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Access to Justice and Law Libraries

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When Laura Orr, Law Librarian for the Washington County Law Library in Oregon, contacted members of the State, Court and County list-serv to find out who was involved in access to justice activities, only twelve states responded, including Maine and Massachusetts. More of us need to be involved.

As law librarians, we need to be part of the access to justice movement for at least two reasons. First, given the increasing numbers of self-represented seeking relief in the courts, we need to help our patrons better understand how to work with these litigants who are, by and large, inexperienced, uncertain, and more apt to make errors than seasoned attorneys. Public law librarians help both self-represented litigants and the judges who preside over their cases; law firm librarians help their attorneys dealing with self-represented litigants as an opposing party; and academic librarians help their students understand the parameters of limited assistance representation. Second, given that many states have initiated collaborative activities between the courts, bar associations and legal aid organizations, not participating in these activities deprives us of an opportunity to demonstrate what we do every day which, in turn, helps us avoid being marginalized. Libraries have a place at the table. We need to be visible and vocal, to help shape the vision of how access to justice will be achieved in our states.

How can libraries get involved?

- Find out what your state is doing. Currently, there are 30 states with access to justice commissions or organizations. Enter your state's name and "access to justice" in an online search to find out what's happening. If a law librarian is not involved, call your colleagues and figure out a strategy to get a law librarian into the mix. If it's impossible to place a librarian at the commission level then volunteer on working committees that are relevant, such as committees working on self help centers. The point is have librarians taking part in the decision making processes, not merely helping out but educating decision-makers about what law libraries are already doing.
- Educate yourself on resources within your state. What have others already done that you can draw upon to show your community? In Massachusetts, I was on the Committee on Self-Represented Litigants that decided all people involved with working with self-represented litigants would need additional guidance. Using materials from other states as models, we developed materials. Now the Massachusetts Trial Court has three publications available:

For the self-represented litigants:

*Representing Yourself in A Civil Case:
Things to Consider When Going to Court*
<http://www.mass.gov/courts/admin/ji/repyourself.html>

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Editors' Note

Happy summer and welcome to another addition of the LLNE Newsletter!

We have some great articles to offer this issue. Our guest columnist this issue is former Philadelphia resident Lisa Junghahn. She has a list of great sights, experiences, and food in the City of Brotherly Love for our AALL meeting. She has also designed a Google maps link for us to find those great places.

We are also introducing a new column from the public law library perspective. The Head of the Trial Court Libraries of Massachusetts, Marnie Warner, has written great piece on law libraries and access to justice. And our own Stephen Salhany gives us his insight into the victory of the Boston Bruins

from a research perspective. Also, read about all our LLNE'ers programs at AALL – come out and support their poster sessions, presentations, and round tables!

This issue of the newsletter also continues our regular favorites such as Access Points, Thinking About Technology, and a continuation of the series “Agents for the Books.”

Have a Great Summer and see you in Philadelphia!

Kyle and Susan



President's Message

Greetings from Maine, where it is finally feeling like summer! With summer comes the AALL Annual Meeting, a great opportunity for all of us to reunite. We have met on two earlier occasions this year, at Northeastern University and Yale Law School, where we held excellent workshops! At Northeastern we learned ways to improve workplace morale and at Yale we explored ways to overcome barriers to information sharing. When we get together in Philadelphia, we will be holding our luncheon and business meeting (Monday July 25 from 12:00-1:15 at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown) and we will be electing new officers for the Executive Board. The Nominations Committee of Elaine Apostola, Betsy Swan and Michelle Pearse have put together an excellent slate of candidates for the open positions on the board. They are **Vice-President/President Elect**: Kyle Courtney, Harvard Law School; **Treasurer**: Melanie Cornell, UNH Law, formerly Franklin Pierce Law Center; and **Education Co-Directors (2 needed)**: Diane D'Angelo, Suffolk Law School and Byron Hill, Bowditch and Dewey.

With these new additions, to the board, we must say thank you to some of the outgoing board members and committee chairs, including Sue Zago, Immediate Past President, Raquel Ortiz, Chair of the Communications Committee and Margaret Cianfarini, Chair of the Scholarship Committee. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all three of these ladies for their longstanding service to LLNE. It has been my pleasure to work with them and I look forward to our continued collaboration at LLNE and elsewhere. Thank you for all that you have done for LLNE!

The next year promises to be a very busy one for LLNE, as we will be hosting the 2012 AALL Annual Meeting in Boston! The 2012 Local Arrangement Committee Co-Chaired by Katherine Coolidge, incoming LLNE President and Sue Zago from Northeastern University have posted a survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JWD5LBC>. Please visit that sight and volunteer for one of the Annual Meeting committees if you haven't already done so. We need all hands on deck to make this a successful meeting. If you have been thinking about getting involved in LLNE, now is the time!

In closing, I would like to say that it has been a pleasure to serve as the LLNE President. This is a great organization, made up of so many talented people. I am grateful for the opportunity.



Access to Justice - Cont. from page 1.

