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# The Times They Are A-Changin'

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Singer songwriter Bob Dylan wrote these words almost 30 years ago:

If your time to you is worth savin'
Then you better start swimin'
or you'll sink like a stone
For the times they are a-changin'.

In my last column I noted that librarians have had to "move with the cheese." The tools and methods we utilized when SCALL started in 1952, or even when we celebrated our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary just ten years ago, are vastly different. We have been forced to adapt to changes in our firms, institutions, and governmental agencies to reflect the times.

The times are a-changin' for SCALL as well. In the 90's, we entered the decade with a good budget surplus with Institutes and programs that helped to continue to add to that surplus. As the legal industry has merged, consolidated, and in some instances ceased doing business, the income to our association has dwindled. We read the papers daily and discover that our nation is in recession, most of the states are facing budget short falls, Los Angeles County's medical system is on life support, and many of our personal family budgets are being adjusted and readjusted continually. When I was growing up my father always gave his children this sage monetary advise, "when your outgo exceeds your income, your upkeep becomes your downfall."

How can librarians adapt to these changing realities? First of all, the times are a-changin' in regards to the SCALL Newsletter. Each issue costs the association over \$1,600 to produce and mail. That is approximately \$3.20 per issue. At our last SCALL Board Meeting, the Board decided to switch to an electronic format as soon as possible. Our current issue, as well as several previous issues, is available on our website. You will be notified via e mail when the new edition is available for reading.

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You will still be able to remain current on association news and business, but we are adapting to the times. The newsletter will still be top quality and printable if you would like a hard copy. Within the AALL Community, the New Jersey Association of Law Libraries, the Law Librarians Association of Wisconsin, and the State, Court and County Special Interest Section have adopted an electronic newsletter.

When SCALL was flush with financial resources we were able to fund several scholarships for students in library school, we were able to provide grants for our membership to attend the SCALL Institutes, the AALL Annual Meetings, and other educational conferences, in addition to funding several positions for deserving high school students trained by the Inner City Youth Committee. Are these benefits a good thing? Of course! Can we continue to fund at the same levels as in previous years? Unfortunately not. We will strive to serve continually the needs of our association and its members. Our core mission according to Article III of SCALL's Bylaws is "... to work to promote and enhance the value of law libraries, to foster the profession of law librarianship, to provide leadership in the field of legal information and to foster a spirit of cooperation among the members of the profession." This remains the core purpose for what we as an association are to do.

It is only wise that the Executive Board be prudent with SCALL's resources. Financially we are strong, but we must face these difficult times with soberness. We have lasted for 50 years because we have faced issues in our association

and profession with a desire to do what is best for the entire membership.

For several years our association's membership dues have been \$20.00. What have we done with that? SCALL's membership gets 5 issues of the newsletters every term, access to the SCALL list serv (that alone is worth millions), 4-5 meetings every year at a reasonable cost, low registration at the SCALL Institutes, and an opportunity to interact with professional colleagues that help you do your job better at your institutions. We have been able to do much with little. The SCALL Board intends to keep dues at the current level. Since we do not wish to further deplete our reserves, we intend to keep our spending within the parameters of the income generated from dues, the Institute and other endeavors.

Yes, the times they are a-changin', but thankfully librarians know how to change with them. We will continue to work too promote and enhance the value of law libraries, to foster the profession of law librarianship, to provide leadership in the field of legal information and to foster a spirit of cooperation among the members of the profession. SCALL has done it in the past, and will continue to do it in the future.

## From the Editor

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By this time, you should have received a brochure and registration form for the 1st California Tri-Chapter Institute sponsored by NOCALL, SAN-DALL and SCALL. As noted elsewhere in this newsletter, the topics to be covered at this year's Institute include a wide variety of issues (the USA Patriot Act & related anti-terrorism measures and its impact on our patrons' privacy, Islamic and Native American laws, and ethics) affecting law librarianship in the 21st century. On Saturday, there will be a concurrent session for law catalogers and technical services staff on the changes in AACR2. At the Opening Banquet, honorary guest Barbara A. Bintliff, Past President of American Association of Law Libraries (AALL), will be providing us with an update on AALL.

