Southern California Association of Law Libraries

Executive Board meeting

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Pasadena, California

4:30pm – 6:00pm

President’s Report

1. SCALL Institute

The 45th Annual SCALL Institute was held on March 3 &4, 2017 at the beautiful Horton Grand Hotel in San Diego. The program: ConLaw Conundrum: Constitutional Law & Challenges in Today’s Environment. This was a truly excellent program with positive feedback all around. The full details are in the Vice President’s Report

1. Programs

In addition to the SCALL Institute, we had excellent programs throughout the year. First, the Fall SCALL Meeting held at Loyola Law School on Oct. 19, 2016. Loyola Law School Professor Jessica Levinson, an expert on election law and governance, delivered an interesting and informative discussion on election law and governance.

The SCALL Holiday Party, on January 12, 2017, was held at the Karl Strauss Brewing Company in downtown Los Angeles. The holiday party was held for the first time in January, and seemed to work very well for schedules and finding a venue.

The SCALL Spring Meeting, on April 13, 2017, was held at McDermott, Will & Emery. Our guest speaker was Jean O’Grady, Sr. Director of Information, Research & Knowledge at DLA Piper US, LLP, spoke on the topic “It takes more than a dumpster to build a digital law library.”

I wanted to thank the Programs Committee Co-Chairs, Elyse Meyers and Sarah Joshi, for their hard work putting together all these excellent programs.

1. Chapter Committee Collaboration

In November, the SCALL Board in November approved the AALL California Chapter Government Relations Committees’ Collaboration. The agreement came about as a result of a series of meetings beginning in 2016 and led by Michelle Finerty of NOCALL, former SCALL GRC chair and the vice chair of the AALL GRC along with a group of California AALL chapter GRC chairs and few others to discuss coordination of law library government relations efforts in California. The three AALL Chapters plus Council of California County Law Librarians

1. 2017 AALL Awards

SCALL was well represented in the 2017 AALL Awards! We have five winners: the Marian Gould Gallagher Distinguished Service Award to Karl Gruben (awarded posthumously); the Hall of Fame Award to Melody Lembke and Maryruth Storer; the Excellence in Marketing Award for Best Brochure to the Hugh & Hazel Darling Law Library at the Fowler School of Law at Chapman University; and the Volunteer Service Award to Larry Meyer.