What the Future Holds.....
Cornell H. Winston
SCALL President 2002-2003

As I begin this column, I would like to extend a special thanks to all the members of the 50th Anniversary Committee, as well as the many individuals who attended the 50th Anniversary Celebration held at the University of Southern California's Town & Gown on Wednesday, December 4, 2002. Highlight from that occasion will be in another newsletter, but for those who attended, we can attest that it was a nice event. And also I extend greetings to everyone for a fabulous 2003. May it be a wonderful and productive year.

January is always a good time to take inventory of where you are, and what you are doing. As an association, we are starting our sixth decade of service to the law librarian community of Southern California. I recall watching several television programs at the end of the year that have predictions for the year, as well as a scorecard of what was predicted the previous year. Often, people are right on target; many times they totally missed the mark. Will the Dow Jones Industrial Average make it back to March 2000 levels? Not in 2002. Will Los Angeles get a football team? No in 2002, and it does not look promising for 2003. Will the Dodgers make it to the playoff and win a game? I hope so in 2003. An I-5 World Series in 2003 would be great for Southern California.

When SCALL started in 1952, who could have imagined the changes that would have occurred in these 50 years? The future thoughts of that year have morphed into the realities of today. When I started working in

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libraries almost 23 years ago, we individually typed our catalog and circulation cards. A computer on the desk was a dream out of Star Trek. The Internet was a fancy tool to catch fish. Westlaw and Lexis were in their infancy. I was given the book, *Who Moved My Cheese?*, and quickly discovered that when the “library cheese” has moved, librarians have had to move with the cheese. Our libraries, workstations, our duties have moved on to become something else, yet we still manage to do our job. When change has occurred, we may not like it, or have agreed with it, but we have coped with the change and moved with the times. We have been able to change with the times, stay ahead of the curve, and still be experts at everything.

As an association, I trust we are assisting our all our members in finding the cheese. For 30 years, our SCALL Institutes have been challenging and informative tools for librarians to remain on the cutting edge of the law and librarianship. Through our various meetings, we have been able to hear speakers that give us tools that can enable us to grow professionally and personally. Our networking and communication through e-mail has enabled us to shine in front of our lawyers, managers, directors and deans. Another librarian has always been my best teacher.

How have we continued to do this? By individuals becoming involved in the association and in the careers of our members. As we look at 2003, can we think of what our profession will be like in 10 years, 20 years, in 2053? How are we preparing ourselves? The success of any association depends on the willingness of individual members becoming involved with those issues they care deeply about. Let me encourage all of us to remain active and search for new areas of growth in order to improve our personal and professional lives.

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**From the Editor**

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This commemoration issue is a tribute to SCALL’s 50th anniversary celebration. Lawrence R. Meyer highlights the last 10 years of SCALL’s history, and Anna Delgado briefly describes the success of SCALL’s 50th gala event and expresses her sincere gratitude to the SCALL Committee members for their long-term dedication in making this a memorable one. In this issue’s "Take a Break to Reflect" column, Victoria Williamson reflects on SCALL’s 50th anniversary gala and how the event provided SCALL members with the opportunity to recognize and appreciate those members who inspire and guide us in the law library profession. As noted elsewhere in this newsletter, there are photographs of SCALL’s 50th anniversary celebration taken by Ramon Barajas and Sheila Stone, and photographs from Karla Castetter of the SCALL Public Access to Legal Information Committee’s Basic Legal Research workshop, which was held on November 20, 2002 at the Cerritos Public Library.

Also in this issue, we are featuring one law librarian bio-profile: David McFadden, William H. Rohan Chapter Service Award recipient (2000) and Senior
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Oh what a gala event it was!

December 4th was every bit as wonderful as the committee hoped it would be. Familiar friends, a wonderful feast and fantastic entertainment filled the evening. After nearly two years of planning, the evening of December 4 finally came. Everyone arrived elegantly attired and good cheer was the theme of the evening. Our AALL president, Carol Avery Nicholson, toasted SCALL and wished us 50 more years of excellence. Former SCALL presidents, Rohan Award winners and special guests were recognized and honored. There was a special applause for our beloved Marie Wallace, representing our wonderful retirees and life members.


