"I cannot live without books". Thomas Jefferson to John Adams, June 10, 1815.

I was fortunate to attend the inaugural AALL Chapter Summit in San Antonio a few weeks ago. There, I learned that Thomas Jefferson once served as the President of the American Philosophical Society. I found this fact quite interesting because Jefferson, the 3rd President of the United States and one of the primary drafters of the Declaration of Independence, found time to volunteer in an organization. Oftentimes, we are so preoccupied by the day to day events in our lives that we forget how important it is to volunteer. Volunteering can come in many different forms. You might volunteer in an organization that relates to your profession or aligns with your personal beliefs and interests. In addition, you might volunteer to work on a particular cause. Whatever your reason is for volunteering, make the most out of your experience. But, before you decide to volunteer, I recommend asking questions like ‘what’s expected of me?’ and ‘how much time is involved?’ and ‘what training will I get?’ Answers to these questions will better prepare you for the volunteer experience.

The decision to volunteer in an organization, however, can also be influenced by its leadership. During your first contact with an organization, did the leadership engage you and ask about your talents? Did the leadership listen to your ideas or suggestions or just dismiss them? Did the leadership offer a clear message about what the organization provides? The Chapter Summit taught me that if leaders are unable to answer some of these crucial questions, the likelihood of leaving a ‘legacy of leadership’ is nonexistent. Therefore, when a leadership transition does occur, there will be a gap in continuity from one leader to the next. In order to avoid this predicament, members should have a prepared ‘elevator speech’ or ‘taxi chat’ that aligns with the mission of the organization and current goals of the leadership. The mission of our organization is to promote law libraries in Upstate New York, conduct continuing education programs, foster an interest in law librarianship as a career, stimulate cooperation among area law libraries and library associations, and encourage research. As members, you can help promote the mission of our organization by letting potential members know about ALLUNY’s Spring Institute, Annual Meeting, and other great experiences you’ve been a part of.

While at AALL, I was also able to attend the joint ALLUNY/LLAGNY/NJLLA chapter reception hosted by NJLLA. The reception was well attended and I met the NJLLA President Carrie Hayter and LLAGNY President Elaine Egan. Both presidents are interested in hosting a joint chapter event with ALLUNY and discussed this with Vice-President Christine Demetros. Speaking of upcoming events, the 60th ALLUNY Annual Meeting will take place on October 17th-19th in Syracuse, NY. More information will be available on the website soon. I hope to see you there. Enjoy the rest of your summer!
Elaine Knecht  
Director of Information Resources  
Hiscock & Barclay, LLP  

Elaine has been appointed to AALL’s 2015 Annual Meeting Program Committee. She is the committee’s liaison to the Private Law Libraries Special Interest Section. AALL’s 2015 Annual Meeting will be held in Philadelphia, PA.

Christine Bowersox  
Collection Management Librarian  
Harris Beach PLLC, Attorneys at Law  

Christine had a book review published in Law Library Journal (106:2). She reviewed the publication:  
Responding to Corporate Criminal Investigations by Kirby D. Behre and Morgan J. Miller

Marissa K. Mason  
MSIS Candidate, Library Assistant  
New York Court of Appeals  

Marissa has been chosen to present a paper entitled:  
“The Court-PASS Project: Balancing Access with Privacy In Online Court Records Systems”  
at the Graduate Student Paper Session, Joint Annual Meeting of SAA, CoSA and NAGARA in Washington, DC in August 2014.

Marissa K. Mason  
MSIS Candidate, Library Assistant  
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Marissa published an article entitled:  
Outreach 2.0: “Promoting Archives and Special Collections Through Social Media” In Public Services Quarterly 10(2). April-June 2014.

Christine Bowersox  
Collection Management Librarian  
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Christine co-authored an article entitled:  
“Dialectic of Transformation: The Shaping of a Name”, which was published in the April 2014 edition of AALL’s Spectrum.
Are you busy? In a hurry? Pressed for time? I know I am. Tomorrow, we’re leaving for a family vacation on Cape Cod. There will be four cats, eight adults, six children (two of whom are infants), and later in the week we’ll be joined by three additional adults who will have to be picked up in Boston - two at the airport, one at the bus terminal. We are planning to have a lot of fun during the week with activities including, but not limited to, whale watching, tide pool exploration, visiting the Woods Hole Aquarium, hiking, sunsets on the beach, cookouts, reading and swimming (of course). Then, those who were picked up in Boston will have to be dropped off at the airport and the bus terminal very early next Saturday morning. Whew! I can hardly wait to get home and rest up.

