



Scuttle Newsletter

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- TRIPPL!
- Grants & awards!
- CoALL & social networking!
- Lots of minutes & reports!

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CoALL President's Message—July 2008

As I write this, Denver is poised to set a new record for the longest streak ever of 90-degree days, and it is sultry waiting for the bus, even in the morning. Each day's weather seems a clone of the day's before (they can't do that yet, can they?), and it takes some effort on my part to imagine anything changing.

In fact, except for the weather, a lot is going on. Many CoALL members just returned from the excellent AALL convention in Portland (it was hot, there, too!), the successful [Brown Bag lunches](#) continue, and work is underway at the [University of Denver on the new Law Librarian Fellows program](#) which will be starting up in a year's time.

And Holly Pinto and Patty Wellinger, as Local Arrangements Co-Chairs, are looking even further down the road, to 2010, when AALL will be in Denver for the annual meeting. Starting with the next issue of the *Scuttle* (keep an eye also on your e-mail box for more details) they will be keeping us up to date regularly on developments and volunteer opportunities on that front.



CoALL table at 2008 AALL in Portland

Closer on the horizon is Professional Legal Management Week ([PLMW](#)), a joint effort on the part of [AALL](#), the [Association of Legal Administrators](#) and [other like-minded organizations](#) to "provide a forum for recognizing those in legal management". Locally PLMW will be observed by a day-long conference at DU on Friday, October 10, with presentations by the various sponsoring organizations. CoALL will

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Membership in CoALL is open to anyone interested in law libraries. To apply or renew your membership, visit the CoALL web site: <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/>

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be presenting an hour-long panel in the afternoon on "The Disappearing Law Library and Other Myths". You'll be hearing more about PLMW as plans are completed.

With so much going on, I have been talking to our webmaster Theresa Baker about putting a calendar up on our website to help us all keep track of all things CoALL. I'll let you know when it is up and running.

As far as coping with this seemingly unending heat wave, I am resolved (sitting here in my climate-controlled office!) to savor it as long as it lasts, by frequently reminding myself we often get our first snow in September...

Martha Campos
CoALL President, 2008-2009



AskColorado

By Patty Wellinger, Reference Services Coordinator at the Univ. of Denver Law Library in Denver, Colorado

Two more CoALL law libraries have joined AskColorado, the 24/7 virtual reference service run by the Colorado State Library (<http://www.askcolorado.org/>). Madeline Kriescher from the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals Law Library and Chris Hudson from the Colorado Supreme Court Law Library are now answering email referrals on general legal questions in addition to the University of Denver's Westminster Law Library.

The National Indian Law Library is also a specialized referral library. Other non-legal special libraries that participate are the CU Health Sciences Library, Denver Art Museum, Denver Botanical Gardens and National Snow and Ice Data Center. Most of the libraries and librarians included in the state-wide service are from public, academic and school libraries. AskColorado is funded through a combination of local contributions from Colorado libraries and federal funds provided by the Colorado State Library under the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA).

AskColorado answers an average of 5000 questions a month. Over 350 library staff from Colorado libraries share the staffing responsibilities. At any given time, 2-5 librarians are online. Evening, weekend and specialized Spanish language services are contracted out to Tutor.com. AskColorado is designed to provide customized service to fit the needs of each user. Live AskColorado sessions can take 5 minutes or 25 minutes depending on the question, email referral questions generally get a response within 48 hrs.



Two CoALL members score a TRIPLL Play

*By Anne Lucke, Reference Librarian at Holland & Hart, Denver, Colorado
and*

Martha Campos, Reference Librarian at Holme, Roberts & Owen, Denver, Colorado

TRIPLL

*Enhance
communication skills*

*Explore emerging
technology*

*Tailor training to your
firm*

*Maximize training
opportunities*

We were both fortunate enough to be selected to participate in the 6th annual [TRIPLL](#) (Teaching Research in Private Law Libraries) conference put on by LexisNexis Library Relations Group this past April in Dallas, Texas. Along with 30 other law firm librarians we spent the weekend attending presentations, participating in breakout sessions, getting some hands-on practice with new technologies, and sharing our challenges and successes with one another. The theme, "It's a Brave New World—Reengineering Training for Today's Law Firm" neatly summarized the concerns the sessions addressed: how can we train our library users most efficiently and effectively?

We both came back to Denver energized from one of the best conferences either one of us had ever attended, and with lots of new ideas and techniques. We want to share just a few of these with you in this article.

Trends in the Industry

Cindy Spohr, Senior Director of the LexisNexis Library Relations Group, began the conference by giving us an overview of the legal industry. Some of the important points with regard to law firm libraries:

- Law firms are being managed more as businesses. They are increasing the number of C-level positions and filling them with non-lawyers. It is important to remember the focus on the bottom line.
- Talent Management (attracting, retaining and motivating high quality lawyers) is also a focus. Librarians can use their research and training skills to contribute to the overall program by selling ourselves as a benefit to the attorneys.
- Information overload continues to frustrate legal professionals. We can help by working with attorneys to deliver information in the format and frequency they prefer.

