**ARCHIVES COMMITTEE:**

The Archives Committee members were Ralph Stahlberg, Chair, Katty Argudo and Refugio Acker- Ramirez, Judy Davis, Board Liaison.

Copies of the year’s Newsletter (vol. 42) were printed out and added to the Archives collection.

Added materials from the 2015 Annual Institute: “Thriving in the Network Economy”.

Received and answered several requests for SCALL historical information.

Initiated and began preliminary discussion with SANDALL and NOCALL Archivists, and Suzie Shatarevyan, our Technology Chair on possible options for preserving Chapter historical materials now that much of the material is only available in a digital format.

Budget: $100 requested, $0 used. Prepared by Ralph Stahlberg

June 22, 2015

**AWARDS COMMITTEE:**

The Awards Committee would like to report that for the 2014-2015 year… The William B. Rohan Chapter

Service Award will be awarded to Jessica Wimer.

The Vendor Award will be awarded to Michael Bernier from Bloomberg BNA. There was no recipient for the Albert O. Brecht Lifetime achievement award.

Respectfully submitted. Jennifer Berman - Chair Diana Jaque

Larry Meyer

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE:**

The Budget & Finance Committee has nothing to report.

**BYLAWS COMMITTEE:**

My report is that David McFadden and I have reviewed and compiled all of the Chapters’ bylaws. I am

downloading the bylaws into one document and creating a table.

I’m still working on it and should have it done by Monday morning (or, hopefully, this weekend). Thanks,

Amy Atchison, Chair

**GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE:**

**Members:** David McFadden (chair), Larry Meyer, Lu Nguyen, Carolina Rose, Janice Searle and Maryruth

Storer.

The committee continued to monitor California legislation. There are some public records bills that were being watched but no particular position or action was taken on these.

The committee actively supported S.B. 711. The bill is sponsored by the Council of California County Law Librarians and would amend Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 6360 to explicitly allow county libraries to supplement their income from filing fees by imposing charges for electronic delivery, other delivery services, educational programs, and special events. In addition to monitoring it and keeping the SCALL membership aware of its progress, a specific call for letters was sent on the SCALL list prior to the Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on 12 May 2015.

The chair attended the Council of California County Law Librarians Legislative Day in Sacramento on Tuesday, 24 March 2015. In addition to advocating for S.B. 711, there was time for educating legislators and staff about county law libraries and a budget ask for one time funding for county law libraries. Although SCALL GRC members Larry Meyer and Maryruth Storer also attended, they were attending as CCCLL members not from the SCALL GRC.

The chair re-posted messages throughout the year from the AALL Government Relations Office and the AALL Government Relations Committee to the SCALL list including announcing webinars on advocacy, updates on issues of interest and occasional requests for action.

Submitted by David McFadden, SCALL GRC Chair

17 June 2015

**GRANTS COMMITTEE:**

The SCALL Grants Committee began the year with three members continuing from the previous year: Esther Eastman (LA Law Library), Carol Ebbinghouse (Court of Appeal), and Kenneth Rudolf, chair (University of La Verne). After Esther Eastman submitted her resignation, Executive Board members suggested additional names for the committee, so the committee now consists of Carol Ebbinghouse (Court of Appeal), Cindy Guyer (USC), Caitlin Hunter (Loyla), Betty Lim (UC Irvine), and Kenneth Rudolf, chair (University of La Verne).

Total grant requests this year exceeded $13,000, due primarily to the cost of attending AALL in

Philadelphia.

The committee awarded $1,230 to support attendance at the SCALL Institute for the following members:

Holly Gale (Court of Appeal, Santa Ana)

Jane McMahon (Southern California Edison) Heather Joy (Chapman University)

Michelle Knapp (University of San Diego) Ralph Stahlberg (LA Law Library)

The committee awarded $4,535 to support attendance at the AALL Annual Meeting for the following members:

Neel Agrawal (LA Law Library) Esther Eastman (LA Law Library) Mark Gediman (Best Best & Krieger) James Senter (Jones Day)

Mahum Shere (Riverside County Law Library)

Cornell Winston was originally awarded a grant to attend AALL, but he returned it after he received funding from his employer. That grant was subsequently re-awarded to James Senter.