It’s been 15 years since we last vacationed on Cape Cod. In 1999 one of our outings took us to Boston. We planned to walk some of the Freedom Trail, visit the Old North Church, stroll through the Beacon Hill neighborhood - the usual. It didn’t work out as we had planned because we got stuck in traffic. We left early, with lunch packed for the car, assuming we’d be in Boston long before it was time for dinner. There’s only one road from the Cape to the city. (There’s probably another way, but this was in the old days before GPS on the cell phone.) When we were no more than halfway to our destination the traffic slowed down, then finally ground to a halt. We started inching along, but the key word here is inching. We were going so slowly that we took turns hopping out and walking on the sidewalk next to the car! The radio traffic reporter finally let us know that several miles ahead some debris had fallen from a bridge onto the road and it would be just a little while longer till things were cleared up and traffic started moving again. We finally made it to Boston. We had time to look at the Old North Church; most of the stops on the Freedom Trail were already closed for the day, and we were so hungry that we had no choice but to eat standing up at a lobster and burger joint in Faneuil Hall. (On the plaza outside Faneuil Hall we saw a guy juggle a bowling ball, a beach chair and a ten year old girl!!!)

I was reminded of this "walking-to-Boston-and-making-better-time-than-the-car" incident yesterday while walking back to the office from the Erie County Supreme Court Library. There’s a good deal of construction on Main Street, and the light rail rapid transit service that I would normally use is on a very non-traditional schedule. The train and I left the library area about the same time, and I made it back before the train reached my stop. This is not unlike the modern research situation we have in schools and offices and courts where professional librarians are often pitted against the "it’s-all-on-the-internet" search engine user. The modern, easy, fast way is to throw your search terms into the search box (not mentioning any names, or colors, here) and see what sticks. Sometimes you “feel lucky”, but more often than not (at least in my experience with frustrated patrons) you end up wading through semi- or non-relevant results. The professional librarian’s way (I hesitate to call it the old-fashioned way) is to carefully craft a search, choosing the most important terms, discarding ambiguous terms, combining them with Boolean operators, narrowing the results using dates and specific sources, and reviewing a manageable number of results, many of which are likely to be useful in one way or another, even if it’s only to show you where you need to adjust your search terms, or to let you know you must hone your search skills! (In some ways, though, we are not unlike the train because we can frequently get to the destination more quickly since we know what we are doing and have a lot of practice doing it.)

Enough shaky similes and metaphors. I have to get back to worrying about packing for our 5:30 am departure. Have a delightful summer!
"The catalog doesn't exist anymore."

I was shocked to hear the librarian, at a public special library, say this, since I was asking how to access location information for print material in their collections.

Of course, she didn’t mean that the library no longer maintains an organized record of holdings - do away with that and the library stops being a library. What she meant was that there is no longer a physical record. The catalog is online now. And this was the problem - accessing collection information required computer access, and computer access was restricted, making it impossible for me to simply find and copy the article I needed. Lesson? There should always be at least one terminal dedicated exclusively to unencumbered catalog access.

It wasn’t always like this. Once upon a time, hulking cabinets containing cards that described the collection held prominent reign over libraries, and our searches were limited to the title, author and subject fields. I had a part in the change, too. My first library job, at the public library branch down the street, was transcribing catalog records from those cards for inclusion in a system-wide union catalog on CD-ROM. And I love both the convenience and utility of a good OPAC, which can provide much faster, more targeted results - from my couch - than the old drawers of cards ever did. Still, removing those old cabinets made the library feel a little less magical.

So, when I learned that Syracuse University was making the 60-drawer Gaylord Brothers catalog cabinets from their Science & Technology Library available a few years ago, I jumped at the chance to get one. It has lived in my living room ever since, storing small household items and reminding me of the hard work underlying the magic of what we do, as well as the magic that hard work makes possible.

As many of you know, my wife and I came to Central New York so she could pursue a Ph.D. Well, she caught it, and has now taken a faculty position at the University of Maryland. We will be moving to the DC area this summer. Our new space is much smaller and the catalog would not fit, so it has found a new home. I will also find a new home, but I want to use these final words to thank you for making Upstate New York a welcoming home for these past few years, and to thank you for reading. It has been my pleasure to work with and to serve this group, and I wish you all nothing but budget increases and smooth vendor relationships. And, like the card catalog, I’ll still be here - in a different form, as I will continue posting my rants and ramblings at http://thoughtsonlibraianship.blogspot.com. The only problem? You’ll need a computer to find it!
For inclusion in the December 2014 issue of the newsletter, please send all Committee Reports and other articles to Barb Briggs:

bbriggs@nycourts.gov

no later than December 1, 2014

Upcoming Issues and Deadlines:

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When I first learned that Frances was retiring from the Court after over 30 years as the Chief Legal Reference Attorney, I was a bit sad. While my initial interactions with Frances were over the phone, I had the opportunity to meet her at the 2013 ALLUNY Annual Meeting. At the meeting, Frances gave attendees a presentation on, and a tour of, the NYS Court of Appeals. I found that she was knowledgeable about the Court and it's history; she genuinely appeared to enjoy her job.