In this issue, we are featuring new SCALL member: Dr. Kenneth Rudolf, Law Library Director from the University of La Verne College of Law Library in

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the "Getting to Know You" bio-profile series. This issue also includes Victoria Williamson's column, "Take a Break to Reflect ...". As baby boomers retire from the library profession in large numbers and the shortage of librarians continue to grow, Victoria stresses how important it is for us as librarians to take an active role in recruitment and mentoring. That on a personal level, we can all bring in new people to our profession by sharing with someone our enthusiasm, interest and love for what we do. When I was in my second year of college as a math major, a family friend noticed that I was frequenting rare book dealers, the Naval War College Library, and the Newport Public Library in Newport, Rhode Island. She asked, "Did you know your school (University of Rhode Island) has a Master's degree in library science?" I replied, "No, I didn't know there was such a program." After she told me, I became so excited about being a librarian that I decided to pursue a library degree after I graduated from college. If it weren't for her observation of my love of books and libraries, I would have never known about the library science program. Also featured in this newsletter are photographs from AALL President Carol Avery Nicholson's visit to the Los Angeles County Law Library.

We will continue to include book reviews, so if you have a book that may be of interest to SCALL members, I encourage you to submit one. There will be a future column devoted to unusual reference questions, new ideas, etc. If you wish to contribute, please send the information to my e-mail address at mclarenm@ulv.edu.

# **SCALL Newsletter Submission Deadlines**

If you would like to submit something for publication in the SCALL Newsletter, the deadlines are the following:

**May Issue** 

**April 14, 2003** 

We welcome the submission of any articles of interest to the law library community. Contact Margot McLaren, SCALL Editor at mclarenm@ulv.edu.

# Meeting the Future: Dynamic Law Librarianship in the 21st Century

NOCALL, SANDALL, and SCALL are pleased to announce the 2nd joint California Chapter Institute scheduled for March 14-15, 2003 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, San Luis Obispo, California. Entitled Meeting the Future: Dynamic Law Librarianship in the 21st Century, the institute will address challenges facing law librarians at the beginning of the 21st Century. Attendees will hear presentations on the USA Patriot Act and privacy rights, Sarbanes Oxley, Native American Law, virtual reference, recent changes to AACR2R and more. Life in the Fastlane, a free preconference sponsored by West Publishing, will be held on March 13, 2003. For the most up to date information on registration and programs, please visit our web site at http://www.nocall.org/spring2003. <a href="http://www.nocall.org/spring2003">http://www.nocall.org/spring2003</a>. www.nocall.org/spring2003.htm or contact any of the Institute Co-Chairs listed below.

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The 1st California Tri-Chapter Institute would like to announce a unique opportunity for Institute participants to visit the Law Library at the California Men's Colony on Saturday, March 15, 2003 after the Institute luncheon.. Just 10 minutes away from the hotel! The tour is limited to 35 people. Everyone is responsible for his or her own transportation. Tour participants will need to be cleared prior to the tour. This is an institutional requirement. Also, a strict dress code is enforced.

Interested parties or for more information, please contact: Joan Lienemann, Senior Librarian, CMC Library East at lienj@thegrid. net



# Take a Break to Reflect...

By Victoria Williamson University of La Verne Law Library williamv@ulv.edu

At a liturgy mass held a few weeks ago for the Catholic Christian Doctrine (CCD) students at our church, the priest asked the students a question, "What would you want to be when you grow up?" I listened patiently to each kid who raised a hand to answer the question, one by one. As you may have guessed, the answers given covered a wide range of professions, from doctors and lawyers to priests and social workers. What really struck a chord for me at that particular moment was the fact that none of the kids answered, "I want to be a librarian." While this did not surprise me, it prompted me to ask why and reflect on what we, as librarians, can do to put a dent on the problem of librarian shortage.

We have all heard about the graying of the library profession. We have read articles providing statistics that back up the grim reality of librarian shortage and the need to beef up recruitment and retention. The Library Journal, in its latest issue, began a series of articles that focus on the issues relating to recruitment and retention. The February issue of AALL Spectrum featured an article that addressed the crucial question of where the next generation of librarians will come from. Both articles presented clear and convincing evidence that librarians, individually or collectively, must take proactive measures, innovative and effective programs to attract new graduates and make the profession enticing enough to be able to compete for the best and the brightest candidates.

I'm not about to give you a list of reasons why none of the kids in those CCD classes wants to be a librarian, or why the architect and not the librarian won the vote in a "tongue-in-cheek" survey for Barbie's next profession, and why librarians still have a long way to go towards projecting a more positive image to attract the younger generations and gain the respect they so rightly deserve.

