

THE SCRIPTUM

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Special points of interest:

- Last Chance for Region 4 Conference in Charleston South Carolina
- Georgia Aquarium seeking Volunteers
- "Call for Nominations" 2006-07 NALS Board
- NALS of Atlanta 44th Anniversary Celebration & Social Gala July 19th 2005
- New Members Initiation July 19th at 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mary Mac's Restaurant

FROM THE PRESIDENT

"Oh the Excitement July Brings"

By: Sadie M. Bispham, PP, PLS

First and foremost, I want to extend my appreciation to the Executive Committee and to each and every member for your support and involvement. You are great! "Summertime and the living is easy," Rogers and Hammerstien seemed to think so. The month of June was a bit hectic, to say the least, but with your assistance we accomplished much. The month of July is going to be equally busy, but very special for many reasons.

Our country is celebrating its independence and citizens are reflecting on the rights and civil liberties we so dearly cherish. I would be remiss if I did not mention a very fine Atlanta tradition in celebration of the July 4th holiday, the Atlanta Journal Constitu-



tion Peachtree Road Race of which our very own Marjorie "Marge" Jones and daughter will be running. Marge is the Chair for the Bar Liaison and Public Relations Committee. I too have run the Peachtree in a former leaner and more physically fit time in my life and still have fond memories of it. Best wishes to

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HIPAA "Keeping it Private"

HIPAA - "Keeping it Private"

Pam Roberts, RN, BS, CLNC and partner, Susie Ray, RN, BS, CLNC, of Ray & Associates, Certified Legal Nurse Consultants, were the guest speakers at NALS of Atlanta Social and enlightenment Gala on June 21, 2005. A summary of their presentation follows:

Ms. Roberts outlined how the

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, "HIPAA" would impact the average person. First, before HIPAA, a worker with any type of pre-existing health condition, such as diabetes, or hypertension often would not change jobs because the insurance from the new employer would not cover his or her pre-

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **Date** July 12th – Executive Committee Meeting
- **Date** July 19th – Social Gala / 44th Anniversary Celebration, Mary Mac’s Tea Room; 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. RSVP (see back page)
- **Date** July 19th – John Tyler Guest Speaker “Project Truancy, Kids in Need of Dreams”
- **Date** July 19th Initiation of New Members and 1st Annual Raffle
- **Date** July 25th Submit Advertising Contract for 54th Annual Conference
- **Date** July 29th – 31st Region 4 Educational Conference, Charleston, South Carolina

July 2005

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8 Scriptum Published	9
10	11	12 Executive Meeting	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Social Gala / 44th Anniversary	20	21	22	23
24 NALS of Atlanta is 44 years old	25	26	27	28	29 NALS Region 4 Conference	30 NALS Region 4 Conference
31 NALS Region 4 Conference						

NALS CODE OF ETHICS

Members of the NALS are bound by the objectives of this association and the legal standards of conduct required of the legal profession.

Every member shall:

- Encourage respect for the law and the administration of justice.
- Observe rules governing privileged communications and confidential information.
- Promote and exemplify high standards of loyalty, cooperation, and courtesy.
- Perform all duties of the profession with integrity and competence.
- Pursue a high order of professional attainment.



Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, on the Capital steps with President George Bush.

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting June 13th 2005

The June Meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Law Offices of William G. Quinn III. called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Present at this meeting were: Sadie Bispham, PP, PLS President; Lovette Bennett, Immediate Past President; Kim Nobles, PP, PLS Vice President; Lynne Gehrke, Secretary; Kathy Saint, PP, PLS Treasurer; Anita Wages, PLS Parliamentarian, Nancy Mikacevich, Incumbent Publication Chair, Ronald Rymut, incoming Publication Chair, and Marjorie "Marge" Jones, Bar Liaison/Public Relations, Chair. A copy of the Agenda and a copy of *The Scriptum* are attached to these Minutes.

