

# ***CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER***

***April 2003***

## ***JAN NOVAK RETIRES BEST WISHES TO JAN***

After serving for seventeen years as the Director of the CLLA, Jan Novak recently retired at the end of November 2002. However, she did not retire from the profession of librarianship and began a new career in February 2003 as the Assistant Director for Public Services at the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Library.

## ***NEW DIRECTOR COMES ON BOARD***

Kathleen M. Sasala joined the CLLA as its new Director in February 2003. She faces the challenges of ever-increasing costs for books, journals and databases, coupled with declining revenues and County budget constraints. She and the Board will be actively pursuing legislative solutions and welcome any suggestions from the membership.

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Cleveland Law Library Association will be held on Monday, April 28, 2003 at 12:00 p.m. in the Law Library, 404 Cuyahoga County Courthouse. Agenda items include the election of three trustees to serve three-year terms from March 2003 – 2006 and the Librarian's report. The Meeting will be followed by a light luncheon.

The Board recommends the following candidates for election at the meeting: Carla M. Tricarichi, Esq. - Tricarichi & Carnes; James D. Thomas, Esq. - Squire, Sanders & Dempsey; Suzanne K. Hanselman, Esq. - Baker & Hostetler.

Both Thomas S. Kilbane from Squire, Sanders & Dempsey and Albert T. Adams of Baker & Hostetler are retiring from the Board after many years of loyal service. Please join us at the meeting to express our gratitude to them for their dedication to the Law Library's mission.

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***FROM THE  
DIRECTOR'S DESK***

***MEMBERSHIP MEETING***

***APRIL 28, 2003***

My name is Kathleen M. Sasala, and I would like to briefly introduce myself as the new Director of the CLLA. I am a former Ohio practitioner who finally pursued her first love and became a librarian. I grew up in Parma, Ohio, went to John Carroll University, and graduated from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law in 1987. During the first twelve years of my legal career, I practiced civil litigation at a small Cleveland law firm, where I also served as the in-house librarian. In 1999, I accepted a Graduate Appointment at Kent State University and went back to school for my Masters in Library Science. Upon graduation, I accepted a position as a Reference Librarian at Case Western Reserve University Law School Library, where I worked until joining the CLLA staff on February 3, 2003.

In addition to my practice experience and service at CWRU, I have also taught several classes for a local paralegal institute and Notre Dame College's weekend college program. I hope that these varied experiences will enable me to meet the needs of the Cuyahoga County legal community. If I can be of assistance to you or you would like to introduce yourself, please stop by my office, give me a call (216-861-5070), or send me an email at [ksasala@clelaw.lib.oh.us](mailto:ksasala@clelaw.lib.oh.us).

### ***LOCAL ZONING CODES***

The Law Library maintains a print collection of all ordinances and zoning codes for all municipalities, townships and villages in Cuyahoga County. This collection is as complete as possible, since we contact each agency annually.

In addition, our Web site and Members Only page provide links to all municipal codes that are on the Internet.

### ***LAW DAY LEXIS TRAINING***

The theme for this year's Law Day on May 1<sup>st</sup> is "Independent Courts Protect our Liberties." Law Day will also commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *Marbury v. Madison*, which was decided in 1803. In honor of Law Day, the Law Library will sponsor a special *Lexis* demonstration with our local *Lexis* representative. Times will be:

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please call the Director, Kathy Sasala, at (216) 861-5070 to reserve a seat. Just a reminder that our members can use Ohio and federal law databases on *Lexis* here in the library at no charge.

### ***CLLA AND AKRON LLA TRUSTEES SEEK COMMITTEE TO STUDY LAW LIBRARY FUNDING***

In December of 2002, the trustees of the two libraries sought the support of the Ohio State Bar Association and the Ohio Supreme Court to establish a joint committee to study the antiquated system of funding currently in place for the State's 88 county law libraries.

Public funding for these law libraries comes from state traffic fines and penalties, as well as fines from violations of liquor laws. Some of these categories contain monetary caps that were instituted as far back as 70 years ago. For instance, in the liquor category, each library receives only \$1,200 per year.