AALL sponsored registration for one newer chapter member this year. The committee awarded it to

Elyse Meyers.

The chair wishes to thank the committee members for their diligent work in evaluating the grant applications.

Respectfully submitted, Kenneth Rudolf

Grants Committee Chair, 2014-15

June 17, 2015

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE:**

The email listserv currently has 317 email subscribers. This number doesn’t necessarily reflect the current number of SCALL members. Some members choose not to subscribe to the list and there are others who are no longer members or whose email accounts have changed. The membership co-chairs and I have instituted some new procedures to better maintain our listserv subscribers and keep our list healthy.

This past year, I contacted 3 web design/ branding firms to get proposals for a new web redesign. Meanwhile, the current site is kept up to date with newsletters, announcements to events, and job postings.

In addition to the association website, I also designed and managed the Institute website. We continue to pay the $18 domain name and mapping fee for the Institute website until the SCALL website is re- designed, at which time, the Institute website will be integrated into the main site.

Suzie Shatarevyan

June 12, 2015

**INNER CITY YOUTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM COMMITTEE:**

For 2015, the Inner City Youth Internship Program Committee placed four students in internships at the

following organizations: LA Law Library, California Court of Appeals Library, Los Angeles City Attorney’s

Office, and the Law Library for San Bernardino County. Most students will work between early July and mid-August 2015.

The committee thanks SCALL for their continued financial support of ICYIP. Without SCALL’s significant financial support, we would be unable to offer these wonderful internships and expose local students to law libraries. Other institutions such as the LA Law Library as well as the Law Library for San Bernardino County have been long-time hosts and supporters of this internship program. Finally, I would be remiss not to thank the individual members of SCALL who continue to donate to this worthy endeavor. All of these organizations and individual donors make it possible to provide us with the opportunity to introduce young people to law librarianship.

Respectfully submitted, Diana Jaque (Chair)

2014-2015 Inner City Youth Internship Program Committee

Diana Jaque, Chair Deborah Farkas Maria Garcia

Jan Goldsmith

Sandy Li Hazel Lord Shoreh Saljooghi

**INSTITUTE COMMITTEE:**

The 43rd Annual SCALL Institute was held on February 27-28, 2015 at the Mission Inn Hotel & Spa in

Riverside, CA. The theme was “Thriving in the Network Economy.”

**Attendees:**

Total number of tickets sold: 103

79 Conference Attendees

2 VIPs:

 Steven P. Anderson, Immediate Past President, AALL

 Anna Russell, President, SANDALL

18 Vendor/Sponsor Attendees

4 Non-SCALL Affiliated Speakers: Michael Roster, Ronald Wheeler, Chris Carlton & Grace Nguyen

6 Guests

14 Historic Courthouse Tour Attendees

Hotel Reservations: 104 room nights total

30 on Thursday 2/26

66 on Friday 2/27

8 on Saturday 2/28

**Exhibitors:**

Total number of exhibitors: 12

MAJOR EXHIBITORS: Bloomberg BNA

Continuing Education of the Bar – California (CEB) ProQuest

Questel Consulting SharkRepellent & MergerMetrics Wolters Kluwer Law & Business

EXHIBITORS:

American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) Jan Raymond, Legislative History and Intent Jones McClure Publishing

LexisNexis

Minesoft

William S. Hein & Co., Inc.

**Sponsors:**

Total number of sponsors: 11

MAJOR SPONSORS Bloomberg BNA

Continuing Education of the Bar – California (CEB)

LexisNexis

Thomson Reuters

SPONSORS Courthouse News

Legislative Research & Intent LLC (LRI) Loose Leaf Filing Service, Inc.