Different Learning Styles

Michael Saint Onge presented on the different learning types (auditory, visual, tactile) and generations (veterans, boomers, Gen X, and millennials). Some takeaways:

- When training, look for clues as to what type of learner (auditory, visual or tactile) you are working with, and respond with changes in your training style
- Have an agenda for a training session, but let the user change it to suit his/her needs
- When training over the web, keep checking in with your audience to get their input and to gauge their comprehension and interest (you can't see their puzzled looks or bored glances!)

Speak Smart

Kathy Kerchner gave some terrific pointers on public speaking. Best takeaway was on an answering technique called :

- Bridging – To take an off-point question back to the topic you want to talk about 1) acknowledge or briefly answer the question, then 2) bridge back to your

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topic with a phrase such as “The real issue is”, “It’s more important to consider” “Another way to look at it” “What I’m more concerned about”, etc. Watch for this technique to be used frequently this year by campaigning politicians!

Technology Solutions

Cindy Chick presented one of the most popular sessions on using technology. There were so many takeaways, it’s hard to choose what to list here. Some of the highlights:

- Cindy demonstrated web conferencing, such as [ReadyTalk](#), and desktop sharing, such as Funk Software Proxy, as examples of how to show our users what we’re seeing, even if we’re not in the same room with them.



SNAGIT

- By far the most popular tool demonstrated was [SnagIt](#). SnagIt is a screen capture software that allows the user to capture the image on the screen, then edit it by inserting arrows, highlighting or circling text, etc. Imagine the user guides you’ll create! SnagIt can also be used to create short videos that can be used to demonstrate how to use a product.

- Another favorite was [pbwiki](#), which allows groups to set up a wiki to share and edit information. We used a pbwiki to collaborate to write this article! The wikis are easy to set up and are password protected.



Marketing your contributions to firm success

Joanne Kiley gave us some pointers on how to market our libraries in her session entitled "Your Library Helps the Whole Business Succeed -- Market That!" Some "Rules" for marketing training sessions that Joanne shared with us include:

- Vary the communication avenue you use to gain more attention -- sometimes an email works, but next time try posting flyers around the firm or even use an old fashioned memo.
- Food attracts people (but works better on staff than attorneys) -- make the food seasonal or special to attract new people. Joanne shared her famous rum ball recipe with us, which she uses every winter to draw people into her library.
- Laminate User Guides and put them in the stacks near the resources they describe -- that way you’re marketing your services, even when you’re not there!

Does this make you want to attend next year’s TRIPLL? The LexisNexis Library Relations Group will be soliciting applications early in 2009. If you are selected, all your conference costs will be covered by LexisNexis except for transportation to and from the conference venue in Dallas.

We give the TRIPLL conference “2 thumbs up!”

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2007 Spotlight On Your Career—Award Winner!

by Karen Selden, Catalog Librarian at the University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado

I'm very pleased to announce that CoALL is once again the recipient of the AALL Chapter Professional Development Award! CoALL received this honor for the program "Spotlight on Your Career: Communication" which was presented on February 24, 2007 at the University of Denver's Sturm College of Law. Congratulations go to the 2007 Spotlight Committee:



CoALL President, Karen Selden, accepts the 2008 AALL Chapter Professional Development award from Ann Fessenden, AALL President.

Scott Brown (SLA Representative)
Kathy Carlson
Jennifer Hammond
Tracy Leming
Wanda McDavid
Karen Selden (Chair)
Tom Seward
Caryl Shipley
Ann-Marie Wills

For more details about this program, please see the CoALL website (<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/spotlight.asp>) or the Spring/Summer 2007 issue of *The Scuttle* (<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/scuttle/SpringSummer2007.pdf>).

The 2007 Spotlight program information will be displayed as part of the AALL Awards display in the Exhibit Hall at the AALL Annual Meeting in Portland in mid-July. The award will be presented by AALL President Ann Fessenden at the AALL Member Services area in the Exhibit Hall on Monday July 14 between 1 and 2pm.

This is the third Chapter Professional Development Award that CoALL has won, and the second in a row for our popular Spotlight programs.

Congratulations to all the CoALL members who helped to produce this award winning program, and to our many members who support these programs by attending!

2008 Spotlight On Your Career: Travel Tips — Report

by Tracy Leming, April 24, 2008

O n Saturday, February 23, 2008, the Colorado Association of Law Libraries (CoALL) and the Rocky Mountain Special Libraries Association (RMSLA) presented Spotlight on Your Career 2008: Travel Tips for the Road to Success. Made possible by a grant from the AALL/BNA Continuing Education Grants Program, this year's event featured two remarkable speakers. Kathy Stroh, an accomplished speaker, writer, and teacher with over 20 years of experience, presented "Juggling Master: A Hands-on Lesson Dealing with the Most Difficult Obstacle in Your Path to Success—You." Kim Dority, renowned author, teacher, and president of Dority & Associates, presented

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"Putting Yourself in the Path of Opportunity."