The Executive Committee approved the following appointments made by President Bispham: NALS of Georgia Counsel Member - Nancy Mikacevich, PLS Parliamentarian - Anita Wages, PLS; Committee Co-Chairpersons for Advertising - Anita Wages and Ronald Rymut and ratified all other committee chairs and co-chairs appointments.

Membership Report

Kim Noble, PP, PLS gave the membership report. Kim reported 9 new members from the Law of Morris, Manning and Martin. She has improved the membership roster by including a longevity column, has a networking membership roster as a work in progress asked each member of the Executive Committee to submit a name from their employers so she can contact them to give a presentation. She also needs to know if the employer would or does now pay membership dues for employees.

The Scriptum

Nancy Mikacevich, PLS gave *The Scriptum* report by handing out the current June issue. She had mailed out the balance of the issues.

Ron Rymut gave his report on a proposal for *The e-Scriptum* to begin in August. He began by giving his background both in the law and with computers and web-sites. Ron would like to emphasize three areas in the new *Scriptum*: introduction of new members, more information on new case law, bills and legislation, and more community events. Employment

opportunities, monthly articles, more links to other web-sites, and frequently asked questions (FAQ) were other features discussed.

Additional discussion was held on whether or not to e-mail a reminder to our members each month to go look on the web-site for *The Scriptum*, or whether to actually attach *The Scriptum* to the reminder e-mail.

NALS of Atlanta Web-site

Some discussion was held on possibly redesigning the web-site, with Kathy Saint indicating that Sam and Miche Boles have already done some updating and redesigning make the site more user friendly and easier to navigate. The possibility of hiring an outside firm to use a monitoring system to track the number of "hits" on our web-site was also discussed.

Financial Review

President Bispham reported on the 2004-2005 financial review which was conducted by Susan Weaver, PLS who could not attend this meeting. The report is that the books are "impeccable", no discrepancies were found.

Presentation of the Proposed Budget for 2005-2006

Treasurer, Kathy Saint, PP, PLS, presented the proposed budget. After discussion, the following line items were changed:

Certification - changed from \$136.00 to \$140.00
NALS, Inc. - President's Gift National from \$100 to \$50.00

MJ's Gift - \$100 changed to Ad for Cobb County \$75.00

Miscellaneous adjusted to \$239 from \$168.

It was moved that the proposed budget be approved as amended. The motion was approved. The proposed budget is approved for 2005-2006. President Bispham asked that all committee chairs receive a copy of the approved budget.

Final items were:

Ron Rymut asking EC Members to please put "Scriptum" in the subject line of any e-mails sent to him.

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Minutes of the Social and Enlightenment GALA June 21st 2005

Welcome

The June Social and Enlightenment Gala was held at Piccadilly's Cafeteria, 2226 North Druid Hills Road, NE, Atlanta, GA and was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Present at this gala were: Sadie Bispham, PP, PLS; President; Lovette Bennett, Immediate Past President; Kim Nobles, PP, PLS, Vice President; Lynne Gehrke, Secretary; Kathy Saint, PP, PLS, Treasurer and Members Nancy Mikacevich, PLS, Ronald Rymut, Pat Gilbert, PLS, Becky Ragusa, Susan Weaver, PLS, Sheryl Boganrs, PP, PLS, Mary Jo Denman, PP, PLS, Sally Stenger, PP, PLS, Marge Jones, Monica Murack, Aleta Ezell and Lynn Gunzenhauser. We were pleased to welcome Mary Alice Bancroft as a new attendee, and potential new member. President Bispham indicated that we are in a time of flux, as many new changes are taking place within the chapter. We welcome any suggestions or comments as we go forward and hope to have an exciting and challenging year.

Inspiration

Becky Ragusa gave the inspiration on the meaning of friendship.

Speaker Presentation

Our guest speakers were Susie Ray RN, BSN, LNC and Pam Roberts, RN, BSN, LNC of Ray & Associates, Certified Legal Nurse Consultants. They presented a session on HIPAA - Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

Installation of Secretary

As Lynne Gehrke was unable to attend the yearly installation of officers at the Bosses Night Dinner, NALS President, Mary Jo Denman, PP, PLS

administered the oath of office, using a blue candle to symbolize the tasks of accurately recording all matters transacted at any meetings of the chapter.