Questel Consulting Research & Retrieval Retriev-It

University of North Texas

**Budget:**

Exhibitors = **$7800.00**

 $800 (Bloomberg/BNA)

 $800 (CEB)

 $800 (ProQuest)

 $800 (Questel Consulting)

 $800 (SharkRepellent)

 $800 (Wolters Kluwer)

 $600 (Katy Wood)

 $600 (Legislative History and Intent)

 $600 (Jones McClure)

 $600 (LexisNexis)

 $600 (William Combest)

Sponsors = **$14,868.44**

 $1749.60 (Bloomberg BNA)

 $2864.50 (CEB)

 $2500 (LexisNexis)

 $2500 (Thomson Reuters)

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|  | $500 | (Courthouse News) |
|  | $150 | (Legislative Research & Intent LLC (LRI: $50 in gift cert. & $100 for gen. use) |
|  | $400 | (Loose Leaf Filing Service, Inc.: $100 in gift certificate & $300 for gen. use) |
|  | $519 | (Questel Consulting) |
|  | $150 | (Research & Retrieval: $75 in gift certificate & $75 for gen. use) |
|  | $150 | (Retriev-It: $75 in gift certificate & $75 for gen. use) |
|  | $400 | (University of North Texas) |

 $2985.34 (RCLL Board of Trustees: hosting the VIP Dinner)

Registrations = **$8305.00**

Guests = **$210.00**

**Onsite registration? = $240.00**

**Total Income: $31,423.44**

Expenses = **$15,238.15**

 $97.50 (EventBee fee)

 $800.00 (Honorarium)

 $184.43 (Supplies)

 $187.92 (Speaker gifts)

 $134.56 (Posters)

 $144.55 (Badges)

 $13,689.19 (Mission Inn Hotel, Food & AV)

**Income ($31,423.44) minus Expenses ($15,238.15) = $16,185.29**.

**Program Topics & Speakers:**

*Keynote: New Challenges to the Legal Profession*

Michael Roster, Co-Chair Association of Corporate Counsel’s Value Challenge; Former Managing Partner,

Morrison & Foerster, Los Angeles Office

*New Challenges, New Solutions: Building On Your Institutional Network*

Pauline Aranas, Associate Dean, John Stauffer Charitable Trust Chief Information Officer, Director of the

Law Library & Adjunct Professor

University of Southern California

Stefanie Frame, Research Services Manager

Foley & Lardner LLP

*People Who Need People: Communication Face to Face*

*Professional Relationship Skills Training*

Ronald Wheeler, Director of the Law Library & Information Resources

Suffolk University

*Clear Road Ahead: Best Practices in Social Media Policies*

Christopher W. Carlton, Attorney-at-Law, The Carlton Firm

Grace Nguyen, Attorney-at-Law

Chapman Glucksman

*Expand Your Reach: Using Social Media as a Library Tool- Promoting Your Library*

John W. Adkins, Director of Libraries, San Diego Law Library Mark Gediman, Director of Libraries, Best, Best & Krieger LLP Ramon Barajas, Research Librarian, Munger Tolles & Olson LLP

The following SCALL members served on the Institute Committee this year:

**Institute Chair:** Victoria Williamson

**Bibliography:**

Cindy Guyer (Co-Chair) Ralph Stahlberg (Co-Chair) Erik Y Adams

Ryan Metheny Paul Moorman Shohreh Saljooghi Michele A.L. Villagran

**Exhibits:**

Diana Jaque (Chair) Judy Davis

Leonette Williams

**Local Arrangements:** George Carter (Co-Chair) John O’Donnell (Co-Chair)

**Publicity**: Daisy Cortes (Chair)

**Registration:**

Caitlin Hunter (Chair)

Amber Kennedy Madole (Chair)

