

From the President ... Hugh J. Treacy

I am very pleased to serve this year as your SCALL President. It's a distinct honor for me to lead our fine chapter during this challenging 2010-2011 term.

SCALL is filled with intelligent, dedicated "joiners" who, without being asked, volunteer to serve this chapter with great distinction. I'd like to thank Past President **Jessica Wimer**, Secretary **Robert Wright**, and Executive Board Member **Margot McLaren**, for successful completion of their terms of dedicated service to SCALL. It has been a tremendous pleasure to have worked with these friends and colleagues during the past year. SCALL has been all the richer for their participation on the Board. On behalf of the SCALL Board for 2010-2011, I extend a warm welcome to our new officers—**Mark Gediman**, Vice President/President-Elect; **Galeen Roe**, Secretary; and **Kelsey Chrisley**, Executive Board Member.

As our nation continues in economic recession, SCALL members have been affected in many ways: declining resource budgets; trimming of travel and conference attendance budget lines; and some of our members have been furloughed, or sent home with pink slips. We are indeed in difficult economic times. However, at its June meeting this year, the SCALL Board approved a measure to modify the Bylaws to permit active members who become unemployed during a membership period to retain their status as active members for the duration of that period. The SCALL membership present at the Fall 2010 meeting in early November will have the opportunity to vote on this proposal.



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We welcome the submission of any articles of interest to the law library community. Contact Patricia Pelz Hart, **SCALL Newsletter Editor**: hart@chapman.edu

All submissions should be received by the following dates:

November 8, 2010	Nov. / Dec. 2010 issue
January 10, 2011	Jan. / Feb. 2011 issue
March 14, 2011	Mar. / Apr. 2011 issue
May 9, 2011	May / June 2011 issue
September 12, 2011	Sept. / Oct. 2011 issue

Editor's Notes ... by Patricia Pelz Hart



The Sept. / Oct. 2010 SCALL Newsletter marks the beginning of the second year of the current production team. I am delighted to continue working with Debbie Lipton, compiler, Ramon Barajas, webmaster, and Margot McLaren, business manager. They are first rate.

Thanks to those continuing as newsletter staff and columnists. Welcome to Karen Skinner, our new staff member.

This issue offers a taste of the 2010 AALL annual meeting. Program reports advance the knowledge of our readers. The photo essay on Denver may prompt future trips to the Mile High City by all readers curious to see its *Big Blue Bear*.

The SCALL Newsletter continues its practice of documenting SCALL activities by printing several minutes and reports. We can all be proud of our dynamic chapter.

I hope you enjoy the issue.

Save the Dates

Professional Legal Management Week, October 4-8

Professional Legal Management Week (PLMW) provides a forum for recognizing those in legal management for what they do and the roles they play in the success of their organizations. AALL is one of 11 associations co-sponsoring the event with the Association of Legal Administrators (ALA).

AALL members are encouraged to plan and promote events for the week. The Professional Legal Management Week Web site includes resources to help you set up events, including a fact sheet, suggestions for planning events, a flyer, logos, and advertisements.

ALA - <http://www.alanet.org>

PLMW - <http://www.plmw.org>



WestPac 2010 is Coming to the City by the Bay

Register now for WestPac's annual conference in San Francisco, October 14-16, 2010, at the lovely Hotel Nikko. All details including registration info are available at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/estpac/2010sanfrancisco/index.html>.

Activities include a tour of **Nolo's** facility in Berkeley. A post-conference excursion will go to the **Sonoma County Wine Library** and the **Francis Ford Coppola Winery** in **Geyserville**.



Western Pacific Chapter /
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SCALL Fall Meeting

Plan to attend this event on **Thursday, November 4 at 6 p.m. at Loyola Law School**. The program is titled *Current Developments in US Trafficking Law and Policy*, featuring Prof. Kathleen C. Kim from Loyola Law School. Cost is \$23. See SCALL website for more details.

From the President ...

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I have received 2010-2011 budget proposal requests from all SCALL committee chairpersons. Their requests will be discussed and the budget will be approved at the November Board meeting.

Although I was unable to attend the 2010 AALL annual meeting in Denver, SCALL Past President **Brian Raphael** stood in for me to host the annual Pacific Chapters Reception on July 10th. Brian tells me that the reception was very enjoyable and that many SCALL members attended. Next year, WESTPAC will host this reception at the annual meeting in Philadelphia.

As it is every year during the AALL annual meeting, the SCALL table in the exhibitors' hall was staffed by spirited SCALL members. This year, reusable grocery bags with SCALL branding in a multitude of colors were given away. **George Carter** at the Law Library of San Bernardino told me that the table even served as a referral point for recruitment of a new SCALL member. Thanks, George, as well as thanks to **Wendy Nobunaga**, Public Relations chair, and all of the other SCALL members who helped staff this busy table!

Our SCALL committees are beginning another active year filled with projects and plans. Site evaluations for the 2011 SCALL Institute are also underway. Vice President Mark Gediman, Past President **Larry Meyer**, and I traveled to two sites recently to evaluate their suitability. Mark will decide which facility will host the Institute when all of the necessary information has been submitted by the hotels we visited, and SCALL members will be notified promptly of that decision.

Lastly, the SCALL Fall meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2010 at Loyola Law School. **Michael Saint-Onge** and **Michelle Tolley**, co-chairs of the Programs committee, are making the arrangements. You will not want to miss this program! And, remember, all SCALL members in attendance will be voting on the Bylaws change.

***Hugh J. Treacy** is Associate Director of the Law Library, Whittier Law School in Costa Mesa*

Library School in L.A. from University of North Texas and Cal State Northridge

Are you interested in a **Masters in Library Science**? Or know someone that may be? If so, you are invited to attend one of the **University of North Texas -- California State University Northridge Greater Los Angeles Cohort Information Sessions** this coming **October 13-16**. We will begin a **second Greater Los Angeles Area Cohort** in the **Fall of 2011**.

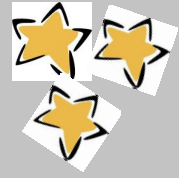
For specific locations and more information on the program, please see:
<http://www.lis.unt.edu/main/ViewPage.php?cid=201>

No RSVP required.

(For an article about the first cohort see the May / June 2010 SCALL Newsletter)

2009-2010 SCALL Awards

SCALL Service Awards 2010



The SCALL Awards Committee announced the 2010 recipients of the three SCALL Service Awards:

Vendor Service Award: Carolina Rose, Legislative Research, Inc.

Lifetime Achievement Award: Karla Castetter, Director of Thomas Jefferson School of Law Library, Retired

Rohan Chapter Service Award: June Kim (UCLA Law Library), editor, and each of the authors of *Locating the Law: A Handbook for Non-Law Librarians, 5th ed.*: **June Kim**, **David McFadden** (Southwestern Law Library), **Joan Allen-Hart** (San Diego County Public Law Library), **Patrick Meyer** (Thomas Jefferson Law Library), **Lisa Schultz** (Loyola Law Library), **Jennifer Lentz** (UCLA Law Library), **Esther Eastman** (LA Law Library), **Karla Castetter** (Retired), Judy Davis (USC Law Library) and **Ruth Hill** (Southern University Law Library).