For court staff:

Serving the Self-Represented Litigant: A Guide By and For Massachusetts Court Staff.
<http://www.mass.gov/courts/serving-self-rep-guide.pdf>

For judges:

Judicial Guidelines for Civil Hearings Involving Self-Represented Litigants
<http://www.mass.gov/courts/judguidelinescivhearingstoc.html>

For attorneys, the Committee developed a Limited Assistance Representation (LAR) program in which people can contact an attorney for specific tasks or court events. The LAR program is currently available in the Housing, Probate and Family, and the District Courts for civil cases only. The materials for attorneys are located at <http://www.screencast.com/users/VLP/folders/LAR%20Training>

- Publicize existing services for self-represented litigants. Recently, I've found myself wondering if the word "library" isn't somehow intimidating to some segments of the population. People assume a "law library" is for judges and attorneys, not for an average citizen looking for help with a legal question. I've wondered whether libraries shouldn't publicize services as "self-help centers" and skip the word "library." The Hidalgo County Law Library in Edinburg, TX installed a "Self-Help Legal Workstation" featuring a computer, a printer, and an online connection directly to TexasLawHelp.org, a legal aid website. All public computers in the Massachusetts Trial Court Law Libraries (MA TCLLs) have Internet access and are attached to printers. Maybe we ought to promote them as "Self-Help Workstations." It might change people's perception of the "law library."

- Use your website or an organization's website to provide legal information so people are able to become more self-reliant. Internet access provides people with a means of answering many of their legal questions at any time day or night. The MA TCLLs website, <http://www.lawlib.state.ma.us/>, offers a "Law About..." page which pulls together information on over 150 topics. To continue as leaders in the provision of legal information, libraries need to be visible on the Internet.
- Get public librarians and public libraries involved. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation sponsored national training sessions for public librarians to get them involved in access to justice. Research finds that "public libraries provide access to government agencies that now offer many forms and services online. More than 26 million people used public library computers to get government or legal information or to access government services" From *Opportunity for All: How the American Public Benefits from Internet Access at U.S. Libraries*, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, March 2010.

In a perfect world, everyone needing legal advice or representation would find it at an affordable price but our world is not perfect. Today, more people are choosing to represent themselves either by choice or by necessity, and the courts, legal aid organizations, and libraries are grappling with what that means to in terms of real access to justice. Law libraries are a part of that equation, and we need to tap into our wealth of day-to-day experience addressing these challenging problems to help decision-makers in this state and national movement. Also, we must explore how we might adapt to better serve the self-represented. Clearly, there is a huge need. Now how do we help to make access to justice a reality?

LLNE Member Presentations & Previews

A4: Finding and Getting Your Next Lateral or Promotional Position

LLNE Co-moderators: Pamela Peifer and Suzanne L. Wones, Harvard Law School Library

Saturday July 24th, 1:30 – 2:45pm @ PCC-Room 204(A)

Many graduates fresh out of library school know how to prepare for the process of getting their first job. Yet, many are not as prepared when they are ready to apply for a lateral or promotional position. Similar to last year's round-robin poster session, "What Is It You Do Again?", each poster station will discuss a key issue that needs to be addressed before pursuing your next career move. Issues to be addressed include: updating and rewriting your resume, interviewing do's and don'ts, jumping to a new kind of library, networking, and tools AALL offers such as the Career Center and Members Only section. Participants will listen to a short presentation by the poster creator, and then have the opportunity to ask questions. Participants will be notified when it's time to move to the next station, where the process begins again.

C3: Battledecks AALL

Sunday July 24th, 4:15 – 5:15pm @ PCC-Room 201(C)

LLNE Coordinator/Co-moderator: Meg Kribble, Harvard Law School Library

At Battledecks, *aka* PowerPoint karaoke, intrepid volunteers are challenged to give coherent four-minute presentations without any preparation because they will see their 12 slides for the first time as they present. Battledecks is a great workout for librarians who speak and teach, because it requires fast thinking, strong speaking, and improvisation. The slides for Battledecks have all been created by

AALL members using Creative Commons images with proper attribution. The theme of the inaugural Battledecks AALL will be "The Law Library Goes to 11." Battledecks presentations at Lawberry Camp have been thoughtful, passionate, surprisingly insightful, and laugh-out-loud funny. Battledecks is often a cut-throat competition, but everyone will win this time. Do *you* have what it takes?

D3: The New Collaboration Tools: Let's Work Together!

Monday July 25th, 8:45 – 9:45am @ PCC-Room 108(AB)

LLNE Coordinator: Meg Kribble, Harvard Law School Library

How do you collaborate with others? What if they work in other cities, countries, and time zones? New project management platforms such as Basecamp, collaborative mindmapping, and wireframe/mockup tools like Mockingbird and Balsamiq join familiar tools like wikis and Google Docs to make teamwork easier, regardless of where everyone is located. Join legal information consultants Connie Crosby and Kathie Sullivan for a tour of the latest collaborative tools being used in a number of industries and explore how law libraries can use them. Before the conference, Crosby and Sullivan will create a wiki for collecting resources and discussions about these tools; watch the [CS-SIS blog](#) for an invitation to participate. Lessons from this collaboration will be incorporated into the presentation.