Over lunch, I learned that Frances had a wonderful career at the Court. She worked under three Chief Judges (Wachtler, Kaye and Lippmann), participated in the Court’s 150th anniversary, and continues to be actively involved with the Historical Society of the New York Courts. Her legal career, however, did not start at the Court of Appeals. Born in Ireland - her father a county solicitor - Frances attended the University College Dublin where she received her undergraduate and legal degrees. Soon after receiving her law degree, she moved to London with her husband and took a position at Barclays Bank. While in London, she also received a postgraduate degree in international law.

After Frances and her husband moved to the United States, she worked at Albany Medical College’s Schaffer Library of Health Sciences as an evening circulation assistant. After some time, she decided to obtain her Master’s in Library Science Degree from SUNY Albany. Thereafter, she attended Drexel University to learn about library related computer programming. It was Frances’ knowledge of library related computer programming that led her to the Legislative Library.

She helped create databases for that library. In the fall of 1980, Frances was hired by the NYS Court of Appeals and initially worked with the Court's central staff. She was also responsible for answering reference questions, working on special projects for the judges and creating full-text databases for the Court’s internal documents (many of which are still being used today.

I asked Frances what she felt was the biggest change in legal research. She indicated that the shift from using print to electronic resources was fairly significant. We also talked about times when the government, court, law firm and academic law librarians from the area would get together. These connections were vital because libraries would share resources and librarians would help one another with reference questions. Unfortunately, due to retirements, these gatherings came to an end. I told Frances that I hope the local librarians can start meeting again and sharing ideas.

What will retirement bring? Frances enjoys kayaking, modern dance, attending shows at Tanglewood and gardening. ALLUNY wishes her all the best!
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Miscellaneous Citings #67  
(compiled by Amanda Steinbacher, Reference Librarian, Phillips Lytle, LLP)

Professional Development

"Library Lovers and Information Omnivores - are quite similar. Both groups are dominated by women, are relatively well educated, and contain a high proportion of college graduates and graduate-degree holders."

See: http://www.pewinternet.org/2014/03/13/high-engagement/


"[E]ach country has interpreted the Berne Convention in its own manner and has a unique piece of copyright legislation." - pg. 36.


"In many conversations I've had with academic librarians in the last year about the allocation of their collections budgets, most mention that 70% to 90% is devoted to electronic resources with the remainder to print materials."


Reviews

Among the titles reviewed here are:

A Death at Crooked Creek: The Case of the Cowboy, the Cigarmaker, and the Love Letter.


"Cloak is a service that seeks to make it easy and automatic to use a VPN whenever you are using an untrusted public Wi-Fi network."

See: http://www.iphonejd.com/iphone_jd/2014/04/review-cloak-vpn.html

- Richardson, Jeff. Review: Cloak - automatic VPN for privacy on public Wi-Fi. Weblog entry. iPhone J.D.: Lawyers Using iPhones and iPads. (April 15, 2014).

Technology

"This article examines why the Library of Congress Classification system (LCC) is so widely used in U.S. law libraries and explores in-house classification systems that are the exception to this rule." - p. 86


"The failure of access to government information caused by the shutdown is a major reason many in the library and information community oppose government information bypassing the GPO and Federal Depository Libraries to be published directly to agency websites."

See: http://www.llrx.com/features/egovinfoaccess.htm


"If I were to leave a document on a table entitled, "My Deepest, Darkest Secrets," under which I wrote, "Please do not read this unless you are someone I intended to read this," how securely would you think I'd protected myself?"


"What does it take to prepare a new edition of Black's?"


"We have also added a facet for Member Remarks in the Congressional Record, which is based on a new metadata field provided by the Government Printing Office."


"The biggest change is that the results are now 'Tab-less.'"

See: http://www.geeklawblog.com/2014/05/lexis-advances-upcoming-changes-aka-no.html


Copies of articles from print publications cited herein should be obtained through regular interlibrary loan procedures or by contacting the publisher(s) directly.

