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## From the Chair

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LPSS initiated major changes in the section's meetings format at the Midwinter meeting. The initial response was cautious optimism. Most people found that the all committee structure allowed them more time to participate in other activities at the conference. That should be a real benefit at the annual conference where there seem to be multiple conflicts for every time slot. Unfortunately, if you have a conflict with the all committee time, you miss most LPSS activities. We will be reviewing the meeting schedule in New York. One goal for next year is reviewing the meeting schedule in New York. One goal for next year is to try and avoid conflicts with GODORT. Many of us have dual loyalties.

I am very excited about our program on Campaigning in Cyberspace. I was a "lurker" on the program committee's e-mail activity. I can attest that they have worked very hard and put together an excellent program that will be very timely in the coming campaign year. Many thanks are due to Lucia Snowhill and her committee. I hope many of you can attend on Monday morning.

Immediately prior to the program, we will be making history when we give out the first Marta Lange/CQ Award. Congressional Quarterly will sponsor an awards breakfast in conjunction with the presentation of the award. Ron Heckart and his committee deserve a special thanks for their efforts in getting the award established and in presenting it for the first time. Details about the breakfast and program will be posted on LPSS-L, so please stay tuned.

Speaking of LPSS-L, if you haven't signed on yet, please do. (Instructions are included in this newsletter.) Preliminary conference information will appear on LPSS-L, including meeting locations, committee agendas, details about the breakfast and other LPSS social events. I'm looking forward to your participation on LPSS-L and in New York.

Judy Solberg, Chair, LPSS  
Gelman Library, George Washington University

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## Editor's Note

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With the upcoming election, it will be important to keep up with the issues and controversies that are bound to develop. The LPSS Program, "Campaigning in Cyberspace", the list of Internet sites with election related information, and, as always, LPSS-L will be vital resources over the next few months. The newsletter will be available on LPSS-L and unofficially on the WWW at <http://www.uic.edu/~mck/lpss.html>. From this site you will be able to link to the various WWW resources listed above. Please feel free to forward your ideas and suggestions to me at [U60005@uicvm.uic.edu](mailto:U60005@uicvm.uic.edu). Thanks! And remember to sign up for the LPSS listserv.

## Meeting Schedule

### 1996 ALA Annual Conference New York City

The following schedule lists dates and times only. Room assignments will be made in April. Keep watching LPSS-L for more information.

**Saturday, July 6**

9:30-10:30 Executive Committee

10:30-12:30 All Committee Meeting

- \*Library Instruction
- \*Membership
- \*Program 97
- \*Publications
- \*Review and Planning
- \*Vendor/Publisher Relations

**Sunday, July 7**

11:30-12:30 Marta Lange/CQ Award  
Committee Meeting  
(closed meeting)

**Monday, July 8**

8:00-9:00 Marta Lange/CQ Award Breakfast

9:30-11:00 LPSS Program  
"Campaigning in Cyberspace"

**Tuesday, July 9**

9:30-11:00 General Membership  
Meeting

## LPSS Program

### ALA Annual Conference

This program has been co-sponsored by GODORT

### Political Campaigning in Cyberspace: Selecting Leaders for the Future

Date: Monday, July 8

Time: 9:30-11:00

Speakers: Adelaide Elm, Archivist and Historian, Project Vote Smart

Janice Lewis, Reference Librarian, Virginia Commonwealth University

Political Parties and candidates are using the Internet to get their messages to the public. Speakers will describe the kinds of information about political issues, systems, and candidates that can be found on the Internet. Project Vote Smart, a national non-partisan organization focused on providing information to citizens, will be featured.

## **GODORT Program**

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**ALA Annual Conference, New York City**  
Co-sponsored by LPSS

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### **Power to the State and Localities: Government Information on the 'Net**

**Date: Monday, July 8**

**Time: 9:30am-12:30pm**

**Speakers: Mark Green, Public Advocate, City of New York**

**Richard Civille, Director, Center for Civic Networking**

**Sharon Daws, Director, Center for Technology and Government**

State and local government is popping up everywhere on the Internet. The speakers will address policy implications, practicalities, and the pros and cons of state and local government information distribution on the Internet.

--Submitted by Lucia Snowhill, Davidson Library, University of California, Santa Barbara

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## **Campaign/Election Information on the Internet**

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With the 1996 election rapidly approaching, many players in the political arena are looking to the Internet to spread their messages. Political parties and candidates are developing web pages to promote their agendas, to recruit volunteers for their campaigns, and to sling a little mud. News agencies and other interested groups are creating election web sites to cover campaigns, inform voters on political issues, and compile other political information. Here is a sampling of what is out there.