G4: Anatomy of a License Agreement

Monday July 25th 2:15-3:30pm @ PCC-Room 204(A),

LLNE Moderator: Christine L. Graesser, Connecticut Legislative Library and Tracy L. Thompson-Przylucki, New England Law Library Consortium, Inc.

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Librarians are regularly faced with reviewing and approving license agreements for the acquisition of online information sources. Lack of uniformity among publisher agreements can confuse the most-seasoned librarian and put the library at risk should a completed contract not meet expectations. In this session, a panel of experts will conduct a detailed review of the elements of a license agreement, including language restrictions and their meaning, payment terms, authorized users and uses, performance obligations, indemnification provisions, and definition of key terms. Panelists will also summarize relevant provisions of the *Principles for Licensing Electronic Resources* and the *AALL Guide to Fair Business Practices*.

I4: Google Book Settlement and Orphan Works

Tuesday July 26th, 10:45-11:30am @ PCC-Room 204(A)

LLNE Coordinator/Moderator: Tracy L. Thompson-Przylucki, New England Law Library Consortium

Through its book scanning project, Google has announced a lofty goal to someday "make the full text of all the world's books searchable by anyone." As if that weren't big enough, it wants to sell these books. In the process, Google has encountered legal problems and is involved in a protracted settlement that seeks to give it an affirmative grant of the copyrights necessary to start selling books. James Grimmelmann, a law professor from New York Law School, has tracked the Google project closely and regularly blogs about it. For this session, Grimmelmann will summarize the current legal status of the project, and will put the Google Book Settlement in context of the overall question of orphan works in the United States.

F2: Can the FCC Regulate the Internet?

Monday July 25th 10:45-11:45am @ PCC-Room 201(A)

LLNE Coordinator/Moderator/Speaker: Ryan Harrington, Yale Law School, Lillian Goldman Library

In 2009, AALL sponsored a well-attended panel on network neutrality. In the interim, three significant events have occurred: the FCC released an order dealing with network neutrality, and that rule was overturned by an appeals court, based on the reasoning that the FCC does not have the congressional authority to create such a rule. Finally, in December 2010, the FCC released a set of rules on network neutrality.

The speakers will explain the new rules and how the rules will affect our profession. Particular attention will be paid to the impact the court decision should have on the rules that were released in December.

H3: Coding Potpourri: A Survey of Programming Languages and Tools Used in Library Applications Today

Tuesday July 26th, 9:00-10:30am @ PCC-Room 201(C)

LLNE Speaker: Jason Eiseman, Yale Law School, Lillian Goldman Library

Target Audience: Librarians who implement web technologies or wish to communicate effectively with their IT department about their implementation Programming languages and the web tools they create permeate today's library. Daily, librarians make decisions about the tools they offer patrons online. They consult with IT staff about implementing online tools, but they may not have a realistic idea of what they're requesting. Most librarians know a little, want to know more, and are willing to

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self-educate—but may not know where to start. This program will provide an overview of several programming languages that are currently being used by libraries. Panelists will discuss how they use these languages to create online tools for patrons, design and display effective web pages, and manipulate cataloging records.

Empiricist or Empirical Reference Librarian?: Structuring an Empirical Legal Research Program

Monday July 25th 2:15-3:30pm @ PCC-Room 102(A)

LLNE Speaker: Suzanne Wones, Harvard Law School Library

Fordham Law Library hired a Reference Librarian/Empirical Research Specialist and other academic law libraries are including knowledge of empirical research methods into their reference librarian job descriptions. At the Harvard Law School Library, there are two empirical research positions: Empirical Research Fellow and Empirical Research Consultant. Duke University School of Law has an Empirical Research Associate position, as well as a reference librarian who coordinates the library's Empirical Legal Research Program. These are a few examples of how law libraries are responding to faculty's increasing demand for empirical legal research support. While other sessions have focused on resources for doing empirical work, this program focuses on how academic law libraries are meeting the needs of faculty members by creating empirical positions within or in conjunction with the library. It will address the factors that led these institutions to create the empirical legal research programs and the structures of these programs. Panelists will discuss how the programs were implemented and will evaluate the programs' strengths and weaknesses.

Cool Tools Cafe

Sunday, July 24th, 1:30 - 2:45 pm @ PCC-Room 113 (AB)

Target Audience: All law librarians interested in tech gadgets and tools

LLNE Members:

- Jocelyn Kennedy, University of Connecticut School of Law Library (iPhone/iPad productivity apps including Evernote and Dropbox)
- Meg Kribble, Harvard Law School Library (iPhone/iPad apps Just for Fun)

F3: "Friending" the Courts: Grappling with Social Networking in Litigation and the Justice System

Monday July 25th, 10:45 – 11:45am @ PCC-Room 108(AB)

LLNE Coordinator/Moderator: Julie M. Jones, U.S. Courts Library

Social networking sites spread information effortlessly. For litigants and courts, this can be both risky and beneficial. Could your spouse gain access to your emails and IMs in Facebook during a divorce? How can courts engage in social networking in such a way that maintains impartiality and ethical standards while promoting public trust and accountability? This panel will discuss social networking issues that arise during litigation, provide an overview of a recent groundbreaking study by the Conference of Court Public Information Officers ([CCPIO New Media Report](#)), and survey the federal courts' reaction to and use of social networking sites. This session will answer substantive legal and policy questions surrounding social networking and the justice system.