Vendor & Sponsorship Committee Report

submitted by Jeannine A. Lee,
Erie County Supreme Court Library, Buffalo (July 22, 2014)

19 vendors were approached in May with the opportunity to exhibit, advertise and/or sponsor an event at the 2014 Annual Meeting.

To date, we have three commitments - NYSBA, Lexis and Hein. Thomson West, BNA/Bloomberg and Walters Kluwer have all expressed interest and they, as well as those who did not respond, were notified again in June. Those vendors who exhibited in the past were contacted yet again last week.

NYSBA is placing an ad in the program, while Hein plans to sponsor an event once prices are established.

I will continue to remind those whom I feel are most likely to participate. We have space for seven booths, and I am hoping to fill them all!
Did you know?
UELMA has been enacted in nine states so far. See http://www.aallnet.org/Documents/Government-Relations/UELMA for more information about UELMA and how you can help.

UELMA Advocacy:
I began my 2014 work on UELMA by reaching out to Emily Feltren at AALL, who provided solid suggestions for how to get started; she continues to serve as a strong resource. At her suggestion, these are the steps I’ve taken to advocate for UELMA:

♦ In March, I wrote to NY Uniform Law Commissioner Richard Long to express my interest in UELMA and to ask for his support. He replied by stating that he is also very interested in securing the introduction and enactment of UELMA in NY and that his office has included the act in their enactment plans and ‘Report to the Governor’ for 2014. They have also discussed the act with counsel for the Assembly Judiciary Committee in Albany. He encouraged me to reach out to my local Assemblyman, Gary Finch, and encourage him to start the process toward an introduction in that house.

♦ Soon thereafter, I sent an e-mail to Representative Finch (Cayuga County) explaining the importance of UELMA, summarizing the support for UELMA, and formally requesting that he consider introducing UELMA.

♦ At the same time, I reached out to the members of LLAGNY (several contacts were provided by Emily Feltren) who have worked on UELMA in the past to inform them of the steps I was taking. I wrote to Bill Mills, Debbie Melnick, Patricia Barbone and Harold O’Grady. Bill and Debbie responded right away and shared the materials with me that they’d used last year to advocate for UELMA with Mr. Long. LLAGNY has issued a formal statement of support for UELMA.

Next UELMA Steps:
♦ I recommend that we adopt AALL’s UELMA Resolution (http://www.aallnet.org/main-menu/leadership-governance/resolutions/resolution-uelma.html) or create our own, as HALL (Houston Area Law Librarians chapter), did (http://www.houstonarealawlibrarians.com/6301/175058.html).

♦ Reach out to the following constituencies for support:
  ● Legal Aid
  ● Legal Professionals
  ● Access to Justice advocates
  ● Library Associations
  ● Bar Associations

If you are interested in working with me to reach out to any of these groups, or if you know of groups that you believe would be sympathetic to our cause, please contact me at aae25@cornell.edu.
Introducing the Charles B. Sears Law Library's Student Services Team

by Beth Adelman, Director & Vice Dean for Legal Information Services, Charles B. Sears Law Library, SUNY Buffalo Law School

Please join the Charles B. Sears Law Library staff in welcoming Peggy Lyons and Brian Detweiler (below) as the Student Services Team.

Peggy holds an MLS from UB and worked for UB's Department of Visual Studies; most recently she worked for the Department of Urology. Peggy will be staffing our Passport Services Office, as well as working on projects in partnership with the Student Services Librarian; she will also work at the circulation desk.

Brian is the law library's Student Services Librarian. He holds a JD from Notre Dame Law School and an MLS from UB's Library School. He has worked as an attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Rochester and, most recently, as the Faculty Services Librarian at St. Mary's Law School in San Antonio, TX. Brian will develop and coordinate programs and services to enrich the law school experience and transition into overseeing the Passport Office.

Goodbye... and Hello

We are sad to say 'goodbye' to Everett Wiggins of Hiscock & Barclay, who is leaving Syracuse for a position as a Metadata Technician at the Law Library of Congress in Washington, DC.

But on the flip side, please join in welcoming the new Reference Librarian at Hiscock & Barclay - Colin Welch.