### Political Parties

**Democratic National Committee**  
<http://www democrats.org>

**Green Party of North America**  
<http://www.greens.org>

**Natural Law Party**  
<http://www.natural-law.org>

**Republican National Committee**  
<http://www.rnc.org>

### Candidates and Former Candidates

**Lamar Alexander (Republican)**  
<http://www.Nashville.Net/~lamar>  
(note: this site is due to disappear soon)

**Harry Browne (Libertarian)**  
<http://www.rahul.net/browne>

**Pat Buchanan (Republican)**  
<http://www.buchanan.org>

**Bob Dole (Republican)**  
<http://www.dole96.com>

**Steve Forbes (Republican)**  
<http://www.forbes96.com>

**John Hagelin (Natural Law Party)**  
<http://www.hagelin.org/hagelin>

**Ralph Nader (Green Party)**  
<http://rahul.net/cameron/nader>

### Conventions

**GOP Convention 96**  
<http://www.rnc.org/convention>

**Highlights from the 1992 Democratic  
National Convention**  
<http://www.democrats.org/cool/conv92>

(note: It appears that there will be a link to a Democratic Convention page on the Democratic National Committee page listed above.)

### Election Pages

**CBS Campaign 96**  
<http://www.cbsnews.com/campaign96/home>

**C-Span's Campaign 96**  
<http://www.c-span.org/campaign/campfram.htm>

**CapWeb's Campaign 96**  
<http://policy.net/capweb/race96.html>

**Congressional Quarterly's American Voter 96**  
<http://voter96.cqalert.com>

**Countdown 96**  
<http://comeback.com/countdown>

**Election Connection 96**  
<http://www.theatlantic.com/atlantic/election/connection>

**Election Line**  
<http://www.electionline.com>

**ElectNet: the State Election Watch**  
<http://www.e1.com/GOJ>

**Politics USA's Campaign 96**  
<http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/campaign96>

**Roll Call's Election 96**  
<http://www.rollcall.com/election/election.html>

**Vote Smart's 1996 Campaigns and Elections**  
[http://www.vote-smart.org/campaign\\_96](http://www.vote-smart.org/campaign_96)

(note: Election Line and Politics USA are merging. The projected date for launching the new sites May 1.)

### Other Useful Sites

**C-Span**  
<http://www.c-span.org/index.html>

**Campaign Finance Charts**  
<http://politicsusa.com/PoliticsUSA/resources/almanac/cfsta.html.cgi>

**Federal Election Committee**  
<http://www.fec.gov>

**Project Vote Smart**  
<http://www.vote-smart.org>

Political Site of the Day Archives  
<http://www.intpub.com/siteprev.html>

Roll Call  
<http://www.rollcall.com>

Iowa Political Stockmarket  
<gopher://gopher.tamu.edu:70/0.data/polsci/about.ipsm>

(note: This site provides information on the Iowa Political Stock Market and how to telnet to it and login. This is not a direct link.)

--Submitted by Lisa M. Russell, University Library, University of Illinois at Chicago

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## LPSS-L

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LPSS-L, the Section's official listserv is the major communication vehicle for members to conduct business. However, we hope that every subscriber will use the listserv to pose questions, recommend new print and electronic tools, chat, and share information the goes beyond formal ALA business.

The list resides at Ohio State University, and one may subscribe by sending e-mail to [listserv@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu](mailto:listserv@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu)

The subject line should be empty and the body of the message MUST contain only the following line

subscribe lpss-l Firstname Lastname

After one is a subscriber, messages can be sent to the LPSS-L list by sending e-mail to [lpss-l@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu](mailto:lpss-l@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu)

Please remember that both initial messages and replies to the list are sent to every subscriber, not just the individual who posted the message.

If you change your e-mail address or wish to end your participation in the list, send e-mail to

[listserv@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu](mailto:listserv@lists.acs.ohio-state.edu)

The subject line should be empty and the message should read

unsubscribe lpss-l

Any questions or problems concerning LPSS-L should be referred to Pat McCandless at Ohio State University Libraries at (614) 293-6151 or via e-mail to [mccandless.1@osu.edu](mailto:mccandless.1@osu.edu).