Membership - Activities

Kim Nobles, PP, PLS gave the report on membership. She has recruited 8 new members in less than 30 days from the law firm of Morris, Manning & Martin. Kim asked that each member e-mail her with the name of a contact person for their law firm, and whether the law firm would consider or is now paying for members' dues.

Sunshine Committee

Susan Weaver, PLS gave the report on activities of this Committee. They have sent 2 bereavement cards, 2 birthday cards, a wedding, thank you, get well and congratulations cards. Susan also said to please let the committee know of the events in your life so that the Chapter can recognize them.

The Scriptum

President Bispham asked Nancy Mikacevich to stand and be recognized for her efforts on *The Scriptum* during the past year. Ron Rymut gave his report on *The e-Scriptum* to begin in August. He would like to emphasize the areas of introduction of new members, and community events. Employment opportunities, monthly articles, additional links to other web-sites, and frequently asked questions (FAQ) were other features mentioned. In addition, he will e-mail a reminder to our members each month to look on the website for *The Scriptum*,

Announcements

President Bispham reported that Susan Weaver, PLS, has completed the financial review of the 2004-2005 Treas-

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HIPAA “Keeping it Private”

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existing conditions. That has now been eliminated.

Next, a definition of Personal Health Information, "PHI" was given. This includes the following “facts” about a patient: name, date of birth, social security number, age, address, diagnosis, procedures, and dependent names. This information now has a “protected” status. An example was given of an innocent remark made in public by a health care professional about an “85-year old gentleman” who lived in a small town, this remark might be an easy identifier, and therefore subject to HIPAA is prohibited.

Under HIPAA, there must be standard billing. While this might not seem to impact the average person, the use of standards within the insurance industry now makes it easier for the industry to process billing anywhere in the United States.

Review of Insurance Company documents is now available to the patient. While this might seem to have been a “right” before, such documents could have been withheld from the patient or his designee before the release of HIPAA. This allows for greater opportunities for insight into the company policies and process of coverage.

Under HIPAA, any incorrect data such as misspelled names can be amended. In addition, patients now have the right to have Alternative Address use. This is especially helpful to custodial parents whose ex-spouses’ insurance covers the children. The custodial parent can now have access to their children’s health

care information along with the primary payee of the insurance.

Finally, there must be notification of Rights under HIPAA. All medical professionals, pharmacies and insurance companies must advise patients of their right to HIPAA restrictions, available Personal Representative for Health Care as well as restricted use of their Personal Health Information.

Law Firms can be affected in the following ways; they need specific releases for medical records from the patient and not necessarily from family members. Specific forms related to release of information for HIV, Adolescence and Psychiatric conditions; medical records can be reviewed by a Legal Nurse Consultant for comprehensive records versus limited records, which are more prevalently released since HIPAA.

There can be enforcement of fines related to malicious use or inappropriate policy and procedures as they relate to maintenance of privacy. Privacy is not an OPTION -- Privacy is the LAW.

Summarized by:
Lynne Gehrke, Secretary

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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting June 13th

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President Bispham asked Anita Wages, PLS, Chair, Advertising Committee, to please contact the current advertisers in *The Scriptum* and “ask” them if they have any objection to being on-line in our *e-Scriptum* format. Anita is to report at the next Executive Committee Meeting.

Noting the time, President Bispham indicated that the remaining agenda items will be handled via e-mail and adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Provided by
Lynne L. Gehrke, Secretary

Change of Address Form

Send to:

Kim Noble: PP, PLS
knoble@mmmlaw.com

Name: _____

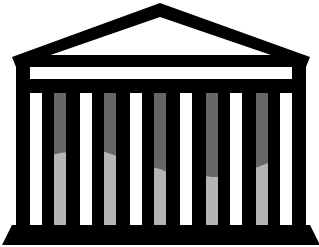
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Preferred Email: _____

Suggestions: _____



“PROJECT TRUANCY, KIDS IN NEED OF DREAMS”

John Tyler of Bell South’s Legal Department has graciously volunteered to be the Guest Speaker for this months NALS of Atlanta meeting at Mary Mac’s restaurant. Mr. Tyler will speak about the problem many schools are facing with truancy.

