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From the Executive of **VALL**

Judy Atkins

This is the last **VALL REVIEW** of the 1991-1992 season and my last report from the Executive. I would like to thank my colleagues on this year's Executive for all your hard work and enthusiasm. It has been a pleasure to work with you during the past months. I would also like to welcome the new Executive and express **VALL'S** appreciation in advance for the planning you will do during the summer months. The new Executive is:

President:	Carol Williams
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This season has been a full one for **VALL**. We have enjoyed a variety of interesting speakers and excellent attendance at our meetings. Our June meeting will be a round table discussion on several topics, including the effectiveness of **VALL**. If the round table format is successful, perhaps we can make it at least an annual event. We hope this discussion session will allow us to exchange ideas and information in a slightly more formal way than usual and to evaluate **VALL** and explore possible changes to the organization.

If you were unable to attend the June meeting and have ideas about how to improve **VALL** or suggestions for programs, please share them with any member of next year's Executive.

From the Editors

*Teresa Gleave
Joan Honeywell*

This jam-packed issue is our last for the 1991-1992 season. We have had lots of fun putting it together and wish to thank all who contributed in the last year. Thanks go to Western Legal for their continued support. Have a grand summer and we look forward to doing it again next year.

Deadline for the September 10th issue is August 20th, 1992.

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REPORT ON THE CALL CONFERENCE

As the recipient of this year's Peter Bark Memorial Fund Bursary, I would like to thank **VALL** for enabling me to attend the **CALL** Conference in Winnipeg. This conference was the first one I have attended that was not held in Vancouver, so the experience was new to me. Winnipeg blessed us with warm spring weather, which only enhanced the charm of the city. The Conference was held at the Westin Hotel, located exactly at the famous intersection of Portage and Main, which is every bit as windy as its reputation had led me to expect.

The Conference was well-attended, with approximately 250 people registered, and a large group of exhibitors. The pre-conference workshop, held on Sunday, May 10th, was "Law Libraries in the Mainstream" with Alice Sizer Warner. Some useful and practical information about preparing budgets, marketing library services, and generally surviving in these days of economic restraint came out of the discussion groups in the afternoon. The following three days of the Conference offered Special Interest Group forums, the A.G.M., plenary sessions, and social events.

The plenary session on Monday featured Wendy Whitecloud of the Academic Support Programme, Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, speaking on the role of the Academic Support Programme in encouraging Aboriginal Canadians to become lawyers and on issues particular to self-government. Professor Jack London, Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba, spoke on Aboriginal self-government and some financial aspects of Aboriginal land claims. It was definitely an interesting and timely presentation.

Tuesday, Professor Bill Graham, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, spoke on the history and implications of the integration of the European Community. Following his speech, Debra Forman of the International Business & Trade Law Library, Bora Laskin Library, University of Toronto, gave a very useful outline of sources of materials that deal with the E.C.

We were treated to an opening reception on Sunday night. On Monday night there were tours of the new Royal Winnipeg Ballet building and a brief performance of a new piece by the company, followed by an evening at The Forks, Winnipeg's large indoor/outdoor market area. Tuesday night was Western Night and we all donned bandannas as we rode out of town on the Prairie Dog Central Steam Train for a barbecue and a fine evening of line dancing at the Hitchin' Post Ranch. The Vancouver contingent was well-represented by some of our more talented dancers.

The exhibits gave us all a chance to meet our sales representatives and to see whatever new offerings were available, as well as the chance to acquire lots of new pens. There were draws for various prizes on both Monday and Tuesday. I mention this only to announce that I was the winner of one of the two 9600 baud Hayes modems given away by QL.

The sessions were all interesting. I attended two Special Interest Group forums, both of which taught me useful facts and skills to take back to enhance my job. I also had the chance to meet many of the people I speak to regularly, as well as to meet many new contacts.

I would like to thank **VALL** and the donors to the Peter Bark Memorial Fund Bursary for giving me the opportunity to attend the Conference.

Susan Crysler
McCarthy Tetrault

DID YOU KNOW?