In addition, although Cuyahoga County contributes space and three salaries to the Law Library, all other expenses have to be met through membership dues or other private funds.

### ***COMING SOON: A VIRTUAL TOUR***

As one of several enhancements we plan for our Web site, we are in the process of creating a virtual tour of the Library. We hope to inaugurate this feature this spring.

### ***SUMMER ASSOCIATE TRAINING***

We will be offering a research program to summer associates. If you are interested in signing up your summer associates, please contact the Director at (216) 861-5070 or send a message to [lawlib@clelaw.lib.oh.us](mailto:lawlib@clelaw.lib.oh.us).

### ***NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK***

Our Library will be celebrating National Library Week, April 7-11, 2003. Please join us from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> for complementary juice and doughnuts. We will also be providing tours of our facility and web pages and sponsoring a library trivia contest.

### ***DAILY LAW REVIEW CONTENTS***

One of the services that we provide to our members is the daily posting of the contents of the law reviews and other periodicals to which we subscribe.

The contents can be seen on the Members Only portion of our website, under Electronic Resources, Periodicals and News. Members can then request full text copies by fax or for pickup. This service can also be emailed to members. Send email to Sue Altmeyer, [saltmeyer@clelaw.lib.oh.us](mailto:saltmeyer@clelaw.lib.oh.us). The contents can also be searched for your area of interest by using the "find" tool or the Control-F search function.

### ***DAILY COURT OPINIONS***

Members can receive email notice of current decisions issued by the United States Supreme Court, the Sixth Circuit, the Ohio Supreme Court, and the Eighth District Court of Appeals. Please contact Eric Hess at 216-861-5070 or email at [ehess@clelaw.lib.oh.us](mailto:ehess@clelaw.lib.oh.us) to be added to the list.

### ***CHAT REFERENCE SERVICE***

Did you know that the Library participates in a relatively new, real-time chat reference service on the Internet called KnowItNow24x7? In conjunction with the Cleveland Public Library and its member libraries, we provide legal reference services from the Web to your desktop from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Members can access this service at [www.knowitnow24x7.net/](http://www.knowitnow24x7.net/) or contact us by phone or email.

### ***SELECTED NEW ACQUISITIONS***

- *Drunk Driving and Related Vehicular Offenses*, by Robert S. Reiff. 3d ed. 2002
- *A Guide to Federal Agency Adjudication*, ed. By Michael Asimow. ABA, 2003
- *Legal Opinion Letters Formbook*, by A. Sidney Holderness. 2d ed. 2003
- *Model Jury Instructions for Fidelity Cases*, ed. By David C. Dreifuss. ABA, 2003
- *RCRA*, by John W. Teets. (Basic Practice Series) ABA, 2003

## **MEMBERS ONLY**

From your **DESKTOP**, you can access these electronic databases as part of your membership:

- *LOISLAW* state and federal cases and unannotated codes
- *Ohio Jurisprudence, 3rd* (with forms)
- Social Security Publications
- *Federal Procedure, Lawyers Ed.*
- *ALR 3rd, 4th, and 5th*
- *AmJur Legal Forms, 2d*
- *AmJur Pleading and Practice Forms*
- RIA Estate Planning Library
- RIA Pension & Benefits Library
- RIA Checkpoint Tax Research
- CCH Capital Changes
- 1991-2001 Tax Forms and Instructions
- *LegalTrac* (journal and law review index)
- *Indexmaster* (tables of contents)
- Certain databases from the Cleveland Public Library