Instead, I ask myself, "What have I done lately that encouraged someone to become a librarian?" In my day-to-day interactions with library users, student workers, paraprofessionals and staff members, I ask myself, "Have I projected a positive image or conducted myself in a positive manner regardless of whom I am dealing with?" When dealing with a difficult patron, do I maintain a "cool and collect" demeanor? Do I handle the situation in a professional manner or in a way worthy to be emulated by anyone who happens to be present at that time? When I'm with or around people outside my profession, do I leave them with a positive impression, one that shows pride in what I do and gains their respect and admiration?

I believe strongly that each of us, on a personal level, can bring in new people into our profession by being a living testimony of why becoming a librarian can be "awesome and cool" in the eyes of kids, whether they be in preschool or high school; makes good sense, financially, as a career choice for college graduates; or can be a viable and fulfilling alternative career for other professionals. A career that will allow them to enjoy the quality of life they want for themselves and their family.

We all have heard or read stories of how a friend or colleague became a librarian. How a single isolated encounter with a nice, warm, caring and very helpful librarian inspired a child to become a librarian. How a short and casual meeting with a colleague has helped someone decide on a career change. It's amazing how a simple act of kindness, a few words of encouragement and a warm and honest display of interest from a librarian can stir someone in the direction of becoming one.

I share in the belief that we are librarians first, and law librarians second. As librarians we have the obligation to take an active role in tackling the problem of librarian shortage. Whether we do so individually, by being role models and recruiting one person at a time or collectively, by launching a radical and an all out national campaign or becoming active members of our favorite recruiting or mentoring programs, we should take it upon ourselves to recruit. We owe it to ourselves and to our profession to reach out to those who never thought of it as a

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career option, those who may be undecided still, or those who may have been discouraged or at a disadvantage, to become a librarian.

As a law librarian, I ask myself, "If I truly love being a law librarian and genuinely proud and honored to be one, why not share the things that I love about it with not only the people that I care about, but also with those whose lives I've touched or those I've connected with?" Remember the time when you found or learned something new? It may have been a new hairdresser, an excellent novel or a great buy. You were so excited that you raved about it for months and recommended it to your friends, family and even to a stranger standing next to you in line at a grocery checkout counter. Why not take that same approach? I think that we should take the same attitude of excitement and perhaps add a little bit, if not more, of a sense of urgency whenever we see an opportunity to promote the law librarianship profession. Why not breathe new life to AALL's Recruitment to Law Librarianship motto of "Each One, Recruit One" and take it to heart?

A few years ago, I would never have thought of going to library school had it not for someone who shared with me her interest and enthusiasm for librarianship. She was at the time working for a major online research service provider and was attending library school. She encouraged me and shared with me everything that I needed to know to get into the library program. I truly value the time, effort and encouraging words she had shared with me. To her, I give my sincere gratitude.

When my son's turn to answer the priest's question came up, he replied, "I want to be a basketball player." I casually and without a blink of an eye whispered to him, "I thought you want to be a librarian?" His reply was, "Oh yeah! I want to be a librarian too!"

## **Seattle Library Tours**

The Preliminary Program for AALL provides your only opportunity to sign up for library tours in Seattle. Take a moment to register for tours of private, public, and academic law libraries. See the public research opportunities at King County Law Library; be dazzled by the glass roof of the library at Davis Wright Tremaine; check out the new and nearly new libraries at Seattle University and the University of Washington; and more!

Fred Hanson, Publicity Chair Seattle Local Arrangements



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# VERONICA MACLAY STUDENT GRANT

The Government Documents Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL GD-SIS) is pleased to announce that it will award a grant in the amount of \$400 to a student currently enrolled in an ALA accredited library and information studies master's program.

The Veronica Maclay student grant is to be used to attend the AALL Annual Meeting & Conference held July 12-16, 2003 in Seattle, Washington.

Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate interest in government information and a career in law libraries.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS: APRIL 30, 2003

The application can be found at http://www.aallnet.org/sis/gd/grantannounce2003.html

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The Governments Documents Special Interest Section was established in 1974 to disseminate information on government documents to AALL members, to further the continuing education of law librarians in documents librarianship, to coordinate the activities of law librarians in representing their interests to public and private groups, and to work in cooperation with documents groups in other associations and organizations.