Congratulations to all the award winners. Presentations of the awards were made at the SCALL Business Meeting on June 29th at the Ninth Circuit Courthouse in Pasadena.

In Memoriam: Elinor Jane Martin

The SCALL Newsletter sorrowfully reprints the following:

Martin, Elinor Jane

October 11, 1942 - June 10, 2010

Elinor Jane Martin, 67, of Valley Glen, CA, beloved daughter of Al and Norma Kleinman, died suddenly on June 10, 2010. She is mourned by her husband of 46 years, Arthur L. Martin, her sons Jeremy L. Martin and Jonathan D. Martin, her brother-in-law, Malcolm A. Martin, and her extended family and friends. Elinor was a librarian for Kaye Scholer LLP for over twenty years and previously worked at the San Francisco Public Library. She was a great lover of books. In lieu of flowers, Elinor's family requests that you share a book with a child.



Fremont College Paralegal Studies Program Asks for Books

Anyone looking to get rid of any print codes and reporters? Fremont College offers an ABA-accredited Paralegal Studies program. The program is soliciting donations of the following volumes for the Los Angeles campus:

- **West Calif Codes Annotated (Corporations and Motor Vehicle codes only)**
- **West Calif Digest**
- **California Forms of Pleading & Practice (partial or full set[s])**

Please contact Librarian Linda Taylor if you can donate any materials and are in the metro Los Angeles area.

Linda Taylor was an active SCALL member a number of years ago when she was with Gibson Dunn. She offers a fond hello to any colleagues who may remember her by her maiden name: Linda Heichman.

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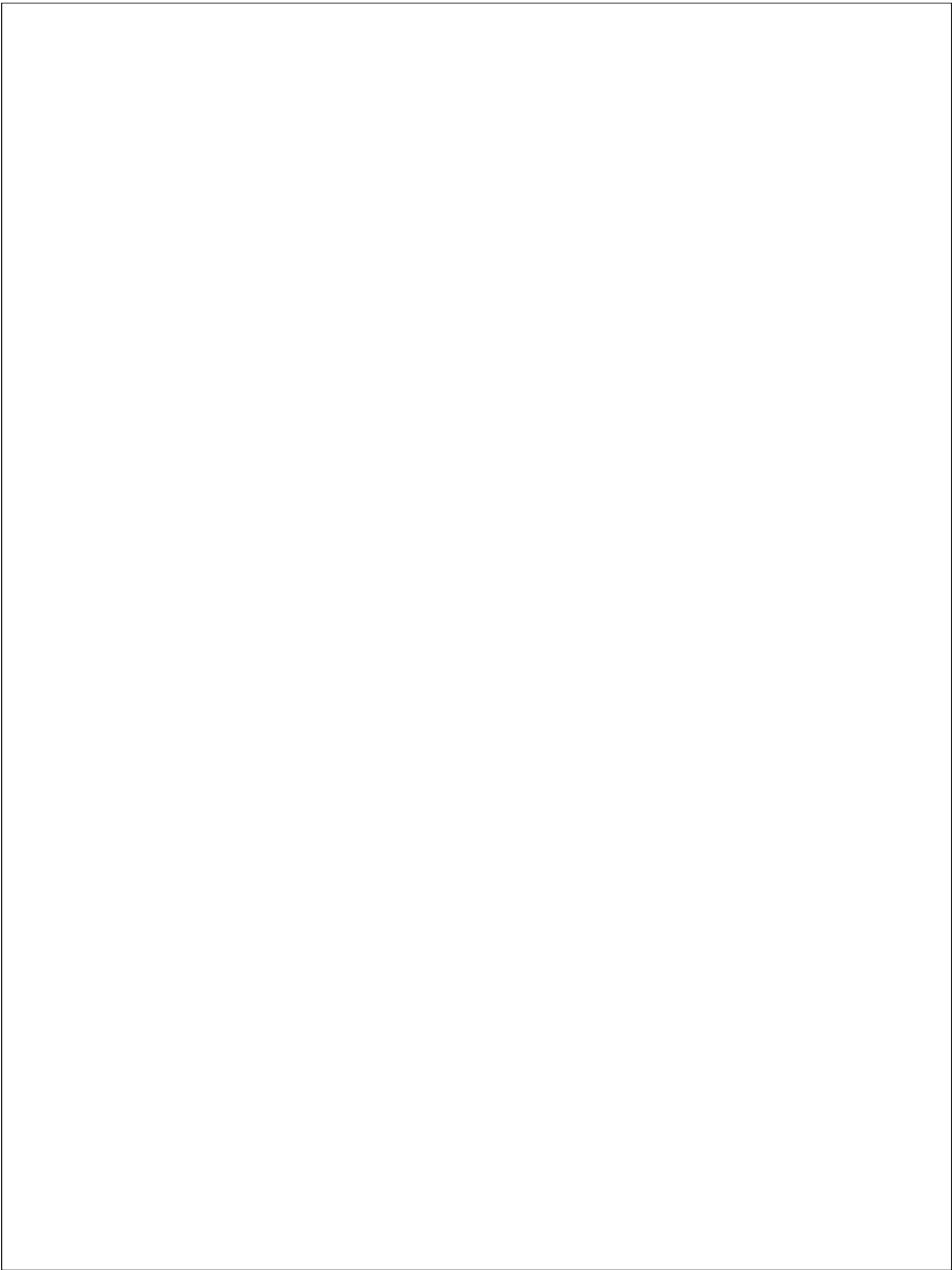
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2009 AALL Price Index for Legal Publications

The *2009 AALL Price Index for Legal Publications* is now available in the Members Only Section of AALLNET. The table-based report includes details for the mean cost of titles and percentage increases over previous years for serial publications, legal periodicals, loose-leaf services, commercially published court reporters, and supplemented treatises.

The purpose of the *Price Index* is to provide members with comparative information about past price changes in order to help with budgeting and collection development decisions. In gathering information for the *Price Index*, the AALL Price Index for Legal Publications Committee asks publishers to provide their pricing. If a publisher declines to do so, its pricing is not included in the index.

(Link: http://www.aallnet.org/products/pub_price.asp)



Heard Around Town ... by Larry Meyer



Summer 2010 proved to be a very busy time for many of our members, past and present, and as some of the items below indicate, may be a prelude to a very busy fall and beyond! So what have SCALL members been up to the past few months? With so many items to choose from, here are

some of the highlights.

First off, congratulations are in order for **Dan Raphael** and his wife on the birth of their daughter and first child! **Ruby** was born on July 14th, just in time for the AALL Meeting and Convention. According to the proud father, she is already learning how to be a law librarian. We look forward to seeing Ruby at many meetings to come.