Prior to 1988, all public, private, and local acts printed in the 1980-87 B.C. annual statutes appeared in the Table of Statutes, whether or not they were omnibus bills, and whether or not they had been amended or repealed.

From 1988 forward, although the description of the Table of Statutes states otherwise, omnibus bills are not listed in the Table of Statutes unless they have been amended or repealed.

Arlene Hartley, the editor of the Statutes of British Columbia has agreed to amend the description that precedes the Table of Statutes in the 1990 and subsequent bound statute volumes to specify that omnibus bills are not included if they have not been amended or repealed.

Rebecca Raworth
B.C. Courthouse Library Society

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DINNER WITH MADGE AALTO

On April 23rd, 1992, **VOLUG/SLA/VALL** jointly hosted a dinner for their members at the Coast Plaza Stanley Park with Madge Aalto, Director of Vancouver Public Libraries, as guest speaker. The sixty-seven attendees were optimistically and humorously informed about the design competition and selection process as well as future plans and projects for the new Library Square.

Ms. Aalto outlined five years of work beginning with the City Referendum in 1990, working with the architects in 1991, breaking ground in 1992, and the move to the new building expected in 1995.

Twenty-eight firms originally responded to the design competition; these were pared down to eight. The key to this group was the pairing of outside firms with local architectural partners. Three firms were chosen with the unanimous support of City Council at each step along the way. The public was invited to participate by completing a questionnaire; over 7,000 took the time to complete the form with seventy percent choosing Proposal "C." One of the most interesting techniques used in the selection process was a tour of each of the three models with a miniature television camera, simulating a tour along Georgia Street, the plaza, and entering the library and discovering the friendliness and ease of access for each model.

Proposal "C" was the winning design awarded to Downs/Archambault & Partners of Vancouver and Moshe Safdie & Associates Inc. of Boston. The architects have a twelve week period to satisfy the City by conforming to the required specifications such as raising the library one floor, increasing the lighting standards, and increasing the floor space. Ms. Aalto has no doubt these conditions can be met.

Once established in the new building, Ms. Aalto suggested that circulation will double within eight to twelve months, reference queries will increase by forty percent and staffing needs will grow exponentially.

As the collections expand, compact shelving will be implemented and a special collection area will be developed for intrinsically valued collections. Audio visual materials will be concentrated in one area rather than in all divisions; similarly, periodicals and newspapers will be housed together with indices and reprography. A corporate services section will run a fee for service to the business and industry community. Taped or satellite transmissions of cultural events within the main library will be provided to other branches or to other parts of the province. Plans for technology will be the best possible for 1995.

Twelve million dollars is needed for capital expenditure over the next five years. Ms. Aalto would be grateful for any help we can give to the Library. Also, she would like input on what facilities we might like - such as a room with terminals and reprography to conduct our research.

Ms. Aalto concluded with replying to queries from the floor covering seismic safety to cafeteria space to Sunday service.

Joan Honeywell
VALL REVIEW Editor

WHAT'S HOT OFF THE PRESS?

Butterworths

Pat McKittrick
Legal Sales Representative

Butterworths is responding to the challenge of publishing in the nineties by bringing out more and better books all the time. No matter how tough the economic recession may be, publications which are of high quality and aimed at the specific needs of practitioners are always in demand.

There is no better example of *Butterworths'* quality than Sopinka, *The Law of Evidence in Canada*. Now expanded to include all aspects of the law of evidence, this is designed to meet the needs of any lawyer involved in litigation. We think it was "worth waiting for."

Our looseleaf series, *Canadian Forms and Precedents*, is developing at a steady pace. The *Commercial Transactions* module will soon be shipped. The innovative structure of this service allows you to buy any or all of the five major subject areas. This allows you to fulfil the specific needs of your firm at the lowest possible cost.

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Butterworths, continued...

In another attempt to respond to decreasing library budgets, we are creating a new Volume 4 to Access to Canadian Income Tax, at no additional charge. Also, the newsletter may now be ordered separately from the looseleaf portion. If you have tax researchers who have not yet awakened to the benefits of Access, they will be eternally grateful to discover its unique features. Ask us for details!