Karen Salaz recommends attendees view this YouTube video (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQDBhg60UNI>) prior to the session.

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Putting the "M" in ERM: Best Practices in Electronic Resources Management (Workshop W-2; with CS-SIS)

Saturday, July 23, 2011 — 8:00 a.m-5:00 p.m @ PCC-Room 203(A)

LLNE Member: Tracy L. Thompson-Przylucki, Speaker, New England Law Library Consortium, Inc.

Electronic resources present managers with distinct challenges, including personnel, workflow, licensing, and marketing issues. A central tool for handling these challenges is an effective management program that supports and maintains both expanding electronic collections and diminishing print collections. Does your library use a complex variety of staff roles and interactions to manage electronic resources? This workshop will explore best practices for managing electronic resources. Panelists will address administrative and technical issues including: selection, access, workflow analysis, licensing options, ERM vendors, training, marketing, and staffing. Attendees will participate in the review of ERM tasks and design job descriptions for ERM staff. Learn to manage electronic resources and not allow them to manage you! A pre-workshop list of selected readings will be avail-

Awards and Grants to the Annual Meeting

The AALL Grants Program enables law librarians to participate in the professional educational opportunities that are provided at the Annual Meeting or to engage in original research on topics important to law librarianship. Grants are funded by contributions from firms and individuals.

AALL Chapter Grant Winner

Byron Hill, Bowditch & Dewey, LLP

ALL Annual Meeting Grant Winner

Carli Spina, Harvard Law School Library

Each year, in recognition of its role in furthering the continuing education of its members, the Law Librarians of New England allocates funds to help make possible attendance at the AALL Annual Meeting.

LLNE Scholarship Winner

Rebecca Bearden, University of Connecticut School of Law Library

RIPS-SIS Annual Meeting Grant

Elliott Hibbler, Western New England College School of Law

Congratulations to our all the LLNE members!

THINKING ABOUT TECHNOLOGY

Love the One You're With (for Two Years, Anyway)

by Meg Kribble, Harvard Law School Library

This spring, something unusual happened to me. Within a month, I'd purchased two new gadgets that I disliked. I found them both frustrating and disappointing. I even reached the point of deleting my personal info from one to return it. Since I'm used to loving new toys, this experience was surprising and unpleasant. The gadgets in question? My iPad2 and Droid phone (an HTC Inspire, to be precise).

Since I can't deny charges of being an Apple fangirl, the first is the more surprising and was also the more disappointing. How long had I waited for what turned out to be a .7MP camera with all the photo quality of an old flip phone?! An outrage, Mr. Jobs! The rest of my dislike came from feeling oddly claustrophobic due to the lack of topographical clues that come with a physical keyboard. I'm a big keyboard shortcut user and doing everything by blind touch cramped my style.

I felt isolated in my iPad dislike. Everybody else loved them! What was wrong with me?

The more annoying gadget was the Droid, which felt like unjust punishment because I'd chosen it specifically to experience a new OS. While one of the beauties of the Droid OS is that it is more customizable than the iPhone, that is also one of the challenges. It's a scary world when Apple isn't dictating every detail of functionality. After using iPhone voicemail, it was also an unwelcome surprise to have to deal with the voicemail lady again, for one



thing. Then there was an evening where no matter where I was in my apartment, I couldn't make or receive calls. I'm now sure that was a poorly timed glitch with my carrier, but that had never happened with my iPhone.

Where I felt isolated with the iPad, I felt insufficiently nerdy/cool and smart when it came to the Droid. What was wrong with me? And what had I been thinking getting two new gadgets in such close proximity, anyway? Well, it's now been three months and as I write this, both gadgets are still within arm's reach. I'm drafting this column with the iPad. Though I may not ever love them like my

Roku player or my old iPhone, I've grown to like and respect them. Here are some things that helped me get there:

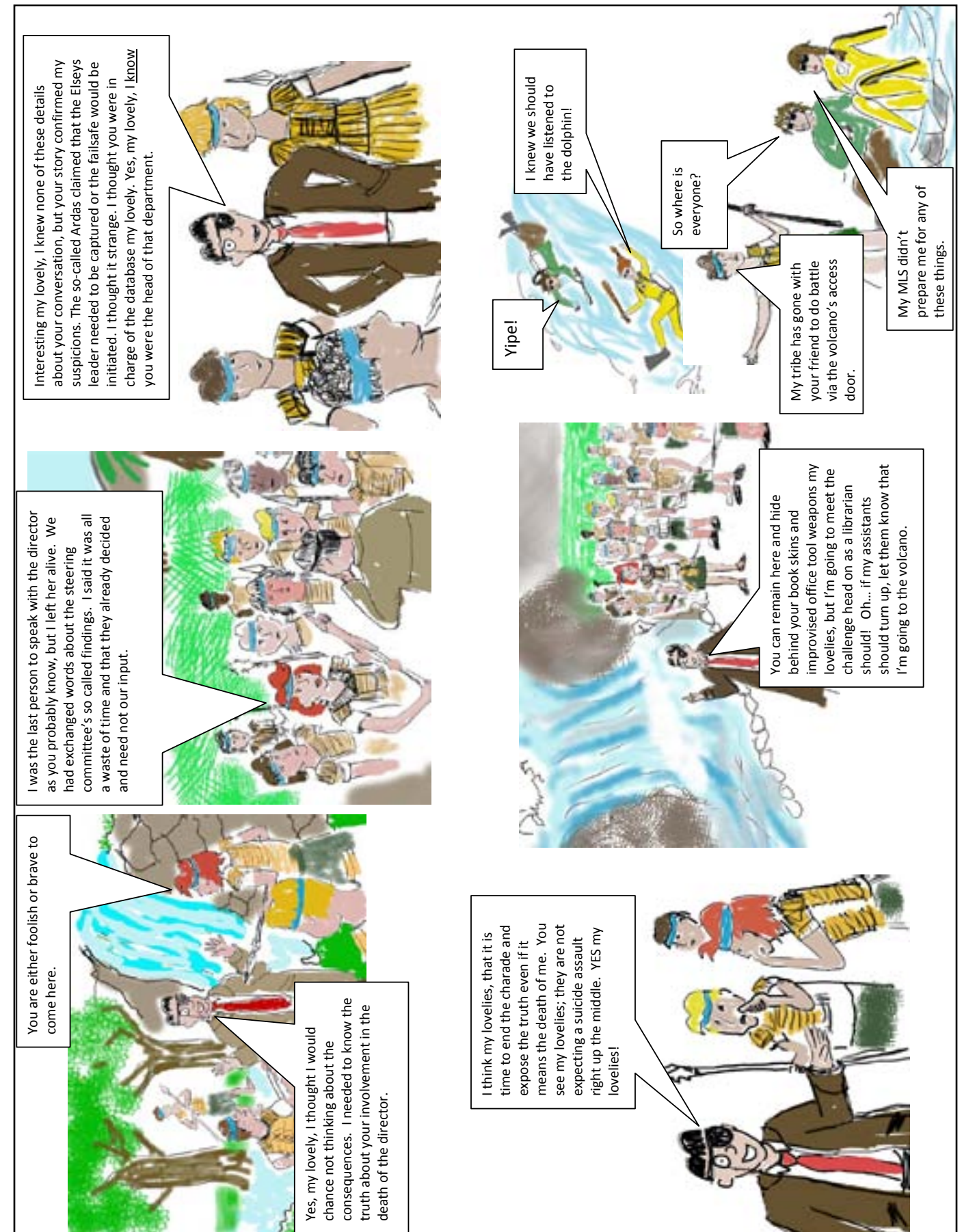
Seeking help from friends
When it came to the Droid, I wasn't going to struggle alone. A few of my law librarian friends are avid Droid users, so I asked them what their favorite apps are. From their suggestions, I got a better home screen that is less cluttered than the iPhone interface and an iPhone-like voicemail system that, as a bonus, freaks out my family when it greets them by name.

I also learned about apps that automatically change settings like the ringer volume and screen brightness when the phone detects that I'm at home, work, or on the go. As far as I know, the iPhone doesn't have anything like that. Wicked cool.

Asking the question: am I doing it wrong? It gradually dawned on me that part of the iPad problem was me. I've coveted the sleek MacBook

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Agents for the Books by Warren Yee



This Issue in Vermont History

(We will feature other New England States every issue)

July 8, 1777 - The Constitution of the Vermont Republic was adopted at a tavern in Windsor now known as the Old Constitution House.

July 8, 1777 - The name of the Vermont Republic was changed from the “Republic of New Connecticut” to “Vermont” from the French for Green Mountains, les Verts Monts. The name change was suggested Dr. Thomas Young, a Boston Tea Party leader.

On July 31, 1790 - United States Patent Number One, signed by George Washington, was issued in 1790 to Samuel Hopkins of Pittsford, Vermont for a process he developed for making potash out of wood ashes.

July 30, 1609 - French explorer Samuel de Champlain claimed the area of what is now Lake Champlain, giving to the mountains the appellation of les Verts Monts (the Green Mountains).

August 18, 1920 – Edna Beard was the first woman to run in the Vermont general election and won a seat in the Vermont House.

September 11, 1814 - Commodore MacDonough’s fleet is victorious against British in Battle of Plattsburgh, saving Vermont from certain invasion.

September 14, 1941 - Vermont Legislature declares war on Germany in order to make sure the Vermont military servicemen are paid a wartime pay bonus.