Speaking of AALL, a large number of SCALL members made the journey over the Rockies to visit Denver. Many were seen at various meetings and other gatherings hard at work learning, teaching and networking. Free moments were few and far between. However, some of us did get over to King Tut and the Bronco stadium. Others, such as **Esther Eastman** went a little further aloft and enjoyed a delightful trip into the mountains to visit historic Georgetown by train.



Georgetown

Bill Ketchum took the opportunity to drive to Denver, enjoying the scenery and sights of Utah and

Western Colorado along the way, then followed up his convention experience with the opera in Santa Fe, N.M. on his way home. Speaking of New Mexico, **Carole Levitt**, who is now living in New Mexico, spent the summer getting her newest book, *Google for Lawyers* published and seeing her updated 11th edition of *The Cybersleuth's Guide to the Internet* ready for the bookshelves.

Grace Rosales continues to be busy racking up awards and grants. Grace received the SLA SAAAC Merit Award for Outstanding Leadership - UNT/CSUN SLA Student Chapter – 2010 and numerous scholarship and travel grants from AALL, PLL-SIS, and SLA. Way to go, Grace. We look forward to your sharing your experiences with us.

Stephen Resnick, formerly of Sonnenschein, has spent his time since leaving the firm involved with his community association and neighborhood government in the city of L.A. Congratulations to him for his successful run for his association board as well as his neighborhood council. Special congratulations to Stephen as he used his law librarian skills to recover a large amount of money for his association after becoming president of the group.

Congratulations to SCALL Board member **Galeen Roe**. By the time you read this article, she will be settled into her new job as reference librarian at Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C. in L.A. While I did not make the summer SCALL soiree on July 21st, I understand that it was well-attended and an enjoyable time was had by all. Amongst those spied having a great time at the event were **Robert Creamer, Mary Dryden, Malinda Muller, Michael St. Onge, Galeen Roe, Robert Ryan** and **Christopher Thomas**.

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Continuing with his theatrical activities, Bob Ryan has another strong presence in an upcoming show at “The Lounge Theatre” in Hollywood. The show, which runs weekends beginning October 15th, features five short plays written by **Michelle Kholos Brooks**, the daughter of actor/director **Mel Brooks**. Bob is hard at work acting in one of the plays and directing another.

Thanks to all of you who sent information for this article. As a reminder, keep sending information about yourself and other SCALL members for future columns.

Lawrence R. Meyer is Director of the Law Library for San Bernardino County in San Bernardino. Photo courtesy of **Esther Eastman**, Reference Librarian at the LA Law Library in Los Angeles.

Membership News ... by Judy Davis

SCALL Members, Summer 2010

- Active Members — 233
- Associate Members — 27
- Life Members — 7
- Student Members — 12

Any corrections, changes, or additions to your membership information should be sent to:

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*Membership is open to anyone
interested in law libraries.
To apply go to the SCALL website.*

Law Library Advocate Award Recipient – Honorable Keith D. Davis

SCCLL-SIS GIVES AWARD TO JUDGE AT ANNUAL MEETING

Law Library Advocate Award Recipient – Honorable Keith D. Davis

The State, Court, and Counties Law Libraries (SCCLL) Special Interest Section of the American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) presented the **Honorable Keith D. Davis** with the **Law Library**



Larry Meyer, Judge Davis, George Carter

Advocate Award on July 11th, 2010. The award was presented at the annual SCCLL business meeting in Denver, CO, which is held every year in conjunction with AALL's annual meeting.

The award was created in 2009 and is presented in order to recognize a law library supporter for substantial contributions towards the advancement of a state, court, or county law library's service and mission. According to SCCLL, "Nominees for this award are any person who has had a significant influence on a state, court or county law library and who is not a member of the law library staff. Examples of nominees include, but are not limited to, trustees, legislators, state/county/municipal officials, court managers, and judges."

At the meeting, SCCLL Chair **Anne C. Matthewman** presented the award to Judge Davis. Matthewman noted from the nomination that, "Judge Davis is deserving of this honor due to continuing actions exemplified by his commitment to California county law libraries through service as the President of the **Council of California County Law Library Trustees and Librarians** (CCCLLTL), his support of state legislation supporting county law libraries, including S.B. 113, and his efforts in increasing awareness of state, court, and county law libraries." The judge is also President of the **Board of Trustees** for the **Law Library for San Bernardino County** and serves on the board of the California Judges Association. He has been a judge of the Superior Court in San Bernardino since 1997.

Judge Davis was honored to be selected by SCCLL for the award and expressed his gratitude for the executive director of the Law Library for San Bernardino County, **Larry Meyer**.

"I know these have been very difficult and trying economic times for law libraries everywhere," said Judge Davis. "But that doesn't mean that any of us give up, it means that we try harder, try to be more creative, we try to do the things we need to, to see to it that we are able to continue to provide the public with the social services that they deserve. I would encourage everyone to continue those efforts because bad times, much like good times don't last forever and a brighter day I am certain is ahead for all of us, so let's just keep soldiering on."

Denver Through My Lens ... text and photos by Tracie Hall

If you went to the American Association of Law Libraries conference in the Mile High City (Denver, CO) this past July, you know that the **Colorado Conference Center** (at 700 14th St.) is a major curiosity to a “**Big Blue Bear.**”



Installed at the Conference Center in 2005, he stands 40 feet and was created by a local artist, **Lawrence**

Argent. According to an interview with the artist posted on : [denver.org](http://www.denver.org/what-to-do/museum-art/lawrence-argent-blue-bea)” (<http://www.denver.org/what-to-do/museum-art/lawrence-argent-blue-bea>), the subject of the sculpture was inspired by a news story of a bear looking into someone’s home. Entitled, “I See What You Mean,” the bear, which was originally going to be done in sandstone and other shades that would mimic the

Colorado landscape, became brilliant blue when the sculptor went with a printer’s mock-up mistake. It is now best known simply as, “The Big Blue Bear.”

In the aforementioned interview, Lawrence explains the serendipitous facts that the black bear was important to the Colorado Ute Indians, as was the

color blue, which denoted a high level of spiritual enlightenment.

So, here’s what you (if you had the good fortune, in this trying economy, to find a way to attend) and the curious Big Blue Bear got to see this past July:

Saturday saw a few librarians littered about the bear’s favorite “**Blue Bear Café**” with a snack or beverage. By Tuesday there was standing room only — despite the fact that the Starbucks a block away charged half as much for a muffin and coffee. (Yes, firsthand experience taught me this.)



Fabulous music, dancing, deserts, various intoxicants, and conversation were all part of the Saturday night **LexisNexis Opening Reception** experience.



The LexisNexis reception’s overspill just outside the ballroom enjoyed brighter lights and equally frenetic mingling.



