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From the President

*By Tanya Livshits
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As we approach the end of the year, I want to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the committees and members of SCALL. Your hard work and dedication have been instrumental in our success, and I am thankful for your contributions. Reflecting on the past year, our collective efforts have clearly made a significant impact, and I am excited to share some of the key updates and achievements with everyone.

This year we put out a call for volunteers to reinvigorate the Budget & Finance Committee and have had many productive meetings since. The Committee met with the Chair of the Bylaws Committee to discuss raising membership dues under SCALL Bylaws and with the Institute Advisory Committee to understand the budgeting and revenue for the 2025 Institute. These discussions were crucial in ensuring that we have the resources to continue providing valuable services and programs to our members.

The Committee also conducted a survey to gather insights into membership priorities, which will help SCALL align future budgets, prices, and spending with our members' interests and priorities. The feedback we received was invaluable, and we will use it to guide our financial planning in the coming years. We also have an upcoming meeting with the Co-Chairs of the Membership Committee to discuss the renewal process for the 2025-2026 member-

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ship year. More information on membership renewals is forthcoming in the next few months.

We received the SCALL Archives from AALL and the Archives Committee is diligently working to document and store these records properly. This is an important task, as it ensures that our history is preserved for future generations. The Archives Committee is also hard at work decommissioning the AALL cassette tape collection, ensuring that our archives remain up-to-date and relevant. This project has been a significant undertaking, and I want to thank everyone involved for their hard work and dedication.

I am excited to announce that the SCALL Institute will be held on February 7-8, 2025, in San Diego at the Horton Grand Hotel. The theme for this year is "AI: Beyond the Hype". Our Speakers Committee has been working tirelessly to secure engaging speakers who will provide valuable insights into practical and ethical use of AI and how it will shape the profession going forward. We have provided registration and hotel

room block links in the initial announcement, and I encourage you to take advantage of the early bird registration. This



event promises to be an excellent opportunity for learning and networking, and I hope to see many of you there. Early bird pricing of \$160 will only last through December 13.

The Programs Committee has started planning the annual Post-Holiday Party, which will take place in January. Be on the lookout for more details. The Programs Committee also put together a great Town Hall as the Fall Program. The Town Hall led to a great discussion about the history and finances of SCALL and gave

the Board great insight into the values and priorities of our membership.

The PALI Committee held a successful session on Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians on August 22, 2024, at the Victor Miceli Law Library in Riverside, California. This session was well received and provided valuable insights for attendees. The Committee's efforts in organizing this event are appreciated, and I look forward to seeing more initiatives like this.

As we look forward to the coming year, I am confident that SCALL will continue to thrive and grow. Our committees are already hard at work planning new programs and initiatives that will benefit our members and the broader community. I encourage you all to get involved and contribute your ideas and expertise. Together, we can achieve great things.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and commitment. It is an honor to serve as your president, and I am excited about what the future holds for SCALL. Wishing you all a wonderful holiday season and a prosperous new year.

SCALL Institute
AI: Beyond the Hype

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Beyond the Institute: Adventures in San Diego

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San Diego provides an abundance of options for people who like good dining, good times, and good educational programming. This year, the city is host once again to the SCALL Institute. Attendees will meet at the [Historic Horton Grand Hotel](#) in the [Gaslamp Quarter](#) on February 7th and 8th, 2025. To help you make the most of your time in America's Finest City, here is a collection of fun and informative places to visit while you're in town.

Food

There are probably hundreds if not thousands of restaurants within the city proper. As the answer to a recent ChatGPT query confirmed, "San Diego has a vibrant dining scene with over 4,000 restaurants, ranging from casual eateries to fine dining establishments. The number can fluctuate as new places open and others close, so it's always worth checking local listings for the latest updates!" Whenever talk at work touches on this subject, I make it a point to check with my colleagues at the [USD Law Library](#) and note their recommendations. I can attest to their great taste in food, judging just from our lavish staff potlucks! So, enjoy these suggestions for some highly rated places to dine, courtesy of my coworkers.