The program attracted a total of 61 registrations. Most of the evaluations were positive. A summary is attached. [omitted]

The attached spreadsheet [omitted] provides financial details of the program. This year, RMSLA co-sponsored the program with CoALL, sharing equally with CoALL in any profits (or losses up to \$1500). This allowed the committee to hire keynote speakers, rather than using panelists to fill the program. The final figures showed a profit of \$58.28 for each of the associations. (The figures are not directly comparable from earlier years to 2008 because this year, for the first time, we made a conscious effort to include the value of items that were actually donated, such as the facilities.)

The full committee met for breakfast a few days after the program and made notes of suggestions for improving future programs. A copy of my notes from that meeting is attached. [omitted]

I also met earlier this week with Martha Campos and Wanda McDavid to discuss the future of the program in more detail. The three of us feel that CoALL should continue to support this effort because it does serve our goals of reaching out to library students and providing professional development for our members. However, we also feel that CoALL should move away from the lead and toward a supporting role for future Spotlight programs, while RMSLA, which serves all special librarians, should take the lead. This would free CoALL to use some of the volunteer hours and vendor donations that we have been pouring into Spotlight to produce a program aimed directly at law librarians or the people who hire them, while it would allow RMSLA to make the most of this professional development program for all special librarians. Finally, we feel that, whoever takes the lead in future programs, the pro-



Learning to juggle at 2008 Spotlight.

CoALL Travel Grant

by Patty Wellinger, Chair, CoALL Scholarships & Grants

I am pleased to announce that the CoALL Executive Board has presented \$500 AALL travel grants to two deserving candidates: Robert Linz and Maura McGrath. Both candidates demonstrated compelling reasons for attending the conference, and a review of our financial situation showed that CoALL could afford to award two grants this year.

Robert Linz is the Deputy Law Librarian at the Colorado Supreme Court Law Library. Robert was on the Spotlight committee this year and is the Treasurer-Elect for CoALL.

Maura McGrath is an Administrative Assistant at the Colorado State Library and is a student member of CoALL. Maura is a DU SLIS student (soon to be graduating) who completed a 100 hr practicum at the DU Law Library.



CoALL 2008 Annual Meeting

Martha Campos & Madeline Kriescher arranged a great program and luncheon for CoALL's 2008 Annual Meeting on June 13. We heard a wrap-up of CoALL's events during the past year from our Committee Chairs, followed with a presentation by one of the legislative advocates from the Colorado Association of Libraries, Reuben Valdez, on the accomplishments for the 2008 Colorado Legislative session. CoALL provided the pizza and HRO the drinks.

Like-Minded Libraries

by Meg Martin, Public Services Librarian at the Wyoming State Law Library in Cheyenne, Wyoming

On the occasion of the CoALL Annual Meeting, the Wyoming Supreme Court law librarians decided to visit Dan Cordova and Robert Linz and the rest of the good folks at the Colorado Supreme Court Library before we attended the meeting. We enjoyed sharing our thoughts about historical and superseded items, services that our libraries provide and how (and where) to carve out a quiet space for attorneys in our libraries.

I was especially intrigued by something that Robert is doing that he calls "the traveling librarian". He visits Colorado county law libraries occasionally to provide support they might need. He's willing to file updates, help with cataloging or provide electronic search training. As we all know, the benefits of this kind of expertise sharing extends to the courts and patrons as well as to the librarians.

Second Life for CoALL?

If you're
interested,
contact
Kaye



Waelde, Manager
of Research
Services at Faegre
& Benson in
Denver, Colorado

LinkedIn Group for CoALL

by Tracy Leming, Reference Librarian at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck in Denver, Colorado

There is now a CoALL group on LinkedIn. If you have a profile already, you can join by clicking here: <http://www.linkedin.com/e/gis/156031/2EBDBC5902E8>.



If you don't have a LinkedIn profile, you can set one up here: <http://www.linkedin.com/>.

LinkedIn is a professional networking website that can improve your visibility to lawyers and librarians and make it easier for you to maintain and build your own professional network. There are groups for AALL, SLA, and Law-Lib, other library groups.

LinkedIn groups do NOT allow members to send blast e-mails to all others in a group.

Bridge the Research and Analysis Gap (BRAG) 2008

by Andrea Hamilton, Research Librarian at Faegre & Benson
LLP, Boulder, Colorado

On Thursday, June 5, 2008, CoALL held its seventh annual Bridge the Research and Analysis Gap (BRAG) program. Attendees learned: the ins and outs of effective communication in regard to a research assignment; tips for using Casemaker; about Colorado-specific legal resources; how to conduct Colorado legislative history research; when to stop researching; and to be aware of one's internet footprint. Presenters included:

Stacey Bowers & JoAnna Patrick (Westminster Law Library, University of Denver); Alicia Brillon & Alan Pannell (University of Colorado Law Library); Andrea Hamilton (Faegre & Benson LLP); Margi Heinen (Sherman & Howard L.L.C.); Wanda McDavid (Access/Information); Holly Pinto (Holland & Hart LLP); Esti Shay (Westminster Law Library, University of Denver); and Mariann Storck (U.S. Attorney's Office). Attendees also received advice on making the most of their summer work experiences from James A. Pinto, Shareholder at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck LLP.