Colin is a librarian fresh from the iSchool at Syracuse University. While at SU he worked on various projects including a value, impact and ROI study of Barclay Law Library; designing a new search interface; and scanning material for Crouse Hospital's contributions to New York Heritage. Colin earned a Bachelor of Music Degree in Music Education. He has performed with a number of ensembles and has taught in a variety of settings, such as inner city middle school and collegiate-level workshops. During his time at SU Colin became interested in reference services, finding them to be less painful than standing in front of a classroom. Colin is excited to finally be in a reference position and to apply the skills he learned in school.
ALLUNY Membership Report: Spring 2014 (as of 4/21/2014)

Membership Type:
- Active*: 96
- Associate: 2
- Life: 28
- Student: 4
- Unemployed: 1

Total: 131

* 2014 dues pending for 1 active member

Library Type:
- Academic: 45
- Court/Government: 27
- Firm/Special: 25
- Library (non-law): 1
- Other**: 31
- Vendor: 2

Total: 131

** “Other” includes life members, retired and unaffiliated

Membership as of May 2014 report: 122 (95 paid)
Membership as of October 2013 report: 128 (100 paid)
Current membership: 131 (102 paid)

Submitted by Nancy Babb, Membership Chair
April 21, 2014 (revised 7/8/14)
I am pleased to note that our membership numbers continue to increase; we now have 131 members. Overall, our numbers of active and associate members have not changed since the last membership report (October 2013), but our numbers have shifted. Although we have lost some members to retirements and other job changes, we have been pleased and privileged to welcome three new active members and two new student members for 2014. We were also very happy to elect two members to Life Membership at the 2013 Annual Meeting.

Welcome to all our new members for 2014:

Helane E. Davis (Associate Dean/Director, Albany Law School, Schaffer Law Library, Albany)
Mark Harasymiw (Librarian, Nixon Peabody LLP, Rochester)
Michelle Hendley (Milne Library, SUNY Oneonta)
Amanda LeGasse (Student - JD/MLS - SUNY Buffalo)
Jacqueline Magagnosc (Continuations Management Librarian, Cornell Law Library, Ithaca)
Marissa Mason (Student/Library Assistant, NYS Court of Appeals, Albany)

Congratulation to our new Life Members, elected in 2013:

Carmen Brigandi Jahns (Encinitas, CA)
David Voisinet (Rochester, NY)

And much thanks and appreciation to all our renewing members!

Other membership activities over the past year have concerned Life Member certificates, generation of print directories and outreach to new members.

CERTIFICATES:
In 2013 we initiated a new practice of presenting certificates to Life Members; certificates were presented to the two new life members elected at the 2013 meeting, and were later sent out to all past Life Members as well. This practice will continue in the future to celebrate new Life Members; documentation has been added to the ALLUNY Operating Manual.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY:
This spring I have been working to establish and standardize procedures regarding renewal reminders and the ALLUNY directory.

OUTREACH:
ALLUNY President Colleen Ostiguy, the members of the Public Relations Committee and I are working on new outreach initiatives.
Proposed Amendments to the ALLUNY Constitution, presented for member awareness, comment and feedback

In compliance with Article VII (Amendments) to the ALLUNY Constitution, the Bylaws Committee Chair offers the following amendment:

Amendment to Constitution – Dissolution of Constitution

WHEREAS AALL has advised chapters that constitutions are no longer necessary establishment documents for NFP 503(c) organizations. The convention is outmoded and creates unnecessary hurdles to change. Many other AALL Chapters have already dissolved their Constitutions in favor of simple, flexible By-laws documents.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Constitution of the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York be amended by being dissolved.

Amendment to Bylaws Article II. Meetings and Reports, Section 5. VOTING

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Article II. Meetings and Reports, Section 5. VOTING OF THE ALLUNY Bylaws which currently reads:

“Except where otherwise prescribed in the By-Laws, decisions shall be made by majority vote.”

Be Amended to Read:

“Except where otherwise prescribed in the By-Laws, decisions shall be made by majority vote. Voting by proxy will be permitted. Pursuant to Section 609 of the NPCL, a member’s authorization of another person or persons to act for the member as proxy may be made by transmitting or authorizing the transmission of an electronic transmission to the person who will be the holder of the proxy or to a proxy solicitation firm, proxy support service organization or like agent duly authorized by the person who will be the holder of the proxy to receive such transmission, provided that any such electronic transmission will either set forth or be submitted with information from which it can be reasonably determined that the electronic transmission was authorized by the member. Unless otherwise specified by majority vote of the Board of Directors at a meeting occurring at least [60] days before a meeting of the members, all proxies submitted in connection with meetings of members shall be irrevocable. Proxies shall count toward a quorum only for those items which are specified in advance on the agenda or in the proxies.”

Amendment to Bylaws Article V. Discrimination

BE IT RESOLVED THAT ARTICLE V. DISCRIMINATION OF THE ALLUNY Bylaws which currently reads:

“Neither membership, nor full participation in the activities in this Association, shall be denied to any person on account of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or sexual orientation.”

