered in drawings that will be held each day during the SEAALL meeting. You'll have a chance to win exciting prizes commemorating the SEAALL Lexington meeting. Here's your first question.

Identify this house, located a short distance from the Lexington Hyatt, the SEAALL conference hotel. [Hint: This house was home to a former first lady.]

Mail or e-mail your answers to Rebecca Trammell, rstram@email.uky.edu or Sue Burch at sburch@uky.edu; University of Kentucky College of Law Library, 620 S. Limestone, Lexington, KY 40506.





Scenes from the Lexington Children's Museum -- site of the Opening Reception for the SEAALL Meeting in April

Amy Osborne and Sue Burch checking out some rather large teeth!



Sue Burch and Rebecca Trammel take a walk on the moon.





And the winner of the best Halloween Costume is:

Staff of William and Mary Law Library

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