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Mirela Roznovschi, Reference Librarian for International and Foreign Law  
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The Foreign, Comparative and International Law SIS Executive Committee presents the following programs during the Annual Meeting in San Antonio:

### Introduction to Latin American Legal Systems

Monday, July 18, 2005 from 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.

Speakers: **Professor Stephen Zamora and Assistant Professor Antonio Gidi**, both from Houston University.

Other substantive FCIL programming will be held in FCIL Interest Group meetings:

### Looking Eastward: Researching Asian Trade Law

Asian Law Interest Group Business Meeting

Wednesday, July 20, 2005, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Speaker: **Chenglin Liu**, Adjunct Professor of Law, Foreign and International Law Librarian at the University of Houston Law Center, and the IG Chair.

### CIS and Eastern European Law Interest Group,

Sunday, July 17, 2005, 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Featured speaker: **Irma Aladashvili**, Coordinator of the Law library and Information Centre for the Georgian Young Lawyer's Association in Tbilisi, Georgia.

### New Portals to Foreign and International Law

Electronic Issues Interest Group Business Meeting,

Saturday, July 16, 2005, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Speakers: **Marylin Raisch**, International and Foreign Law Librarian at Georgetown University Law Libraries and the IG Chair; **Mirela Roznovschi**, Reference Librarian for International and Foreign Law at New York University Law Library; **Emily Allbon**, Law Librarian from the City University, London, England (she received the Betty Moys Award 2004 for her work on a

student legal portal ([www.lawbore.net/](http://www.lawbore.net/)) and other special guests!

### New Developments in African Legal Systems: Ghana

African Law Interest Group Business Meeting, Sunday, July 17, 2005, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Victor Essien**, International Law Librarian & Adjunct Professor of Law at Fordham Law School, and African Law Interest Group Chair.

### Selectors of Foreign Law in Foreign Languages

Publication Committee Business Meeting,

Monday, July 18, 2005, 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

**Anne Burnett**, Reference/Foreign & International Law Librarian at the University of Georgia Law Library; **Linda Tashbook**, Foreign International Comparative Law Librarian at the University of Pittsburgh Barco Law Library; and **Dan Wade**, Associate Librarian for Foreign & International Law and Lecturer at the Yale Law Library will moderate a gathering of foreign law librarians and librarians in charge with acquisition of foreign law in the entire country. The meeting is being sponsored by the Northeast Foreign Law Librarians Cooperative Group.

### Panel on FCIL Librarianship

Teaching Foreign and International Research Interest Group, Tuesday, July 19, 2005, 11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

This session moderated by **Patricia A. Kasting**, Reference Librarian at Hofstra University Law School Library and **Mary Rumsey**, Foreign, Comparative, & International Law Librarian at the University of Minnesota Law Library will be devoted to a question-and-answer gathering on FCIL librarianship, aimed at people interested in becoming FCIL librarians or learning more about FCIL librarianship.

## New Member Spotlight, Cont'd

specialist for the State Library of Michigan. Dragomir has also worked as a reference law librarian for Hofstra University School of Law and the Michigan State University College of Law.

Dragomir handles most of the foreign and international reference questions that come to the library via the reference desk or through its faculty liaison program. He's fluent in English, Serbo-Croatian, Romanian and has a good working knowledge of the Russian language. Dragomir also teaches U.S. legal research to LLM students enrolled at IU-Indianapolis, as well as first year law students in the JD program.

His research interests are multiple. He and a colleague just published a new article which will come out in print on June 23, 2005. The "Recent Citation Practices of the Indiana Supreme Court and the Indiana Court of Appeals" is found in volume 24, issue 1/2 of the *Legal Reference Services Quarterly*, and it represents the first published bibliometrics study of Indiana's appellate courts. This study was funded in part by the AALL Online Bibliographic Services/Technical Services Joint Research Grant received in 2004.

