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New Reference Librarian—Stephanie Wilson



On April 1, 2001, Stephanie Wilson joined the law library staff as the newest member of the reference team. Stephanie received her J.D. from the City University of New York Law School at Queens College, and her M.L.S. from the Pratt Institute, School of Information and Library Science.

Stephanie's most recent position was as a reference librarian for the New York firm of Willkie Farr and Gallagher. Prior to pursuing a career in law librarianship, Stephanie served as a staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society, Juvenile Rights Division in New York, and for the New York City Human Resources Administration, Office of Legal Affairs. If you haven't already met Stephanie, feel free to stop by and say hello. Her office, Rm. 202, is located on the second floor of the library.

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Coming soon: E-Reference

Email reference for students will be coming soon to the Law Library. This service will allow you to email questions to the library at any time of day or night. A librarian will usually respond within one working day. Use this service for help on starting a research project; locating a particular form; formulating a better Lexis or Westlaw query; or, finding additional information on a statute, for example. To take advantage of the service you must have a validated barcode. Stop by the Circulation desk to do this if you haven't already done so.

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Law School hosts "Bridge the Gap"

On June 27, Sullivan Hall hosted the 6th Annual "Bridge the Gap" legal research program. The half-day program was the combined effort of the library staffs at the University of Washington and Seattle University Schools of Law. Law

students and graduates from all law schools were invited to attend the free seminars. More than 100 summer associates from law firms throughout western Washington participated. Topics included: Lexis and Westlaw research, legislative histories, managing a research assignment, Internet research, practice materials, secondary sources, and cost-effective research. Our law librarians gave many of the presentations. The final plenary session on "Making the Most of Your Summer Job" was led by Director of Career Services, Linda Zahrly (along with her colleague from the UW and some of our alumni).

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Conference attendance

Seattle University Law School librarians and library support staff enhanced their knowledge and skills through attendance at conferences and workshops this summer. Opportunities to network with other library personnel regionally, nationally and internationally provided the attendees with discussion points addressing current library practices and technology-related topics.

May's end brought Bob Menanteaux to London, Ontario where he attended the annual meeting of the Canadian Association of Law Libraries (CALL). Two conferences were held mid-June in San Francisco: the annual Council On Library Technicians (COLT) was attended by Susan Kezele and Nancy Minton; while Kara Phillips and Stephanie Wilson attended the American Library Association (ALA). Acting Library Director Kristin Cheney and Kelly Kunsch attended the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI) in Boston at the end of June, along with Assoc. Dean Steve Burnett, Asst. Dean Rick Bird, Chris Wilen (Technology), and Loren Wells (Technology). Attending the July annual meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) in Minneapolis were Steve Burnett, Kristin Cheney, Kelly Kunsch, Kara Phillips, Brendan Starkey, and Stephanie Wilson.

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Staff member's family promotes Group Health

Greg Soejima, the library's computer lab technician, along with his family, were chosen from among 1000 applicants to "star" in a two-year promotional campaign for Group Health Cooperative. Greg, his wife Lucy, and daughter Chloe, will appear in TV commercials, on radio ads, on billboards, and on the internet, sharing their personal experiences with Group Health. Filming took place at Granite Falls over a two-day period early in August. The TV ads will start appearing during prime time on August 25. Greg has a beautiful family and

we wish him continued success in "show biz."

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Faculty Services Guide goes online

The online version of the *Faculty Services Guide* is now available on the library web page at <http://www.law.seattleu.edu/Library/Services.xml>. It is essentially an updated version of the guide distributed last year. In addition, the online version has links to many of the resources and people named in the guide.

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THEO to be upgraded September 25

Mark Your Calendars! On Tuesday, September 25, 2001, there will be a much needed hardware upgrade to the library's catalog (THEO). We expect the upgrade to take all day. During this time, we will be checking out books manually and the catalog will be down. We apologize in advance for the inconvenience; however, this upgrade is a necessary prerequisite to a future software upgrade to our catalog, called Millennium, which will allow enhanced functionality and features.

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Librarian search update

A library committee to hire a new Systems/Technical Services Librarian has been working hard to fill the position. So far, we have interviewed two candidates on site and interviewed several others at various conventions, via telephone, and locally. We hope to hire someone soon.

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Missing books

The library is missing v. 2 of the *Official Revised Code of Washington* (RCW) and v. 14 of the *Annotated Revised Code of Washington* (ARCW) from the reference collection on the second floor. Any help in locating them would be much appreciated so that we don't have to purchase expensive replacement copies.

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"New and Notable" library materials



Check out the New and Notable page to see new resources we think might be of particular interest to our users. The page includes synopses, information on the authors, and links to available reviews of the titles shown above.

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