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Sunday morning the poor dear Big Blue Bear was stuck outside, so he missed the wonderful opening **keynote** speaker address, introduced by the AALL President, **Catherine Lemann** and delivered by **R. David Lankes**, Director of the Information Institute of Syracuse (NY). Really, this was a well delivered and captivating speech. If, like the Big Blue Bear, you missed this, try to find time to catch it at <http://vimeo.com/1339370>



Catherine Lemann,
AALL President

Following this grand opening were conference sessions galore:

“**I Read the News Today, Oh Boy**” (Session A-6) featured, among others, **Vikki Migoya**, of the Denver Post, lamenting the news industry’s need for a new business model.



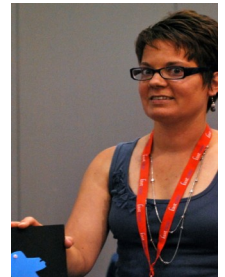
Thomas R. Boone, the Coordinator, Moderator, and Speaker for the same session, from Loyola Law School in Los Angeles, CA, did a fabulous job of involving each speaker.

“**What’s a “Reasonable Royalty Rate”?** The What, Where, Why, and How of Patent / Intellectual Property Technology Licensing Research”, (Session B-5) targeted an audience of private law libraries

doing IP research, with **Franck Curci** of Jennings, Strouss and Salmon, PLC, highlighting the contrast between the developer (licensor), and the user (licensee).



“**Communicating with Patrons—Best of the Best**” (Session C-4) featured, among others, **Stefanie Pearlman** and **Marcia Baker** of University of Nebraska – Lincoln, Schmid Law Library, describing the success of their innovative “Tweet Treats” scavenger hunts.



And that’s only the beginning! Literally, that was just Sunday — and only a fraction of what was going on, at that. There were so many great sessions, meetings, exhibits, and gatherings throughout the conference, and so much to see of Denver, that I probably wasn’t the only one who tried to defy the taxing elevation, with acute exhaustion as the price for racing around to take in as much as possible.

But I’m getting ahead of myself! Because the Big Blue Bear was still stuck outside, he missed visiting with all of our vendor friends in the **Exhibit Hall**: **Steve Roses**, **Dick Spinelli**, and more at the **W.S. Hein** booth:



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The fabulous
SCALL table:



The **BNA** e-mail cubicle:



And many of our **West**
friends ... I mean
Thomson Reuters!



Then, please tell me that, if you were there, you caught at least **SOME** of the energy on the **16th Street Mall**. What a great “mall”! Benches, potted plants, retail kiosks, and pianos fill its cobbled center, with electric busses, being the only approved vehicles for this street, running in each direction. Something I read referred to this street as the spine of the city, and indeed it is central, with shops, pharmacies, services, the Denver Pavilion, and epicurean establishments all along its length. The pianos that dot the concourse are for any passerby, musically inclined or not.



Because of the little trick the air plays at the foot of the Rockies, creating a temperature inversion, Denver has learned that it requires tremendous effort to maintain that clean, cool, crisp mountain air that America expects from Colorado, and to avoid their 1970's sobriquet, the “Brown Cloud”. The variety of modes by which to get around was remarkable: mini bikes, rental bicycles, three wheeled bicycles, (yellow or purple) taxis, electric busses, horse and carriages, trains, and of course, my favorite for sightseeing, that old fashioned pedestrian thing.



(Oh right. You would have to be a flea for this one.)

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As with every downtown, or **CBD** (Central Business District) as Denver-ians seem to prefer, there were a good smattering of colorful characters to be seen and quite lovely architecture ---

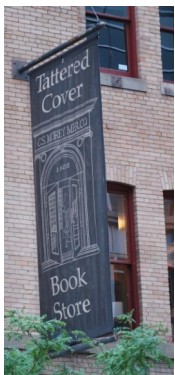
the **Denver County Courthouse**:



and the **Colorado State Capitol**:



If you're like me and a few other librarians I know ... despite the 90+ temperatures, you probably trekked to this place almost as many times as you went to the conference center:



Tattered Cover Book Store



Thanks for visiting with me! Shall we ask the Big Blue Bear if he wants to rendezvous in Philly?

Tracie Hall is *Serials and Acquisitions Librarian at Chapman Law School Library in Orange*



The Keynote Speech at AALL ... report by Lorin Geitner



David Lankes

The guest speaker, **R. David Lankes** (www.davidlankes.org) argued that librarianship, and law librarianship, in particular, has become opaque to anyone outside of the community. He further observed that “We have constructed our profession around *ourselves*” and “Success does not always follow success” – success of previous endeavors do not guarantee success of future endeavors.

He drew an analogy with the current status. Encarta failed because it didn’t allow for input from users, while Wikipedia has prospered by being structured precisely so that the users can interact dynamically with it.

Following the example of Wikipedia, Lankes stated that we must mold ourselves to our communities instead of expecting the community to conform to our traditional structures and procedures. We need to focus on their needs, not ours. The first step towards doing that is to find out what the priorities of the university are. Often faculty/administration are clear as to what *they* think the priorities of the law library should be, but are unclear as to the priorities of the law school. If you ask users what they think of the law library, they won’t have a clear idea — ask, instead, what problems *they* are trying to solve.

The mission of librarianship is to improve society through facilitating knowledge creation in their communities. **Knowledge (as opposed to merely data) is created through conversation.** Therefore, we should build systems on the basis of conversations instead of artifacts. An example of this would be a library that created a performance space when they talked to musicians about what they needed.

It’s important to ask what information your community needs. ***Librarians need to do more than wait for people to ask them questions – we need to be proactive and find out what information services people really need.***

Lankes believes the best days of librarianship lie ahead — but *only* if we stop focusing on processes and artifacts, and put more emphasis upon dialogue in order to discover the information needs of our patrons, and cater to them.

Lorin Geitner is Reference Lawyer/Librarian and Webmaster at Chapman Law School Library in Orange. Photo courtesy of **Tracie Hall**, Serials and Acquisitions Librarian at Chapman Law School Library.

Glass Half Full? Optimism as a Management Tool ... report by Michele A. Lucero

Gail Warren from the Virginia State Law Library and **Jean Holcomb**, retired law librarian, former Director of the King County Law Library presented program C1, entitled “**Glass Half-Full? Explore Techniques for Putting Optimism to Work as a Management Tool in Difficult Times.**”

Librarians should care about a glass half-full world. We all respond to challenges differently in difficult times. It is important to use optimism as a tool.

Leaders see beyond common moments and see challenges with optimism. *Optimists* believe that bad events occur due to something else and they *do not give up*. Challenges are seen as opportunities.

Pessimists, on the other hand, personalize the circumstance and that it occurred due to “I.” *Pessimists* are depressed more often and *give up easily*.

The good news is your world view can be changed if you are more of a pessimist. Your optimist-pessimist meter is not set at birth. It is something that is learned and can be overcome by awareness. Your explanatory style identifies the way an individual responds to and explains the causes of events that occur.