Dragomir enjoys the challenges of attracting new members to ALL-SIS through its membership committee. Many of his JD students have heard and experienced his enthusiasm for law librarianship. He hopes to attract a new flock of future law librarians from the vast numbers of new lawyers.



Mary Elizabeth Williams is a Graduate Research Assistant at University of Washington, Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library. Born and raised in Pensacola, Florida, Beth earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Humanities from University of West Florida; a

Master of Arts Degree in Philosophy from

Marquette University and a Juris Doctor Degree from Syracuse University College of Law. She attends the Masters in Library and Information Science program at University of Washington as a full scholar and expects to graduate this August.

Prior to joining the Gallagher Law Library as an intern working in the Reference, Technical Services and Circulation Departments, Beth practiced law for two years in Maine where she worked for Penquis Law Project, a non-profit organization, representing low-income victims of domestic violence in family law matters. In addition, she coordinated and conducted legal clinics for public groups in rural outreach areas. She spent a year at Marquette University in Milwaukee Wisconsin working in an Educational Opportunity Program for first generation minority college students where she taught Introduction to Philosophy and Logic.

While in Law School, Beth received various awards and scholarships such as the National Association of Women Lawyers Award (2002), Book Award (2002), Dean's Scholarship (1999-2002), George and Leona Gray Memorial Scholarship (2000-2002), and Grant Opportunity Program Scholarship (2001). Her research interests include philosophy, law, ethics and legal research.

Beth has the makings of a future law librarian scholar. Her life long commitment to learning and academic scholarship coupled with a continuing desire to serve the educational and informational needs of the students and library patrons who are less fortunate, is what led her to pursue a career in academic law librarianship. When asked who is her source of inspiration or her mentor, she states:

I am very fortunate to have worked for and learned from some extraordinarily gifted women, Joan Sommer from

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## New Member Spotlight, Cont'd

Marquette University's Raynor Memorial Library; Leslie Bender, Professor of Law & Women's Studies at Syracuse University College of Law, Tamar Matthieu from the Penquis Law Project; and now Penny Hazelton, Professor of Law & Associate Dean for Library and Computing Services at University of Washington, Marian Gould Gallagher Law Library.

She hopes to continue her path of learning through her work beginning this fall as a reference librarian at Columbia Law School, Arthur W. Diamond Law Library in New York and someday be a source of inspiration or mentor to future academic law librarians.

## Member News

### New Hires & Promotions

**Radu D. Popa** was promoted from Acting Director to **Director of the Law Library and Assistant Dean for Library Services** at **New York University School of Law** in February 2005. In the past Radu was Associate Director for Research and Online Services.

**Neil Pereira** joined the **Southern Illinois University School of Law Library** professional staff on March 17, 2005, as **Acquisitions/Catalog Librarian and Assistant Professor**. Neil holds an M.S.L.I.S. degree from the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library and Information Science. Additionally, he earned a Masters of Music in Orchestral Conducting from Illinois State University and an M.A. in English Literature from the University of Bombay, India. Neil comes to SIU from Murray State University, where he served as a cataloger.

**Robert Mead**, Head of Public & Faculty Services of the **University of Kansas Wheat Law Library**, has been **granted tenure** and promoted to Librarian II.

**Martha Dragich Pearson**, Associate Dean for Library & Information Resources at the **University of Missouri-Columbia**, will take up **full-time teaching responsibilities** in the law school beginning in the fall semester. **Randy Diamond** has been named **Interim Director** for 2005 - 2006.

**Heidi Kuehl (Frostestad)** has joined the Pritzker Legal Research Center at **Northwestern University School of**

**Law in Chicago** as a **Research and Instructional Services Librarian**. Heidi received her bachelor's degree from Luther College, her master's degree in library and information science from the University of Iowa, and her J.D. from Valparaiso University School of Law. Prior to joining the Pritzker Legal Research Center, Heidi worked as a reference librarian at Marquette University Law School.