Here’s to another 50!
Mary Dryden and Bob Ryan as our hosts for the fabulous evening.

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SCALL: The Last Ten Years

A look at the fifth decade of SCALL would not be complete without acknowledging the multitude of changes and events that took place in the world around us. Who will ever forget 9/11; or a plethora of other milestones that have affected the last ten years both domestically and internationally?

To begin our examination of the most recent decade, let us first look at what happened to the Wish List inherited from the fourth decade.

- Ten years ago, our profession sought Universal search strategies for CDs, databases, and catalogs. Well, a decade later, we are getting there in three ways. First, CDs are almost dead, making the search strategies more Universal by default. Secondly, publishers have heard us. Thirdly, the Internet has helped to hasten the trend.
- Right behind Universal searching, there was a desire ten years ago to see the full text Daily Journal online. Go to: http://dailyjournal.com/ and you will find the DJ and many additional resources.
- We also had lofty ideas ten years ago about East Coast Customer Service departments being open after 4 p.m. our time. Well, we still have that lofty goal! Of course, with fewer publishers there are fewer customer service departments closing early.
- Speaking of lofty ideals, does anyone know if new editions of either Fed. Practice Digest or ALR have come out since 1992? Do the replacements a new publisher sends count as a new edition?
- Then there was the lofty and reasonable goal of having our salaries on par with those of firm associates. Well, for many of us they are on par. 2002 Law Librarian Salaries are comparable to 1992 associate salaries. Be careful what you wish for.
- Lastly, tax management portfolios in a different format? Yes, they are now available electronically, but can you afford the cost?

Among the highlights of the past ten years, are the following.

- In response to the 1992 civil disturbances, the establishment of the Inner City Youth Committee and its receiving of the Spirit of Law Librarianship Award in 2000
- 1994 the SCALL Listerv and web page debut
- Continued outreach efforts, including publication of Locating the Law (3rd Ed. 1995, 4th 2001), with the 4th edition being online
- Lobbying efforts directed at the 1996 passage of S.B. 1507, a bill ensuring retention of and access to legislative and administrative records and the veto in 2002 of A.B. 2648, which would have been harmful to county law libraries.
- Pan-California vision encouraging cooperative efforts among the three chapters
- Founding of SANDALL in 1998 and subsequent SCALL Board financial support to help the new chapter
- 1998 AALL Convention in Anaheim
- Joint California Chapter Institutes initiated in 1999 in Monterey (the second to be held in 2003 in San Luis Obispo)
- Outsourcing of some SCALL functions (newsletter compiling, membership records and meeting arrangements)
- Joint California Chapter Legislative Workshops held in 2001 and 2002
- California chapters respond to 9/11 by donating to the AALL scholarship fund

Take a Break to Reflect...

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As I was beginning to write this article, I stopped and thought that perhaps it would be a good idea to wait until after the SCALL’s 50th Anniversary Celebration. Well, this is definitely one of those times that I can say, “I’m glad I waited.” The gala event can be described in one word, awe-inspiring. Believe me, several years from now, SCALL members who will be charged to do a similar event will say “Remember how they did the 50th Anniversary? We should do it that way.” It was an elegant night to remember.

That night, as I watched the individuals being honored, I couldn’t help but wonder how many of them realized, or if it ever occurred to them, that they have been a “virtual mentor” (if I may borrow the term) to a lot of us. By "virtual mentor", I mean someone who teaches, guides and leads by example. He or she may not even know you and yet he or she influences your way of thinking, your way of doing things, and once in awhile, your way of speaking in a humorous and endearing kind of way.