Curt Jones

Elizabeth Caulfield

Ralph Stahlberg Brendan Starkey Lisa Junghahn Michele Knapp Holly Gale

Jodi Collova

Carolina Rose

Brent Bernau

**Speakers:**

Laura Cadra (Co-Chair) Michael Saint Onge (Co-Chair) Jody Kelley

Amber Kennedy Madole

**Special Advisor:** Pauline Aranas

**Sponsors**: Jennifer Berman (Chair)

**Technology Support**: Bret Christensen (Chair)

**Treasurer:** Jessica Wimer

**Website:** Suzie Shatarevyan (Chair)

We sent out a survey to 79 conference attendees and got 49% response rate (see attached survey results/comments).

**Submitted by Victoria Williamson, SCALL Institute Committee Chair**

**March 23, 2015**

**LIBRARY SCHOOL LIAISON COMMITTEE:**

The SCALL Library School Liaison Committee’s charge is to establish and foster professional relationships

with students enrolled in library programs in Southern California.

(1) The Committee had seven members this year, including the Committee Chair.

(2) The Committee continued its mentoring program for library school students living in southern

California.

 The Committee sent emails to local library school students through the UCLA library school listserv and the SJSU library school listserv inviting responses from library students wanting a law librarian mentor. Additionally, the liaison for the UNT/CSUN online program posted an invitation to their Blackboard and social media groups. This year, there were six requests for mentors, from two students in the San José State SLIS program, residing in Van Nuys and Hesperia, and four students in the UCLA GES&IS program, all residing in Los Angeles.

 The mentors answered questions about the profession and provided career advice by corresponding via email, via phone or in-person with their mentee.

 This can be compared to last year when 3 students requested a mentor, and the previous year when we had 9 requests. There is no obvious explanation for this difference in student response.

 The Committee will investigate whether there are other channels to advertise SCALL’s

mentoring program, in order to increase the number of students requesting mentors.

(3) This year, the Committee’s budget was $5,000.

(4) The Committee also continued the SCALL Scholarship program. In February the Committee posted the application for the 2015 SCALL Scholarship on the SCALL website and advertised the scholarship on the SCALL listserv, the UCLA library school listserv, and the SJSU library school listserv. Applications were due on 3/27/15 and the Committee received five applications. Seven committee members participated in proposing award amounts for those applicants deserving of awards. The majority of the Committee determined that all five applicants met the scholarship requirements by demonstrating a commitment to pursue a career in law librarianship and in April the Committee announced its decision to award scholarships to each of them. We awarded SCALL scholarships to the following applicants:

 Willa Henshaw (Corona, CA) – Drexel University

 David Isom (Los Angeles, CA) – UCLA GSE&IS

 Pedro Orellana (Montebello, CA) – USC

 Jessica Pierucci (Tustin, CA) – San José State University

 Mahum Shere (Corona, CA) – Drexel University

Respectfully submitted, Stephanie Anayah, Chair

2014-2015 Library School Liaison Committee

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

***Membership Statistics: 2014-15***

**Current Year 2014-15**

**272** members, including **19** new members

Type of Membership

229 Active

18 Associates

16 Life

9 Student

Affiliation

103 Academic

109 Firm

38 Government

3 Corporate

6 Library Consultant

13 Vendor Library Product

***Membership Numbers***

The membership renewal season is underway, and we are currently receiving a high volume of renewal forms. The numbers above include those whose membership was current for the 2014-15 year, as well as those who have joined or renewed for the 2015-16 year.

***Memberclicks***

Memberclicks has informed us that they will be transitioning to a new platform in the coming months. For now, the platform remains in development, so we do not need to migrate to it immediately. At some point, as yet undetermined, we will need to change to the new platform if SCALL remains with Memberclicks.

The Membership Committee is still learning about the new platform, but we have spoken with Memberclicks, and they have assured us that our rate will not increase because of the new platform. (We currently pay $210.00 / month.)