**Michael Hannon** will be joining the **University of Minnesota Law Library** as the new **Associate Director for Library and Educational Technology** in June. Mike graduated magna cum laude from the University of Minnesota Law School, and received his Masters in Library and Information Sciences from the University of Illinois. For the past five years, Mike has been a member of the library staff at the Duke Law School.

**Mitch Counts**, the **founding director** of the law library at the **Ave Maria School of Law**, will take a similar position at the **Elon University School of Law** in Greensboro, North Carolina. Mitch's position will be Associate Dean of Library and Information Services where he will be responsible for both library and information technology operations at the newly-created law school. Elon University's new law school will be one that will produce leaders engaged in community and public service, and will meet an unmet demand to educate more lawyers in the State of North Carolina. It plans to open in the fall of 2006 with 100 students. This summer Mitch will hire two student research assistants to help him with the National Lawyer Association's Judicial Evaluation Project. The selected students will research the "judicial persona" of potential U.S. Supreme Court nominees as contained in those individuals' court decisions, published writings, and public commentary. This project was suggested to the National Lawyer Association four years ago by Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah who indicated that the White House and members of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee were interested in having a source of review of judicial candidates other than the American Bar Association. The Ave Maria School of Law was the first institution contacted by the NLA to participate in this initiative, and it readily accepted. This will be the second year for both the project and Ave Maria's participation in it.

**Harold O'Grady** was hired as **Reference Librarian and Adjunct Professor of Law** at **Brooklyn Law School Library** in December 2003 after nearly thirty years practicing law. In his role as adjunct professor of law he teaches Advanced Legal Research. Harold completed his MLIS at Rutgers School of Communication and Information Sciences in New Brunswick, N.J., in May 2003.

**Marian Parker**, Associate Dean for Information Services, Director of the Professional Center Library, and Professor of Law at Wake Forest University, has been appointed for a **3-year term to the Depository Library Council for GPO**, starting in October 2005.

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## Member News, Cont'd

**Boston University's Pappas Law Library** is pleased to welcome two additions to its staff. **Stephen M. Donweber** is the new **Reference and Electronic Services Librarian**. He recently earned an MLIS at Rutgers University's School of Communication, Information, and Library Science and previously held a JD from Villanova University. Steve was the reference librarian intern at University of Pennsylvania's Van Pelt Library from January 2004 until March 2005. **Teresa Gallego O'Rourke** is the new **Reference and International Law Librarian**. Terri earned her M.L.S. from Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science and her J.D. from Villanova University. She was a temporary reference librarian at the Harvard Law Library from August 2004 until April 2005.

**Stefanie Pearlman** joined the **University of Nebraska Schmid Law Library Faculty** in September 2003 as an **Assistant Professor and Reference Librarian**. She received a B.A. in Social Sciences from Hofstra University in New York, a J.D. from Washington University in St. Louis, and her M.A. in Information Resources and Library Science from the University of Arizona. Stefanie was admitted to the practice of law in Missouri and practiced criminal law for over six years before leaving to attend library school. Her main areas of interest are animal law and criminal law.

## Retirements

From **Virginia Kelsh**, Law Librarian & Professor, University of San Francisco

I will retire on June 30th with emeritus status after 22 years as **Law Librarian & Professor at the University of San Francisco** and 37 years as a librarian. It has been a wonderful career and I don't think if it as "retiring" but "re-treading." I will move to Palm Desert where I own a condo on the golf course at Chaparral Country Club. I hope to widen my horizons taking courses at the College of the Desert or in a life long learning program; engaging in volunteer, consulting, or part-time work; and getting in shape with pool aerobics! I have already joined the Retired Directors listserv so hope to stay in touch with my former colleagues and academic law library news. I plan to keep my current e-address [kelsh@usfca.edu], at least for a while, so if anyone makes it out to a meeting or for vacation in the Palm Springs/Palm Desert area in southern California, let me know! Thank you for your wonderful sharing of expertise all these years so that each of us did not have to re-invent the wheel every time a challenge arose. You are a caring, talented, service-oriented group of professionals and I am grateful to have experienced my law library

career in your company! Watch for postings about the Law Librarian position at USF - the next director will inherit a new, spacious law library facility, an excellent staff, and a dynamic law faculty and student body.