In months to come there will be a new immigration looseleaf service by Waldman. There will be new books by the Rozovskys including one on AIDS and the law and a new version of the law of patient records. Aggarwal's new edition of Sexual Harassment is now released and there will also be an employer's guide for coping with this issue of current concern.

Also watch for: Roach, The Canadian Law of Mortgages of Land; Adair, The Law and Practice Relating to Advocacy Skills; Manes, Privilege in Canadian Law; Young, Alcohol, Drugs and the Workplace; Keyes, Executive Legislation; and Thomas, Canadian Business Corporations Act Annotated, and others too numerous to mention.

Don't forget: all's fair in love and war. Both of those words apply to the struggle to protect the library's budget. Best regards from Butterworths, where we try to give you your money's worth.

CCH Canadian Limited

Joan Honeywell
Electronic Account Manager

CCH Canadian Limited has been involved in intense strategic planning for some months as part of the international corporate strategic planning process. As a result of this reorganization the Company is pleased to announce that Terry Hemingway is VP, Product Management, and Bonnie Preece is Manager, New Product Development. For those who recently attended **CALL** in Winnipeg you may have met Terry at the booth. She will be happy to reply to any queries on editorial policy, suggestions for amendments or additional inclusion of materials in existing products. Bonnie Preece, who has had a long association with **CALL**, looks forward to receiving proposals for new services or books in either print or electronic format.

CCH Access is the international corporate logo for electronic products. Tax materials are available electronically from Canada, U.S., Australia, and England. In the U.S., the Standard Federal Tax Reporter has just been released in CD ROM; demonstrations of this product will begin in Canada this summer. This service is updated monthly with a new disk and this seems to be an attractive alternative to weekly filing for twenty-two volumes! The service is also available online. In Canada, the Company is pleased with the positive response to the ITA Series and will be releasing additional components in the fall. As the Series expands, it will also be available in CDROM format. French language versions will be issued this summer.

The Company has included in our materials many of the suggestions put forth by **VALL** members---please continue keeping us informed with your excellent comments.

Canada Law Book

Mary Cull
Advertising

With the new second edition of The Law of Dismissal in Canada, Second Edition you have the only book that comprehensively analyzes all the significant dismissal cases across Canada. This practical and expertly written text:

- sets out the rules and principles which the courts have developed for each particular problem or subject area
- offers strategies for employers, employees, and counsel
- summarizes all of the law on each particular point including relevant case citations
- provides a far larger number of tests, types of misconduct, factors respecting notice and damages, analyses, case law, and new issues and trends than any other text.

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Canada Law Book, continued...

Now there is a single, comprehensive source which gives you the employment and labour law precedents in use in the Ontario and federal jurisdictions. More than just a collection of forms, *O'Brien's Encyclopedia of Forms, Eleventh Edition, Labour Relations and Employment* also offers you commentary by two of the leading practitioners in the field. Their expert commentary includes:

- a complete overview of the law covering enforcement, prosecutions, practice and procedure, appeals and other essential topics
- up-to-date references and sources for the statutes and regulations

Areas covered include: Human Rights, Pay Equity, Employment Equity, Unemployment Insurance, Workers' Compensation, Occupational Health and Safety, Labour Standards, Discharge, Strike and Lockout, etc.

The Legal Framework of Government: A Canadian Guide gives you a practical survey of the law, policy, and politics which together regulate the different functions of the federal government. It also offers you a new way of analysing the role of law in the conduct of public affairs. This is the first book to divide all the federal statutory provisions dealing with the conduct of public affairs on a topic-by-topic basis. You will be able to find quickly the appropriate provisions when advising clients.

Updated to R.S.O. 1990, the new revised edition of the *Pay Equity Handbook: A Step-by-Step Guide to Implementing Equal Pay for Work of Equal Value in Ontario* simplifies the processes and concepts of this complicated piece of legislation. Each step is highlighted and explained in full to give you a clear understanding of the rules and how to apply them. Commentary has been revised to reflect emerging interpretations of the *Act*. In addition, easy-to-follow flow charts give you a complete overview as well as a systematic method for applying the rules.