There are three elements that Martin Seligman groups characteristics into: permanence, pervasiveness, and personalization. The chart below explains how optimists and pessimists fall into each element and will assist you in determining your explanatory style:

	Optimist	Pessimist
Permanence	Believe the causes of bad events are temporary.	Believe the causes of bad events are permanent.
Pervasiveness	Approach challenges and failures as something with limited impact.	Feel failure is universal and affects all aspects of their like experience.
Personalization	Feel event is due to external forces and circumstances are to blame.	Blame self for bad events and failures, leading to low self-esteem.

In order to determine if you are an optimist or pessimist, here are a few tests that you can take: **Life Orientation Test [LOT-R]** developed by the University of Miami College of Arts and Science Department of Psychology, www.psy.miami.edu/faculty/ccarver/sciLOT-R.html and the **Optimism Test** developed by Martin Seligman, www.authenticchappiness.sas.upenn.edu/default.aspx.

In order to change your explanatory style, you can draft a strategy to assist you. First, you must recognize your automatic thoughts, and then dispute them. Then you need to re-attribute by providing a different explanation for a negative event. Next, when you get in an anxious loop telling yourself stories, you may need to distract yourself and then question. Don't wait for a perfect solution, rather take action now.

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To implement your strategy, you must give yourself clear directions on what you will do and change verb tenses in your thoughts. Think “I will respond with” and visualize. We all know that change is not easy. It is important to set micro-milestones for yourself and give rewards. You may need to make environmental changes. In order to measure your success, get support and focus on today.

Building a positive framework in your library is important. Your mental and physical health is important. Work toward that positive explanatory style on the job. Establish relationships both in your personal life and at work seeking that work-life balance. A few suggestions are to buy your boss a cup of coffee, praise a co-worker, and schedule moments of relaxation during the day. As a library manager, you will want to encourage active behavior and promote positive reinforcement. You can commit to a consistent message across the library and investigate health and fitness opportunities. Optimism can have a strong influence in both work and personal relationships. It is important to understand your style and how you can impact your staff and organization.

This link will provide you with further resources and the LOT-R tool, http://www.cmcgc.com/media/handouts/300710/C1_Gail_Warren.pdf.

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Electronic Government Information in Today's Libraries ... report by Karen Skinner

“**The Changing Look of Government Information**,” program H-2 at the AALL Annual Meeting, examined the impact of the new look of federal and state government information. Highlighted was the electronic look of government information these days. The program, moderated by **Rosemary LaSala** of the St. John's University Law School, assessed the impact in a variety of ways.

Ted Priebe spoke as a representative of an agency that creates electronic government information. **Janet Fisher**, of the Arizona State Library, talked about how she and her colleagues are digitizing Arizona historical and cultural documents and placing them online for the public to access as part of the Arizona Memory Project. **Meg Martin**, Wyoming State Law Library, and **Joseph Hinger**, St. John's University Law School Library, spoke about the impact of electronic government information on reference and technical services. And, **Simon Canick** approached the subject as a non-librarian.

Ted Priebe, of the **U.S. Government Printing Office, Library Program Services**, opened the program with what he called calisthenics. He asked everyone who knew anything about GPO to stand up. Then he had those who were familiar with **GPO Access** to continue standing and then wrapped up the morning calisthenics by having all those who were familiar with **Federal Digital System**, or FDsys, to remain standing. A significant portion of the room was still standing at this point and Priebe was very excited about that. Priebe

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noted that FDsys is pronounced f-d-sis, but he didn't care what you called it as long as you used it. He further noted that 35 of 40 collections have been migrated to FDsys. The remaining 5 collections will be migrated by the end of the year. At that time, GPO Access will be "sunsetting" and FDsys will become the system of record for GPO.

Priebe discussed two GPO pilot programs of interest. The **Cornell Legal Information Institute** reached out to GPO to collaborate on the C.F.R. and XML data, thereby adding the ability to comment on C.F.R. sections. This one year pilot was expected to be publicly accessible by mid-September 2010. Additionally, GPO is working on a 24-month pilot program with **PACER** to make documents from 12 federal district and bankruptcy courts freely available through GPO. This announcement drew applause from the audience. Priebe noted that the **Joint Committee on Printing** must approve this, but he expects this to be a mere formality.

The program concluded with the only panelist who was not a librarian. Simon Canick, the Associate Dean of Information Resources and Assistant Professor of Law at the William Mitchell College of Law, stated that he comes at the topic a little sideways. He's interested in the pricing models of databases. To illustrate his interest in pricing models, he brought up the recent trend of libraries paying a large lump sum for content and then a few thousand dollars a year for access to the purchased content. The lump sum is often upwards of \$50,000 more than the price charged in previous pricing structures. Canick's concern is when the yearly access fees become too much for a library to pay. The library has paid for the content but no longer has access to the purchased content. He further notes that not many libraries would be able to make that information accessible on their own.

Canick claims that vendors suggest that libraries are paying for indexing in these databases rather than solely for content and indexing does seem to be the big advantage. He brought up the **Google Book Project** as an example. The digitized content is freely available on Google, but it's not very accessible as the information hasn't been properly indexed. As an example, Canick notes that a random volume of the Serial Set of Google Books had the descriptor of Law, Legislation – United States, which isn't very helpful to a researcher.

At this point, Canick mentioned the **Hathi Trust** (<http://www.hathitrust.org/>), which is a consortium of the institutions that participated in the Google Book Project. These institutions have created a repository of the digitized collections; they are building it so that it is publicly accessible. The Hathi Trust provides full text searching capabilities and indexing to make the catalog searchable including faceted search results and appropriate descriptors.

Canick ended by stating that while commercial databases are more polished, he questions whether or not they are \$50,000 more polished. He encourages librarians to speak up. Canick claims there are a proliferation of these types of databases because there are libraries willing to pay for them. He thinks we can pressure vendors into offering a variety of pricing models to fit libraries' needs.

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The Future of FOIA ... report by George P. Carter

Merriam Nesbit is the director of the Office of Government Information Services and **Anne Weismann** is the Chief Counsel for Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington. Together they presented a program on *The Future of FOIA* at AALL in Denver, CO. Each presenter discussed the work being accomplished through their respective organizations, the purpose of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, and ultimately, what the future holds for FOIA requests. **Susan Nevelow Mart** moderated the discussion that followed their presentations.

The Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C §552) was originally signed into law in by President Lyndon Johnson. The act has experienced various amendments since that time, usually every ten years. The concept of the FOIA is simple enough but often lacking in execution. Ideally, a person requests from a federal agency a document that he reasonably describes; the agency then releases the document to that person within 20 working days. According to Weisman, 20 days is theoretical and often that goal does not manifest in implementation. There are also exemptions that many agencies use to deny FOIA requests, including the often cited National Security exemption. In FY 2009 some 558, 000 FOIA requests were submitted. 15.9 % of those requests were denied, and fewer than 10,000 administrative appeals were filed. The cost of FOIA, including litigation, was \$382 million in FY 2009; an increase of nearly \$50 million from FY 2008.