Be Amended to Read:

“Neither membership, nor full participation in the activities in this Association, shall be denied to any person on account of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identification.”
DATE: [INSERT DATE]
TO: ALL MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE
FROM: [INSERT NAME], [Nominations Committee/Secretary]
SUBJECT: LETTER OF INSTRUCTION AND PROXY FORM

In accordance with Article II, Section 5 of the Association’s By-Laws, each Member of the Association eligible to vote will have one vote at all Meetings of Members, and may cast his/her vote in person or by proxy.

Voting Requirements
Voting members may vote for, or delegate to a proxy holder their right to vote for, candidates to fill the xxx open positions to the 201x-1x Board of Directors, and amendments to the bylaws and constitution.

Members are entitled to vote by two different methods:

VOTING BY ELECTRONIC/PROXY VOTE:
Voting by Proxy allows you to designate another voting member to vote on your behalf during the election.

If you would like to delegate your right to vote to a Proxy Holder, you may do so either by:

- Electronic Authorization: go to [INSERT WEBSITE] and complete the online proxy designation form with the candidate names for those candidates, to which you wish to allocate your vote. THIS METHOD IS IDENTICAL TO THE MANNER, IN WHICH YOU VOTED FOR BOARD CANDIDATES IN THE PAST.

OR

- Using the Mail-In Proxy Designation Form: you must nominate a member to serve as your proxy holder (the "Designated Proxy")\(^1\) and send a copy by email, mail or fax of the completed Proxy Designation Form to the Nominations Committee Member. If you chose a write-in Designated Proxy, you must send the form to both your write-in Designated Proxy and to a Nominations Committee Member. Select the candidates on the proxy form to which the proxy holder should allocate your vote. The Designated Proxy, will be present in person at the Annual Meeting of Members and will present your completed proxy form during Member Sign-In.

PURSUANT TO THE ASSOCIATION’S BY-LAWS, PROXIES ARE IRREVOCABLE UNLESS SPECIFIED OTHERWISE BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. IF YOU VOTE BY PROXY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS ABOVE, YOU CANNOT VOTE IN PERSON.

VOTING IN PERSON:
If you choose to vote in person, you may cast your vote at the Annual Meeting of Members on [INSERT DAY DATE] in [INSERT LOCATION] during Member Sign-In [INSERT TIME].

DEADLINES
All electronic proxy authorizations must be submitted via the Association’s website BEFORE [INSERT TIME AND DATE]. All Proxy Designation Forms must be submitted via e-mail, fax, or mail BEFORE [INSERT TIME AND DATE].

\(^1\) The suggested Designated Proxy is a member of the Nominations Committee. Selection of the proxy is on both the electronic and paper Proxy forms.

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Proxy Designation Form: Irrevocable Proxy

Section A: Personal Information

Your name: ____________________________________________

Place an X next to the selected proxy holder.

Name of proxy holder: Mary Smith [ ] John Smith [ ]

Email address: ________________________________________

OR

Write-in proxy holder: __________________________________

Your current email and/or phone information:

Email: _____________________________________________ AND /

OR Phone: ____________________________

I am a Regular Member of the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York.
I am Life Member of the Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York.

Section B: Terms and Conditions of Proxy

I hereby authorize the person named above to represent me and vote on my behalf at the annual meeting of members to be held [INSERT DATE], and at any adjournments thereof, upon any matters properly coming before the meeting. If I have not designated a specific proxy holder, or if the person named above cannot serve as proxy, I authorize [INSERT ALTERNATIVE PROXY HOLDER NAMES] or in either of their absences or upon either of their inability to serve as proxy, a proxy holder designated by either of them, to represent me on the same terms as stated in the previous sentence. I understand that this proxy is irrevocable.

Section C: Vote

I hereby instruct the above-named proxy holder to submit my vote for the following five individuals (Place an X next to one candidate for each position):

Vice-President/President Elect [ ] [ ]

Secretary or Treasurer [ ] [ ]

Board Member – 2 year [ ] [ ]

Board Member – 2 Year [ ] [ ]

Board Member – 1 year [ ] [ ]

Write-in Candidate & For What Position: ____________________________

Your signature and today’s date ____________________________
Impact

Being part of a group gives you the chance to have an impact in your life and to impact all members of law libraries in Upstate New York. This impact can be achieved by working on important legislative initiatives, providing important workshops and educational programs that will help educate your members or stimulating cooperation among area law libraries and library associations.

Networking

Exchanging ideas, obtaining informal help with difficult reference questions and filling interlibrary loan requests and sharing common goals with other law librarians is an excellent way to network. These relationships can lead to connections that will help you advance your career or help you to make important career decisions.