There were 86 attendees, which included 70 paid attendees, 12 scholarship attendees, and 4 CoALL members. The total profit from this year's BRAG was \$ 2,136.23.

Sixty-two attendees completed evaluations. Forty-six respondents agreed and 14 strongly agreed that "This session gave me valuable information to better function in the law firm or court"; 33 agreed and 29 strongly agreed that "The presentation introduced me to new sources"; 40 agreed and 9 strongly agreed that "I feel more comfortable now about discussing an assignment with the person making the research request"; 31 agreed and 30 strongly agreed that "The program packet is useful"; and 30 agreed and 29 strongly agreed that "My research skills will improve now that I have attended this program".

The 2008 BRAG committee was comprised of Andrea Hamilton (Chair), Matthew Elisha, Margi Heinen, Alan Pannell, and Holly Pinto. Volunteers for this year's session included Catharine Cott, Megan Jens, Rachel Kuipers, Tamara Phalen, Caryl Shipley, and Ann-Marie Wills. The following organizations provided generous support: CLE in Colorado, Inc., LexisNexis Courtlink, The Colorado Lawyer, LexisNexis, and Westlaw.

If you are interested in chairing the 2009 BRAG committee, please contact Andrea Hamilton, ahamilton@faegre.com.

CoALL Advocacy & GPO Funding

CoALL, Chicago Association of Law Libraries (CALL), and Northern California Association of Law Libraries (NOCALL) wrote letters to key congressmen to show support for continued funding for GPO. At the request of the AALL Advocacy Office, Past President Karen Selden sent the letter to Wayne Allard on behalf of CoALL.

According to the 2008, issue 6 of *The AALL Washington E-Bulletin*, the "chapter letters showed support for GPO's FDSys project and their efforts on authentication, reinforcing the same points made by Acting Washington Affairs Representative Mary Alice Baish in her testimony before the House Committee on Appropriations'

Bridge the Research and Analysis Gap



This program is geared toward summer associates and law clerks and aims to help attendees "bridge" what they learned in school and apply it to their new work environments.

CoALL's 2008 AALL Chapter Visitor

by Rachel Kuipers, Research Librarian at Faegre & Benson in Denver, Colorado

This past April, CoALL was once again visited by a member of the AALL Executive Board, Janice Henderson, a Research Librarian with Lovells LLP in New York. Janice spent two days in Denver, beginning with a CoALL board meeting, followed by a brief reception and an address by Janice to the members of the Chapter. She

Janice Henderson



discussed a number of topics relevant to CoALL and AALL, including the AALL leadership academy taking place in October, and encouraged those hoping to make a difference in their organizations to apply. The following day began with a breakfast, again with members of CoALL, and was completed with tours of the Department of Justice Library, the Colorado Supreme Court Library, and Holme Roberts, and Owen LLP. Special thanks go to Tracy Leming, Mary Clifton, Mariann Storck, Dan Cordova, and Mark Estes for making Janice's visit a success.

Thank you to Robert Linz for these beautiful photos.



Dan Cordova & Madeline Kreischer

Goldie Burton & Frank Wilmot



Mark's handcrafted beer

CoALL Brown Bags

The CoALL Brown Bag Committee is using an online survey to gather your topic suggestions for the 2008-2009 Brown Bags. Please fill out the survey even if you just have a topic suggestion and cannot host the meeting.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=VQZFkZVvgxzLk84_2buvc4Vw_3d_3d

If you have any questions, please contact committee chair, [Beth Mescall](#), 303-892-7451.

Brown Bag Lunches

The Colorado Association of Law Libraries hosts a series of brown bag lunches. Most of the brown bags are hosted by downtown law firms, and most are in a go-round format, which means that each attendee will have an opportunity to comment on the topic of the day. Topics will include project planning and management, communicating the value of your service, the value of corporate libraries, library intranet pages, criminal records searching, library statistics, following up, marketing library services to other offices within the firm, and other topics. The brown bags will generally be scheduled for noon on the second Wednesday of each month, but some exceptions will be made to that schedule. For more information, contact [Beth Mescall](#), 303-892-7451.

Date	Time	Host Name	Host Firm	Topic or Speaker
August 20, 2008	12:00—1:00	Tamara Phalen	Brownstein Hyatt Farber Scheck	Resource Sharing
September 2008	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
October 2008	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
November 2008	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
December 2008	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
January 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
February 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
March 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
April 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
May 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
June 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA
July 2009	12:00—1:00	TBA	TBA	TBA

This is lunch!



A CoALL Library View: Holland & Hart Library - Integral to Success

by Megan Jens, Reference Librarian at the Holland & Hart Library, Denver, Colorado



The library at Holland & Hart is an integral part of the success of our firm. The mission of our library is to provide for the information needs of our attorneys, paralegals, and secretaries. To that end we provide a variety of reference services: from statute and case law research to public records searching and business development support. In addition to research, our librarians also train patrons on electronic database searching and instruct in cost-effective legal research skills. The library also partners with the Marketing and Recruiting & Professional Development departments to provide competitive data to support the firm's strategic goals.