For further information regarding the Association, the Government Documents Special Interest Section, and the Annual Meeting & Conference, please see the AALL web site at www. aallnet.org.

Questions regarding the grant can be directed to:

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#### Reference Librarian, Irell & Manella, Century City

Irell & Manella, a law firm, has an immediate opening in its Century City office for a full-time reference librarian.

General Summary: The reference librarian is responsible for performing manual, online and internet research requested by attorneys, legal assistants, and support staff. Candidate must be able to provide high quality service to the library users and library staff while contributing to a strong spirit of teamwork and collegiality within the firm.

#### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILTIES**

- Perform reference and research duties utilizing traditional print sources, the internet as well as the leading legal online sources, including, among others, Lexis-Nexis, Westlaw, Dialog, Dun & Bradstreet, RLIN, Matthew Bender CD-ROMs, Courtlink, CourtExpress, LivEDGAR and Choicepoint.
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#### KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

- · Proficiency with Lexis-Nexis and Westlaw.
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#### EDUCATION/JOB EXPERIENCE

- · MLS or equivalent experience required.
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# Acquisitions Librarian, Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu

#### <u>Description</u>:

Pepperdine University School of Law is seeking an Acquisitions Librarian. The successful candidate will manage all aspects of the library's ordering, receipt, payment, and binding operations, including supervision of one paraprofessional. Assists in selection and collection development processes. After training, may contribute some hours to reference desk. The law library houses over 325,000 volumes and volume-equivalents and uses the Endeavor Voyager library system.

#### <u>Duties</u>:

Responsible for all investigation and pre-order searching of potential acquisitions, new and out of print; handles orders for monographs and serials, including rush and special orders; primary liaison with vendors; works with Accounting Technician to resolve difficult vendor billing problems; responsible for gift routines, including off-campus pick-up of materials (infrequent); develop and update procedures, workflow, and policy; coordinates and maintains the library's collection development and retention policies, including incorporation of changes; directs bindery processes; under the direction of the Associate Director, recommends monographic selections based on library collection development policy and recommendations of faculty and faculty liaisons; assists the Associate Director in analyzing and managing budget for monographs, serials, electronic subscriptions, and other resources as requested; assists Associate Director in gathering statistics and preparing budget projections as requested; other duties and special projects as assigned. Reports to the Associate Director for Library Services.



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#### Qualifications:

Required: M.L.S. from an ALA-accredited institution; two years professional experience, or relevant non-professional experience; demonstrated experience with standard budgetary practices; significant experience with integrated library systems; excellent project management skills; strong organization skills with meticulous attention to detail; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; team player; ability to work with diverse individuals at all levels of an organization; energetic; strong service commitment.

Preferred: Demonstrated knowledge of legal publishing industry; demonstrated proficiency in standard PC applications and ability to quickly learn new technologies.

#### Compensation:

Commensurate with experience. Pepperdine University offers a full benefits package, including retirement programs with TIAA/CREF, health care coverage, and a generous vacation allowance.

#### Availability:

Immediately.

#### **Applications**:

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Please submit a detailed cover letter stating qualifications for the position, resume, and name and contact information of three references to:

#### Katie Kerr

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#### Catalog Librarian, Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu

#### Description:

Pepperdine University School of Law is seeking a Catalog Librarian to manage all aspects of the library's cataloging operations, including supervision of two and a half paraprofessionals.

The successful candidate will be responsible for original and copy cataloging, and management of the library's automated library system. The law library houses over 325,000 volumes and volume-equivalents and uses the Endeavor Voyager library system.

#### Duties:

Perform original and copy cataloging and supervise paraprofessional staff, including creation and revision of bibliographic records, authority work as necessary, and management of recataloging and reclassification projects; direct and manage all cataloging operations; assume the lead role in developing and implementing long and short term strategic plans for cataloging operations in conjunction with the Associate Director; lead and facilitate continuous improvement of cataloging functions; develop and update procedures, workflow, and policies; ensure data integrity of catalog and other integrated library system modules; other duties and special projects as assigned. Reports to the Associate Director for Library Services.

#### Qualifications:

Required: M.L.S. from an ALA-accredited institution with 3-4 years of cataloging/technical services professional experience; experience with OCLC; knowledge of MARC, AACR2R, LCSH, LC classification system and standard authority control procedures; significant experience with integrated library sys-

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tems; excellent project management skills; strong organization skills with meticulous attention to detail; excellent communication and interpersonal skills; team player; ability to work with diverse individuals at all levels of an organization; energetic; strong service commitment.