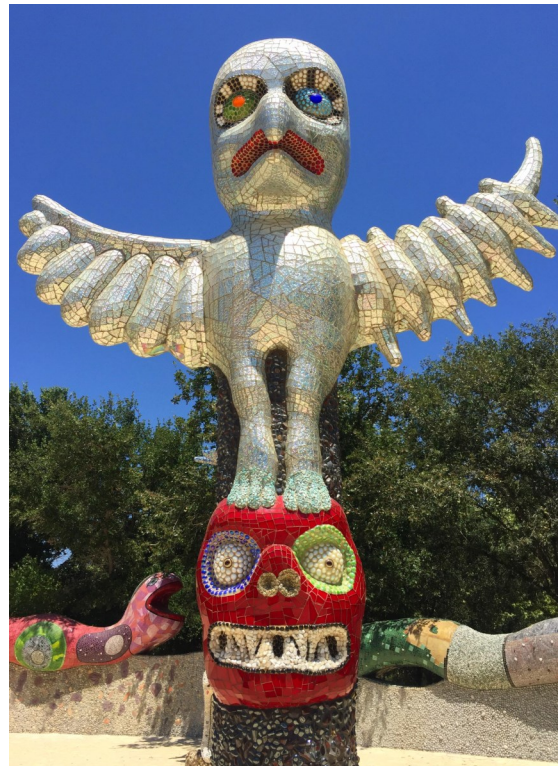
[Puesto](#)—with locations in Mission Valley, La Jolla, and Downtown—features fine Mexican fare in a festive atmosphere. One especially tasty option is the guacamole nogada, a classic dip topped with pomegranate seeds, candied walnuts, cubed mangoes and more. Try this appetizer along with anything served on their handmade blue corn tortillas—or even just on its own—and you won't be disappointed.

The [Balboa International Market](#) in Clairemont draws high praise for the sangak bread made here. The market's website describes this Persian bread as a "four-foot-long sourdough flatbread with a tender, smoky and rustic flavor which is deeply satisfying."

Another Clairemont haunt, [Arel's French Bakery](#), has a full menu of déjeuners, dinners, and drinks. In the patisserie alone is a wide and wonderful variety of elegant looking cookies, cakes, rolls, buns, tarts, torts, scones, and macarons.

Fun

While amusement parks often cater to youngsters, the [Legoland Resort's](#) lifelike structures made entirely out of LEGO bricks will impress folks of any age. Building block aficionados



Birdhead Totem sculpture at Queen Calafia's Magical Circle in Escondido (Image courtesy of Derek Antler)

known as Adult Fans of Legos or "AFOLs" prove how interest in these Danish toys, invented around the middle of the 20th century only seems to be rising. (The theme park's website even addresses the concern, "Can I visit Legoland California without a child?" with an enthusiastic if unsurprising, "Yes.")

The [Safari Park](#) is an attraction situated farther east, in the bucolic setting of Escondido. Driving up the quiet country stretch and into the entrance always evokes feelings of excitement and expectancy. This sister park of the San Diego Zoo is noted for its expansive terrain where wildlife wander freely, as if in their natural habitats. The [Africa Tram](#) is a comfortable way to take in the sweeping views filled with frolicking antelopes, giraffes, gazelles, rhinos, and zebras. The ride provides a respite from walking the park's winding paths, as guides cheerily chat about park history, happenings, and trivia. The tram expeditions are free with park admission.

Also in Escondido and near the Safari Park is a resplendent sculpture garden installed inside Kit Carson Park. This hidden gem, "[Queen Calafia's Magical Circle](#)," can take some searching to find. Designed by French-American artist [Niki de Saint Phalle](#), this delightful refuge is well worth the hunt. From its entrance maze to its 400' "snake wall," it defies description—but colorful, fanciful, and wonderful are words that come to mind.

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Moon and stars mosaic of stone, glass and ceramic tile, at Queen Califia's Magical Circle in Escondido (Image courtesy of Derek Antler)

Edification

For learning and new discoveries, you cannot go wrong by visiting **Balboa Park**. Established in 1868, this San Diego icon contains museums, gardens, and trails that cover more than 1,200 acres—an area larger than **Disneyland** (500 acres) and **every major California shopping mall** (496 acres) combined. Worthwhile sites in Balboa Park abound, from the Spreckels Organ Pavilion (with free concerts every Sunday afternoon) to the San Diego Natural History Museum (celebrating its 150th anniversary this year), to the Japanese Friendship Garden (transformed into a cherry blossom wonderland every year around March). A wealth of information about the city resides at the aptly named **San Diego History Center**. Central to Balboa Park's history, even though it occupies a fraction of the park space, the **San Diego Zoo** offers a famously first-class experience.

At the **Museum of Making Music** in Carlsbad, located just west of Legoland Drive, visitors can explore galleries, exhibits, and instruments of all kinds. Recently renovated with more interactive spaces, the museum encourages hands-on playing and highlights musical innovations, from the **theremin**, an instrument recognized by its ethereal sound in The Beach Boys' 1966 hit song, "Good Vibrations," to more modern contraptions like DJ turntables and lighting consoles.

Lastly, Albert Einstein once said, "The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library." If that's true for you, then consider dropping by San Diego's one hundred or so **libraries** and research centers (including public, academic, and others) that cater to curious minds.

