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Director's Corner

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Happy Holidays to each and every one of you. On behalf of myself and each staff member - Susanna, Minnie, Jennifer, Charlene, Pam, Janice, and Steve - we want thank you for your continued support this year.

Our Brown Bag Lunch Program for 2018 was a huge success due to those of you who show up. We had 13 programs with more than 200 attendees. That is a nice increase from 170 in 2017. We hope you are enjoying our new programming room. Remember that this new room is also available for your group meetings. There is no charge to use the room; call and reserve it now! Below is our exciting slate of programs for the first half of 2019.

We created two small meeting rooms in 2018 for you to use for attorney/client meetings, quiet study, and phone calls. These rooms accommodate four people and are mostly first come, first served, but we will take reservations if you know you have a meeting scheduled. Our larger conference room seats eight comfortably and comes with a white board, conference phone, and computer projection hook-up. Call to reserve this room for depositions or other larger meetings.

We also created a quiet reading room space for those who don't mind sharing a room, but don't want the noise from the main floor of the law library. We hope you are finding this space useful and continue to honor its policies. Moving our patrons to the common area of the law library has also been successful. We work hard on a daily basis to provide reliable access to Westlaw, LexisNexis, HeinOnline, Fastcase, and all Microsoft Office products. We also appreciate your patience when it's just one of those days and the printers or computers are down. Know we're doing our best to keep those interruptions to a minimum.

Almost 1,300 of you have a library card which gives you access to check out books from our more than 5,000-title collection and our growing collection of eBooks. We average about 1,300 books checked out each year and would love to see that number rise. We no longer charge overdue fines, so don't feel intimidated by pesky fines. Give us a call with your SCO number to sign up for a card

today!

In addition to new rooms, you will also find hundreds of forms are free to you from your home or office and we are always taking requests for new forms. You can now access a Legal Resources database from the site. This database provides access to more than 300 full-text reference books and thousands of legal forms. We are continuing to grow our Legal Research Guides based on your recommendations.

We look forward to serving you in 2019. Please stop by or email us with your comments or suggestions. We always love hearing from you!

Holiday Closures

Scheduled Law Library Closure Dates

December 4, 2018 - Closing at 4:00 for staff event
December 24 - 25, 2018 - Christmas
December 31, 2018 - New Year's Eve
January 1, 2019 - New Year's Day
January 21, 2019 - Martin Luther King Day

2019 Brown Bag Lunch Series Announced

January - June Programs

We are very excited to announce our slate of programs for the first half of 2019's Brown Bag Lunch Series. We have requested one hour of CLE credit for all attendees for all six programs this year. We are awaiting confirmation from the SCO. All programs will take place from 12:15 - 1:15 in our programming room. Please bring your own brown bag lunch. Check future newsletters to confirm CLE credit.

January 9, 2019 - Setting up a Network for a Small Law Office: Steve Stultz, owner of SQ Systems, will give information on setting up your own network. He'll discuss connecting copiers and printers, software useful to small law offices, and helpful equipment.

February 6, 2019 - Sealing and Expungement Laws: With sealing and expungement laws amended in recent months, the staff of the FCMC Self-Help Clinic will break down all you need to know.



March 13, 2019 - Franklin County Community Based Correctional Facility: The Franklin County CBCF is a 200-bed facility for men and women. Director Jacki Dickinson will share information about how this alternative to prison may benefit your clients.

April 10, 2019 - Parenting Coordinators: Parenting Coordination is a child-centered process which seeks to reduce conflict during divorce. Three local PC's will share their experience and answer questions.

May 19, 2019 - Working with Sovereign Citizens: Staff from the Supreme Court of Ohio and OSU Law Library will discuss ways to handle requests from sovereign citizens. The target audience for this program will be court personnel who receive requests based on legal misinformation.

June 12, 2019 - Legal Aid Portal: The new Ohio Legal Aid Help Website provides Ohioans legal information and self-help tools to navigate the legal system. Developers will explain the site and offer tips on how it could be beneficial to your clients.

A change is being made to the reservation policy in order to accommodate those wishing to attend. [Registration will be limited to 24 participants and be strictly enforced.](#) Anyone who shows up without a reservation will be turned away. We will begin confirming reservations a few days before the program. We ask that anyone who must cancel their reservation let us know so we can give your spot to another person.

Law Library History: Salaries Approximately 50 Years Ago

Jennifer Jones

Going into 1968, Law Librarian Thomas Buker researched the salaries of several law librarians in Ohio's largest metropolitan areas to show that Franklin County paid its staff significantly less. At this time in Ohio law library history, the judges of the common pleas courts set the salary of the law librarian and assistant law librarian, and their salaries were paid from the county's general fund. However, Mr. Buker found that "We operate with less personnel than other libraries, at lower salaries, and with only the librarian professionally trained" (Librarian's Report, Jan. 20, 1968).

The results of Mr. Buker's salary survey are quite enlightening. While the results show much variance and do not really contain enough information to indicate overall trends, they also indicate that no salary survey in the late 1960s was complete without a breakdown of the sex of the employee (not the years of experience).

As you read the results below, notice Akron's progressive initiatives in compensating a female non-attorney quite well and in employing three staff members with library science degrees, a practice which is common now but was not 50 years ago.

<u>Cleveland Law Library Association</u>		
	<u>County Funds</u>	<u>Library Funds</u>
Law Librarian (Attorney - Male)	\$15,000.00	
Assistant Law Librarian (Attorney - Male)	10,000.00	
Secretary		\$ 6,500.00
Part Time Employee		2,100.00
Part Time Employee		2,100.00

<u>Cincinnati Law Library Association</u>		
	<u>County Funds</u>	<u>Library Funds</u>
Law Librarian (Attorney - Female)	\$ 9,300.00	
Assistant Law Librarian	5,800.00	
Clerk		\$ 4,500.00
Clerk Part Time		3,000.00 est.
Clerk Part Time (Additional casual labor hired constantly)		960.00

Information received October 5, 1967.

NOTE: Law Librarian past retirement age and contemplating retirement. Replacement Librarian's salary has been anticipated at \$12,000 - \$15,000.

<u>Dayton Law Library Association</u>		
	<u>County Funds</u>	<u>Library Funds</u>
Law Librarian (Attorney - Female)	\$ 8,500.00	(\$ 1,500.00)
Administrative Assistant	6,500.00	
Accession Clerk		5,200.00
Inventory Clerk Part Time		1,750.00
Filing Clerk Part Time		1,750.00
Upkeep		3,600.00

Information received October 5, 1967.

NOTE: There is paid from county or court funds extensive moneys for library expenses not shown above.

Akron Law Library Association

	<u>County Funds</u>	<u>Library Funds</u>
Law Librarian (Library Science Degree only - not an attorney - Female)	\$11,500.00	
Assistant Law Librarian (Library Science Degree only - not an attorney - Female)	8,400.00	
Assistant Law Librarian (Library Science Degree only - not an attorney - Female)	8,400.00	
Secretary		\$ 4,800.00 Approx.
Secretary		4,200.00 Approx.
Secretary		3,900.00 Approx.
Pages - Part Time		Hourly Rates
Cleaning - Part Time		Hourly Rates

Columbus Law Library Association

	<u>County Funds</u>	<u>Library Funds</u>
Law Librarian (Attorney)	\$ 7,800.00	
Filing, Accessions, Upkeep		\$ 4,800.00
Filing, Accessions, Upkeep		4,200.00
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