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Commensurate with experience. Pepperdine University offers a full benefits package, including retirement programs with TIAA/CREF, health care coverage, and a generous vacation allowance.

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#### Library Assistant, Best Best & Krieger, Riverside

Full-time, non-exempt position.

Large, multi-office law firm is interviewing for a library assistant to work in the Riverside office.

Responsibilities include daily library maintenance, maintain library catalog, document retrieval, assist with reference questions as needed, light research using web-based services & some travel to branch offices & local libraries.

Must be experienced with Lexis computerized research, Inmagic DB/Textworks and Microsoft office applications. B.S. Degree preferred. Minimum of three years experience in a law firm library required.

Forward resume to Sheila Carter, Director of Human Resources, Best Best & Krieger, 3750 University Avenue, Riverside, CA 92502 or e-mail to: SCARTER@BBKLAW.COM.

#### Library Assistant, Greenberg Glusker, Los Angeles

TITLE: Library Assistant REPORTS TO: Head Librarian HOURS: Part-Time or Full-Time PAY RATE: \$12.00-\$15.00 per hour

#### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION:

Responsible for the daily maintenance of the law library, including reshelving and shifting of books. Conducts mail checkin and periodicals routing. Processes and files new materials. Updates looseleaf services. Corresponds with publishers as needed. Processes interlibrary loan requests. Handles photocopying requests including articles and cases for attorneys and

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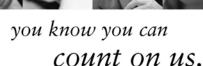
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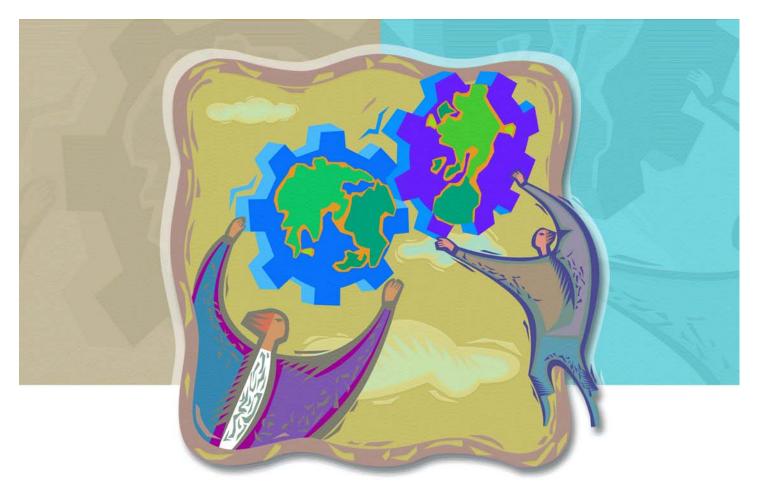
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# MINUTES OF THE SCALL BOARD MEETING UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE, PASADENA JUNE 25, 2002

#### PRESENT:

Larry Meyer, Diana Jaque, Jennifer Hill, Hugh Treacy, Cornell Winston, Hal Brown, Robert Wright, Anna Delgado, Patrick Meyer.

#### CALL TO ORDER:

President Larry Meyer convened the meeting at 4:20 pm.

#### I. President's Report

A. Larry welcomed the newly-elected 2002-2003 members of the SCALL Board: Diana Jaque, Vice President/President Elect; Jennifer Hill, Secretary; and Patrick Meyer, Board Memher

B. Larry mentioned that the cake at the AALL Joint Reception would be marble with custard filling.

C. Diana Jaque described the SCALL table at AALL and the Publicity Committee's plan to display Locating the Law, the SCALL 50th anniversary poster, and the Inner City Youth Committee poster. In addition, there will be a chapter oriented table at CONELL, where there will be order blanks for Locating the Law.

#### D. Chapter Roundtables at AALL

The Advocacy Training roundtable has been cancelled. The SCALL Vice President or Program Chairperson should attend the Professional Development roundtable. Darrin Fox will attend the Webmaster and Listserv roundtables. David McFadden will solicit volunteers to attend the Government Relations roundtable.

#### E. Assembly Bill 2648

Hugh said David McFadden would provide a report on this bill during the SCALL business meeting this evening.

#### II. Secretary's Report

Hugh reported the results of the 2002 SCALL election, thanked all of the candidates, and congratulated the winners.