July 19, 2005

At 6:00 p.m.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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Marge and daughter.

On July 24, 2005, our chapter will celebrate its 44th anniversary. Reflecting back, it was in April 1961 that some 40 prospective members gathered for the organizational meeting of the “Atlanta Legal Secretaries Association” and on July 24, 1961, at the NALS annual convention in Chattanooga, Tennessee our chapter received its charter (number 198).

Region 4 will host its annual education conference in historic Charleston, South Carolina (July 29-31). At current count, eight members from NALS of Atlanta will be in attendance at the Region 4 conference. In addition to earning CLE credits, attendees at the Conference will have an opportunity to take guided tours of specific points of interest in Charleston, sample the fine cuisine and purchase items that local chapters are selling at the Swap Meet. NALS of Atlanta will sell its Skills Builder, for the Legal Professional, (a collection of articles by the members of NALS of Atlanta).

This month, Ron Rymut takes over the reins as Scriptum Publication Chair from Nancy Mikacevich, PLS. Ron Rymut, a member of less than a year, has enthusiastically agreed to Chair the Publication Committee this year. Ron who has a passion for web-page design and

a zeal for writing has presented some exciting proposals for articles to include in future additions of the Scriptum. In an article presented elsewhere in this edition, Ron will share with you more about himself and his ideas. Our newsletter is a vital means of communicating with our members and requires many hours to make the newsletter available. It is with heartfelt gratitude that I express to Nancy and Sally Stenger, PP, PLS, former Scriptum editor, my appreciation for the time and devotion they have given to making the Scriptum possible.

“I invite you to visit our completely redesigned web-site. Many thanks to Miche and Sam Boles for a web-site that is truly a work of art and not to mention “user friendly.”

The July edition of the Scriptum will be the final edition in hard copy. In an effort to save on expenses related to publishing the Scriptum, provide more information, and access to other sources of information to the readers, the Scriptum will be published online. The “E-Scriptum” will debut in August 2005 on our very own website. If you have not done so already, may I invite you to visit our completely redesigned web-site. Many thanks to Miche and Sam Boles for a website that is truly a work of art and not to mention “user friendly.” I love those

two words. Kathy Saint, PP, PLS will be assisting our webmasters with keeping the website current in her capacity as Chair of the newly formed Technology Committee.

Highlights of activities for the coming months include: finding a new location to hold our monthly social and enlightenment gala, ways and means projects to generate income for the chapter, planning for a membership drive, conference/educational seminar and community involvement. I welcome and appreciate your involvement with any or all of these activities.

Yes, there is plenty of activity locally, but it does not stop at the local level. Please avail yourself of the many opportunities provided through our tri-level association, such as participation in online chats, online learning, certification, study resources, and the opportunity to meet legal professionals from across the nation, just to name a few.

Have a fun, safe and memorable holiday. Summer-time and the living is exciting. Enjoy the times.

By: Sadie M. Bispham, PP, PLS
President of NALS of Atlanta



“A last chance study session for the certification exam will be offered on Friday, July 29th (8:30 - 4:30 a.m.). The ALS/PLS/PP certification exams will be given on Saturday, July 30th (8:00 a.m - 5:00 p.m.)”

REGION 4 CONFERENCE IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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This is an excellent opportunity for members and nonmembers alike to sit for the certification exam. There is a fee to take the exam, so those interested should make the necessary arrangements to do so as soon as possible.

CLE topics to be presented are:

Environmental Law

Blood Spatter Analysis

Presentation by South Carolina Bar Ethics Committee

All participants are invited to the Welcome Reception

Chinese Auction (theme “Maximize

Your Potential Where History Lives.”)