While the main library is located in Denver, we provide service to over 400 attorneys in sixteen offices throughout the Mountain region. (Colorado, Wyoming, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Washington D.C.)

In an age of shrinking print collections and library space, Holland & Hart is fortunate to be able to provide both to our attorneys. Currently, the library has over 4,000 titles in print and the frequency of their use tells us that print hasn't surrendered to the electronic just yet! The attorneys can (and do!) take advantage of the library work area. The quiet of the library, as well as the beautiful view of downtown with the mountains in the distance, provides the perfect environment for attorneys to concentrate on their work without the ever-present ringing of the telephone or demands of their email.

We consider our library space and print collection among our advantages, however it is our librarians who are our main assets. Our five professional librarians and two library assistants are all experienced, well-trained, and eager to help the attorneys with their legal research information needs.



The Holland & Hart library is located at 555 17th Street on the 29th floor. We are staffed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and can be contacted at 303-295-8091 or at LibraryResearch@hollandhart.com.

Learn about a CoALL library in this Scuttle column!

Minutes, CoALL Board Meeting, December 6, 2007

Colorado Association of Law Libraries

Board Meeting

December 6, 2007; 4:00 p.m.
Sherman and Howard, LLC, Denver, Colorado

In Attendance: Karen Selden (President), Martha Campos (Vice-President/President-Elect), Tracy Leming (Secretary), Alan Pannell (Member-at-Large), Holly Pinto (Member-at-Large), Catharine Cott (Treasurer), Rachel Kuipers (Public Relations Chair), Madeline Kriescher (Government Relations Chair), Tom Duggan (Membership Chair)

I. President Karen Selden called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. The October 25, 2007, Board Meeting Minutes were approved .

II. Officer Reports

Vice-President:

- Martha reported that her firm will make copies of the DVDs of the Legal Research Boot Camp, starting with a batch of 20. When these are ready, Martha will send a note to Theresa Baker asking her to put information about the DVDs on the CoALL website. The contact for buying the CDs will be Martha.

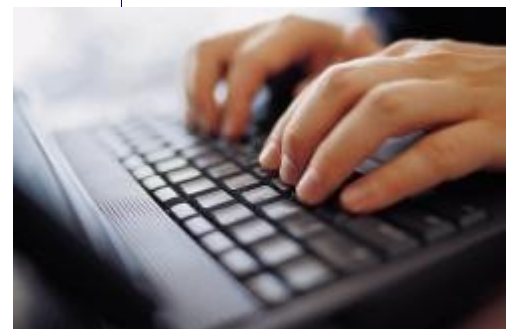
President:

- Karen reported that Thomson Tax and Accounting had made a \$300 contribution to the holiday party
- Karen received a request from the Arapahoe Community College Paralegal Club for a speaker to explain what librarians can do for paralegals at an event on February 16, 2008. The group requested that CoALL give them a certificate for one free student membership to use as a doorprize. The board approved this request. Madeline Kriescher agreed to contact the group and do the presentation. Tom Duggan agreed to make a certificate representing the free membership.
- Karen is working with Wanda McDavid, who is coordinating Colleague Connection this year, to solicit ideas for speakers. Holly and Tom both favored the idea of having a futurist speak, and agreed to submit names.

Treasurer:

- Catharine Cott submitted a written treasurer's report, which is attached to and incorporated in these minutes. The report shows that Catharine purchased a seven-month CD for \$5,000 at a rate of 4.5%.
- Catharine asked about paperwork she received from the IRS. Holly and Tracy agreed to research it in Checkpoint and/or submit it to tax attorneys

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if Catharine will send copies to them.

III. Committee Reports

Grants and Scholarships: The committee chairs left the room while the board discussed the scholarship applications. Holly recused herself because she was the supervisor of one of the applicants, and Tom Seward submitted a vote by proxy through Karen. The board voted to award the scholarship to Megan Jens.

Bylaws: Holly reported that she believes Survey Monkey is adequate to record the votes in the next CoALL election, and that she found other chapters using electronic voting without specific authorization in their bylaws.

Membership: Tom Duggan reported that CoALL gained 14 new members last year, several of whom are students, and that there are currently 99 members.

Tom asked the bar association if CoALL members could get Colorado Lawyer subscriptions, and was told that the bar will not do that.

Public Relations: Rachel passed around examples of pens that CoALL could buy, and explained pricing options. After some discussion about conservation, the committee asked Rachel to look into sticky notes instead of pens.

Government Relations: Madeline reported that the Colorado Association of Libraries recently approved a new section within CAL called the Colorado Association of Special Libraries. Because it is affiliated with CAL, it will participate in lobbying activities on behalf of CAL and itself.

Scuttle: Mary Killoran reported through Karen that there will be a new issue of the Scuttle in mid-January.

