Director's Corner
Angela T. Baldree, MLS

As I previously reported, I am on the Columbus Dispatch Reader Advisory Board. Recently the Board held their meeting at the Columbus Dispatch printing facility off of Georgesville Road. We toured the building for 90 minutes.

We began the tour where every newspaper begins its existence – with the paper. Train tracks actually run into the building where up to six rail cars can unload paper rolls about twice a month. The stacks of paper represent a 30-day supply. The covers on those rolls are then removed and a two-day supply of rolls moved into an area where water is lightly misted and yellow lights are shined onto them to keep them from drying out. Thirteen robots move these rolls of paper to the presses.

Aluminum print panels are printed for each page of the final newspaper. Each panel contains three copies of each page, so one rotation of the cylinder prints three copies. These panels are then recycled. There are four presses in the plant. One man designed the presses, and three men from Switzerland built them. These presses are unique to this plant. When the pages are all printed, assembled, and folded into a final paper, each is grabbed by the overhead chain movers and taken to the mail room.

The mail room is where the newspapers get the various advertisements, magazines, and flyers inserted into them. They are then bundled, wrapped, and moved to one of ten delivery bays to be taken to one of four distribution sites. The deadline for the first edition of the Columbus Dispatch is 9:15 pm and 10:15 for the final edition. Thus most of the printing for the newspaper takes place overnight.
brings rolls of paper to be stacked on the left.

A robot on its way to pick up a roll of paper.

A two-day supply of paper waiting to be installed on the presses.

One aluminum panels used to print three copies of each page of the newspaper.

Bundles of Thanksgiving advertisements waiting to be added to the newspaper.

The mail room where the newspapers are assembled and bundled.

2020 Brown Bag Lunch Series
January - June

Our slate of Brown Bag Programs for the first half of 2020 has been scheduled. The complete schedule is below. Don't forget: each program is limited to 24 attendees and we don't maintain of waiting list. If you are interested in any of these programs, call and get
your name on the list now. If you have a program suggestion (especially if you want to be the presenter of said program) send me an email and I’ll be happy to get it on the schedule for the second half of 2020.

FRANKLIN COUNTY LAW LIBRARY
2020 BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES
JANUARY—JUNE

08 JAN
Cyber Security for Small Law Offices
Steve Stultz, owner of SQ Systems will provide attendees with a basic understanding of how to keep their office safe from harmful viruses, internet scams, unwanted hacking, and other cyber dangers.

05 FEB
Franklin County Adult Probation
Chief Probation Officer Lori Francescon will discuss how the Adult Probation Department restructured recently to supervise offenders according to a Risk Based Supervision Model in hopes to curb re-offending.

11 MAR
Ohio OVI Defense: The Laws and Practice
Attorney and author Timothy Huey will discuss his most popular treatise of Ohio’s OVI laws. He'll also provide an update to the penalty summaries which were amended recently.

08 APR
Working with Sovereign Citizens
Erin Waltz from the Supreme Court of Ohio will discuss ways to handle requests from sovereign citizens. The target audience for this program will be court personnel who received requests based on legal misinformation.

06 MAY
Sealing & Expungement Laws
With sealing and expungement laws amended in recent months, the staff of the FCJC Self-Help Center will break down all you need to know.

10 JUN
Franklin County Municipal Court Traffic Division
Staff from the Franklin County Traffic Court will discuss best practices within the court, how to help your client navigate the court, and OVI rules. They will also answer all your questions.

Reservations required * Classes are 12:15–1:15 * 1 General CLE may be available
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Holiday Closures
Scheduled Law Library Closure Dates

December 24, 2019 - Closing at 12 pm
December 25 - 26, 2019 - Christmas Holiday
December 31, 2019 - Closing at 12 pm
January 1, 2020 - New Year’s Day
January 20, 2020 - MLK Day
February 17, 2020 - Presidents’ Day
Library Director Receives Award
Staff Report

At the annual conference of the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries (ORALL) held in October, Angela Baldree, Director of the Franklin County Law Library, was awarded the annual George Baker Distinguished Service Award. The award was established in 2016 to "recognize superior legal research abilities and for the exemplary service to ORALL." The award was established in honor of George Baker, the former director of the Trumbull County Law Library, and it memorializes his many contributions to the Ohio law library community.

The staff at the Franklin County Law Library would like to congratulate Angela on this achievement and would also like to make our patrons aware of Angela’s efforts to both promote our libraries and to serve the community. She has been active in both ORALL and in AALL (the American Association of Law Libraries) where she has served on various committees and presented at conferences. She is also a past president and former executive board member of ORALL. Perhaps most importantly to all of us, she was part of a steering committee that was instrumental in saving Ohio’s county law libraries when their existence was threatened several years ago by proposed changes to the state’s legislation. Once Ohio county law libraries became county agencies, she served as the first director of the statutorily created county law library consortium. And a couple years ago, when AALL was considering holding a future conference in Cleveland, she was the strongest advocate for bringing AALL here to Ohio for the 2021 conference.

Locally, Angela is a member of the boards of the Franklin County Community Based Correctional Facility and the Ohio Public Library Information Network, which is based in Columbus. She also serves on the Columbus Dispatch Reader Advisory Board. As the Franklin County Law Library Director, she is always looking for new ways to serve our patrons, one result of which is the monthly Brown Bag Lunch Program which many of you have attended for free CLE credit. More recently, she began a program to offer free books to children of patrons going through divorce.

Congratulations, Angela! Thank you for always being an advocate for law libraries and our patrons!

What Are We Reading?
Law Library Staff Share Their Favorites

Here are some of our recent favorite books. Share what you’re reading on our Facebook page and we’ll include them in future newsletters.

Angela: A Single Thread by Tracy Chevalier and The World that We Knew by Alice Hoffman


Susanna: Resistance Women by Jennifer Chiaverini and Sold on a Monday by Kristina McMorris
New Books
Minnie Ozeytemur

We are replacing some of our out-of-date collections. Look for many more titles in 2020. Please stop in to check them out soon.

- Make Your Own Living Trust
- Estates, Future Interests, and Powers of Appointment in a Nutshell
- Tools and Techniques of Estate Planning for Modern Families
- Neighbor Law: Fences, Trees, Boundaries and Noise

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