Excursion I - Culinary Food Tour (Friday, July 29 - 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

Excursion II - Ghost & Graveyard Tour (Saturday, July 30th, 7:30 p.m.)

Excursion III - Palmetto Carriage Tours - Saturday, July 30th, 5:00 p.m.)

Shopping, shopping, exploring, trying out some of the finest southern cuisine. For the adventurous, there is the beach. Don't snooze and lose. NO REFUNDS will be given after July 8, 2005 for the Conference.

Contact Nancy Mikacevich at NMikacevich@KilpatrickStockton.com, via email to request a Registration Form then fax the completed form to Sadie Bispham, PP, PLS, President or Kim Noble, PP, PLS, Vice-President

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urer's records for the Chapter and found the records to be “impeccable.” Susan commented that the records have been perfectly kept by Pat Gilbert, PLS, Treasurer (2004-2005).

The Chapter web-site has been redesigned. President Bispham invited everyone to visit www.nalsofatlanta.org to see the changes.

NALS of Atlanta will be selling the Skills Builder at the Swap Meet - Region 4 Education Conference. Mary Jo Denman, PP, PLS has agreed to take one box with her to the Conference.

Copies of the May 2005 Treasurer's Report was made available to attendees.

A Career Opportunity offered by Kasey Binder of Cambridge Profes-

sional Staffing was mentioned. Details of the opportunity were available at the Gala.

Future Events were outlined in a hand-out available to attendees.

Aleta Ezell was the winner of the raffle item which was a tin of home-made brownies.

There being no additional items left on the Agenda, the Gala was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. by President-Bispham.

Provided by
Lynne L. Gehrke, Secretary

Volunteers Needed; At the new Georgia Aquarium

The Georgia Aquarium is an extraordinary and significant addition to the city of Atlanta which has immediate volunteer needs, as well as continuing programs for volunteering once it opens on November 23, 2005. Whether you have a talent for working with people or your abilities are more specialized, the Aquarium can use your skills.

In return for your time, you'll enjoy a unique volunteer experience. You will work in a fascinating aquatic environment with great people. You'll also know you're helping to create an experience that will entertain and educate millions of people each year. If you've been wondering how you can give back to your community, this is the opportunity you've been looking for. Send in your application today!

There are immediate opportunities for volunteers to assist with recruitment/outreach, training, fundraising and marketing efforts.

All volunteers must possess strong communication skills. In addition,

we're looking for a number of volunteers with special skill sets – for example, if you are multilingual, or you



www.georgiaaquarium.org

have sign language skills, to help us engage our hearing impaired guests. Go online for more information complete with a detailed list of opportunities, requirements and volunteer prerequisites.

Information provided by
Kim Noble

“You will work in a fascinating aquatic environment with great people” – “If you've been wondering how you can give back to your community, this is the opportunity you've been looking for.”

Volunteers Needed

I look at the glass and say that it is half full. When I Look back at my childhood I think about the things my family had rather than focusing on what we didn't have. I see a man on the street asking for money for food not for alcohol or drugs. I have always felt an obligation to give back to the community. "Volunteers Needed", can become a regular feature in the Scriptum with your support. If you are currently active or know of a particular organization or



charity within your community that you'd like to share with the members of NALS of Atlanta. Kindly forward the information via email to ronaldrymut@earthlink.net for the next months issue of the Scriptum. Many Thanks to Kim Noble for providing me with the above information.

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"Please take an active role to ensure NALS of Atlanta remains the outstanding association for legal professionals that it is today..."

2006-2007 NALS Board; "Call for Nominations"

Members of NALS have received the latest issue of @Law, and it is full of good information and articles. I especially enjoyed reading the challenge set before us by our new NALS President Mary Jo Denman, PP, PLS, to be the best we can be and to work toward getting in better health.

You may have noticed that contained in the current @Law is the "Official Call for Nominations" for officers and directors of the 2006-7 Board. Members of Region 4, can nominate qualified individuals for all officers and the director of Region 4, which includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

Don't forget to fill out the form provided on page 41, after it is completed, forward it to the Nominations Liaison at the NALS Resource

Center located at 314 East Third Street Suite 210, Tulsa, OK 74210 no later than August 1, 2005 or fax your nominations to 918-582-5907. Ballots will then be mailed to all members in September at which time we will have the opportunity to vote.