III. Treasurer's Report

Robert Wright summarized the financial position of SCALL and offered an encouraging assessment of SCALL's tax status. Larry suggested that SCALL cut back its expenditures or find alternate sources of income if SCALL has spent down sufficiently. A discussion of Institute income followed. The last Institute did not bring in as much income to SCALL as past Institutes have. Cornell Winston suggested that SCALL reorder its priorities to fund fewer projects having small returns. Anna Delgado suggested SCALL scale back expenditures across the board. Larry suggested that SCALL look at the 50th anniversary celebration as a money-making event, since it may generate a profit.

Robert moved the Board to accept his report; the motion was seconded by Hal Brown, and unanimously approved by the

#### IV. Vice President/President-Elect's Report

Cornell reported on the SCALL table to be staffed by SCALL volunteers in the exhibit hall during the AALL conference. He said he would contact SCALL members to volunteer to staff this booth.

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#### V. Past President's Report

A. Anna Delgado reported on the status of the 50th anniversary celebration. She provided the Board with a budget summary for the event. She indicated that the cost of 250 SCALL fans, candy, and other promotional items for the SCALL table at AALL cost \$420.00.

B. Anna also distributed a 2002 budget for the Inner City Youth Internship program. She indicated that it has been a lean year, but that youth from 15 schools are represented in the program.

#### VI. Additional Board Member/Committee Reports

A. Union List Committee: Jacqueline Ayala reported that Jennifer Murray will submit a report at the business meeting.

B. Grants Committee: Jacqueline reported that committee had discussed whether Board members and Grants Committee members should be excluded from receiving grants to attend the SCALL Institute or AALL. Larry suggested one solution: pay the Board's registration at the Institute from the Board budget. The Board voted to table this decision until next year.

#### VII. Adjournment

The Board meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm.



# SCALL Board Meeting Old Spaghetti Factory, Hollywood, California October 10, 2002

President Cornell Winston convened the meeting at 4:50 p.m. Also present were: Jennifer Hill, Secretary; Diana Jaque, Vice-President; Patrick Meyer, Executive Board Member; and Robert Wright, Treasurer. Absent: Jacqueline Ayala, Executive Board Member and Larry Meyer, Past President. Non-Board member present: Brian Keefe, Co-Chair, Inner City Youth Committee. Approval of June 25, 2002 Board Meeting Minutes

Delayed until next meeting. Treasurer's Report

Robert presented the current numbers and also budget guidelines for 2002-2003. SCALL's total assets as of today are \$28,339.94. The estimated income for 2002-2003 is \$45,000. The budget guidelines for the board and for committees may have some changes in the future. Patrick moved to approve the report. Diana seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Secretary's Report

There was no report. President's Report

#### 1. Fiftieth Anniversary Festivities

#### A. Finances

Several donors have donated approximately \$7000 to the 50th celebration and little has been spent so far. The price of the tickets will be \$55 per person.

#### B. AALL Visitor(s)/Guest

Carol Avery Nicholson, President of AALL, will attend the celebration. Guests will include past SCALL and AALL presidents Earl Borgeson, Albert Brecht, and Frank Houdek.

#### C. Evening Program

There will be a program for the evening which will be on December 4,2002, at 5:00 p.m. and will last until Midnight. Patrick will see that the program is posted on the SCALL website once it is printed.

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2. SCALL Polo Shirts

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The Public Relations committee is selling polo shirts with the SCALL logo. The shirts are black with the SCALL logo in white embroidery and will sell for \$30 each. The cost of each shirt to SCALL was \$25. There are 100 shirts for sale.

#### 3. SCALL Grants Committee Guidelines

The Grants Committee submitted proposed guidelines for the board's approval. The guidelines are new as there have previously been no guidelines. There was no discussion. Robert moved to approve the guidelines. Patrick seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

#### 4. Accepting New Life Members of SCALL

Several retired librarians have been made life members of SCALL in the past and there are three retired librarians who are currently up for life membership: Betty McCarthy (Los Angeles County Law Library), Mona Stahl (Pepperdine), and Frank Weston (San Diego County Law Library).

Voting for life membership must be conducted at a meeting of the entire membership and so when the regular meeting begins ard will move to accept these librarians as life members of SCALL.