In 2007 an amendment to FOIA established the **Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)** within the National Archives. Merriam Nesbit was appointed director of OGIS. Her office serves as a FOIA ombudsman. That is, OGIS serves as a mediator service between the FOIA requestor and the agency which has denied the FOIA request. Nesbit hopes to improve FOIA through recommendations to Congress, and by actively resolving disputed FOIA requests. OGIS currently employs 7 people, and their case load is increasing. They have experienced tremendous success in resolving FOIA requests, despite being a small operation and having no statutory authority to compel agency compliance in FOIA disputes.

In contrast to OGIS, **Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW)** is a non-profit watchdog organization that is active in keeping government officials accountable and transparent. Anne Weismann is Chief Counsel for CREW. She was the person responsible for bringing several suits against the Bush administration, which Weismann described as secretive in unflattering terms. Weismann fought actively for the release of the White House visitor logs, a fight that has continued under President Obama. Obama originally promised a full disclosure of those records, but delayed their release until the end of 2009. While Ms. Weismann was hopeful that the Obama administration would make good on its campaign pledges of being more transparent, she has thus far been disappointed.

So what is the future of FOIA? Well, that question, like the future, remains to be seen. The number of FOIA requests decreased in 2009, but the number of those requests that were denied increased significantly. OGIS and CREW will continue with their efforts. There is hope that e-FOIA requests will become more widely available.

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On that front, we can look to the **Government Relations Office (GRO)** at **AALL**. Recently, Director of GRO, **Mary Alice Baish** and her staff took part in the Open Government Directive. They were selected to score the Department of Justice's (DOJ) compliance with that directive. While the DOJ scored poorly on their first proposal, they worked closely with the GRO to improve future compliance with the directive. The directive will require the DOJ to implement a new system based on the GRO's scoring that provides greater access to their documents and, with any luck, the ability to make electronic FOIA requests.

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Facilitation Tips Closed Out the Annual Meeting ... report and photo by Tracie Hall

“Facilitation: The Secret to Successful Meetings,” Session K-4 of the 2010 AALL Summit program, was presented by **Carol Watson** and **Wendy E. Moore** from the University of Georgia, Alexander Campbell King Law Library.

Carol and Wendy were great presenters. Suspecting that they might need to sparkle as the final program on the last day, they did indeed. They congratulated their audience for arriving and, true to their instructions on meeting durations, kept to their promise of not going longer than their scheduled time.

Facilitating, it was explained, is not necessarily the same as *leading* a meeting. The implication being that one could be a stealth facilitator. There are different kinds of meetings we were told, but the focus here was on meetings where problem solving was the primary purpose.

First we learned some rules for conducting a good meeting, and afterwards we got some anti- rules of practices that result in bad meetings (and yes, the second set did tend to duplicate the first — so I'll present them here in that structure.)

Rule	Anti-Rule
Do be punctual	Do not be tardy or run long
Do be relevant — keep the group on point.	Do not chatter about unrelated subjects
Do follow polite etiquette	Do not be disrespectful
Do be prepared. This includes but is not limited to sending staff any necessary reading material well enough in advance of the meeting to allow time to read it.	Do not hand out pages and proceed to discuss them while (or before) anyone has had a chance to read the pages, if advance reading would be beneficial
Encourage silent members to participate (round robin, or direct inquiry.) The goal is to have a consensus. You want to discover disagreement if it exists.	Discourage lengthy monologues. (Sometimes the round robin happily accomplishes this; you can also give an over -zealous speaker a role.
Do be flexible. If an agenda item is running longer than expected but a resolution seems in sight, suggest the topic be fully covered, with the other agenda items held for another meeting.	Do not give free rein to every subsidiary topic that arises, which will detract from the resolution of agenda items. Put them on a future agenda. (Use the “park it” concept to park a topic until the next meeting.)

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Carol and Wendy emphasized two key elements of successful meetings: the Agenda and the Rules of Conduct.

The agenda should be created and distributed long enough before the meeting that participants can use it to prepare. Don't abbreviate agenda items. Items on the agenda should be specific, so there is as little need for interpretation as possible. If, for example, the plan is to discuss a Circulation Desk scheduling problem due to the vacation of three summer students; say that, rather than just "Circ. schedule".

The rules of conduct could be as obvious as "be patient and respectful while others are speaking," or any of the suggestions listed in the table above. Other possibilities are: "No cell phones" ; "Do your part" ; and "Be active."

One audience member mentioned that she has a staff member who habitually grooms during meetings. The "Rules of Conduct" are where that can be addressed. The facilitator (a role that can be rotated) can place these rules on the table. When a violation appears to be in progress, it is often enough to just reach for the rules to end it.

Wendy and Carol also discussed the importance of following through after a meeting on whatever actions were agreed upon.

In conclusion, Wendy and Carol assured us that not every meeting is going to feel successful, but we should recognize that the goal isn't coming up with a quick fix. Devising well thought out solutions that everyone can agree on is the goal.

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Job Opportunities ... by Jodi Kruger

Reference Librarian, Wood Smith Henning & Berman, LLP; Los Angeles, August 24

Reference Librarian, University of La Verne Law Library; Ontario, August 4

Librarians and Technical Assistants, Calif. Dept. Corrections & Rehabilitation, Statewide, Ongoing

Pool of Temporary Reference Librarians, Western State University Law Library; Fullerton, ongoing

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2009-10 SCALL Awards Committee Report

2009-10 SCALL Awards Committee Report (Revised) June 29, 2010

The 2009-10 SCALL Awards Committee was composed of

Laura Cadra, Chair
Jody Kelly
David McFadden, Rohan Award Recipient – 2000 & 2010
Leonette Williams, Rohan Award Recipient - 1995 & 2004

The Chair would like to commend the Committee members for their ongoing service to SCALL.

The Committee solicited nominations via the SCALL listserv for the three Chapter Service Awards:

SCALL Vendor Service Award
Rohan Chapter Service Award
SCALL Lifetime Achievement Award

The Committee discussed the awards via email after the nomination deadline. The awards were made as follows:

Vendor Service Award: Carolina Rose of Legislative Research, Inc. for her company's longtime support of SCALL. Carolina has not only offered financial support of SCALL through regular participation as an exhibitor at the SCALL Institute, she has taken an active interest in the Institute and has provided information and ideas to SCALL to improve the exhibit experience for all vendors. In 2009, Carolina stepped up to the plate when SCALL was not going to have a table at the AALL Annual Meeting. She arranged for a table at the last moment, provided a wonderful display and giveaways, and arranged for staffing by SCALL members.