Advocacy

The Government Relations Committee gives you the unique opportunity to be educated on important legislative issues. This education includes information on relevant topics and ideas that can get you involved and get your voice heard by all law librarians throughout New York.

Education/Career Enhancement

ALLUNY works hard to develop and support meetings, workshops and presenters that provide valuable and pertinent information regarding topics and issues important to law librarians. Grants are available to support attendance at ALLUNY meetings and AALL conferences.

Information

ALLUNY strives to get vital information out to our members in a timely manner. Through the ALLUNY Newsletter and Listserv, our goal is to make sure our members know what is happening and how they can get involved and be heard.

Leadership

By becoming an officer, board member or committee chair, our members can learn valuable leadership skills. Important leadership skills can also be gained by volunteering for one of our committees.

Visibility

Being involved in an organization that gives you the opportunity to network with state, federal, court, academic, special and private libraries, as well as library science students can help you increase your visibility. This visibility can lead to important personal and professional opportunities.

Friendships

The most significant and lasting benefit of being a member is the reward of developing lifelong friendships with your fellow members. Imagine being in a room full of colleagues that are focused and energized on a common cause or issue and who share information about legal research. There is nothing quite like it. Whether it is laughing or working together, the relationships you make will be long lasting.
# 2014 Membership Application

Membership is open to all individuals employed within a law library or law section of a general library (active membership), as well as those expressing interest in law libraries (associate membership). Students enrolled in a Graduate School of Library Science are most welcome to join (student membership). Membership includes the newsletter subscription and access to members-only online resources. Questions about membership may be addressed to Nancy Babb, Membership Chair, e-mail: babb@buffalo.edu

## Membership Information

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Please indicate if this is a:

- [ ] New Membership
- [ ] Renewal

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**2014 ALLUNY MEMBERSHIP DUES PAYABLE BY JANUARY 31, 2014**

Checks payable to: Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York, Inc.

Please return this form with remittance to the ALLUNY treasurer:

Andrea Rabbia  
ALLUNY Treasurer  
H. Douglas Barclay Law Library  
Syracuse University College of Law  
554 E.I. White Hall  
Syracuse, NY 13244-1030  
(315) 443-9562

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URL for online application
http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/alluny/forms/membership.pdf
The 2014 Nominations Committee is pleased to announce the candidates for the offices of Vice-President/President-Elect, Treasurer and Board of Directors. Many thanks to the nominees for their willingness to run for office and generously giving their time and talents for the advancement of the Association.

**Candidate for Vice-President/President-Elect**
Laura Suttell (Phillips Lytle, LLP)

**Candidate for Secretary**
Brian Detweiler (SUNY Buffalo Law School Library)

**Candidate for Treasurer**
Andrea Rabbia (H. Douglas Barclay Law Library)

**Candidate for Board of Directors**
Cyndi Trembley (Harris Beach, PLLC)
**Laura Suttell**  
*(Candidate for ALLUNY Vice-President/Education Chair, 2014-2015)*

Laura received her MLS from SUNY at Buffalo in 1994. As a student, Laura had the good fortune to work at the University at Buffalo Charles B. Sears Law Library, where she first heard about ALLUNY and AALL. She became actively involved with ALLUNY when she served as chair of the Grants Committee. It was a great way to meet members and to get to know the board and officers. Laura served on the board and then became president in 2010.

During her career, she has worked as an academic and law firm librarian, and is currently employed as a litigation paralegal with Phillips Lytle, LLP in Buffalo.

Although she is running unopposed, Laura would like to have your support, and would like to ask everyone's help in planning two meetings in 2015 as Vice-President and Education Chair.

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**Brian Detweiler**  
*(Candidate for Secretary, 2014-2015)*

Brian recently moved back to Western NY to begin work as the new Student Services Librarian at SUNY Buffalo Law School. Brian had been working as the Faculty Services Librarian at St. Mary’s University School of Law in San Antonio since earning his MLS from the University at Buffalo in 2012. While working towards his library degree, Brian also interned at the Charles B. Sears Law Library at UB and at the Appellate Division, 4th Department Law Library in Rochester.

Prior to beginning his library studies, Brian worked as a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society of Rochester, representing victims of domestic violence. Brian graduated from Notre Dame Law School in 2009, SUNY College at Brockport in 2003, and Monroe Community College in 2000. He grew up in Rochester and attended Irondequoit High School, where he met his future (now present) wife, Sharon. They have one son, also named Brian, and another on the way in August!