In *Canada Labour Relations Board: An Annotated Guide*, Graham Clarke, former counsel to the Canada Labour Relations Board, provides you with a complete and practical guide to the CLRB including:

- annotations from more than 1,000 CLRB and court decisions interpreting the *Canada Labour Code*
- commentary on and cross-references between applicable *Code* sections
- sections on Occupational Health and Safety, Practice and Procedure; and the Board's Regulations
- regular releases to keep you fully up-to-date with CLRB decisions

CAN/LAW Developments

Effective May 4th, 1992 the CAN/LAW series of databases will be available as part of Southam's *Infomart Online* services on the Wisdom network.

Subscribers will still be able to access all the CAN/LAW databases using the Wisdom search language. In addition, customers will also have ready access to the entire *Infomart Online* system. This extensive system currently features over 70 Canadian databases in addition to more than 600 international databases.

Canada Law Book will be working closely with *Infomart Online* to ensure that this beneficial change will be as problem-free as possible.

Canadian Human Rights Reporter

Barbara Hopkins
Managing Editor

Barbara Hopkins announces that the Consolidated Index to the *CHRR*, Volumes 1-12, 1980-1990 will be available this summer.

Carswell

Leanne Berry
Acquisition Editor

A new reference for law librarians has been launched, called the *Librarian's Newsletter*. The Newsletter sets out in an informal format, information on publications and other *Carswell* news of interest to law librarians. Issue 1 of Volume 1 is now available.

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Carswell, continued...

B.C. Titles

New this year is the B.C. Securities Act and Regulation 1992. Similar in scope to the Ontario Securities Act and Regulation, this new Annual consolidates the Act, Regulation, Forms, Local and National Policy Statements, Uniform Policies, Blanket Orders and Rulings, and Notices and Interpretation Notes. A new B.C. edition, as well as an Alberta consolidation, will be out late this fall.

The second update to the Annotated Insurance (Motor Vehicle) Act was published in May. This release updates the case law to January 31st and brings the Act and Regulation current to April 1st. The fourth release to the Annotated B.C. Company Act was similarly sent out in April, updating the annotation to December 31st. The fifth release is schedule for publication in early fall.

National Titles

A number of new titles will be published in June. The Law of Interest by Mary Anne Waldron of the University of Victoria Faculty of Law, provides a complete review of the law relating to interest regulation and calculation, plus practical tips on drafting interest clauses.

Also due out in June is Adult Guardianship Law in Canada by Professors Rob Gordon and Simon Verdun-Jones of S.F.U.'s School of Criminology. This supplemented book covers the law and issues relating to adult guardianship and committeeship across Canada, including Quebec and the Territories. The authors have also prepared comparative tables of the legislation in all jurisdictions.

A number of new titles will also be appearing in The Statutes of Canada Annotated collection of bound annuals and biannuals. Purchasers of these annotations are kept abreast of legislative changes through pocket supplementation. Published to date are the Annotated Labour Code, Evidence Act, Customs Act, and Competition Act, along with the familiar annotations of the Immigration Act, Tremear's Criminal Code, the Bankruptcy Act, Indian Act and Unemployment Insurance Act. The Copyright Act is due out within a few weeks. Expected later this summer and fall are the annotated Citizenship, Bank, and Crown Liability and Proceedings Acts, and new editions of the Annotated Unemployment Insurance, Indian and Immigration Acts.

Electronic Publishing

Canadian Law Online is now in general release. Users are reminded to check under "Announcements - Contents of the Database" when they log on, to keep abreast of developments in the database.

Electronic Publishing's Education Coordinator, Sam MacKenzie, will be in Vancouver in mid-July for a C.M.A. Conference. She will be available during that time to provide assistance to subscribers on both Canadian Law Online and Canadian Tax Online. A recent arrival at Electronic Publishing is Phil Faughnan, who is responsible for Sales, Electronic Information. Phil was previously with Infoglobe.