--Submitted by Pat McCandless, Ohio State University

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**Call for Participation**  
**Association of College and Research Libraries**  
**8th Annual Conference**

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**"Choosing Our Futures"**

**Date:** April 11-14, 1997

**Place:** Nashville, Tennessee

ACRL is seeking quality presentations for its 8th National Conference. The conference will explore the theme "Choosing Our Futures" and its five subthemes:

- \* partnerships and competition
- \* changing work, roles, and organizations
- \* funding
- \* learning
- \* social responsibility, equity, and diversity

Proposals for research papers, panel programs, poster sessions, preconferences, and roundtable discussion topics are sought.

**Deadlines:**

- \* Contributed papers and panel sessions--July 1, 1996
- \* Poster sessions--November 1, 1996
- \* Roundtable discussions--January 6, 1997

To keep research timely, decisions to accept papers will be made based on the review of the abstract and completed proposal form.

The full text of the Call for Participation may be found

- \* as an insert in the January 1996 issue of College and Research Libraries News
- \* at <http://www.ala.org/acrl.html>
- \* at <http://library.tufts.edu/www.mcdonald/acrlhome.html>
- \* at [gopher://gopher.ala.org](mailto:gopher://gopher.ala.org)

Questions? Contact Mary Ellen Davis, Conference Manager, at the address and/or e-mail listed below.

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**Internet Resources**

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**LawMarks: The Legal Resource Database**

<http://www.iwc.com/entropy/mar/bkmrkjsm.html>

**Legal Resource Listings**

<http://taren.ns.net/legres.htm>

**LawInfo Links**

<http://www.lawinfo.com/links.html>

**Butterworth's Legal Resource Guide**

<http://www.butterworths.com.au/legres/legres1.htm>  
(Australia)

**Larry Schankman's Legal Resources**

<http://www.clark.net/pub/lshank/web/law.html>

**Code of Federal Regulations**

<http://www.pls.com:8001/his/cfr.html>

**Government and Social Science Info**

<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/GSSI/>  
(Berkeley Library Web)



**Robert U. Goehlert  
Marta Lange/Congressional Quarterly Award Winner**

The LPSS Marta Lange/CQ Award Committee is pleased to announce that Robert Goehlert, Subject Specialist for Economics, Political Science, and Criminal Justice, Indiana University Libraries, is the recipient of the first annual Marta Lange/CQ Award. Mr. Goehlert will receive a \$1,000 cash prize and a plaque. The award is sponsored by Congressional Quarterly, Inc.

Robert Goehlert has a distinguished record of scholarship and professional service. Some may recall that he chaired LPSS in the early 1980's, but most will recognize him for his outstanding contributions as a bibliographer in the field of political science. His bibliographies and research guides, published in an array of books and articles are unsurpassed. Mr. Goehlert sets a very high standard for the Marta Lange/CQ award.

At this writing the plan is to present the award at a continental breakfast reception at the ALA Annual Conference in New York, Monday July 8, 8:00am-9:00am, immediately before the LPSS program.

--Submitted by Ron Heckart, University of California, Berkeley

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## **Marta Lange/CQ Award Nominations Sought for Next Award Cycle**

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It is not too early to be thinking about colleagues you might nominate for the next Marta Lange/CQ Award. The success of the award program really depends on those who take the initiative to submit a nomination. Note that the award criteria are broad and flexible, and membership in LPSS or even ALA is not required. The award deadline is December 1, 1996.

Nominees should have achieved distinction in one or more of the following areas:

1. Planning and implementing a model bibliography/information services program in a law or political science library.
2. History of contributions to the field through research, publications and other activities displaying active participation in the advancement of law and political science librarianship.
3. Service to the profession through ACRL or related regional and national organizations.
4. Promotion or development of an education program for law and political science librarianship that has served as a model for other courses and programs.

Nominations should include: 1) a letter of nomination including your name, address and phone number, as well as the name and address of the nominee; 2) narrative supporting the nomination; and 3) a current vita.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. Send 5 copies to the LPSS Marta Lange/CQ Award Committee Chair: Ronald Heckart, IGS Library, 109 Moses Hall #2370, University of California, Berkeley, CA 94720-2370. If you have any questions, contact Ronald Heckart at (510) 643-6445 or e-mail: rheckart@library.berkeley.edu



🍏 **Start Spreadin' The News!** 🍏  
🍏 **LPSS Social** 🍏  
🍏 **Friday, July 5th 1996** 🍏  
🍏 **5:00pm-7:00pm** 🍏  
🍏 **Novotel of New York** 🍏  
🍏 **Cafe Nicole** 🍏



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