Spotlight: Tracy reported that Spotlight won a \$1000 grant from AALL and that contracts with speakers are in the process of being executed. Marketing material for the program should be going out by Dec. 14.

Nominations: Karen asked for volunteers for the next nominations committee. Martha and Rachel agreed to be on the committee. A third person is still needed.

IV. Next Meeting

The next meeting will probably be in April. The bylaws committee may meet before that date.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Typing...



Treasurer's Report

*Submitted by Catharine Cott
December 6, 2007*

<u>Beginning Bank Balance:</u> September 4, 2007	\$ 16,971.00
(#1084 \$500.00 Kriescher travel grant)	
<u>Ending Bank Balance:</u> October 24, 2007	\$ 16,369.00
(#1085 \$102.00 AALL liability insurance)	
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<u>Pending Deposits:</u> December 6, 2007	
Membership Fees	\$ 35.00
Membership Fees (November deposit)	<u>\$ 489.62</u>
	\$ 524.62
<u>Pending Bills:</u> December 6, 2007	
<u>Funds Paid Out of Checking:</u>	
Post Office box rental 1 year	\$ 40.00
Certificate of Deposit 7 month @ 4.50%	\$ 5,000.00
Caryl Shipley (anniversary)	\$ 20.87
Westminster Law Library (anniversary)	\$ 897.43
Tom Seward (annual report filing fee)	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
	\$ 5,988.30

Invoice to Thomson Tax & Accounting \$300.00 for sponsorship of the CoALL 30th Anniversary Party

\$ 16,369.00
 + 524.62
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 + 300.00
 \$ 11,205.32 balance in checking account
 \$ 5,000.00 in Certificate of Deposit 7 months 4.50%

Total CoAll Funds = \$ 16,205.32

It's CoALL Membership Renewal Time!

by Tom Duggan, CoALL Membership Chair

You're probably tired of the heat, and the next door neighbor's penchant for mowing his lawn at the crack of dawn on a Saturday is about to drive you to sleep with a \$300 set of Bose headphones mounted on your ears, but guess what? It's still CoALL Membership Renewal time! Aaah, something to celebrate!

Membership expires on June 30th, so reflect on what a great resource this chapter is to you as a law librarian, and take a moment to renew. There are updated forms on the website in both Word and PDF at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/member.asp>. Both can be filled in online and printed. Please make sure your checks are made out to CoALL.

If you have not renewed by July 31st, I will be removing your name from the



And more typing...

Colorado Association of Law Librarians
Membership Application
and 2008-2009 Renewals

Name _____ How _____ Renewal _____
 Title _____
 Organization _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Fax _____
 Email _____

Category of CoALL Membership:
 Individual (you pay for your membership) \$20.00 voting
 Institutional (library pays for your membership) \$20.00 voting
 Associate (not from a law library in Colorado) \$20.00 non-voting
(All above are prorated to \$10.00 after January 1, 2008)
 Student \$5.00 voting

Are you an AALL Member? Yes ___ No ___
 Other memberships you hold: SPALC ___ CLA ___ ALA ___ IAL ___ Other ___
 Library type: Academic ___ Private ___ Court & Gov ___ Other ___

Please indicate the working groups in which you are willing to participate:
 AALL ___ Library School and Recruitment Liaison
 The E-List Newsletter ___ Honors/Events
 Programming ___ Public relations/Marketing/Executive Bureau
 Special

Membership year runs from July 1st to June 30th.
 Make checks payable to CoALL. Please return this completed form and dues to:
 Tom Duggan
 Thomson West
 2401 Smith Lane, #7-658
 Fort Collins, CO 80528-2247
 Questions? E-mail Tom Duggan at tom.duggan@thomsonwest.com

Minutes, CoALL Board Meeting, April 24, 2008

Colorado Association of Law Libraries Board Meeting April 24, 2008; 3:45 p.m. Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, Denver, Colorado

In Attendance: Karen Selden (President), Martha Campos (Vice-President/President-Elect) (via telephone), Tracy Leming (Secretary), Alan Pannell (Member-at-Large) (via telephone), Holly Pinto (Member-at-Large), Rachel Kuipers (Public Relations Chair), Madeline Kriescher (Government Relations Chair), Janice Henderson (AALL Chapter Visitor), Tom Seward

I. President Karen Selden called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The December 2007 Board Meeting Minutes were approved.

II. Officer Reports

Vice-President: Martha Campos reported that the current plan for the annual business meeting is to hold it at lunchtime on June 13 at Holme Roberts and Owen, to serve pizza, and to have Ruben Valdez from the Colorado Association of Libraries to talk about recently-enacted legislation affecting libraries. The board will meet first at 10:30 or 11, after which the meeting will open to all CoALL members.

President: Karen Selden reported that this year's Colleague Connection had the largest attendance ever. Karen also recommended that we start planning for the chapter VIP program for 2010 in the fall of 2009, and that we sponsor two VIPs for that conference. This discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Treasurer: No treasurer's report was submitted.