Canadian Abridgment

Revised Vols. R14B, R14C, and R14D of the second edition, containing the revised titles Environmental Law, Equity, Estates and Estoppel were published in March. Revised Vol. R14A, Employment Law, was published in April and updates and consolidates to the end of 1991, the material previously appearing under Master & Servant and Workers' Compensation.

Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia

Karen Imeson
Publications Co-ordinator

We're Really Moving

CLE continues to have an active publishing season and has indeed outgrown our existing premises. An earlier announcement that we are moving still applies. We will move sometime within the next few months to premises at 845 Cambie Street, and will join the Law Society who have lived there since January. Our PLTC program will occupy the building next door, 839 Cambie. Stay tuned for further details.

New Faces

CLE has undergone some restructuring during the last few months, particularly in the course material and book publishing areas. In an attempt to better coordinate the two areas, the position of Publications Director has been phased out, and our current Program Director has become the overall Director of Education. Linda Rainaldi, legal editor, now becomes Managing Editor of the books area. Karen Imeson

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Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, continued...

remains Publications Coordinator (in course materials).

Any book/course material enquiries can be directed to one of two people in our customer service department: Ellen Talney or Tracey Norman.

New Titles

CLE course materials dealing with practice issues in a wide range of law-related topics continue to be popular items in law offices and libraries. Watch for our announcement advertising the annual summer Clearance Sale with terrific savings.

Our book publishing activity continues to thrive with two new practice manuals in the works and many updates in progress. Here's the news in books!

- Look for the British Columbia Mortgages Practice Manual due out this June at a cost of \$275, and Practice Before the Registrar promised for the Fall.
- If you haven't yet ordered our very successful land title trio, here is some updated information. Volumes 2 and 3 of the Land Title Practice Manual are new releases containing selected annotated sections of provincial and federal statutes relevant to land title practice. And, the 150-page update to Volume 1 is now available. The package of three 8 1/2" x 11" looseleaf binders sells for \$475. All practising conveyancers should also be aware of the companion Land Title Transfer Forms Guidebook. Now out in 2nd edition, the "green book" is available in softcover for \$25.
- Our personal injury extravaganza, the British Columbia Motor Vehicle Accident Claims Practice Manual, continues to enjoy popularity since its release in January of this year. You can buy your copy for \$275.
- CLE's quick reference to recent developments in thirty areas of law, Annual Review of Law & Practice, includes a review of law updated to January 1, 1992. It is available for \$95, and plans include a new edition in early 1993.

Updating Services

As promised, CLE has implemented our automatic update service, effective May 7, 1992. This means that you will receive annual updates and new editions as soon as they are published. For those who do not wish to receive updates automatically, you will receive notification when an update becomes available. For further information, or if you would like a list of all CLE titles that have annual updates, contact our customer service representatives.

Disk Products

Most of our practice manuals are produced with accompanying disk products formatted in your choice of WordPerfect or Microsoft Word, on IBM-PC compatible disks. The disks contain forms and precedents, jury charges, agreement clauses, or checklists, and can be purchased separately from the manuals. Watch for announcements.

Square One

Thanks to all of you who have sent us your comments and suggestions regarding changes to our Index to CLE Publications - Square One. We expect this year's annual supplement and new cumulative index to be available in June and apologize for the lateness of the 1992 material. We will be incorporating some improvements in both the Index and the Profiles, and sincerely hope the new product will prove more workable to users. Keep those comments coming in - we appreciate your concern.

Come and Browse!

Remember that CLE has a browsing area where you can review all available books and course materials. Come and pay us a visit - we are still located at 200-1148 Hornby Street until further notice.

Queen's Printer

Ian Coates
Director, Printing Supplies

The Queen's Printer in cooperation with the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council has developed a service which allows electronic viewing of the Votes and Proceedings, Orders of the Day and the Progress of Bills.

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Queen's Printer, continued...