October 3, 1828 - William Lloyd Garrison begins publishing Journal of the Times, an abolitionist paper, in Bennington, Vermont.

October 19, 1864 – “St. Albans Raid.” Confederate soldiers attacked citizens, stole a total of \$208,000 from the banks in St. Albans, and fled to Canada. The raid was the northernmost land action of the Civil War, taking place exclusively in St. Albans, Vermont.

October 22, 1763 - Daniel Chipman, the first reporter of Vermont Supreme Court decisions is born in Salisbury, Conn.

November 3, 1838 – Legislature abolishes law that requires any imprisonment for financial debts

November 17, 1825 – Vermont State Library created

December 18, 1880 - Women were first allowed to cast a vote in Vermont in school district elections.



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Air for years, and hoped the iPad could function as a laptop replacement, although it's not meant to. See also my keyboard issues. Once I took time to play with apps that take advantage of the iPad's format and interface strengths, I began to see the light.

Do you need more gadgets? Sometimes the solution to gadget woes is more gadgets. That sounds like typical American consumer gluttony, but it's true. After I got a physical keyboard (the nifty Zaggmate/Logitech model) for the iPad, I not only saw the light, but felt the love.

Asking the question: what's good about it? Even when both gadgets were still being annoying, there were some good things about them. Every reading app on the iPad has been a delight. I started reading more news as a result. The Droid phone's camera (with flash!) is so good that I no longer care about the feeble iPad camera. Besides, have you seen someone take photos with an iPad? It looks pretty silly.

Be patient
If you'd told me a few months ago that I'd still have these devices, I probably would have screamed. With time, I've learned to accept their quirks and figure out how to make them work for me. I also learned that it's not necessary to love every device in one's life. Who knew? This weekend, I put both boxes into recycling. There are still mysteries, like why the Droid randomly won't send email when connected to a network. Someday, I may figure it out. On the other hand, it's only two years until my contract is up.

Maine Dine Around: An SLA Boston/LLNE Social Event

Dine Around in Portland, Maine at the Portland Lobster Company!

Summer is here! Please join other information professionals from Maine and other parts of Northern New England for a delicious dinner at the Portland Lobster Company on Thursday, July 28th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The Portland Lobster Company is located in downtown Portland, Maine on Commercial Street and has a great menu with reasonable prices. They also have nice outdoor seating close to the water. Come and chat with other information professionals in this open forum! This is a great chance to get together with others in your profession and discuss common issues in your field – plus enjoy some Maine seafood!!!

Date: Thursday, July 28th at 6:00 pm

Place: Portland Lobster Company

Cost: Your own food and drink

Registration: Please register via [SurveyMonkey](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/mainesummerdinearound2011) by July 22nd, so that we can provide the restaurant an accurate count of attendees (<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/mainesummerdinearound2011>)

Parking: Folks should park either on Commercial Street (if you can find a spot), in the Fisherman's Wharf Parking, or visit <http://www.portlandmaine.com> for more parking options.

“Dine Arouds” are smaller, more casual meals where you can connect with other SLA colleagues and other fellow colleagues while having a good time!

Questions? Contact: Kami Bedard at kbedard@pierceatwood.com or 207-791-1142

Hope to see you there!

Of Books and Bruins

By Stephen Salhany, University of Maine Law School

Here in the Boston area, we've been impressively fortunate in terms of the sports landscape over the past ten years. With the Bruins triumph in the Stanley Cup playoffs this year, each of the four professional sports teams in the area can now lay claim to at least one championship over the past decade. The Bruins were perhaps the most unlikely of the franchises to join the elite group of winners, as they had been mired in a long slump of mediocrity. This slump was ended in a most unlikely fashion as each of the Bruins' longstanding droughts was conquered this season. The Bruins had gone 17 years since winning a Game 7 of any kind (1994: Round 1 vs. Montreal); this year they won three Game 7s. Until this year, the Bruins had not made the Final in 21 years (1990 vs. Edmonton). And the Bruins had not won the Stanley Cup since 1972, a span of 39 years. As we saw from the huge crowds that gathered to celebrate the Cup win, there was an enormous amount of pent-up enthusiasm that was finally allowed to be released when the Bruins won the Cup.

Hockey has somewhat less of an online presence than baseball and football, but there are still plenty of good sources of statistical information and anecdotes. A few good places to begin:

Hockey Reference: www.hockey-reference.com. Run by the same folks who operate the amazing Baseball Reference website, Hockey Reference doesn't yet have B-Ref's formidable collection of statistics, tools, and blog posts, but it's got the basics down right. Current standings, player statistics, play-off results, historical league references are all here in the same familiar format used by B-Ref. This is a site to keep a future eye upon as they continue to add features to bring it up to near-B-Ref capabilities.

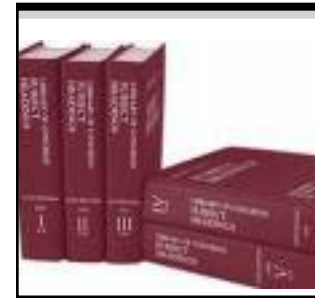
Internet Hockey Database: <http://www.hockeydb.com>. This long-time site has more information than the Hockey Reference site currently does, but it comes in a less user-friendly format. Still, the amount of data here is staggering. Want to know how Jokerit of the Finnish Elite League did in 1991?