Rohan Chapter Service Award: The editor, authors and contributors to Locating the Law: A Handbook for Non-Law Librarians, 5th edition: June Kim (editor and author), Joan Allen-Hart (author), Judy Davis (contributor), Ruth Hill (contributor), Laura Cadra (author), Karla Castetter (author), Esther Eastman (author), Jennifer Lentz (author), David McFadden (author), Patrick Meyer (author), Tammy Pettinato (contributor) and Lisa Schultz (author).

Since the first edition, Locating the Law has helped public libraries across California provide legal reference services to their users. Each edition, including the newest, has been welcomed by public librarians and has garnered their praise.

The 4th edition of Locating the Law was published in 2001 and a new edition has been in the works for well over five years. June Kim, current Chair of the PALI committee, and the chapter authors finally made this new edition a reality. In addition to updating the previous edition, new chapters were added, hotlinks were added to all web-based resources, and the entire publication has been made available at no cost on the SCALL web site. Ramon Barajas, SCALL webmaster, deserves thanks for posting it to the website in an attractive and easy to use format.

The latest edition of Locating the Law continues SCALL's tradition of service to the library community.

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Lifetime Achievement Award: Karla Castetter, former director of Thomas Jefferson School of Law Library. Karla has been an active member of SCALL for many years. She served on the SCALL Executive Board from 1989 to 1991 and has chaired and served on numerous SCALL committees. Significantly, she was the editor of two editions of Locating the Law: A Handbook for Non-Law Librarians, one of the premiere publications of SCALL, and was a contributor to four of its five editions. Karla was awarded the Rohan Chapter Service Award twice – once as editor of the 2nd edition and this year as one of the authors of the 5th edition. Additionally, Karla has mentored new law librarians throughout her career and has served as a role model for many SCALL members.

Plaques were ordered from Glendora Trophy Company for presentation at the June 29, 2010 SCALL Business Meeting.

The recipients were notified and were invited, along with a guest, to attend the June Business Meeting where their awards will be presented by Award Committee members.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura A. Cadra
Chair, SCALL Awards Committee

SCALL President's Annual Report, 2009-2010

SCALL President's Annual Report, 2009-10

I am pleased to highlight some of the actions taken by the SCALL board and our association this year as well as some of our association's more recent activities.

At our December 2009 SCALL board meeting, the board voted to subscribe to a membership database management system for our association. This new system will enable us to improve our membership database maintenance and to integrate our membership database with other functions, such as the SCALL listserv, dues invoicing, electronic balloting, and surveys. It will also make it easier for us to set up online credit card payment processing for all of our SCALL programs as well as for the payment of SCALL dues. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our Membership Committee Chair, Pauline Aranas, who evaluated a number of different management systems and helped us find the one that best meets our needs. In the coming year, the Membership Committee will begin the process of setting up our new membership database and enable us to begin utilizing its various features.

Also in December 2009, at the annual holiday party, the SCALL members voted unanimously to make Karla Castetter, former Director of the Thomas Jefferson School of Law Library, a "life member" of SCALL.

In March 2010, the SCALL board approved a motion to sponsor and provide \$100 to help fund a Legal Research workshop entitled "New Attorney's Research Skills -- What They Have vs. What They Need: A Conversation Between Academics and Practitioners." The workshop took place on May 21, 2010 at the USC Gould School of Law and was publicized through the SCALL listserv and website.

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In April 2010, the Board approved a motion to enter into a partnership agreement with ALM again this year, whereby we promoted the LegalTech West Coast conference taking place at the Los Angeles Convention Center on June 23-24, 2010 and obtained partial complementary passes for our members. Per the agreement, ALM publicized this event through our SCALL website, listserv, and newsletter.

During the past couple of months, I sent out a few e-mails to the SCALL listserv:

May 20: notification about the WestPac Annual Meeting, which will be held on Oct. 14-16, 2010 in San Francisco; additional information about this event can be obtained on the WestPac website;

June 1: sent out the candidate statements for the 2010 SCALL election

June 23: forwarded Patrick Meyer's e-mail regarding his law firm legal research survey

This year has been SCALL's turn to plan the Pacific Chapters Joint Reception at the AALL annual meeting. Past Presidents Diana Jaque and Jennifer Berman led the efforts in planning this event, and I want to thank them both for taking on this extra responsibility this year. This year's reception, which will take place from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 10 at the Hyatt Regency in Denver, will be sponsored jointly by William S. Hein & Co., Inc. and the five Pacific chapters (LLOPS, NOCALL, SANDALL, SCALL, and WestPac). Also at the Annual Meeting, we will have our SCALL table set up in the Exhibit Hall, thanks to the efforts of our Public Relations Committee Chair, Wendy Nobunaga. I hope that many of you who are attending the annual meeting this year will be able to visit the SCALL table as well as attend the Pacific Chapters reception.

This year, the Programs Committee, in addition to planning the traditional evening programs, organized a successful brown bag luncheon. I would like to give special thanks to Galeen Roe, the Programs Committee Chair, for not only planning this program but also helping to host the event along with her colleague at Winston & Strawn, Marjorie Leary. This event provided a forum for members to share ideas and perspectives regarding cost-cutting collection development strategies in law libraries.

The SCALL board is currently working closely with the leadership of NOCALL and SANDALL to assess the various options for a tri-chapter joint institute and whether 2011 would be a good year for such an institute. On May 24, each of the three California chapters sent out a survey to its members to obtain input regarding the desirability of having a joint institute next year. 66 SCALL members, 55 NOCALL members, and 31 SANDALL members completed the survey. The final decision whether to join with NOCALL and SANDALL for next year's institute will ultimately be made by the new SCALL board later this summer or early in the Fall, but the continued input from our members on this issue will be very helpful. I would like to once again thank Vice President Hugh Treacy and his Institute Committee for organizing this year's successful SCALL Institute. As reported in the annual Institute Report, this year's Institute generated a very nice profit for our association, which will help us maintain firm financial footing in the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,
 Brian Raphael
 SCALL President, 2009-10

SCALL Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Southern California Association of Law Libraries Annual Business Meeting

Tuesday, 30 June 2009

The regular Annual Business Meeting of SCALL was held on Tuesday, 30 June 2009 at the United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit in Pasadena. A quorum having been reached, President Jessica Wimer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

I. Approval of the Minutes

Secretary Robert Wright presented the minutes of the 2007 SCALL Annual Business Meeting. Pauline Aranas moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve the minutes as printed. The motion was passed.

Secretary Robert Wright presented the minutes of the 2008 SCALL Annual Business Meeting. Pauline Aranas moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve the minutes as printed. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

John Wilson reported that SCALL had net assets of \$42,004.95. He also shared his plan to place regular, running reports on SCALL's finances in the SCALL Newsletter and to post the final Treasurer's Report on the SCALL Website. Robert Wright moved to approve the Treasurer's report. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

III. Secretary's Report

Robert Wright reported that the ballots for the election of new SCALL officers and board member were in and counted. A total of 134 ballots were received, two of which were blank. One was returned addressee unknown. Special thanks were given to Pauline Aranas, the Membership Committee, and the USC law library staff who volunteered to prepare the mailing list and to print and distribute the ballots.