As the Votes, Orders, and Bills are tabled in the Legislature they are immediately available for viewing and downloading into your system, twenty-four hours a day, on the *Queen's Printer Communications Network*. To gain access to this service requires a personal computer and a modem.

If you are interested in obtaining this new service, the *Queen's Printer* is offering a free two week trial period. After the trial period you may register as a full time user by sending in a *Queen's Printer* requisition or a purchase order. The cost for the service is \$100.00 per Legislative session.

If you have any questions regarding this service, contact Ron Green or Ken O'Connor at 387-6556.

Quickscribe Services Ltd.

Victor Pasta

Quick Acts

Electronic versions of statutes and regulations are available from *Quickscribe Services* as a supplement to their popular looseleaf convenience legislation manuals. These include: Motor Vehicle, Municipal, Land Title, Insurance (Motor Vehicle), Family Relations, Securities, Motor Carrier, Commercial Transport, Industrial Relations, and Forest Acts. The statutes are often combined with some related regulations and have been produced in cooperation with *Guy Software* of Vancouver, developer of Racontex - a quick, search and retrieval program designed for large text databases. The *Quick Act* versions are set up for use with an IBM/PC or compatible XT, AT or PS2 with a hard disk. It is an excellent reference tool that can search specific words, phrases or sections of acts with quick, easy-to-use keywords and numbers. In addition, you can send whatever portion of text you select from your screen to your printer for hard copy output - even in Word Perfect!

Acts such as the *Motor Vehicle Act* is combined with Regulations 26/58 and a number of subscribers have found it ideal for searching two texts simultaneously.

Quickscribe Services plans to produce two updates a year for most of these products, at which time the entire disk is replaced for the subscribers. Costs for the *Quick Acts* range from \$50 to \$125. You may ask for a brochure detailing the pricing, etc. by contacting *Quickscribe Services Ltd.*

Western Legal Publications

Nancy Cotter
Director of Administration

What's New From Western Legal?

Just a reminder that the 1992 edition of our *White Book (The B.C. Annual Practice)* has been published but is selling rapidly! Pricing is the same as it was last year - \$75.00 for a single copy - with multiple copy discounts to as low as \$45.00 per copy when sixteen copies are ordered.

The 1991 update to our *Table of Cases Reported* to the *B.C. Decisions, Civil & Criminal Cases* has recently been mailed out to those of you on standing order. If you did not receive an update, please contact Nancy Cotter or Judy Ross at 687-5671 to order.

In the Works...

Western Legal is pleased to announce that we are working on making the following new services available before the end of 1992:

- Cumulative editions of our *Table of Cases Reported* - for B.C. and Alberta. For example, with respect to the *B.C. Decisions*, we would make available one cumulative index covering from commencement of publication (1972) up to and including 1991 (we are also compiling a similar index to the *Alberta Decisions*).
- *Charter of Rights Decisions, Consolidated Index* to Volumes XVI through XX
- *B.C. Industrial Relations Council Decisions Cumulative Index* - this service will provide a cumulative Party index, Section Index, and an IRC Decisions judicially cited Index

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•A new digesting service to the *B.C. Environmental Appeal Board Decisions!* We have not formalized the format and scope of this publication as yet, although we are considering including several B.C. Statutes: the Environmental Management Act, Pesticide Control Act, Waste Management Act, Water Act, and Wildlife Act *with* case annotations. Feedback from the membership is welcome!

COMMITTEE NOTES

INFOLEX UPDATE

CLIC's INFOLEX project PHASE I - Cost Projections for Law Libraries in Canada - has been completed. The documents produced as a result of this project consist of the Main Report by Price Waterhouse, a Summary Report, INFOLEX Advisory Group Report, and Provincial Profiles: Canada's Law Library Resources 1991.

The Summary Report, the Advisory Group Report, and the Provincial Profiles will be published as a special issue of Canadian Law Libraries.