*(see more information and photo on page 11)*

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**Cyndi Trembley**  
*(Candidate for Board of Directors, 2014-2015)*

Since 1997, Cyndi Trembley has been with the Rochester firm of Harris Beach LLP, most recently in the position of Manager of Computer Research Services. She manages the process of conducting legal and non-legal research on behalf of legal staff and clients and develops education instruction in legal research and information literacy. Her past positions include an 18 year position as a Reference Librarian with a law firm in Syracuse as well as part-time positions with Syracuse University School of Law and a solo practitioner.

Professional activities include service as past president of ALLUNY. Since 1993, Cyndi has spoken on internet issues and resources for library groups, attorneys and law students; she has also spoken before such groups as the NYS Bar Association, the Monroe County Bar Association and the National Business Institute. She has also presented on social networking issues to clients and in-house attorneys.

Cyndi is a regular contributor to Rochester's Daily Record. Recent columns have focused on name change petitions, holiday displays, the federal income tax at 100 and maritime/admiralty law.
Vote for me; 
I make things fun.

Plus, I'm the only one running.

Andrea R. Rabbia
(Candidate for Treasurer, 2014-2015)
arrabbia@law.syr.edu

**Education**

- Masters in Library Science (Beta Phi Mu), August 1998
  Syracuse University, School of Information Studies - Syracuse, NY
- NYS Public Librarians Professional Certificate, No. 18934
  University of the State of NY Education Department
- Bachelor of Science, Psychology and Biology, 1991
  LeMoyne College - Syracuse, NY

**Experience**

- H. Douglas Barclay Law Library, SU College of Law
  Technical Services Librarian - November 1996 to Present
- Liverpool Public Library - Liverpool, NY
  Substitute Reference Librarian - July 2001 to Present
- H. Douglas Barclay Law Library, SU College of Law
  Bibliographic Services Supervisor - February 1995-October 1996

**Professional Affiliations**

- American Association of Law Libraries (AALL)
- Association of Law Libraries of Upstate New York (ALLUNY)
  Beta Phi Mu

**AALL/ALLUNY Experience**

- Treasurer, ALLUNY
  (2010 to Present)
- AALL Annual Meeting Grant recipient
  (AALL Annual Meeting, July 2005)
- Author, ALLUNY Newsletter Technical Tips column
  (July 2000 - December 2004)
- Session Presenter, Connexion
  (Annual Meeting, October 2003)
- Session Moderator
  Online Citators: Which Service will Serve You Better?
  (Annual Meeting, September 1999)
- AALL Chapter Sponsored
  Annual Meeting Grant recipient
  (AALL Annual Meeting, July 1999)
- Education Chair
  Law Librarianship in the 21st Century
  (Spring Institute, May 1998)
- Local Arrangements Chair
  (Spring Institute, April 1997)
2014 Theme
“International Criminal Law: Practice and Documentation”

Session One
My Experience as an International Criminal Attorney

Presenter: Professor Cora True-Frost

Professor True-Frost (SU College of Law) teaches classes in international and domestic criminal law, international human rights law and regulatory law and policy.

Professor True-Frost spoke of International Human Rights Law vs. International Criminal Law, detailing the work done in East Timor and Sierra Leone to deal with atrocities/Human Rights violations and post-conflict reconstruction in those and other areas, and enlightening the audience as to how cases of this nature are brought before the ICC (International Criminal Court).

Session Two
The Lockerbie Case: Representing the Families

Presenter: Mark Zaid, Esq.

Mr. Zaid is a Washington, DC based attorney and adjunct professor at Johns Hopkins University in the Global Security Studies Program, where he teaches national security issues. He is also one of the attorneys who filed the first civil lawsuit against Libya in 1993 for the bombing of Pan Am 103, and was the primary draftsman of legislation in 1996 that allowed victims of terrorism to sue foreign state sponsors. The civil lawsuit against Libya resulted (2003) in the largest settlement with a terrorist state ever: $2.7 billion, or $10 million for each of the 270 victims.

Session Three
The Syrian Accountability Project (SAP): Documenting War Crimes

Presenter: Jeffrey S. Howell

Jeffrey Howell is a graduating SU law student (2014) who is serving as the Chief of Staff for the SAP, managing a staff of 50 students in the documentation of incidents of War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity occurring in the context of the ongoing crisis in Syria. He has represented the SAP in both Brussels, Belgium and Gaziantep, Turkey.

Session Four
“I Am Syria” Campaign

Presenter: Uzma Gulamali

Ms. Gulamali strives, through this humanitarian campaign on behalf of the Syrian people, to bring awareness to campuses, etc.