## Articles and Chapters

**Martha Dragich Pearson**, *Citation of Unpublished Opinions as Precedent*, 55 Hastings L. J. 1235 (2004).

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**Chenglin Liu**, *Research Guide on the Trading Systems in the Asian-Pacific Region: APEC, ASEAN and their Members*, Globalex, April 2005, at [www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/APEC\\_ASEAN.htm](http://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/APEC_ASEAN.htm).

**Susan Nevelow Mart**, *Protecting the Lady From Toledo: Post-USA PATRIOT Act Electronic Surveillance at the Library*, 96 Law Libr. J. 449 (2004), available at [www.aallnet.org/products/2004-27.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/2004-27.pdf). **Law Library Journal Article of the Year Award Winner.**

**Radu D. Popa**, *International Law and International Organizations*, in *Roaming the Virtual Law Library: A Guide to Online Sources for Legal Researchers* 161 (Joan Liu & Liying Yu eds., 2004).

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**Leah Sandwell-Weiss**, *A Look at the USA PATRIOT Act Today: Recent Proposed Legislation to Affect Anti-Terrorism and Individual Rights*, 8 AALL Spectrum 10 (July 2004), available at [www.aallnet.org/products/pub\\_sp0407/pub\\_sp0407\\_PATRIOT.pdf](http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_sp0407/pub_sp0407_PATRIOT.pdf). **Spectrum Article of the Year Award Winner.**

Jeanne M. Woods & **James M. Donovan**, "Anticipatory Self-Defense" and Other Stories, 14 Kan. J.L. & Pub. Pol'y 487 (2005).

## Bibliographies

The **American Bar Association China Law Committee** recently published two China Law bibliographies prepared by **Kara Phillips**, Collection Development/Associate Executive Librarian, Seattle University Law Library:

- **Kara Phillips**, *Web-Based Research Guides on PRC Legal*

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and Business Resources, at [www.abanet.org/intlaw/committees/regional\\_comparative/china/bibliography.shtml](http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/committees/regional_comparative/china/bibliography.shtml).

- **Kara Phillips**, *Selected Books and Journal Articles in English on Chinese Law: The 2004 Year in Review*, at [www.abanet.org/intlaw/committees/regional\\_comparative/china/chinabibaba.doc](http://www.abanet.org/intlaw/committees/regional_comparative/china/chinabibaba.doc).

## Presentations and Seminars

**Tent City:** During the month of February 2005, Seattle University hosted Tent City 3, the temporary encampment that provides shelter, support and safety to approximately 100 homeless women and men ([www.seattleu.edu/tentcity/](http://www.seattleu.edu/tentcity/)). Reference Librarian **Kelly Kunsch** teamed with Ahoua Kone of the Seattle University School of Law Access to Justice Institute ([www.law.seattleu.edu/accesstojustice](http://www.law.seattleu.edu/accesstojustice)) to help residents of Tent City locate unclaimed property. Several tent city residents filled out request forms and ultimately, more than five state databases were searched, an Indian tribe was contacted, and information on requesting property from the military and the Internal Revenue Service was made available to residents.

On March 16th, Executive Law Librarian **Kristin Cheney** and Reference Librarian **Kerry Fitz-Gerald** spoke at a half-day continuing education seminar sponsored by the **Institute for Paralegal Education**. In keeping with the seminar theme of "Premier Legal Research and Technology Strategies," Kristin Cheney guided the attendees through the process of distilling an attorney request into a focused research question, highlighting methods of crafting successful and efficient strategies for conducting legal research. Kerry Fitz-Gerald covered essential techniques for Lexis and Westlaw, and then introduced a variety of free Web sources for legal research. The presentations were very well received, with several attendees expressing their eagerness to put these new techniques into practice. Kerry Fitz-Gerald also recently presented at an NBI CLE on the topic of Advanced Internet Strategies for the Washington Legal Professional.