This study was perceived as a starting point for a series of studies looking at all aspects of law library expenditures, such as services, labour costs, and the role of technology. Since CLIC ceased to exist as of April 30, 1992, the continuation of the project was in serious jeopardy. At the Winnipeg **CALL** Conference, several resolutions were made asking for the membership's support for establishing some means for continuing these studies. All the resolutions were passed unanimously and **CALL** is now the custodian of the data gathered through the questionnaires. If possible, some of the data will be used in the future studies. Confidentiality of the respondents will be protected.

Here are some of the highlights of the Price Waterhouse cost projections for private law libraries:

Labour costs will increase by 4.0%, online charges by 13.1%, acquisition costs by 11.6%, and cost recovery will increase by 4.1%.

Liisa Riesen-Tella
INFOLEX Advisory Group

INFOBITS

VALL • Sept. 10 - Mark your calendars now for the first fall luncheon meeting. Notices will be sent to members as usual.

SLA/WCC

• June 18 - Barbie Keiser, *How information*

technology has changed the nature of the workplace and has increased the need to plan for information. Ms. Keiser's consulting firm encourages the innovative use and management of information. Ms. Keiser is the author of many articles and will be coming to Vancouver after presenting a paper at **SLA** in San Francisco.

Contact Grace Makarewicz, ICBC. Time: 5:30 p.m.; Location: Brock House; Price: \$16.00.

AALL • July 18 - 23. Annual Convention in San Francisco.

BIBLIO NOTES

Recent items of interest from library and legal literature.

Forming and implementing a national information policy. By Brian Campbell. In *Canadian Library Journal*, February 1992, pp. 13-16.

In this opinion piece the author argues that librarians should be working to develop a policy to protect the right of free public access to information which is seriously threatened by the trend in treating information as a commodity to be bought and sold. He describes the success of the A.L.A. in criticizing U.S. government information policies and their effect on libraries. He calls on the C.L.A. Executive to provide similar political leadership in Canada.

Gateways: a snare and a delusion. By Judith M. Bird. In *Info* [Association des Bibliothèques de Droit de Montreal Association of Law Libraries Newsletter], April 1992, Vol. 3, No. 5, pp. 2-7.

As indicated by the title, the author describes the problems, hidden costs, and lack of complete access to various databases when using gateways such as CBANET and QL (for Westlaw) to access infrequently used databases such as newspapers and indexes. For

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example, it is noted that Westlaw does not allow offline printing in Canada; and searching via CBANET means no online help and restricted searching flexibility when compared to subscription access to the same database.

Help is on its way: who, what, when, and where. By Vicki Casey. In *Database Canada*, April 1992, Vol. 4, Iss. 3, pp. 1, 6-8.

A survey of the customer services available for a variety of online vendors. Provides a directory of the services for QL, CAN/OLE, DIALOG, etc. plus phone numbers and details on hours of availability. Includes tips for effective usage of help lines.

How to develop a marketing plan for a law firm library. By Kathy Shimpock-Vieweg. In *Law Library Journal*, Winter 1992, Vol. 84, No. 1, pp. 67-91.

The importance of marketing to the success of a law firm library cannot be ignored. This article outlines the steps necessary to develop a viable marketing plan, including conducting the situation analysis; setting objectives and goals; creating a marketing strategy; establishing a budget; obtaining management approval; and implementation of the plan. This practical guide is supplemented by a sample marketing plan and a bibliography.

BOOKSTORE

B.C. Gazette Part II Available

1987, v. 30 (missing index)
1986, v. 29 (missing index and #11)
1985, v. 28 (missing index and #13, #14)
1980, v. 23
1979, v. 22

Contact: Yoko Berialt, Thorsteinssons, P.O. Box 49123, 2703-595 Burrard St., Vancouver, B.C. V7X 1J2; Phone 688-1261; Fax 688-4711.

B.C. Labour Relations Board Decisions, 1974-83. \$1,000 obo.
Contact: Dick Lester, Ladner Downs, 900 Waterfront Centre, 200 Burrard St., Vancouver, B.C. V7X 1T2; Phone 640-4247.

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New Faces

Denise Bonin, Information Consultant