Do you remember a particular individual that you have been reading or hearing about? Someone whom you have great respect and admiration for and hope to, someday, be like that person? Someone who is so gigantic in your eyes that you felt too small and insignificant to approach and introduce yourself? Someone, whose career you’ve been modeling after, whose writings you’ve been reading regularly, whose seminars, workshops, and presentations you’ve been making sure not to miss? We all have not just one or a few, but several "virtual mentors".

I am always in search for mentors, although at times I have been too timid to approach some of the individuals I would have wanted to be my mentor. In the course of my career, I have come across some well-respected law librarians, a few whom I have been fortunate enough to personally meet and exchange pleasantries, and a considerable number of those whom I have learned or known about through articles written about them, and through their own written works. To this day, if I am asked who has been my mentor, I honestly can’t name any one individual. However, several names have caught my attention and have made an impression to such an extent that I have knowingly or unknowingly, changed the course of my career. Those names belong to some of the law librarians that were honored at the SCALL’s 50th Anniversary Gala event.

SCALL is one professional organization that is richly filled with “virtual mentors”, law librarians who have dedicated themselves to helping other law librarians and especially those who are new in our field, advancing the goals of our profession and enriching the law library community with their shared personal wisdom, experiences and accomplishments. They do, not because they were asked to, but simply because they want to and have continuously done so for the good of our profession. For those of us who attended the event, it was a proud moment to belong to an organization such as SCALL.
Announcements

Joint Institute in San Luis Obispo
Embassy Suites Hotel
March 14-15, 2003

This year the Institute will be hosted by our three California law library associations, SCALL, NOCALL, and SANDALL.

Volunteers are needed! Individuals who are interested in participating should contact Diana Jaque, at djaque@law.usc.edu.

Watch the SCALL listserv for further details.

2003 AALL Annual Meeting/Workshop Grants
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The AALL Grants Committee is now accepting applications for grants for the 2003 AALL Annual Meeting/Workshops. The AALL Grants Program provides financial assistance to newer law librarians or graduate school students who hold promise of future involvement in AALL and the law library profession.

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For additional information, including the application form, see http://www.aallnet.org/services/grant_application.asp. The deadline for applications is April 1, 2003.

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Reference Librarian from Southwestern University School of Law Library in the "Getting to Know You" bio-profile series.

We will no longer be continuing the Past SCALL President column, but will continue with the bio-profile series and book reviews in future issues, so if you wish to write a bio-profile on a new or seasoned member or a book review that may be of interest to SCALL members, I encourage you to submit one. There will also be a future column devoted to unusual reference questions, new ideas, etc. If you wish to contribute, please send the information to my email address at mclarenm@ulv.edu.

As a final note, please check your mail for registration materials on the upcoming Joint California Institute 2003 meeting, which is scheduled for March 14-15, 2003 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in San Luis Obispo, California.

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GSI is also pleased to announce the appointment of a consultant who will facilitate communications between GSI and AALL, its local chapters and the law librarian community at large.

Maggie Cosman
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Ms. Cosman’s background includes two-plus years of working in corporate and law firm information centers. She received her B.A. in History and Elementary Education from the University of Dallas, an M.L.S. from the University of North Texas and a J.D. from the University of Arkansas.
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**Meeting the Future: Dynamic Law Librarianship in the 21st Century**

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Getting to
Know You:
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David McFadden is originally from Southern California. He was born in Upland, but was raised a few miles away in Ontario. When asked to describe his earliest childhood memory, he confided: “I don’t have any. I am one of those that can be reminded by my mother, older brother and others of things but I don’t seem to have independent recollection of much of anything from my childhood”.

