Staff Highlight: John Nann
Associate Librarian for Reference & Instructional Services and Lecturer in Legal Research

John has been a law librarian since 1988 and at YLS since 2003. He enjoys helping people find the information that they need and he especially loves teaching people how to find and evaluate information and information on sources themselves. John has a broad interest in general legal and political history, but his particular focus is Anglo-American legal history. He has recently been reading Mesopotamian history.

John has taught Advanced Legal Research in four different law schools over the past 20+ years and co-taught and now teaches Research Methods in American Legal History for over 10 years. John is a member of the American Association of Law Libraries Continuing Professional Education committee and is also a member of the Academic Law Libraries Bluebook Subcommittee. He is also serving as a member of the University Library’s Promotions Committee. He has spoken on many topics related to the intersection of technology and research and instruction.

Apart from history and the law, John enjoys spending time with his family (wife, Marlena Sobie, and daughters, Jordan and Micayla) and their dog (plus one rabbit). He likes bicycling, movies, and baseball. If you need any research help, please don’t hesitate to seek out John. Also, if you like baseball and podcasts, John can recommend “Effectively Wild” from Baseball Prospectus.

Recipe of the Month:

Blonde Brownies by Lorraine Avena
1 Yellow Cake Mix
½ cup soft butter
¼ cup water
2 eggs
½ cup brown sugar (packed)
12 oz. chocolate bits
½ cup nuts (optional)
350° 20-25 minutes. 15X18 pan or 2 cake pans (greased & floured)
Mix ½ cake mix with all ingredients.
Add other ½ of cake mix. Mixture will be thick. Spread in pan.

New Staff Arrival:
Yuksel Serindag
Acquisitions Librarian
Yuksel comes to us after many years at Trinity College Library in Hartford where he oversaw acquisitions and, at times, worked in cataloging and interlibrary loan, too.

New Yale Law Library exhibit:
"Free Tom Mooney!"
An exhibit of the Yale Law Library’s Tom Mooney Collection is on display through May 27, curated by Lorne Bair and Hélène Golay of Lorne Bair Rare Books, and Mike Widener, the library’s Rare Book Librarian.

For further information or permissions, please contact Michael Widener at the Yale Law Library: mike.widener@yale.edu

Did you know...
We have a great selection of New York Times Best Sellers Books in the Reading Room. Here is a list of the most recent acquisitions:

Your Heart Is a Muscle the Size of a Fist by Sunil Yapa
My Name Is Lucy Barton: A Novel by Elizabeth Strout
The Longest Night: A Novel by Andria Williams
Bad News: Last Journalists in a Dictatorship by Anjan Sundaram
Not My Father’s Son: A Memoir by Alan Cumming
The Argonauts by Maggie Nelson

Upcoming Events:
Feb. 2: Book Talk - Struggling for Air: Power Plants and the "War on Coal"
Feb. 4: Movie Night @ YLS – Pussy Riot: A Punk Prayer
Feb. 10: Rare Book Room presentation and film screening – Amistad
Feb. 17: Film screening – Racing Extinction

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