Welcome to a new SANDALL year. With the financial success of last spring’s All-California Joint Institute, this year’s Board has the pleasant task of plowing money back into our organization’s educational initiatives, specifically grants. More money means more choices for our members. Rather than you being bound by the specific conferences the Board enumerates, we’re throwing it wide open so that you can apply for a grant to participate in anything you want. The key is how well you state your case for how it will benefit you professionally.

We’ll still award funding specifically for SANDALL-sponsored educational events and the AALL Annual Meeting, but anything else is up to you. Check out the grants announcement elsewhere in this issue for further information. Click here for the grant application and submit it to Grants Chair Brent Naritomi by September 30.

SANDALL Fall Workshop
October will be a learning experience as at least four conferences are scheduled. Of course, you won’t want to miss SANDALL’s Fall Workshop, scheduled for Friday, Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vice President Barbara Glennan is putting together a program which will truly enable you to find out more about yourself, the people you work with and the people you serve. Christy Cassisa will be the featured presenter. You may remember her well-received Joint Institute presentation, Managing the Challenging Client Personality in Your Law Library. We’ve also invited an AALL Board Member to join us as the representative for our parent organization’s annual chapter visit. Betsy Chessler will host the Fall Workshop at Morrison and Foerster in Carmel Valley.

Upcoming Fall Conferences
• SLA-SD’s Friday, Oct. 5 workshop is, “Spotlight on the User: Enhancing Value through User-Centric Design and Innovation.” Click here for details and registration.

• Next up is the Legal Marketing Technology Conference West on Oct. 11 at the Hotel Nikko in San Francisco. SANDALL members are being offered a $50 discount on registration. Use the special discount code TechDayILTA when registering. Click here for details and registration.

• Last but not least is Internet Librarian 2012, held once again in Monterey, Oct. 22-24. SANDALL members are being offered a $170 discount on registration. Use priority code SND12 when registering. Click here for details and registration.

Remember, you can apply for a grant to support you participation in any of the

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above! (And if you haven’t yet renewed your SANDALL membership, be sure to submit your renewal form by September 30.)

September Brown Bag

It’s not really a brown bag—unless you want to pack an early dinner—but our first meeting of the year will be 4 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 27, at the USD Legal Research Center, Rm. 113. Jane Larrington and Anna Russell will present, Flipping the Classroom: Using Tech Tools to Improve the Quality of Legal Research Instruction. Parking is free.

Immediately following their presentation, attendees will reconvene across the street for socializing and networking at O’Toole’s Happy Hour, which offers a Happy Hour menu until 6:30 p.m. Perhaps a new tradition will emerge from this!

New Website

Have you had a chance to check out SANDALL’s new website? Webmaster Anna Russell spent her summer moving us to a new platform. Take a look. Hopefully you’ll find it more attractive and easier to use.

Public Relations Initiative

San Diego law librarians should have higher visibility through the efforts of Public Relations Committee Chair Betsy Chessler. Betsy approached San Diego Daily Transcript editor Joe Guerin about covering the San Diego Law Librarian community and found that he was very receptive. Possibilities include profiling law librarians, covering SANDALL events and a weekly or monthly law librarian column. The SDDT already profiled one of our members earlier this month.

Years ago, SDDT regularly published a column written by a law librarian. The suggestion to revive this public relations/marketing initiative was made by June MacLeod, a founding member of SANDALL, and Betsy Chessler immediately agreed to chair our Public Relations Committee.

Sad Note

Unfortunately, I must close with a sad note, as I reflect on the recent passing of Jenny Kanji. Many of you may remember her as an energetic LexisNexis representative in the Bay Area. Those of you with really long memories may remember her from her years here in San Diego.

Jenny was a Reference Librarian at the USD Law Library (yes, before it was the Legal Research Center) back in the early 80s, when I was a law student there. It was she who taught me how to use Westlaw and Lexis—both new developments in the dissemination of legal information—in a one-on-one training. (Westlaw consisted only of headnotes back then.) I remember her deep patience and graciousness being tested to the maximum as she dealt with this student who just didn’t get it. I like to think Jenny forgot how dense I was in the many years since then that I knew her professionally.

She will be missed.

2013 NOCALL Spring Institute: Sacramento Bound!

Save the date for the ever-popular NOCALL Spring Institute. The 2013 Institute will be held Friday/Saturday, April 11 – 12, 2013 at the Capital Plaza Holiday Inn in downtown Sacramento, which is close to historic Old Sacramento.