Please take an active role to ensure NALS remains the outstanding association for legal professionals that it is today by reviewing the qualifications for each prospective candidate and forwarding your nominations for the officers and director. This is an excellent way to contribute toward the future leadership of your association.

Lovette Bennett
Immediate Past President
NALS of Atlanta

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NALS OF ATLANTA
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE
THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

- MARY-ALICE BANCROFTMORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- CECILE CAMPBELL..... MORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- DONNA FULLERMORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- TASHA JONESMORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- JANINE STITH LATTIMOREMORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- TERESA "TERI" LOVVORN,,,,,..... MORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- ELAINE SAMPLES MORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**
- AMY SUDDETH MORRIS, MANNING & MARTIN, LLP**

Initiation of the above new Members will be held
July 19, 2005
at mary mac's tea house
224 Ponce de leon avenue, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Your are cordially invited to attend.

The e-Scriptum: “Strongly Encourages Participation by all members”

Thank you for allowing me to serve as Publication Chair for NALS of Atlanta. I haven't had the pleasure to meet or correspond with many of the members of NALS hopefully over the year that will change.

I relocated to Atlanta in January of 2004 from Chicago, where I worked downtown for various firms including Horwitz, Horwitz and Associates, Baker & McKenzie and Schiller, DuCanto and Fleck. The bulk of my experience has been in trial preparation for product liability matters, construction injury's and substantive medical malpractice cases involving neurological impaired infants. I also had the opportunity to obtain valuable knowledge in International Corporate, Workers' Compensation, Labor and high profile Matrimonial law. This past Spring I moved to Alpharetta and currently I am a paralegal with Tillman & York in Midtown.

This is the last month the Scriptum will be distributed in hard copy. Next month the Scriptum will debut online on our current web-site www.nalsofatlanta.org under Scriptum. Having the Scriptum online will allow for greater amounts of information, links to various web-sites regarding a story, color photographs and save the NALS money in printing costs and postage. The e-Scriptum will be in PDF format, this will give you the option to print the e-Scriptum from any computer in its entirety or just several pages.

The e-Scriptum will feature the following regular sections:

"Where am I now" please feel free to email photos of places you

visited for vacation and provide us with a brief article about the places you visited or something you found very interesting, local customs, culture, architecture, food and restaurants. That leads us to our next regular section;

Entertainment in the Atlanta metro area, this section will be devoted to Social events, for example a review of the Georgia Aquarium when it opens or restaurants with recommendations of dishes to try. Reviews about a movie or play are welcome.

"Volunteers Needed" will provide information to all of our members about organizations or charity's that are in need of help and allow NALS to become more active in the community. (See page 9)

Classified section that would not only provide information for employment agencies but actual posting of specific positions for a month prior to being placed with an agency. This is a project still in the works.

I strongly encourage participation by all members. I consider every member of NALS of Atlanta a co-editor and/or co-publication chair. If you have any comments or suggestions they are welcome. Please forward all emails for future issues of the Scriptum to ronaldrymut@earthlink.net and type the word "Scriptum" in the subject box of the email. I will promptly reply to all emails sent to me.

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If you have a Quote or Editorial you'd like to share forward to my attention...

Rep. Jerrold Nadler, of New York
In response to Rep. Randy Duke
Cunningham's, California Proposed
Constitutional Amendment banning
burning of the U.S. Flag.

"If the flag needs any protection at all it needs protection from members of congress who value the symbol more than they value the freedom's the flag represents"

During an interview with Time Magazine **Peter Goss, CIA Director** was asked about Isama Bin Ladens where about

"I have an excellent idea of where he is. Next question" (In case your wondering there was no follow up question.)

February 7, 2003, Donald Rumsfeld, Defense Secretary commenting on how long the Iraq conflict will last
"It is not knowable how long that conflict will last it could last you know 6 days, 6 weeks, I doubt 6 months."