III. Committee Reports

Grants and Scholarships: Karen Selden reported on Patty Wellinger's behalf that the next action for this committee will be after the due date for applications for AALL travel grants on May 1, 2008.

Bylaws: Holly Pinto reported that she is working on blending a sample Colorado non-profit corporation document, AALL model document, and the current CoALL bylaws. The board discussed bylaws provisions governing budgeting and expenses for CoALL events. Holly, Tom Seward, and Mark Estes plan to submit a proposed set of bylaws at the June 2008 CoALL board meeting.

Public Relations: Madeline Kriescher reported that her presentation to the Arapahoe Community College Paralegal Club was successful.

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Minutes, April 24, 2008, cont.

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Rachel Kuipers discussed preparations for the CoALL table at this year's AALL Annual Meeting. The board approved an expenditure of \$50 to \$75 to create a basket of Colorado items to award as a prize in a drawing.

Government Relations: Madeline Kreischer reported that she is now the liaison to the new organization for special librarians within CAL, CoASL.

Spotlight: Tracy Leming submitted the [attached report](#) on Spotlight on Your Career 2008. After some discussion, the board voted to allow RMSLA to take the lead in organizing Spotlight on Your Career 2009, with CoALL continuing to participate.

Scuttle: Mary Killoran submitted this report: The Scuttle Newsletter was published in October 2007 and January 2008 in a new format and with additional help. Karen Selden shared with me the names of two individuals who had indicated an interest in working on the newsletter, Katie Jones, Electronic Services Librarian for the Wyoming State Law Library, and John Moss, Library Technical Services for Holme Roberts & Owen LLP. We formed a committee of three for the first joint issue in Fall 2007. Katie and John contributed new ideas and a different outlook. Katie has taken over the collection and formatting of content, and has essentially published the most recent two issues. The new format is attractive and much more user-friendly. A third issue, Spring 2008, is nearly complete. John authored a technical column for each of the new issues, discussing work in the Library Technical Services departments--input we had not had before. He plans to continue to contribute a column each quarter. These changes have been welcomed by the CoALL members, who have commented to all of us. I hope that Katie consents to be the editor in name as well as fact next year.

Nominations: Martha Campos submitted the attached reports and recommendations for the Nominations Committee.

IV. New Business

Brown Bags

The board voted to create an ad hoc committee to set up policies for future Brown Bags. The committee includes Tracy Leming, Beth Mescal, and Matthew Elisha.

2010 AALL Annual Meeting in Denver

Janice Henderson reported that Cathy Lemann is currently putting together a local arrangements committee (LAC) for the 2010 convention in Denver. She described some of the tasks the LAC will need to accomplish and noted that the first major event will be a visit by Pam Reisinger and other AALL convention planners to Denver in December. Holly Pinto expressed an interest in helping with the closing banquet.

IV. Next Meeting

This meeting adjourned at 5 p.m. The next meeting will be June 13, 2008.

Does it ever stop?



2008 Elections Report, April 23, 2008

Submitted by Martha Campos, Nominations Chair

This year the CoALL election took place in March, to allow the new officers time to approach their employers if they wished about attending the AALL annual meeting and taking advantage of the training offered there for Chapter officers.

The attached article by Rachel Kuipers of the Nominations Committee for publication in the [\[Spring 2008\] Scuttle](#) gives a report of the process. We had a good level of participation - 98 ballots were sent out, and we had nearly 50% of our members vote.

For future reference, I attach the timeline [omitted] we used in planning the election, which was generally adhered to.

In addition to looking forward to a bylaws change to make it possible to run the election electronically next year, I suggest we also consider revisiting the various membership categories. As it stands now, Meg Martin, who was a member of the Elections Committee, could not vote in the election because she cannot be an "active member", since she is associated with a Wyoming and not a Colorado library. We have other Wyoming members of course, and while no one has complained, I think this topic is worth some Board discussion.

Submitted,

Martha Campos

Emporia State University SLIM

From Patty Wellinger, Reference Services Coordinator at the Univ. of Denver Law Library in Denver, Colorado

The Emporia State University School of Library & Information Management program is accepting applications for the next Colorado cohort. Classes begin in January 2009 and applications for admission are accepted through Oct 1, 2008. Contact Kelly Visnak, Director of the Colorado Distance Education Program for more information: <http://slim.emporia.edu/colorado/CO9/cohort9.html>.

- SLIM Colorado students are admitted as a group (cohort). Classes are held on the Auraria campus in downtown Denver.
- Most classes are taught during two intensive weekends with online work between the two weekends.
- SLIM Colorado students graduate with a Master of Library Science.



▪ Emporia State University, located in Emporia, Kansas, is accredited by the American Library Association (ALA).

IMLS Grant To the University of Denver Law Librarian Fellowship Program

From Patty Wellinger, Reference Services Coordinator at the Univ. of Denver Law Library in Denver, Colorado

Institute of Museum and Library Services Awards More Than \$20 Million to Support Librarians



Washington, DC—On June 17, the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded 31 institutions grants totaling \$20.3 million as part of the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program. This year's grantees will provide educational opportunities to library students and staff to strengthen Gulf Coast libraries; support school library media programs; increase the number of librarians, archivists, and library and information science professors; increase diversity in the library workforce; and strengthen that workforce to better meet the needs of users of all types of libraries. To see a list of awardees and descriptions of how they intend to use their grants, please [click here](#). (See below for DU's grant description.)