The suggestions above are just a glimpse into the vast array of entertaining and educational opportunities that San Diego has to offer. With its abundance of cultural attractions, delicious cuisine, and stunning natural beauty, you're sure to find something that sparks your interest and enriches your Institute experience.

Exposing High School Students to Law Libraries – The Community Youth Internship Experience

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Each summer, the Community Youth Internship Experience Committee (CYIE) places high school interns in law libraries. Since the program's inception in 1992, SCALL has placed over 250 students into paid law library internships!

The Committee would like to acknowledge and thank the SCALL Board for budgeting \$6,000 to CYIE for the internship program and then generously matching direct donations for CYIE up to \$1,500. The Committee would also like to thank SCALL members for their long-standing support of the program and for donating more than \$3,000 to allow us to offer these meaningful work experiences and exposure to law libraries for these high school students.

In the summer of 2024, your generosity and support allowed CYIE to place three interns at the following law library host sites: California Court of Appeal Second District, the Law Library for San Bernardino County, and the University of Southern California Law Library.

Besides the specific tasks and experiences the interns receive at each host site, each intern benefits from an orientation session at the beginning of the internship and a debrief session at the end of the internship. They learn a little bit about legal materials, how to read call numbers, and general work-

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place etiquette and communication skills. The plan is to help them feel equipped to enter their host site and succeed. For our 2024 interns, this was their first paid job, and we were able to help them experience very practical tasks such as filling out their timecards and receiving a paycheck.

The interns who have been hired by the Law Library for San Bernardino County have been recruited and supervised directly by Larry Meyer, the previous Director. About the program and this summer's intern, Larry writes, "[o]ver the years, the San Bernardino County Law Library has participated in the internship program. During that time we have been able to hire a diverse group of students from a variety of backgrounds. Many of those students have over the years returned as part-time or full-time staff. This past summer the student hired through the program was originally from Nigeria. Like previous students he was exposed to a work experience that was previously unknown to him."

The two interns who were hired from Los Angeles County to work for the California Court of Appeal Second District and the University of Southern California Law Library were recruited through our partnership with LAEP - the Los Angeles Education Partnership.

MARIA

Maria was one of our 2024 internship participants this year. She is a rising senior at Esteban Torres High School-Social Justice Leadership Academy and is expected to graduate in June 2025. Maria interned at the California Court of Appeal Library. We asked Elizabeth Caulfield to comment about their experience with Maria from a host site perspective. Elizabeth wrote, "[o]ur library was very lucky to have Maria as our intern this summer. Among other projects, she assisted the library with deaccessioning titles from the historical collection. Maria's fastidiousness in cross-referencing the list of titles to be removed with the actual materials on the shelf ensured that we removed the correct items. Her efforts allowed us to move forward on this task which took several years to bring to frui-

tion. Our library finally has some much-needed space. No doubt, we will find more collection work to be done if another intern would like to join us next summer." This opportunity gave Maria confidence in the workplace and hands-on experience to add to her resume.

BRYANT

Another internship participant in 2024 was Bryant. Bryant graduated from Esteban Torres High School-Renaissance Academy in June 2024. Shortly thereafter, he began a four-week internship at the USC Law Library. During his time working in the law library, Bryant became familiar with many library

tasks. He re-shelved books, assisted law students with room reservations, performed basic customer service, tracked the number of students using the library, learned how to file loose-leaf updates, and assisted with an archival project. He was adept at loose-leaf filing and caught filing errors in at least one major set. One thing that most impressed Bryant during his internship was the college campus environment. He met with several undergraduate students and spoke with them about their experiences being first-generation college students. Bryant started his

engineering studies at Cal State Los Angeles in Fall 2024. So, his time at the USC Law Library provided him with a nice transition into college experience. Bryant hopes to work in the campus library during the spring semester.

The CYIE Committee appreciates SCALL Board's, and the SCALL Membership's, financial support of the 2024 internship program. This year's student interns gained practical law library experience and emerged from their internships enthusiastic about law librarianship as a potential career.



*Left to Right: Diana Jaque, Bryant, Maria, Judy Lee, Sangeeta Pal, Sylvia Leiva – LAEP College and Career Coordinator
(Photo courtesy of Sangeeta Pal)*

SCALL Fall Program on Balancing the Books: Discussing SCALL's Financial Health

By Sherry L. Leysen
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On October 24, 2024, SCALL held a Budget Town Hall to inform the membership of its financial situation and to solicit feedback regarding the membership's funding priorities.

Programs Committee Co-Chair Ian Kipnes introduced SCALL's Board President, Tanya Livshits, to lead the discussion.