**IN-HOUSE** electronic databases that you can use as part of your subscription (the only charge is for printouts) are:

- *LEXIS*
- *Shepard's*
- *KeyCite*
- *Courtlink*
- *Lawyers Weekly USA*
- *Ohio Lawyers Weekly*
- *OPEN*
- *Pacer*
- *Anderson's Ohio Law on CD* (cases, code and regs)
- *West's Ohio Library on CD* (cases, code and regs)
- *West's Ohio Practice Library*
- *Casemaker Ohio Library on CD*
- *Ohio Jury Instructions*
- *Anderson's Ohio Workers Compensation USCA*
- *HeinOnline* (journals) Statutes at Large on CD
- *Supreme Court Reporter* (archival)
- *Federal Reporter* (archival)
- *Federal Supplement* (archival)
- *Index to Legal Periodicals*
- *Trial Handbook*
- *Michie's Jury Instructions*
- *West's Restatements*

## **NEW CHARGES FOR PRINTING FROM SHEPARD'S**

Beginning in February the Library instituted a \$.20 per page charge for printing from *Shepard's* on *Lexis*. This charge simply brings Shepardizing costs in line with the \$.20 per page cost for *Lexis* research printouts, *Westlaw KeyCite* printouts, and all other self-serve copies and printouts. However, *Shepard's* results can still be downloaded at no cost.

## **HOW 'BOUT A LAUGH?**

Q: What's the difference between baseball and law?

A: In baseball, if you're caught stealing, you're out.

Q: How was copper wire invented?

A: Two lawyers were arguing over a penny.

## ***HEIN-ON-LINE RESTRICTS SERVICE***

Last year, the Library was pleased to offer electronic access to a large database of journals and law reviews through a service called *Hein-on-Line*. This product serves as an in-depth resource for current and back issues of legal and historical periodicals in a pdf format (so that copies resemble the original document). By comparison, copies of periodical articles from *Lexis* and *Westlaw* do not have this appearance.

One of the features that we were most enthusiastic about was the ability of our members to access this source remotely from their desks. However, Hein no longer permits remote use, claiming that publishers, fearing abuses, have forced them to adopt this policy. Although we have protested, at present there is no remote access to this service. As an alternative, we will be happy to copy what you need and fax it to you.

### ***Welcome to New Members***

William Ahonen  
Mark Baran  
Gilbert E. Blomgren  
Miles Camp  
L. Bryan Carr  
Jason Gibbons  
Mark Hura  
Rebecca A. Kucera  
Hans C. Kuenzi  
Michael P. Lograsso  
Michael Maly  
Walter McKew  
Thomas M. McNerney  
Marian P. Nelson  
Nadine Owen  
James Sassano  
Mark Schlachet  
Sam Thomas III  
Janice M. Tretera

## ***DAYS THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED***

The Law Library will be closed the following days in 2003:

- Memorial Day, Monday, May 26
- Independence Day, Friday, July 4
- Labor Day, Monday, September 1
- Columbus Day, Monday, October 13
- Election Day, Tuesday, November 4  
Library Closes at noon.
- Veteran's Day, Tuesday, November 11
- Christmas, Thursday, December 25

## ***COMPUTER ACCESS IN MAIN READING ROOM***

The Library has 6 computer terminals in-house that are available for accessing our electronic subscriptions and CD-ROM products, as well as using *Lexis* and the *Westlaw* product called *Keycite*. For the convenience of our members, we have moved 4 of these computers up front to carrels in the Main Reading Room. Because all 6 provide access to the Library's web catalog, we have also removed the antiquated public access terminal that was located near the Circulation Desk.

## ***PRESENTATION ON LEGAL RESEARCH IN THE INTERNET ERA***

Library Director, Kathy Sasala, and Reference and Research Librarian, Sue Altmeyer, recently gave a presentation about legal research on the Internet to a group of public librarians. The three hour presentation was held at the Orrville Public Library on March 25, 2003. The presentation covered legal research basics, as well as topics that may interest any attorney or paralegal. Topics included: using legal research portals, such

as Findlaw and Hieros Gamos; locating federal and state statutes and case law on the Internet; utilizing court Web sites and dockets; finding local ordinances; obtaining free forms on the Web; and evaluating secondary sources on the Internet. A copy of the presentation can be viewed on the Web at:

[clevelandlawlibrary.org/Presentation.html](http://clevelandlawlibrary.org/Presentation.html)

If your firm or company is interested in a similar presentation, which can be tailored to meet your needs, please call Kathy Sasala or Sue Altmeyer at (216) 861-5070.