The Programs Committee is busy investigating potential speakers and topics, which we anticipate will include some investigative sessions about EBooks, updates on RDA and/or Linked Data, and new uses for social networking tools at work. We haven’t forgotten to include enough time for collegial networking and some fun. The planning committee is off to the races, stretching to ensure we offer a great educational event. Hope to see you there!
Bloomberg Law is the new kid on the block, having launched in 2009, but it is already garnering a great deal of attention and praise (including the American Association of Law Libraries’ 2012 award for best new product). It is also aiming for the same market as legal information giants Westlaw and Lexis. And it is making headway. Locally, law schools Cal Western and Thomas Jefferson already have accounts, and the University of San Diego will have a subscription first quarter 2013. The huge law firms of Jones Day and DLA Piper have also signed on, as have many federal agencies. And now Bloomberg Law is even featured in the legal citator’s bible, The Bluebook.

So what makes Bloomberg Law (BL) a viable alternative to Westlaw and Lexis? BL representatives Jim Murphy and Will Thompson traveled from L.A. and New York to talk to San Diego law librarians on August 9th about what differentiates BL in the market. I attended the session at the University of San Diego, and here’s what I learned.

Bloomberg Law is the legal research division of Bloomberg, L.P., which has made a name for itself in providing financial and company information. The “Bloomberg terminal” is the highest source of financial information for many. Bloomberg Law is an outgrowth of this large editorial machine. BL contains every published case, code, and statute and profiles hundreds of thousands of companies and millions of people. It also tags over 30,000 web sites by person, place, topic, industry, and other identifiers. And it has its own citator service, Bcite, to tell you if a case or statute is still good law. BCite goes head-to-head with Westlaw’s Keycite and Lexis’ Shepards.

A key selling point is that BL is sold on a flat rate. You pay one set fee and everything is included (with the exception of some pass through costs for PACER dockets and court courier services). Lexis and Westlaw charge by minute or by search, and then have additional fees for downloading or printing, and for alerting services. It can be easy to quickly rack up charges (sometimes quite astonishingly high charges) if a searcher is not cautious. And in increasing number, clients are unwilling to pay separate charges for Lexis and Westlaw, considering it overhead. So the prospect of a pricing scheme that is predictable and all inclusive is garnering a lot of positive attention in the legal community.

Another selling point is that a law school student and a law firm associate see the same exact version of Bloomberg Law. Westlaw and Lexis have separate versions for law firms and law schools and sometimes the transition for summer associates and new associates coming fresh out of law school is a little taxing. Not so with Bloomberg Law.

BL is continuing to add content too. With the purchase of BNA, they now have over a hundred practice specific newsletters. They also have over a hundred PLI treatises, and the “Getting the Deal Through...” series (in case you need assistance with deals outside the United States), plus a robust arbitration collection, and are adding court dockets in Canada, the UK, EU and other international locations. They now also have an excellent exemplar search tool in their “Dealmaker Docs and Clauses” collection.

Verdict for the new kid on the block? Westlaw and Lexis have some competition.
CALI Conference at TJSL in June Featured SANDALL Members
By Barbara Glennan, CWSL Library

Thomas Jefferson School of Law hosted the annual CALI conference this year in June and their beautiful new facility was the star of the show, a perfect venue for a law school technology conference. CALI is the acronym for the Center for Computer Assisted Legal Instruction, a non-profit consortium dedicated to promoting technology in legal education. CALI’s membership includes nearly all U.S. law schools. It is most widely known for ‘CALI Lessons’ the electronic tutorials it produces for law students and paralegal students.

If you were unable to attend the conference, videos of the presentations are located at the following website:

http://conference.cali.org/2012/content/calicon12-session-video

Local law librarians presented at the conference, and recordings of these presentations are available via the above link:

- Learning Centers in the Library: What can we do with them? by Catherine Deane, Thomas Jefferson School of Law
- Technology that Counts: Tools that Improve the Quality of Legal Research Instruction by Jane Larrington, Anna Russell, University of San Diego

(Jane & Anna are repeating their presentation for the September SANDALL meeting on 9/27 if you would like to see it live. See the ad in this newsletter for more details.)

I met with a group of like minded individuals at the conference to arrange to ‘re-animate’ a blog we started a year ago as a vehicle for exchanging information about educational technology in legal education entitled LawSchool Ed Tech, check it out at the following URL:

http://lawschooledtech.classcaster.net/

Postings include trends from recent conferences, the intersection of educational technology and IT needs, and software applications uniquely suited for teaching and studying law, and the results of a survey of educational technology staffing at US law schools.