Librarians **Kerry Fitz-Gerald**, **Stephanie Wilson**, and **Barbara Swatt** shared our experience in creating exhibits and displays at the **Online Northwest Conference** in Corvallis (January 2005) and at the **ACRL National Conference** in Minneapolis (April 2005). The presentations on "Using Technology to Bring Exhibits to Life" discussed the process of assembling complementary online and physical exhibits for various library constituents and covered design, copyright, implementation, and display issues encountered in

creating the exhibits. The presentation focused on the exhibits that the library created to complement the continuing legal education programs "From Brown to Grutter: Racial Integration and the Law in the Northwest" and "The New Family Law: Legal Implications of Same-Sex Marriage" held at the law school. For an example, view the Library's *Marriage for Same-Sex Couples* online exhibit by visiting our research portal at: [www.law.seattleu.edu/library/research](http://www.law.seattleu.edu/library/research).

Please send future submissions for the *ALL-SIS Member News Column* to Beth Adelman, [cadelman@gsu.edu](mailto:cadelman@gsu.edu).

## Celebrate National Library Week With Law School Specific READ Posters

Kristin A. Cheney

Seattle University Law Library Executive Law Librarian



Every year Seattle University Law Library celebrates National Library Week in much the same way as do many other law school libraries (e.g., "History of Libraries" exhibit, candy and free earplugs, fine amnesty, online crossword and other information-related puzzles, etc.). Although our faculty, staff and students all seemed to enjoy this year's activities and offerings, by far the most popular event was the unveiling of the law school "celebrity" READ poster exhibit. Modeled after the American Library Association's (ALA) celebrity READ posters, our four posters each featured a faculty member holding a book which they had chosen as one which held special significance to them. These 22" x 40" foam core posters were created using the ALA's READ CD, as well as Photoshop and Freehand software. The posters were part of a multi-panel display which

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## Law School Specific READ Posters, Cont'd

also showcased the selected books with excerpts explaining why the book was chosen. Each participating faculty member received an 11" x 20" laminated version of their poster, along with a set of in-house created bookmarks featuring our celebrity faculty.

In addition to promoting National Library Week, the READ poster exhibit also generated increased faculty interest in library activities. Faculty that rarely visit the library came over specifically to view their colleagues' posters, with many expressing interest to serve as future poster participants.

For more information on this project, take a look at our April newsletter, [www.law.seattleu.edu/information/newsletter/2005April/?mode=flash](http://www.law.seattleu.edu/information/newsletter/2005April/?mode=flash).

## Message from the Chair, Cont'd

workshops, roundtables or other ALL-SIS sponsored events that should be part of the 2006 AALL Annual Meeting in St. Louis, please take a look at the Call for Annual Meeting Program Ideas article in this newsletter and contact a member of the Program Committee.

I encourage you to complete the ALL-SIS Committee Assignment Request Form in this newsletter. Michael Slinger is in the process of forming the committees for 2005 - 2006, and he will be delighted to hear from you. If you have ideas for any other ALL-SIS activities or projects, feel free to contact Michael or another ALL-SIS Board member with your proposal. The ALL-SIS Executive Board is ready to make your great ideas happen.

I owe my heartfelt thanks to the ALL-SIS Executive Board for 2004 - 2005: Sally Wise as immediate past chair provided a wealth of insights at all the right times, Susan Lewis-Somers who

approached her first year as secretary-treasurer with zeal, Michael Slinger who is enthusiastically readying himself to assume the Chair, and Suzanne Thorpe who this past semester has been diligently conducting ALL-SIS business from Uppsala, Sweden. We welcome Carol Bredemeyer who will take Suzanne Thorpe's place as Member at Large, and Suzanne Thorpe as our incoming Vice Chair/Chair Elect.