SCALL members can no longer print copies of the Membership Directory, due to a problem with Memberclicks' software. The Membership Committee can print and send a current directory to any member who needs one. We hope the new platform will resolve this issue, but we will be sending a notice to alert the members to the problem in the meantime.

We continue to be interested in alternatives to Memberclicks.

***Other Committee Activities***

The following members have been nominated for life memberships. Voting will take place at the annual business meeting.

• Lisa Baker

• Patricia Hart

• Leslie LaCount

• Andres Victorin

We continue to perform our regular committee functions:

 The Membership Committee has been keeping members’ information and registration current

in the database/directory.

 We sent renewal notices in May to all members for the 2015-16 year.

 We have provided a current list of eligible voters to the SCALL Secretary, Amber Kennedy

Madole, for the current election.

 We work closely with Suzie Shatarevyan to ensure the listserv includes current SCALL members.

Judy Davis & Karen Skinner, Co-Chairs

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Newsletters published since 2014 Business Meeting:

 Sept/Oct 2014

 Nov/Dec 2014

 Jan/Feb 2015

 Mar/Apr 2015

 May/June 2015

After getting off schedule last year due to the transition to new editors, the Newsletter is now going to be published on its previous schedule. Joy Shoemaker, compiler, continues to refine the look and feel of the Newsletter and we regularly receive positive feedback regarding changes to both format and substance.

This year we took on the significant project of increasing our advertising rates which had not been increased since at least 2001, and probably longer. Business Manager, Patrick Sullivan, compared our rates to other chapter advertising rates and to AALL’s rates. The end result was a 35% increase to our base price with discounts given to advertisers who place multiple ads per year. Patrick is also making a

concerted effort to reach out to advertisers since the Newsletter has been without advertisers for some time.

Thanks to a fantastic committee, we regularly publish around 3-4 topical articles in each Newsletter, in addition to the regular contributions from the President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.

In the upcoming year, committee chairs would like to discuss with the Board, and the Grants and Library School Liaison Committee chairs, whether we could make it a requirement for grant and scholarship recipients to write a Newsletter article at some point in the year. We look forward to this discussion.

**NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE:**

The nominations committee worked diligently this year to secure an outstanding, well-qualified slate of candidates for this year's election:

Vice-President/President Elect: Stefanie Frame

Research Services Manager, Foley & Lardner LLP

Treasurer: Joy Shoemaker

Branch Librarian, U.S. Court of Appeals Library, Pasadena

Executive Board Member: Christina Tsou

Research Law Librarian for Faculty Services, UC Irvine Law Library

A heartfelt thank you to committee members Pauline Aranas, Jennifer Berman and Cornell Winston, and to all the candidates for their willingness to serve. As an addendum, I notified Victoria in April that I am stepping down as chair and member of the Nominations Committee effective with the start of the 2015-

16 SCALL year. It's been a very rewarding experience for me over the past several years, but it's time for a change!

Jim Senter, Chair

**PLACEMENT COMMITTEE:**

The Placement Committee maintains a listing of job openings for the benefit of the SCALL membership and the legal community. Between June 15, 2014 and June 12, 2015, the committee received ads for approximately 44 open positions, down from 46 positions in 2013-2014. Each job announcement was posted by Placement Committee members to both the SCALL listserv and to the SCALL Placement web page. In addition, links to current job descriptions on the SCALL Placement web page are provided in the electronic edition of the *SCALL Newsletter*.

In order to keep the job listings current, inquiries were periodically sent to the contacts of job

postings. Each contact was asked whether the ad should continue to be listed on the SCALL Placement web page. The contacts were also asked whether the ad should be included in the next *SCALL*

*Newsletter* issue. Positions were only listed in the newsletter when express permission was given by the contact.

There are currently 14 jobs posted: 7 from Los Angeles County; 2 from the Bay Area, 1 from Silicon

Valley or Orange County; 1 from Riverside County; 2 from San Diego and 1 statewide.