- Corporations by Cox, Hazen & O'Neal (Little, Brown, 2002)
- 2002 State-by-State Guide to Managed Care (Panel, 2002)
- 2002 Federal Court of Appeals Manual (West, 2002)
- Patents Throughout the World (Clark Boardman Callaghan, 2002)
- Qualified Retirement Plans (West, 2002)
- Mergers, Acquisitions, and Buyouts (Panel, 2002)
- Lobbying, PACs and Campaign Finance: 50 State Handbook (2002)
- Lawyer's Register International by Specialties and Fields of Law
- The Law of Fraudulent Transactions (West, 2002)
- Understanding the AMA Guides in Workers' Comp. (Wiley, 2002)
- Shepard's Northeastern Reporter Citations (Current to 2000)
- International Business Transactions, 1995

## ***SERVICES YOU'D LIKE***

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- ' Information on Desktop Resources
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- ' Lexis Training
- ' Opinion Syllabi by E-mail
- ' Law Journal Contents by E-mail
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- ' Future Newsletters sent via email
- ' Other \_\_\_\_\_

## ***OUR WEB PAGE***

Have you visited our Web site lately? Add our site to your bookmarks or favorites at:

[clevelandlawlibrary.org](http://clevelandlawlibrary.org)

Take a few moments to browse our collection, and check out the "Members Only Area," where you can access a number of our electronic subscriptions and our collection of CD-ROM products.

## RESEARCH SURVIVAL: BASIC OHIO LEGISLATIVE MATERIALS IN BOOKS, CD-ROMs, ONLINE AND ON THE INTERNET

### Current Status:

Ohio General Assembly Online: [www.legislature.state.oh.us/search.cfm](http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/search.cfm)  
Ohio Capitol Connection: The Library subscribes to this service available via the Internet.  
Lexis: OHIO Library; OHTRCK file  
Westlaw: OH-BILLTRK Database  
Ohio Legislative Hotline: 1-800-282-0253

### Enacted Laws:

Ohio General Assembly Online: [www.legislature.state.oh.us/search.cfm](http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/search.cfm)  
Ohio Capitol Connection: The Library subscribes to this service available via the Internet.  
Laws of Ohio: KFO25.A3 - State published (Official) session laws, usually a few years behind  
Baldwin's Ohio Legislative Service: KFO15.B34 - Published monthly  
Page's Ohio Revised Code Bulletin: KFO30 1953 P3 - Published monthly  
Ohio Legislative Service Commission: KFO15.L43 - Summary of Enactments, a quick synopsis

### *Legislative History:*

#### Overview:

Ohio Legal Research Guide, by Melanie K. Putnam and Susan M. Schaeffgen (KFO 75.P88 1996)

A guide to legislative history in Ohio, prepared by Mike Franczak, Eric Vendel, Michael Griffaton.  
Columbus, Ohio : Legislative Service Commission, [1998]. Internet Access:  
[www.lsc.state.oh.us/membersonly/index.html](http://www.lsc.state.oh.us/membersonly/index.html)

Debates and Hearings: Not officially recorded.

#### Testimony and Committee Reports:

Ohio Capitol Connection (118th GA forward); also includes reporters' notes of Committee activity.  
Some testimony is filmed for inclusion with the bill analyses prepared by the Legislative Service Commission; the Bill Analyses are available on Ohio Capitol Connection.

#### Bills:

Ohio government website: [www.state.oh.us/ohio/ohiolaws.htm](http://www.state.oh.us/ohio/ohiolaws.htm)  
Ohio Capitol Connection

#### House and Senate Journals:

Contain only procedural accounts of the legislative activity of each chamber.

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#### *Quick Fix:*

*Find the code section in Page's or Baldwin's Ohio Revised Code.*

*Look at the History references following the statute.*

*Look up each reference in the Laws of Ohio to see what changes were made.*

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