

SEAALL 2010 Annual Meeting – April 22-24 - Williamsburg, Virginia

After the Digital Revolution: Law Libraries in a World Turned Upside Down

Preliminary Program

Friday, April 23, 9:30 – 10:30 am: First Keynote Address

Speaker: Randall Kennedy, Michael R. Klein Professor of Law, Harvard University

Professor Kennedy will speak about the famous 1967 U.S. Supreme Court case, *Loving v. Virginia*, in which the Court unanimously declared unconstitutional Virginia's anti-miscegenation statute prohibiting interracial marriage. *Loving*, which was featured in Professor Kennedy's book *Interracial Intimacies*, will be discussed in conjunction with recent struggles to legalize same-sex marriage.

Friday, April 23, 11:00 am – noon (“A” Programs)

A-1 “Starting From Scratch: Helping Law Faculty with Empirical Research”

Speakers:

Suzanne B. Corriell, Head of Reference and Research Services, University of Richmond Law Library

Gail F. Zwirner, Head of Access Services, University of Richmond Law Library

Moderator: Timothy L. Coggins, Associate Dean for Library and Information Services and Professor of Law, University of Richmond

Some law libraries have developed comprehensive programs to support faculty with their empirical research, while others rarely provide such assistance. The speakers will discuss what they learned from a training session they conducted for University of Richmond law faculty about empirical research, and how law librarians can assist faculty with their research. They will demonstrate STATA (a statistical package designed for research), illustrate useful data sets, and discuss several law faculty empirical research projects.

A-2 “Gimme Shelter: Building the 21st Century Library Facility”

Speakers:

Carol Billings, former Director, Law Library of Louisiana

Jim Heller, Director of the Law Library and Professor of Law, College of William & Mary

Moderator: Paul Hellyer, Reference Librarian, College of William & Mary

With the rapid migration of law and law-related materials from print to digital format, many law libraries have voluntarily (or involuntarily) reduced their facility size. That does not mean,

however, that "the incredible shrinking library" has affected all of us. Where there are people there will be libraries, and many of us need to re-design or build new library facilities. Come to "Gimme Shelter" and hear about the planning and design of the new libraries at the William & Mary Law School and the Law Library of Louisiana.

A-3 "Back to the Future: Digitizing and Documenting Your Institution's History"

Speakers:

Amy Osborne, University of Kentucky Law Library

Ryan Valentin, University of Kentucky Law Library

Librarians have an opportunity to take a leadership role documenting their institution's history. The speakers will focus on the important aspects of documenting your institution's history, including: the use of historical primary source material, the technological requirements necessary to digitize this information, and the need to build collaborative relationships outside of your library.

Friday, April 23, 1:45 – 2:45 pm ("B" Programs)

B-1 "The Power of Many: Strategic Advocacy"

Moderator and Speaker:

Catherine M. Dunn, Reference Librarian, Georgetown Law Library

Speakers:

Mary Alice Baish, Director, AALL Government Relations Office

Emily Feldman, Advocacy Communications Assistant, AALL Government Relations Office

This program will set forth how strategic advocacy by networks of individuals and chapters – *the power of many* – proves that the whole is always greater than the sum of its parts. The speakers will address AALL's top policy priorities, the importance of creating networks of law librarians for effective advocacy, specific tools for disseminating information on key issues, and how to create and enhance advocacy/government relations committees at the chapter level.

B-2 "Considering a Cancellation Project? ... Who, What, When and Why?"

Speakers:

Qian Cui, Georgia State University Law Library

Trina Holloway, Georgia State University Law Library

Betty Wright, Georgia State University Law Library

Is your library considering a cancellation project? Don't know where to start, who should be involved, or what should be considered? This session will provide insight on how to conduct a successful cancellation project, including creating and using your collection development policy, establishing cancellation criteria, identifying who should be involved in making cancellation decisions, and work flow.

B-3 “Skills for the Technically Challenged: Yes You Can! (But Do You Want To?)”

Speakers:

Joan Bellistri, Director, Anne Arundel County Public Law Library

John Cannan, Legal Reference Librarian, Law Library of Congress

Facing greater demands and smaller budgets, many law librarians see Web 2.0 as a way to develop and market services at minimal, if any, cost. Oh, if it were that simple! Creating and using these applications can be a challenge to mid- and late-adapters, the technologically challenged, and those without a large technology services department. This presentation by mortal reference librarians will show you the pros and cons and the pitfalls and pratfalls of adopting, adapting, and applying "do-it-yourself" Web 2.0 tools and applications.

Friday, April 23, 3:15 – 4:00 pm (“C” Programs)

C-1 “Charting New Roles for Technical Services: Faculty Publications and Institutional Repositories”

Speakers:

Karen B. Douglas, Duke University Law Library

Carol Avery Nicholson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library

Institutional repositories are designed to collect, preserve, and disseminate in digital format the intellectual output of an institution. A faculty publications website provides similar access, but with different requirements and expectations. The model that an institution follows will be guided by its mission and by the resources available to support it. As traditional work routines in technical services diminish, the speakers will demonstrate how technical services staff can continue to support the library's evolving mission.

C-2 “Making the Leap to Management: 7 Tips for Aspiring and New Managers”

Speaker: Femi Cadmus, Lillian Goldman Law Library, Yale Law School

Aspiring managers should develop leadership and managerial skills early in their careers. In law libraries -- especially during this protracted climate of constrained budgets -- opportunities abound to cultivate the traits and habits required of a successful manager. Such opportunities need to be recognized, pursued relentlessly and tapped into. Our speaker will highlight seven effective steps for managerial success.