It's here. (They finished 9th). Extensive minor league, college, and senior pro statistics are here as well, covering an immense number of leagues. A particularly cool part of this site is the trading card section, which has card checklists for a huge number of players, so if you're a collector you can see how extensive your collection really is.

I'd like to recommend a couple of lesser-known books which are well worth a read and which provide a lot of local background and flavor to the sport:

Game Misconduct: Alan Eagleson and the Corruption of Hockey (ISBN 9781551990187), by Russ Conway. - Alan Eagleson was the longtime head of the NHL Players' Association and its first executive director. Conway was a sports editor for the *Lawrence Eagle-Tribune* who began investigating Eagleson after talking to players who had been having trouble collecting on their injury settlements. After learning that Eagleson was demanding kickbacks from players in order to collect on their injury settlements, Conway launched an investigative report and wrote a series of articles detailing extensive corruption by Eagleson in his role as head of the NHLPA. Most crucially Conway discovered that Eagleson, as Bobby Orr's player agent, had deliberately steered Orr to sign with the Chicago Blackhawks as a free agent as a favor to owner Bill Wirtz, even though the Bruins had offered Orr an 18% ownership stake in the team, a stake that today would be worth around \$50 million. Eagleson was eventually convicted of mail fraud and embezzlement and served jail time. The story of Conway's investigation and Eagleson's trial is recounted in *Game Misconduct*.

Open Net: A Professional Amateur in the World of Big-Time Hockey (ISBN 978-1599218069) by George Plimpton. - George Plimpton is most well known for his sports books detailing his comic attempts to play professional sports. Here is his tale of trying out as a goalie for the Boston Bruins. He recounts meeting a plethora of famous and infamous characters, including Jim "Seaweed" Pettie, Don Cherry, and Gerry Cheevers. He even plays 5 minutes in goal in an exhibition game against the Philadelphia Flyers. Funny and touching this is one book that shouldn't be missed by hockey fans.



Introducing a new column with a cataloger's point of view...

ACCESS POINTS

RDA Test Coordinating Committee Recommends Adoption of RDA

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The results of the 2010 U.S. RDA test (of which Northeastern University was an official test partner) have been analyzed and published. Based on the findings of the test, the RDA Test Coordinating Committee recommends that the U.S. national libraries—the Library of Congress, the National Agricultural Library, and the National Library of Medicine—adopt RDA, but not before January 2013. Adoption of RDA will be contingent on various tasks, including rewriting RDA instructions in plain English, completing the Registered RDA Element Sets and Vocabularies, enhancing the functionality and content of the *RDA Toolkit*, soliciting demonstrations of prototype input and discovery systems that use the RDA elements and relationships, and making progress towards a replacement for MARC to take full advantage of the RDA identifiers and linked data.¹ To this end, the Library of Congress has already launched an initiative to determine a transition path for MARC.²

The full Report and Recommendations of the U.S. RDA Test Coordinating Committee is available on the Library of Congress' Testing Resource Description and Access Webpage: <http://www.loc.gov/bibliographic-future/rda/>

¹ *Report and Recommendations of the U.S. RDA Test Coordinating Committee* (9 May 2011, revised for public release 20 June 2011). 13-14, <http://www.loc.gov/bibliographic-future/rda/rdatesting-finalreport-20june2011.pdf>

² Library of Congress, *Bibliographic Framework Transition*. <http://www.loc.gov/marc/transition/index.html> (viewed June 30, 2011).

PCC and OCLC on RDA

The Program for Cooperating Cataloging (PCC) supports the decision to implement RDA and has already formed three task groups to prepare for the transition to RDA. For information on the work of the task groups, see: <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/pcc/RDA-Task-Groups.html>

OCLC guidelines for creating and editing records have not changed since the RDA testing period. Libraries may continue inputting AACR2 or RDA records in OCLC, but may not convert full-level records from AACR2 to RDA or vice versa.³ OCLC plans to issue a discussion paper later this year about the future possibility of records with different practices in WorldCat. In addition, OCLC will be participating in the PCC task groups on RDA.

AALL Annual Meeting Programs on RDA

If you will be attending AALL, there are several programs on RDA that may be of interest:

- RDA for Everyone: Resource Description and Access Explained to Non-Catalogers (D1: 7/25/11, 8:45-9:45AM)
- The RDA Decision and What it Will Mean for Me and My Library! (TS-SIS Program: Hot Topic: 7/26/11, 9:00-10:30AM)
- The RDA Test : Law Catalogers' Perspectives (I1: 7/26/11, 10:45-11:30AM).

³ *OCLC Policy Statement on RDA Cataloging in WorldCat for the U.S. Testing Period and Beyond*. <http://www.oclc.org/us/en/rda/policy.htm> (viewed June 30, 2011).