David earned his B.A. (1978) in Political Science from Westmont College, and his MSLS (1981) from University of Southern California. When asked what made him decide to pursue a career in law librarianship, he confided: “When I graduated from college, I was unsure of what to do and my brother suggested that since I was interested in trivia and minutiae that I would be a good librarian. I had never thought of it as a career choice. I had lived in Washington, D.C. during a semester of my senior year in college and was only two blocks from the Library of Congress but only used it as a library and study hall. Instead I commuted to Alexandria, Virginia to intern for a part-time Bankruptcy judge and his partner in their law offices. During my year off between college and library school I worked as a night custodian cleaning toilets and other things for a church with a pre-school. During the day I volunteered in my city library two days a week. One day I worked in the local history room and the other in the government documents department. I then had to make a choice. I had taken both the LSAT and GRE. I had been accepted to Claremont Graduate School in a program leading to a Masters in government and likely a Ph.D. and also applied to library schools. I decided that I could pursue my interests in government and/or the law through librarianship. While in library school, I first worked for the government documents department at U.S. C. and then started at the law firm. I still am very interested in government documents even though I don’t supervise that department at Southwestern any longer. I also have been able to redirect some of my interests in government towards advocacy of library issues primarily in Sacramento. I see law librarianship, especially when I was doing documents as a regular part of my job and now the advocacy, as combining my three interests – law, librarianship and government.”

David is very happy with his current position as Senior Reference Librarian at Southwestern University School of Law. When asked where he sees himself five years from now, he confided: “Most likely I’ll still be at Southwestern. I like my job and workplace. I enjoy doing reference and teaching legal research. My current job allows me to do those things as well as to do international acquisitions and to do professional things like writing, editing, teaching legal research to public librarians, and other things. I also will still be involved in legislative advocacy. I enjoy traveling to Sacramento and elsewhere advocating for library and especially law library issues”.

David keeps highly active by participating in a number of professional organizations including AALL, SCALL, American Library Association, and California Library Association. Other notable services included serving as President (1998-99) and Vice-President (1997-98) of SCALL as well as chairing various committees in AALL and SCALL. Also, he currently serves as the member of the Board of Directors of the California Supreme Court Historical Society (since April 2002).

David is the recipient of the AALL Presidential Certificate of Merit (1997) along with Cathy Hardy of NOCALL for their chapters’ work in getting California legislation passed in 1996 to insure retention and public availability of legislative and administrative records, and the prestigious 2000 William B. Rohan Chapter Service Award for his dedication to SCALL, for his advocacy for open access to public documents and for his involvement in making the library of California a reality.

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When David is not immersed in his career and professional organizations, he remains very active in his church. He teaches Sunday School for a class of adults ages 65 and above, he serves as both moderator and chair of the Board of Trustees, and substitutes for the pastors in leading mid-week prayer meetings when they are sick or away. Also, as a member of the Los Angeles and Santa Barbara zoos and the Aquarium of the Pacific, he enjoys visiting zoos. “I try to go to the zoo twice or three times a month to see my favorite animals, get exercise walking around and just enjoying being outside.”

David’s advice to new SCALL members: “Find a more experienced law librarian to learn from and get involved. I worked for Bobbie Johnson at Paul, Hastings when I was in library school in what amounted to a paid internship. That was very helpful. Then when I started at the Western Center on Law and Poverty, I was a solo librarian and CALR trainer for legal aid attorneys throughout California and parts of Nevada. There had been a

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Jeff Lambert and the MCLS Reference Center invited PALI to participate in a workshop called "A Day of Legal Resources". The workshop was held at the Cerritos Public Library, which was newly remodeled in 2002. The morning session covered "Law on the Net" which was presented by InfoPeople's Laura Cadra. The afternoon session covered "Legal Resources in Print" and was conducted by PALI Committee members Laura Cadra, Karla Castetter and David McFadden. SCALL member Dorothy Hampton also participated in teaching basic legal research: print sources. The committee split into four small groups and covered both Federal and California statutory, case and administrative law. Committee members used the workshop as an opportunity to remind the public librarian participants about our willingness to visit public libraries for the purpose of evaluating their legal collections. In fact, our committee already has two such requests and one is from the Cerritos Public Library.
MEETING THE FUTURE: DYNAMIC LAW LIBRARIANSHIP IN THE 21ST CENTURY

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We hope you can attend the Joint Institute!

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