#### Vice President's Institute Report

The dates for the Joint Institute have been rescheduled from February 28-March 1, to March 14-15. Thompson/West will present a pre-conference at no charge to Joint Institute participants. It will be a full-day educational session, tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 13. Attendees will have to register through West. The title of the Joint Institute is "Riding the Storm into the Future," and some ideas for general program topics include the USA Patriot Act, digital copyright, and developing foreign legal collections.

The AALL V.I.P. for the Joint Institute will be Barbara Bintliff. Chapters are only allowed one V.I.P. request per year and since Carol Avery Nicholson will be the AALL V.I.P. for the 50th Anniversary celebration, NOCALL and SANDALL made the request to AALL for Barbara Bintliff. NOCALL and SANDALL have asked that SCALL pay for 1/3 of Barbara's expenses.

For the last joint institute, the profits were split 50/50. When other chapters hold joint conferences, they usually split the

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profits based on a percentage of registrants per chapter. NO-CALL and SANDALL are interested in splitting the profits for the next joint institute this way and SCALL has agreed. Registrants will be asked to identify their chapter affiliations on the registration forms. Since NOCALL and SANDALL are handling the registrations for the institute, they will keep track of the registrants' affiliations. Diana will also review the results. SCALL Finances

1. Approval of 2002-2003 Budget

Patrick moved to approve the 2002-2003 budget guidelines. Diana seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

2. E-mail voting on Board Expenditures of over \$500

The budget is tight this year and so Cornell proposed that any discussion or voting on expenditure requests of over \$500 must be made in a board meeting and not through e-mail. Jennifer moved to accept this proposal. Diana seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

3. Budget request for committees

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Cornell will ask committee chairs for their budget requests and also for forecasts of future budget needs.

4. Budgeting for Grants/Inner City Youth/Scholarships

Cornell decided this should be saved for another meeting, except for Scholarships. We will have a better idea of what we can give that committee in December, after the 50th Anniversary celebration.

5. Fund drives for Grants/Inner City Youth/Scholarships

Set aside for future meeting.

6. Electronic Distribution of Newsletter

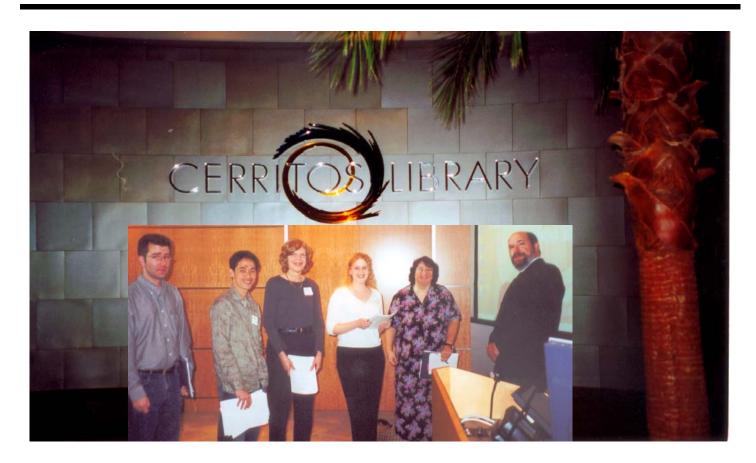
Cornell proposed that the SCALL Newsletter should be distributed in an electronic format, discontinuing the printed version. NOCALL's newsletter is only available online and so is the Southern California Chapter of the Special Libraries Association newsletter. A notice would be placed prominently in the

last paper edition of the newsletter stating that it would be the last paper edition and also where online the newsletter could be found. The board agreed it would be beneficial to look into the matter further, with a goal of going online only by the next one or two newsletters.