Please visit the Law School Ed Tech blog often, postings will be added regularly. Subscribe via RSS, email, or on Twitter @LawSchEdTech.

If you are interested in writing for the blog, please contact us – we welcome contributions from those involved in law school educational technology.

SANDALL Fall Workshop
Friday, October 26, 2012
- Myers Briggs Type Indicator Discovery & Communication Workshop featuring Christy Cassisa of Logical Harmony Consulting.
- An AALL Executive Board member will visit our chapter and speak at the workshop.
- Vendor tables and product demonstrations.
- Raffle prizes.

More details to come soon. Contact Barbara Glennan with any questions.
Come to the September Meeting and Social Event at USD!

Thurs., Sept. 27, 2012
University of San Diego Legal Research Center - Room 113

4:00pm – 5:00pm (followed by no-host happy hour at O’Toole’s on the USD campus)

Note this isn’t the traditional noontime brownbag – we’re meeting at 4:00pm. It’ll be easier to park on campus, plus, it gives us an excuse to enjoy socializing with one another after the session. O’Toole’s offers a happy hour menu until 6:30pm.

Flipping the Classroom: Using Tech Tools to Improve the Quality of Legal Research Instruction
by Jane Larrington & Anna Russell

Hearing talk about the “flipped classroom” and not quite sure what it is? Considering flipping your own course, training session, or CLE class but don’t know where to start? Just want to hear what some of your SANDALL colleagues have been up to lately? Join us to hear how the USD Legal Research Center reference team flipped their intermediate legal research course this summer.

Parking: As you enter campus, tell the parking attendant that you are visiting the Legal Research Center. You’ll receive a parking pass to park in the Missions Structure, which is straight ahead and to the right.

Hope to see you there! Please RSVP to Barbara Glennan.

Membership Renewals Due September 30
Just in case you didn’t get your renewal in by August 30th, Treasurer Chris Pickford has extended the renewal date deadline to September 30th. Click here for the renewal form.

2012-13 Committee Chairs

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Thanks to each of you for your willingness to serve, which for many of you, has now become a long-term commitment.
Board Broadens Conferences Eligible for Grant Funding

SANDALL members now have a wider array of choices in terms of library and other professional conferences for which we will provide financial support. This year we are implementing some changes to the way SANDALL solicits and awards grant funding so that basically, our members are eligible to receive support for any professional conferences of their choice.

The impetus and rationale for this change

Last year a SANDALL member made an unsolicited request for grant funding to attend an educational conference that we have not traditionally supported. Although finding the request meritorious, the SANDALL board reluctantly denied funding, out of fairness to the rest of the SANDALL membership who may have not asked, since the conference wasn’t on the list as one we support. However, the situation generated interest among board members to create a mechanism whereby SANDALL members could receive grant funding to attend a wider variety of professional educational events.

Second, due to the success of the All-California Joint Institute, SANDALL has a larger pool of funding, which we are happy to use to provide additional grants.

The Grant Process

We will continue to solicit and award funding specifically for the AALL Annual meeting and for SANDALL-sponsored educational events. In addition to those, we plan to have two “open” grant cycles per year, Fall/Winter and Spring/Summer.

During these open calls for funding requests, we will accept applications to attend any educational conference so long as the applicant explains how it will benefit him or her professionally.

Fall/Winter proposals might include, but are not limited to:

- SANDALL Fall Workshop – Friday, Oct. 26
- SLA-SD - Friday, Oct. 5. Click here for details and registration.
- NOCALL Fall Workshop – Oct. 25, *Keeping Our Edge, Communicating Our Strengths*
- Legal Marketing Technology Conference, San Francisco - Thursday, Oct. 11 ($50 member discount for SANDALL; please use the special discount code *TechDayILTA*). Click here for details and registration.
- Internet Librarian, Monterey - Oct. 22 - 24, 2012 ($170 discount for SANDALL members; please use priority code *SND12* when registering.) Click here for details and registration.

Spring/Summer proposals might include, but are not limited to:

- SCALL Institute – March 22-23, 2013, Riverside
- NOCALL Spring Institute – April 11-12, 2013, Sacramento
- IUG – Apr. 24 - 26, 2013, San Francisco
- AALL Annual Meeting -- July 13-16, Seattle. Click here for details.