I hope you make time to relax and have fun this summer, and I look forward to seeing you in San Antonio.

Sincerely,

Carole L. Hinchcliff  
ALL-SIS Chair



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**General Information**

**ALL-SIS was established in 1979 to promote interest in and to address issues of common concern to those employed in academic law libraries. The SIS serves as the umbrella organization for all interests—administration, collection development, consortia, directors, fees for service, interlibrary loan, public services, technical services, middle management, etc.**

**ALL-SIS provides opportunities for all librarians to contribute to the overall betterment of the entire academic law community. ALL-SIS has grown to more than 800 members and is the second largest SIS in AALL. Our members come from all aspects of academic law librarianship. Because of the SIS's broad coverage and subtopic focus, all those working in academic law libraries can benefit from membership and are encouraged to join.**

**The ALL-SIS Discussion Group**

The ALL-SIS discussion group, aka mailing list, is used for official ALL-SIS announcements, news from AALL, and discussion of topics of interest to our members. If you're a member of ALL-SIS, you should be automatically subscribed! To send a message to the list, address the message to [all-sis@aallnet.org](mailto:all-sis@aallnet.org). Please direct any questions to the forum moderator at [owner-all-sis@aallnet.org](mailto:owner-all-sis@aallnet.org). For more information, see *ALL-SIS Discussion Group Instructions*, 23 ALL-SIS Newsletter 18 (Summer 2004), available at [www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/23\\_3/Discussiongroup.htm](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/23_3/Discussiongroup.htm).

**ALL-SIS on the Web**

ALL-SIS is on the web! Visit the ALL-SIS Home Page at [www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/). Electronic versions of *The ALL-SIS Newsletter* are available on our website, as well as other vital information.

**Newsletter Information & Deadlines for 2005 - 2006 Academic Year**

Please submit all articles and announcements to the ALL-SIS Newsletter Editor. Are you working on any interesting special projects? Have you attended a meeting and learned something you want to share with colleagues? Do you just

want to rant and rave about some problems related to academic law librarianship? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please send your thoughts. Any format, printed, faxed, or e-mailed will do, but it would be easiest for Newsletter production if the article is sent either as an attached text or word processing file or as the body of an e-mail. The **deadlines** for the coming year's issues will be set this summer & posted on the ALL-SIS Newsletter page.

Thank you for your contributions and for your consideration.

**Your SIS Needs You Now!!**

Michael J. Slinger  
 Vice Chair/Chair Elect ALL-SIS

Working on an ALL-SIS committee is a wonderful way to make your mark on AALL. You get to work with and learn from colleagues who share common interests and help to contribute to the area of academic law librarianship that interests you.

Our SIS is only as strong as the membership makes it. We need your help to staff the SIS Committees, all of which serve as the working heart of our organization. Please help the ALL-SIS during the coming 2005 - 2006 academic year by volunteering for Committee assignments. If you have current Committee assignment(s), please let me know if you would like to continue to serve ALL-SIS in your current role, or if you would prefer to have a new Committee assignment for the coming year. Members of last years Committees should be aware that reappointments are not automatic. We do sincerely appreciate the work that all of our members do on our Committees, however, in order to give new Committee members an opportunity to serve I will be appointing some new members to committees especially in cases where Committee members have already served for more than one year.

Whether you are new to the SIS or the profession, or you just never got around to volunteering before, I hope you will consider submitting your preferences! We want to be known as the SIS that takes full advantage of the tremendous creative talent and energy of our members. Don't be surprised if I hear about your talents and call you even if you don't respond!

For information about the charges of each committee over the last year see:  
[www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/committees/charges/index.html](http://www.aallnet.org/sis/allsis/committees/charges/index.html).

1. Please select 3 choices, ranking your preferences, with 1 being the highest.
2. Return this form to me via email, fax or regular mail by Friday, June 17th.

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