"Since the program began in 2003, the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program has awarded more than \$100 million to recruit and train the next generation of librarians. Whether working in public schools, colleges, or local public libraries, librarians are essential contributors toward student and community success," said Anne-Imelda M. Radice, Ph.D., IMLS Director.

First Lady Laura Bush announced the President's multimillion dollar support of an initiative to help bolster the library profession in 2002. Since then, IMLS has helped fund the education of 3,220 master's degree students, 186 doctoral students, 1,256 pre-professional students, and 26,186 continuing education students.

The next deadline for the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program is December 15, 2008. [Click here](#) for more information.

Colorado

University of Denver - Littleton, CO

Grant Category: Masters Level Programs

Award Amount: \$999,370; Matching Amount: \$236,306

Contact: Dr. Sylvia Hall-Ellis
Assistant Professor
(303)871-7881; shellis@du.edu

Project Title: "University of Denver Law Librarian Fellowship Program"

The University of Denver will develop and integrate into its curriculum significant course offerings in law librarianship, and recruit and educate ten new law librarians through a comprehensive law librarianship program specifically designed to provide students with the general competencies, specialized subject training, and extensive practical experience necessary to be successful in this field. The project will also provide extensive on-site training, field mentoring, and public outreach to populations currently underserved by the legal information community.

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Nudge: Improving Decisions About Health, Wealth, and Happiness

Book review by Alicia Brillon, Reference Librarian at the University of Colorado Law Library in Boulder, Colorado

By Richard H. Thaler and Cass R. Sunstein

Nudge looks closely at why people make the decisions they do...

The idea that minor details can have a major impact on people's behavior is at the center of this intriguing book, co-authored by Cass Sunstein, who will soon be the director of the Program on Risk Regulation at Harvard Law School.

Much like *Sway: the Irresistible Pull of Irrational Behavior*, and *Freakonomics*, *Nudge* looks closely at why people make the decisions they do, despite the less than advantageous outcomes that may result. Moreover, it also examines how the way an issue is presented can influence the ultimate outcome – whether in a positive or negative manner.



The authors explain how the “choice architects”, those who are responsible for creating the context of a particular scenario, can present a choice in such a way as to nudge people towards making the best decision.

For example, the authors cite an extreme case from the United Kingdom. Some employers there provide a retirement plan that calls for no deposits by the employee. The employer simply deposits money into the employee's account each month. The only requirement is that the employee sign up for the plan. Shockingly, only 51% of employees did so. Similarly, 30% of employees

in the U.S. fail to sign up for their company's 401K plan. Thaler and Sunstein propose that instead of forcing people to opt-in to such a plan by filling out forms, they should be forced to opt-out. This would have the effect of greatly increasing 401K enrollment, and contributing to workers' successful retirement in the process. Simply making 401K enrollment automatic is the “nudge” that people need to make a better decision.

Numerous other examples are given. From shopping for mortgages and student loans to the design of Medicare Part D (prescription drug coverage), Thaler and Sunstein take a closer look at the overly complicated situations we encounter in our daily lives and look for ways to nudge us towards making better decisions.

While not a book on the law, this is an engaging and amusing look into behavioral economics that would be a welcome addition to any library, law or otherwise.

The Colorado Association of Law Libraries (CoALL) is an organization of law libraries dedicated to promoting librarianship, developing and increasing the usefulness of law libraries, cultivating the science of law librarianship, and fostering a spirit of cooperation among the members of the profession, particularly those in Colorado.

CoALL is a member of the [American Association of Law Libraries](http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/).

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Congratulations!

Martha Campos (Holme Roberts & Owen) & **Anne Lucke** (Holland & Hart) were invited to attend the [2008 LexisNexis TRIPLL](#).

Robert Linz of the Colorado Supreme Court Law Library authored the May 2008 Legal Research Corner article for The Colorado Lawyer, "Delivering User-Centric Services at the Colorado Supreme Court Law Library." It appears in the May 2008 issue (v.37, n. 5, page 67) and has been posted on the CoALL Web site: <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/lrc/lrc0508.pdf>.

Patty Wellinger & **Holly Pinto** have agreed to co-chair the Denver local advisory committee for AALL 2010 Annual Meeting!

Andrea Hamilton of Faegre & Benson LLP authored the August 2008 Legal Research Corner article for The Colorado Lawyer, "Conducting Colorado Legislative History Research." It appears in the August 2008 issue (v.37, n. 8, page 113) and has been posted on the CoALL Web site: <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/coall/lrc/lrc0808.pdf>.



Events

Brown Bag Lunches
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2009 AALL in Washington, DC
July 25-28, 2009

Professional Legal Management Week
October 6-10, 2008