The members of the Placement Committee are Don Buffaloe (Chair) and Joy Humphrey. Joy is a recent addition to the committee, who was added when former committee member Jessica Strefling moved out of state. I would like to thank Suzie Shatarevyan for her helpful technical support in maintaining the SCALL Placement Web page.

I would also like to thank SCALL for giving me the opportunity to work on this Committee. Both Joy and I would like to continue to serve on the Placement committee. This is adequate staffing given the current workload of the Placement committee, and we do not need additional committee

members.

Respectfully Submitted June 12, 2015

Don Buffaloe

Chair, SCALL Placement Committee 2014/2015

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

The Professional Development Committee consists of Jennifer Berman, Susan Brodsky, Ramon Barajas and Committee Chair Mark Gediman.

In its inaugural year, the Professional Development Committee conducted their first free lunchtime seminar on February 26th at the offices of Munger Tolles & Olsen. The program was titled “Charting the Labyrinth: An Overview of California Legislative Research” presented by Carolina Rose, who donated her time. The seminar was enrollment was full with 12 attendees. Feedback was positive and the enrollment response indicates that there is a need for this type of programming. We are currently planning the next slate of lunchtime seminars for the Fall/Winter of 2015-16.

Mark Gediman & Jennifer Berman, Co-Chairs

**PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:**

The Fall Meeting took place on Wednesday, October 15, 2014 at USC Gould School of Law. USC Law

Professor Ed Kleinbard discussed corporate tax inversions. There were nearly 40 people in attendance.

The SCALL Holiday Party took place Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at the Umami Burger in Los Feliz. There were more than 40 attendees and everyone seemed to enjoy the party.

The Spring Meeting took place on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at the LA Law Library. We had about 31

RSVPs, who heard a talk about law school incubator programs.

The Business Meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 23 at the Ninth Circuit courthouse in Pasadena. The Board decided it was worth paying the increased security and other fees to keep the meeting at the courthouse. As of June 16, there are more than 30 RSVPs.

Thank you,

Erik Adams, Sarah Joshi & Elyse Meyers

SCALL Programs Committee

**PUBLIC ACCESS TO LEGAL INFORMATION COMMITTEE:**

In 2014-2015, the Public Access to Legal Information Committee focused on bringing legal research knowledge to non-law librarians in southern California. Members of the Committee traveled to Temecula, Arcadia, and Orange to provide a session called Basic Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians. Twenty-one librarians attended the session at Temecula Public Library on May 5, fifteen came to the class at Arcadia Public Library on May 14, and twenty-seven participated at Orange Public Library on June 18, 2015. The program covered an introduction to legal resources, free and low-cost legal resources, self-help materials, legal forms, and referrals for legal research and resources. Based on requests, the Committee is considering providing future sessions in downtown Riverside, Ontario, and San Bernardino.

Elizabeth Caulfied, Chair

**PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:**

New Business: None

Continuing Business:

 Representation of the organization in the exhibit hall at the 2014 AALL conference in San

Antonio, TX.

 Announcing all SCALL events on the SCALL, SANDALL, NOCALL, and other relevant Listservs

 Updating the AALL website with the organization’s meetings, activities, etc.

Antoinette Morales-Tanner, Chair

**COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH VENDORS:**

The 2014 – 2015 SCALL year, similar to the past few years, remained a fairly quit year for the local CRIV. During the year, the Committee continued to monitor various listservs, primarily the SCALL listserv for

vendor related issues. When appropriate, the Committee responded to individual members with

suggestions, recommendations, contact information and/or information.

In past years, there have been some concerns related to the website of one of our local vendors. In previous exchanges, the vendor had indicated they would use the SCALL listserv, whenever possible, to notify our members when they were having website issues. The committee is pleased to note, that during the past year, on those occasions there were website issues, the vendor did post information to the SCALL listserv.

Respectfully submitted by,

Larry Meyer (San Bernardino County Law Library), 2014 – 2015 Chair