March 17, 2005, Senator Bill Frist of TN, speaking regarding Terry

Shreve

"My question is based on a review of the video footage which I spent an hour or so looking at last night in my office here in the capital and that footage to me depicts something very different than a persistent vegetative state"

June 16, 2005, Senator Bill Frist of TN, after an autopsy revealed that Terry Shreve's brain shrunk in half.

"Looking at the court appointed tapes I raised the question is she in a persistent vegetative state or not – I never made the diagnosis, never said that she is not in a persistent vegetative state"

June 26, 2005, Donald Rumsfeld, Secretary of Defense

"the insurgency (of Iraq) can go on for any number of years, insurgencies tend to go for five, six, eight, ten, twelve years"

"If the flag needs any protection at all it needs protection from members of congress who value the symbol more than they value the freedom's the flag represents"

Rep. Jerrold Nadler,
New York

Is Burning the U.S. Flag Protected Under the First Amendment Freedom of Speech?

We all know what the Supreme Court has said in several decisions. But I would like to know your personal opinion on the matter.

Also do you feel it is just another case of politicians grandstanding and that there are more pressing issues that should be taken care of. How do you feel about Congress Revoking the 120 million dollars in

health benefits that were promised to the victims families of 9/11?

Would you like to see another female Justice on the Supreme Court? I would like feed back from the members of NALS.

Have a fun and safe summer.

NALS OF ATLANTA
JULY 2005- JANUARY 2006
ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE
(AS OF JUNE 28, 2005)

July 2005

- July 01 - Scholarship Request faxed to NALS (54th Annual Conference -
 Buffalo, NY)
- July 08 - Scriptum Published (last hard copy)
- July 12 - Executive Committee Business/Planning Meeting
- July 19 - Education and Social Gala (location to be announced)
Guest speaker: Mr. John Tyler - BellSouth's Legal De-
partment
Topic: "Project Truancy, Kids in Need of Dreams"
- be announced) *Special Event: **NALS of Atlanta 44th Anniversary** (location to
 *Special Event: **1st Annual Raffle** Ticket Distribution
 *Special Event: **Initiation of New Members**
- July 25 - Submit Advertising Contract for 54th Annual Conference
 July 29 thru 31 - NALS Region 4 Educational Conference - Charleston, S.C.

August 2005

- August 01 - Call for Nominations (NALS Board) - form must be mailed to
 NALS, Inc. (Tulsa, OK)
- August 01 - Registration Fees Due for NALS 54th Annual Conference
 (Buffalo, NY)
- August 01 - Postmark Deadline to apply for September ALS/PLS/PP Exams
- August 02 - Scriptum deadline - submission of articles
- No Executive Committee Business/Planning Meeting**
- *Special Event: Summer Social for Members and Family
 *Special Event: e-Scriptum Newsletter Debut
 *Special Event: **1st Annual Yard Sale** (location to be determined)

September 2005

- September 01 - @Law Publication mailed to NALS Members
- September 01 - deadline for submission articles - eScriptum
- September 09 - eScriptum Published
- September 13 - Executive Committee Business/Planning Meeting
- September 20 - Education and Social Gala (location to be announced)
Guest speaker: George E. Hibbs, Esq., Morris, Manning &
Martin
Topic: "What's Behind the (Ethics) Screen Door?"
- September 24 *Special Event: 1st Annual Raffle Drawing
 - National ALS/PLS/PP Exams

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Chicken and Dumplings
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Barbequed Pork with Brunswick Stew
Roast Pork with Cornbread Dressing and Gravy
Baked Turkey with Cornbread Dressing and Gravy
Vegetable Plate (please choose four from list below)

Please choose two:

Cream Corn*	Macaroni and Cheese*
Broccoli Soufflé*	Turnip Greens
Fried Okra*	Fried Green Tomatoes*
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Sweet Potato Soufflé*	Whipped Potatoes*
Cheese and Vegetable Soufflé*	

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