The Phila Phipteen

Lisa Junghahn, Harvard Law Library

This list of recommended sights and experiences is brought to you by former Philadelphia resident Lisa Junghahn (currently a reference librarian at HLS). This Google Map represents the below attractions:

[Phila Phipteen for AALL 2011](#)

Top 5 Sights

- *National Constitution Center*
http://constitutioncenter.org/ncc_home_Landing.aspx

Begin your experience with “Freedom Rising,” an award-winning theater production featuring a dramatic storyteller who takes you on a journey from 1787 to the present. This librarian shivers at the sound of President Ronald Regan exhorting: “Gorbachev, tear down that wall.”



- *Rodin Museum*
<http://www.rodinmuseum.org/>
- *Schuylkill River Walk (Passes Museum of Fine Arts)* <http://www.schuylkillrivertrail.com/index.php?trail/overview/philadelphia/>
- *Betsy Ross' House*
<http://www.betsyrosshouse.org/>
- *Italian Market*
<http://www.phillyitalianmarket.com/>

Top 4 Neighborhoods

- *Queen Village*
http://philadelphia.about.com/od/neighborhoods/a/queen_village.htm
- *Old City (North of Market Street)*
<http://www.oldcitydistrict.org/>

- *Rittenhouse Square (Park, adjacent to a nice public library)*
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rittenhouse_Square
- *Northern Liberties*
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northern_Liberties,_Philadelphia,_Pennsylvania

Top 3 Bars

- Nineteen (for a great view of the city)
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/xix---nineteen-philadelphia>
- Dirty Franks (for the Pabst set)
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/dirty-franks-bar-philadelphia>
- Midtown Continental (for the cocktail set; with roof-deck)
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/continental-midtown-philadelphia>

Top 2 Foods

- *Gelato at Capogiro* (better than Italian wooter ice)
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/capogiro-gelato-philadelphia-3>
- *Soft pretzel with mustard* (better than cheese steak)
<http://www.yelp.com/biz/center-city-pretzel-co-philadelphia>

Top 1 City

- *Philadelphia is a City of Firsts*
<http://www.philadelphiausa.travel/group-tour-planners/planning-tools/escort-notes/philadelphia-firsts/>

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LLNE Members Present AALL Poster Sessions

As an added enhancement to the educational offerings at this year's Annual Meeting, poster sessions will be on display in the Exhibit Hall as part of the AALL Member Services and Activities Area. AALL members have put together a wealth of great ideas to share with Annual Meeting attendees – and LLNE members Carli Spina and Michelle Pearse have their own poster sessions. They will be on hand during the poster session presentation period on Sunday, July 24 from 9:00-10:00 a.m. to answer questions and discuss their work, but their poster will be on display throughout the entirety of the Annual Meeting.

Carli's poster session is on “The Library Analytics Toolkit.” As libraries have faced increasing economic pressure in recent years to prove their worth, statistics have become more important as a means to promote the activities and impact of the library and to develop long-range plans. This project, which is sponsored by the Harvard Library Lab, seeks to develop an open source software tool that allows users to visualize a range of different library usage events and statistics in a fully configurable analytics dashboard. Users will be able to configure personalized dashboards to focus on statistics that are most relevant to their work or to see higher-level statistics that apply to the library as a whole. This will allow users to visualize changes in usage patterns due to evolving patron needs and will provide support for resource allocation to address these needs.

As the first stage of the development of this software tool, Carli and the staff at the Harvard Law Library met with a variety of library professionals to identify which statistics are most useful to determine how statistics are collected and used and to identify future trends in library statistics. The poster will describe the project and the results of the research stage, which will inform the software development process and provide insights into how libraries may use the Library Analytics Toolkit.

Michelle's poster session is on “Partners in Publishing: How Librarians Can Help Journals Publish Better” (with Benjamin John Keele, College of William & Mary, Wolf Law Library). Michelle and Ben's poster will present a variety of ways libraries can increase their services to and visibility of student-edited law journals. Specifically, the poster will discuss how librarians can help increase the quality and the range, depth, and persistence of journals' availability to researchers, which is based on a paper that they have been writing for the past few months. For example, librarians can help journals develop publication agreements that encourage easy access, appear in major databases and indexes, develop more useful metadata and structures, provide empirical support and data curation services, and distribute content through social media and other new platforms. Adopting any of these ideas will help librarians improve their school's journals and make those journals more valuable as publishing venues.

Please come by and meet Carli and Michelle at the Poster Session, Sunday, July 24, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Welcome the New LLNE Executive Board Officers

The AALL Annual Meeting is fast approaching. With that comes the election of new officers for the LLNE Executive Board. The following are the slate of candidates for the upcoming election:

Vice-President/President Elect: Kyle Courtney, Harvard Law School
Treasurer: Melanie Cornell, UNH Law, formerly Franklin Pierce Law Center
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We hope to see many of you in Philadelphia! The election of officers will take place at the LLNE Luncheon held at the AALL Annual Meeting on Monday July 25 from 12:00-1:15 at the Philadelphia Marriot Downtown.

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