The results were: Hugh Treacy was elected Vice President/President Elect, John Wilson was reelected Treasurer, and Mary Dryden was elected Board Member.

Brian Raphael moved to approve the Secretary's report. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

IV. President's Report

Highlights of President Jessica Wimer's Report included:

Motions were passed by the Board subsidizing Board members attending the SCALL Institute, supporting the 21st Century Right to Know project, waiving 2009 -2010 membership dues for recently unemployed members, and motions concerning dues increases and related bylaws changes.

The Special Committee on the future of SCALL Institutes was created.

A joint meeting of Board members and Committee Chairs was conducted.

A variety of inter-association connections (joint activities, conference discounts, joint letters to legislators) was conducted with AALL, SLA, and Legaltech West Coast.

A new SCALL Logo was adopted.

The written report is filed with these minutes.

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V. Vice President's and 2009 Institute Report

Highlights of the Vice President Brian Raphael's report included:

The 37th Annual Institute, "Near and Far with ADR", was held March 27-28, 2009 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in La Quinta, California.

There were 63 paid attendees plus 4 VIPs.

There were 9 total exhibitors and 7 total sponsors.

The Institute generated \$19,778.52 in receipts

Registration: \$6,578.52

Exhibitors: \$6,400.00

Sponsors: \$6,800.00

The Institute incurred a total of \$11,332.71 in expenses.

Net profits equaled \$8,445.81

Brian Raphael attended the NOCALL Spring 2009 Institute, April 24-25, as a VIP.

The written report is filed with these minutes.

VI. Committee Reports

The Board received and read all committee reports by email, and those reports are filed with the minutes of this meeting. Per Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure all reports are considered filed without voting.

Highlights from committee reports were:

- Paul Moorman read Lisa Baker's Report on the Inner City Youth Internship Program stating that 7 students were placed in the Los Angeles area and 1 at the San Bernardino County Public Law Library.
- Hugh Treacy reported on the SCALL Newsletter, both on its efforts to expand delivery in an HTML format as well as in PDF, and on its advertising revenue of \$3,932.50.
- Laura Cadra reported on the Awards Committee honoring:
 - § Vendor Service Award given to Looseleaf Filing Service
 - § Lifetime Service Award to Hazel Lord
 - § Rohan Chapter Service Award to Jennifer Berman

VII. Report from the Special Committee on the Future of the SCALL Institute

- Due to time constraints this was postponed until the Open Forum scheduled for after the regular meeting.

VIII. New Business: Proposal for Membership Dues Increase

- Paul Moorman moved to begin a period of informal discussion on a possible dues increase. The motion was carried.
- Pauline Aranas presented the case that SCALL's membership dues were currently too low at \$20.00/yr comparing SCALL's dues with those of other chapters and with general increases in costs. A discussion ensued.
- Pauline Aranas moved to increase the annual membership dues by \$20.00 to \$40.00 per year beginning with a \$10.00 increase for fiscal year 2010 -2011 , followed by another \$10.00 increase for fiscal year 2011-2012.
- After some discussion David McFadden moved to amend the motion so that the next year's dues would increase by \$10.00, allowing for future consideration for an additional \$10.00 at the next Annual Meeting. After some discussion, the motion to amend was not carried.
- The original motion, to increase membership dues, was carried.

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IX. Announcements

- Vice President Brian Raphael reminded everyone of the upcoming Pacific Chapters Joint Reception at the American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting 2009.
- Cornell Winston, on behalf of the AALL, reminded everyone that the deadline for proposing programs for the AALL Meeting 2010 was coming in August 2009. He also encouraged everyone to participate with AALL committees.

X. Introduction of New Board/Passing of the Gavel

Outgoing President Jessica Wimer introduced the newly elected Vice President/President Elect Hugh Treacy and Board Member Mary Dryden. She congratulated Treasurer John Wilson on his reelection. She also thanked outgoing Past President James Senter and Board Member Stefanie Frame. The Gavel was passed to new President Brian Raphael who determined there was no further business and so adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.

XI. Open Forum

- After the end of the formal meeting, members were encouraged to stay for an open ended discussion centering on fact finding efforts made on these topics:
 - Pauline Aranas reported on possible integrated database services to manage SCALL's membership needs (e.g. renewals, directory, web site, event registrations, payments, etc.).
 - oPaul Moorman reported on efforts to determine the desirability of having more SCALL educational opportunities on an intimate scale such as "brown bag" luncheon meetings.
 - Speaking on behalf of the Special Committee on the Future of the SCALL Institute, Jennifer Berman reported on the efforts to survey vendors and members.

SCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes

SCALL Executive Board Meeting Tuesday, 27 April 2010

A regular meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on Tuesday, 27 April 2010 at the Acapulco Restaurant y Cantina in Westwood. Board members present were:

Brian Raphael, President
Hugh Treacy, Vice President/President Elect
John Wilson, Treasurer
Robert Wright, Secretary

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:12 PM.

I. Review of the Minutes

- Hugh Treacy moved to approve the minutes of the Executive Board meeting of 2 December 2009 as corrected. There was no discussion and the motion was carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

- John Wilson reported that SCALL had net assets of \$37,759.94. Robert Wright moved to approve the report. There was no discussion and motion was carried.

III. Secretary's Report

- Robert Wright had nothing to report.

IV. President's Report

- Brian Raphael read his report, the highlights of which were:
 - ◆ Once again SCALL has agreed with ALM to promote the LegalTech West Coast conference in exchange for partial complementary passes for our members.
 - ◆ Worked with NOCALL President Diane Rodriguez in furtherance of the national law.gov initiative to create a registry/inventory of California government documents.
 - ◆ Reported on the work of Diana Jaque and Jennifer Berman in helping to plan the 2010 Joint Pacific Chapters Reception at the AALL Annual Meeting in Denver.
 - ◆ The written report is filed with these minutes.

V. Vice President's Report

- Hugh Treacy did not have a written report but spoke informally on the success of the 2010 Institute in Ventura. Some sponsorships had not yet been paid so the final accounting was not completed.

VI. Committee Reports

- The Board received and read all committee reports by email, and those reports are filed with the minutes of this meeting. Per Sturgis' Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure all reports are considered filed without voting.

VII. Proposal Regarding Dues for Unemployed Members

- Due to the small size of the quorum present, this matter was tabled until a future meeting.

VIII. New Business

- As there is a problem finding sponsorship for the 2010 Joint Pacific Chapters Reception at the AALL Annual Meeting in Denver, Hugh Treacy moved that SCALL contribute \$400.00 towards the total cost of the Joint Reception. After some discussion the motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 PM.

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