In the future, we anticipate asking for submissions for Fall/Winter grants over the summer and submissions for Spring/Summer grants in the winter to allow attendees more planning time. However, this year, we’ll be operating on a compressed schedule.

Please submit application for Fall/Winter conferences no later than **September 30**

to SANDALL Grants Chair [Brent Naritomi](mailto:brent.naritomi@sandall.org)
AALL Annual Conference 2012
By Jason Curtis, USD Legal Research Center

When late summer rolls around, law librarians’ thoughts turn to AALL’s annual meeting - that heady time of running from one educational program to another, of cramming so much into a single day that sleep becomes a coveted luxury and of meeting lots and lots of people. This year’s Annual Meeting was held July 21-24, 2012, in Boston, Massachusetts. Thanks to a grant from SANDALL and very generous funding from Thomas Jefferson School of Law, I was able to go. I had a great time and was asked to share a little bit about my experiences there.

Those who have been to an AALL Annual Meeting know how big the annual meeting is in every way – lots of people, meetings, and programs available. This year’s annual meeting was no different. The educational and business meetings were spread out over two different floors of a very large convention center and the conference hotel. So those who went walked a lot without going very far. While I don’t have exact figures, it seemed like there were thousands of law librarians there. Many sessions were far from empty and the exhibit hall always seemed to have lots of librarians wandering the aisles.

I attended several informative educational programs to learn more about digitization and digital projects, which seemed to be one of the hot topics at the annual meeting. RDA also seemed to be another hot topic, with a pre-conference workshop that was offered in addition to an educational session. I attended the educational session and felt my head start to spin somewhat as I tried to follow the questions of the full-time catalogers in attendance. I also went to an excellent program on Microsoft SharePoint, which was so popular that people – including me - were sitting on the floor! It helped me to learn more about how technology that many of us already have available can be used to improve workflows and processes and get information into the hands of the user.

In addition to attending the educational sessions, I also tried to take advantage of opportunities to meet others and establish professional relationships with them. Two ways that I did this were to volunteer and to look for opportunities to have conversations with others. For example, one day when I entered the exhibit hall, I noticed that the individuals who had posters set up were there to answer questions and explain their posters. So I started to look at the posters and ask questions of the presenters. I ended up talking with another serials librarian from Georgia for a while about their switch from in-house to vendor-provided processing services – fascinating stuff for us technical services people.

Additionally, I volunteered to help staff the Technical Services Special Interest Section (TS-SIS) table while at the conference. As mentioned previously, I did so with the hope of being able to meet people and do some networking while helping out the TS-SIS. While my experience did not live up to my dreams of walking away with a huge stack of other law librarians’ business cards, I would recommend volunteering to anyone who is going to the annual meeting and plan on doing it again. Volunteering provides a way to meet other professionals and talk with them without having to think about how to start up a conversation or feeling awkward while doing it. Everyone that I talked with was friendly and open. As a volunteer, you also get to meet and work with other volunteers, which is a really good and easy opportunity to expand your professional network.

While at the annual meeting, I made some time, too, to get away from the educational meetings and to get out and see Boston and experience its culture, as encouraged by AALL on their annual meeting website and in their publications. Having lived there prior to moving to San Diego, I definitely wanted to find time to visit some of my favorite places while I was there and also to explore some places that I had missed. I was glad that I found some time to see some of the historical sites that I didn’t get to see when I lived there, such as The Old State House (http://www.cityofboston.gov/freedomtrail/oldstate.asp) and the USS Constitution (http://www.history.navy.mil/ussconstitution/). I also visited some of my old favorites there, such as
Boston’s Italian neighborhood located in the North End.

The Boston experience doesn’t end with the sights, though. It’s a foodie town and there are lots of great restaurants to try out. They have something for everyone — from classic East-coast Italian restaurants to Jewish delicatessens. I ate at some restaurants that I had liked while living there and even did the “tourist” thing and got some cannoli from Mike’s Pastry in the North End. I went back again the next day because the cannoli really are that good. Boston is also known for having a thing for ice cream, with several competing shops located throughout the city. I made sure to sample some, since ice cream happens to be one of my vices. In fact, one of my favorite experiences while at the annual meeting was casually strolling down Newberry Street to the Boston Common while eating a cone of Emack & Bolio’s ice cream.