C-3 Hot Topic (TBA)

Saturday, April 24, 8:45 – 9:45 am: Second Keynote Address

Speaker: Davison M. Douglas, Dean and Arthur B. Hanson Professor of Law, College of William & Mary

Dean Douglas will address the changing nature of legal education, including the academies' reactions to the Carnegie Foundation Report *Educating Lawyers: Preparation for the Profession of Law*. A number of law schools are experimenting with or have moved to a more experiential method of educating their students. Others schools, however, avoid at all costs what they consider to be a "trade school" approach to legal education. You will not want to miss this keynote address by Dean Douglas, a five-time recipient of William & Mary Law School's Teaching Award.

Saturday, April 24, 10:00 – 11:00 am (“D” Programs)

D-1 “Teaching Cost-Effective Research Techniques”

Moderator and Speaker:

Catherine M. Dunn, Reference Librarian, Georgetown Law Library

Speakers:

Leslie Street, Reference Librarian, Georgetown Law Library

Todd Venie, Reference Librarian, Georgetown Law Library

In light of the vast amount of material now available in electronic formats, today’s legal research instructors must teach their students to be both effective and efficient researchers. This program details the cost-effective research training sessions created by the Georgetown Law Library to better prepare its students for the workplace. In addition to presenting information on planning and executing training sessions, the speakers will describe the lessons they learned and offer tips for others who wish to develop similar training programs.

D-2 “Waving a Magic Wand: Collection Management on the Digital Frontier in the Mason Law Library’s RFID Project”

Speakers:

Vicenc Feliu, Law Library Director and Assistant Professor of Law, Mason Law Library, University of the District of Columbia

Yasmin Morais, Cataloging Librarian, Mason Law Library, University of the District of Columbia

John Jensen, Acquisitions Librarian, Mason Law Library, University of the District of Columbia

In 2009, the Mason Law Library at UDC’s David A. Clarke School of Law began implementing RFID within the library print collection. The speakers will address the acquisition, implementation and impact of the RFID system within an academic law library, including financial considerations, hardware purchases, software installation and configuration, staffing decisions, and the procedures and practices established for installing the RFID tags efficiently.

D-3 “Library in Hand: Utilizing Mobile Technologies in Your Library”

Speakers:

Barbara Ballard, Little Springs Design

Sharon Bradley, University of Georgia Law Library

Look in your pocket or purse. Do you have a Blackberry, iPhone, Pre, or other web enabled mobile device? Odds are your patrons do. Is your library making use of these mobile technologies to deliver services to your patrons? Barbara Ballard, author of the book *Designing the Mobile User Experience*, will address why libraries should offer mobile services, how they differ from traditional services, and what libraries need to consider in planning for mobile services. The other speakers will talk about lessons learned in accommodating mobile technologies, and offer some quick and easy (often free) ways for libraries to offer services to patrons with mobile devices, from SMS reference services to OPACs that text call numbers and everything in between.

Saturday, April 24, 11:30 – 12:30 am (“E” Programs)

E-1 “Mercenary Metadata and Guerilla Cataloging: Obtaining and Locally Adapting Vendor Supplied Bibliographic Records”

Speakers:

Angela Jones, Head of Technical Services, Underwood Law Library, Southern Methodist University

Alan Keely, Associate Director for Collection Services and Systems, Wake Forest University Professional Center Library

Electronic versions of print resources are multiplying rapidly, and providers of large sets of bibliographic records are increasing as well. The first part of this program is an introduction to vendor-produced cataloging: why use it, who creates it, what it costs, and the pros and cons. The second part includes how to analyze, evaluate, and adapt vendor-produced cataloging (especially newly implemented provider-neutral e-monograph records) using a number of examples, e.g. MOML, ABA ARCHIVE, LNALS DSS, and Cassidy’s records.

E-2 , part 1 “Implementing Virtual Reference in a Law Library”

Speaker:

Patricia Kidd, Issues & Answers Library Service

This program will answer questions for any library that is considering offering virtual reference services to their patrons. Part 1 of this program explains the basics of virtual reference: getting your service up and running, training the library staff, selecting software, and evaluating your service.

E-2, part 2 “Chat 2.0: Renovating Virtual Reference”

Speaker:

Sara Sampson, Georgetown Law Library

Libraries have long recognized the need to reach out to patrons who do not visit the library. One way many libraries do this is by offering virtual reference service. The speaker will discuss how Georgetown Law Library renovated its popular and heavily used chat service. The discussion will cover the design and results of an in-depth scientific study of Georgetown’s chat reference transcripts and the administrative and management issues surrounding the study.

E-3 “The Google Books Project: Library Friend or Foe?”

Speakers:

Dan Clancy, Engineering Director for the Google Book Search Project

Corey Williams, Associate Director, Office of Government Relations, American Library Association

In 2004, Google announced partnerships with several high-profile university and public libraries to scan their library collections and make them available through the Google Books Project. In response, the Authors Guild of America and the Association of American Publishers separately sued Google, citing copyright infringement. In October 2008, the Authors Guild, the publishing industry and Google entered into a settlement agreement with Google agreeing to pay millions to copyright owners. Reaction to the proposed settlement has been mixed. This program will provide an overview of the Google Books Project, the proposed settlement and the implications for libraries.