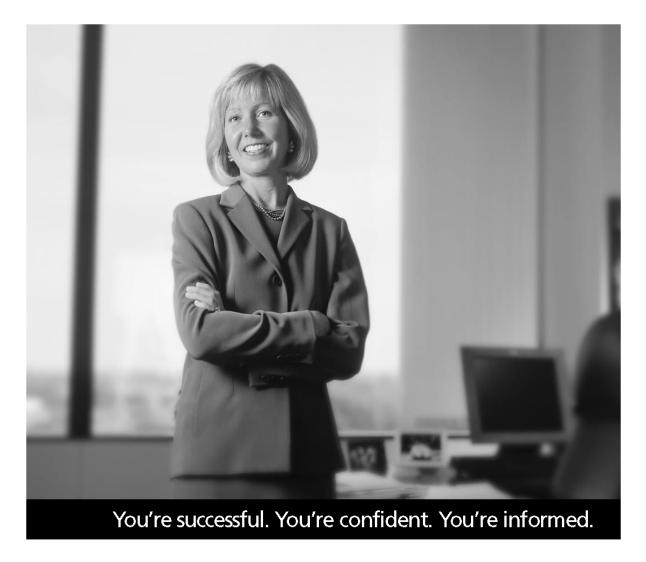
Brian Keefe-Inner City Youth Committee

Brian Keefe spoke to the board on behalf of the Inner City Youth Committee. The committee would like more support from the SCALL board. The committee placed twelve students last year and would like to place fifteen students next year. Brian suggested that maybe the board could help promote the committee to libraries, asking libraries to consider placing an intern. Perhaps an email could go out to the SCALL listserv from the board also, promoting ICY intern placement. The board agreed to discuss the matter.

Patrick moved to adjourn the meeting. Diana seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:30 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Hill, SCALL Secretary 2002-2003.



PALI members Jennifer Hill and Jennifer Lentz visited the Cerritos Public Library for the purpose of evaluating its legal collection. The Cerritos librarians were especially interested in weeding and updating procedures. The visit and evaluation was much appreciated by Marie Furrows who had contacted PALI to visit Cerritos.



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Kenneth Rudolf is originally from Hardin, Montana, but grew up in Walla Walla, Washington State. Ken earned his B.Mus. in Music Education from Walla Walla College, both an M.A. and Ph.D. in Music History, a Juris Doctorate, and a Master of Librarianship (M. Libr.) from the University of Washington. A recipient of a Fulbright-Hayes Graduate Fellowship from the University of Vienna, he spent a year doing disser-

tation research in Austria, Germany, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. Before deciding to attend law school, he was Assistant Professor of Music at Walla Walla College.

When asked what made him decide to pursue a career in librarianship, he confided: "Sometime between 2nd and 3rd year of law school, I realized I did not want to become a lawyer. I talked to two librarians at the University of Washington Law Library, Melissa Landers (Head of Public Services) and Peggy Hazelton (Director), about law librarianship. They encouraged me to take a legal bibliography course at the beginning of my third year of law school." Ken confirmed his interest in law librarianship when he began working in reference as a student while attending law school and through his contacts with law librarians whom he regarded as mentors. After he received his law degree, he entered the law librarianship program at University of Washington. After Ken received his library degree, he secured a position as a Reference Librarian at Yale Law School Lillian Goldman Library. He was later promoted to become Head of Reference where he oversaw government documents, provided reference for both Anglo-American and Foreign/International collections, and served on several committees and task forces. When asked to describe his biggest challenge while at Yale and how he handled it, he confides: "My greatest challenge was living through four years of renovation. We suffered through noise, dust, constant moving of workspaces, constantly shifting collections, and a large portion of the collection in an offsite facility. Then, when we got ready to move everything into the new spaces, we reclassified the entire collection to LC (Library of Congress) classification. We got through it with a lot of patience and a good sense of humor." In July 2002, he

moved to Rancho Cucamonga, California, and accepted a position as Director of the University of La Verne College of Law Library. He also serves as Associate Professor of Law for the University of La Verne College of Law where he teaches Legal Research. When asked where he sees himself five years from now, he confides: "A Director of an ABA-accredited law school library-the University of La Verne Law Library."

Ken keeps active by participating in a number of professional organizations such as AALL and SCALL. He currently serves as Chair of the Foreign, Comparative and International Law (FCIL) SIS of AALL where he also previously served as Vice Chair (2001-2002).

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#### **AALL President Tours Southern California Law Libraries**

While attending SCALL's 50th Anniversary Celebration in December, AALL President Carol Avery Nicholson was able to tour a cross section of the law libraries in the Southern California Region. Carol visited the Loyola Law School Library, the law library at Latham & Watkins, and the Los Angeles County Law Library. A special thank you is ex-

tended to the various law library directors and staff members for making Carol's visits a successful learning adventure. The photographs are from Carol's visit to the Los Angeles County Law Library.

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AALL President Carol Avery Nicholson with Melody Bussee Lembke, Technical Services Librarian at LACLL



AALL President Carol Avery Nicholson with Amber Lee Smith, Foreign and International Law Librarian at Los Angeles County Law Library and Evania A. Thompson, Deputy Library Director of LACLL.



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