Attending the annual conference was a wonderful experience. It was a pleasure to have some time to explore Boston and sample some of its culture — and food. I was also able to advance my professional knowledge about digitization, digital projects, RDA and SharePoint — a couple of areas that I wanted to learn more about. Additionally, I had the opportunity to meet other librarians, exchange ideas with them, catch up with old acquaintances, and make new friends. All these experiences, though, wouldn’t have been possible without help from the SANDALL Grants Committee and Thomas Jefferson School of Law. I’d like to thank both of them publicly for making it possible for me to go and for the support from TJSL’s Interim Director Leigh Inman. The AALL Annual Meeting is always a whirlwind kind of a trip with everything that goes on and gets packed in to each day, but definitely a great experience. This one was no exception to the rule. Just ask anyone who was there.

Program Proposals Sought for 2013 AALL Annual Meeting

The Call for Proposals for the 2013 Annual Meeting and Conference in Seattle is now open. The Annual Meeting Program Committee (AMPC) invites chapter members to propose programs that engage the learner while addressing members’ issues and offering takeaways that can be applied in our workplace.

Members should look at the survey results for program ideas. The results also identify similar challenges across library types and may be opportunities for collaboration on developing a program.

The Annual Meeting Program Ideas Community is a venue where all members can discuss program ideas and find other members to collaborate with on a proposal.

The proposal form is short but allows the proposer to really think about what they want to accomplish in their program. The proposal form asks the following questions:

- What are the takeaways that attendees will be able to use and apply to perform their jobs better?
- How would you describe the problem/opportunity/scenario/challenge that reflects the takeaways?
- Who needs to attend this session?
- How much time is needed to effectively deliver this content?
- What methods do you plan to employ to engage attendees and keep the energy level up?
- Who should deliver this content, and why is he/she qualified to do it? (If this person is not an AALL member, are there anticipated expenses?)

Although the selection process no longer includes chapter sponsorship, proposers are encouraged to work with the chapter’s education committee or leadership. They can review your proposal and offer suggestions before submission, and it lets them know what programs chapter members are proposing.

Chapter members are encouraged to reach out to Julie Pabarja, AMPC Chair, with any questions.
Governor Signs UELMA
The Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act (UELMA)(SB1075) was recently signed into law by Governor Brown. It provides that the California Constitution, the state statutes, and the California codes will be authentic and permanently available online to the citizens of California. The bill, sponsored by the Senate Committee on Rules, leaves open the option to include additional categories of material through amendment and it establishes that the Legislative Counsel Bureau is the official publisher.

California's success is being followed by UELMA enactment plans in 2013 by DC, Kentucky, Massachusetts, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Utah, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Minnesota and Nevada.

Driving forces behind its adoption included NOCALL’s Michele Finerty and Judy Janes, and SCALL’s David McFadden and Larry Meyer, who supported the NOCALL, SCALL, SANDALL and CCCLL membership to advocate for the success of SB1075. Throughout the year, David, Judy, Larry and Michele worked with Diane Boyer Vine, Legislative Counsel of California. She was a member of the Uniform Law Commission's Study Committee on Authentication of Online State Legal Materials, which developed the language for the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.

Ms. Boyer Vine received the NOCALL 2012 Advocacy Award for her leadership in promoting open and reliable access to government information. Also to be recognized for the success of SB1075 is Dragomir Cosanici, Supervising Librarian at the Office of the Legislative Counsel, who was a primary contributor to the white paper entitled Authentication of Primary Legal Materials and Pricing Options.

AALL2go Pick of the Month
AALL's Continuing Professional Education Committee presents the AALL2go pick of the month: Accounting - Prepare for Your Future.

Do you need to learn how to read a balance sheet, an income statement, or interpret cash flows? Perhaps you yearn for a better understanding of financial auditing processes or more insight into how funds are allocated in your organization. Spencer Simons, director of the O’Quinn Law Library at the University of Houston, reviews the basics of accounting reports and procedures to help law librarians better understand the terminology and accounting processes used by the financial managers in their organizations.

Why should law librarians have a better sense of accounting principles? Law librarians who understand the drivers of financial decisions in their organizations will better equip themselves to work effectively within the budgeting process. Many law librarians also do business intelligence research and find themselves working with unfamiliar language.

This 69-minute audio program was presented at the AALL Annual Meeting in Denver on July 12, 2010, and is available free to members on AALL2go

Find this and more than 100 other free continuing education programs and webinars for AALL members on AALL2go!
The editor would like to thank Ian Kipnes, Jean Willis and Carmen Valero for submitting these photos.
Check out our new website!
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