Tanya explained that during the annual Business Meeting this year, a longtime member raised a question about the health of SCALL's finances and its declining budget balance. Following

that meeting, the Board revived the Budget and Finance Committee to audit its revenue and spending.

Chaired by Caitlin Hunter, the Budget and Finance Committee includes four volunteers. Along with Tanya and Treasurer Sangeeta Pal, the Committee meets regularly and is grateful for the advice and insight of SCALL's knowledgeable members. Tanya thanked Caitlin for taking on this leadership role.

For the current budget year, SCALL has implemented budget reduction measures. The scholarship and internship programs have each been allocated \$2,000. The Grants budget has been allocated \$6,000, prioritized this year because of opportunities for networking and education, and professional growth for members, which align with SCALL's values.

The Committee's work revealed trends. Spending has remained constant, while revenues have decreased significantly. Historically a source of revenue that helped to fund SCALL's programs and initiatives, the Annual Institute, with increasing costs, is not yielding profits as it once did.

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Tanya shared the current fiscal situation as of October 16, 2024, with a total bank balance of \$21,920.27.

Revenue Ideas

Tanya introduced preliminary ideas for raising revenues:

- Increasing membership dues;
- Increasing the Institute registration costs;
- Charging for job placement postings;
- For scholarships and internships, adding a voluntary donation line to the annual membership renewal.

Regarding increasing the Institute registration costs, Tanya shared that historically, the registration fee has not covered expenses, as the actual cost per person is around \$225. Counterintuitively, as the registration headcount increases, so does the per person cost to SCALL. One idea Tanya shared is to offer registration in bands, with the registration fee increasing as the RSVP headcount increases.

Tanya also shared that the Council of Chapter Presidents is conducting a survey on chapter budgets. As the survey is still in progress, preliminary data from the few chapters responding show that all provide member grants in the \$700-\$2,500 range, far less than SCALL's usual budget allocation. Only a few offered scholarships for amounts less than SCALL, and no other chapters offered paid internships. According to an informal survey of their websites, only a handful of chapters offer something comparable to SCALL.

Membership Discussion

Following the prepared remarks, members were invited to ask questions and provide comments, highlights of which are briefly summarized below. Discussion ensued.

The Institute

- A suggestion to align the Institute's registration fee with the actual cost of attending. The fee could be raised incrementally in subsequent years, rather than at once. The Institute provides excellent value, and people would still attend.
- A suggestion to share planned increases in advance so members can alert their employers about expected increases to budget in advance.
- Whether the Institute could be one day instead of two to reduce costs, whether a hybrid model would offer additional revenue opportunities, and whether different registration options, such as meal/no meal registrations, could reduce costs.

Tanya indicated that the plan is to form a committee to take a holistic look at the Institute, and explained further. A two-day meeting yields cost-savings on conference space while also providing sponsors and exhibitors with more incentive

to participate. There also is value, in terms of containing costs, in holding the Institute at locations where SCALL has established relationships. SCALL must commit to food and beverage minimums, so separately priced tickets (meal/no meal options) would not necessarily yield cost savings and would feel exclusionary.

Expenses

- A question about the history of SCALL's paid internship program (Community Youth Internship Experience). CYIE Co-Chair (Diana) shared the award-winning program's beginnings in the early 1990s and its many successes in bringing people into the profession. Diana explained why the costs are what they are (City of LA wages; payroll administration). (Author's note: see Diana Jacque, Empowering Future Librarians: Celebrating CYIE's Impactful Internship Journey and SCALL's Commitment, SCALL Newsletter, Winter 2023, at 7, for more information.)

Revenues

- A comment about charging for job placement postings, and a preference that if there is a charge it be reasonable. A member of the Placement Committee (Kerstin) noted that certain job placement posting sites have gotten expensive and unaffordable for some employers. Tanya noted the Placement Committee will be invited to a Budget & Finance Committee meeting to discuss.
- A comment on whether establishing an endowed fund with a restricted corpus to grow funds for future grants might be a possibility.
- A question about where SCALL gets its funding. Tanya indicated the main sources of revenue are membership dues, historically the Institute, and advertisements in the Newsletter.

Next Steps

Following discussion, Tanya shared the next steps.

To help guide SCALL leadership's future budget decisions, Tanya shared that the Budget and Finance Committee will distribute a formal survey to members asking specifically about funding priorities, and to please respond.

When available, results from the Council of Chapter Presidents' Survey will be reviewed and evaluated, which will provide real data.

The Budget and Finance Committee will be meeting with other committees (Institute, Membership) to address 2025 Institute pricing and membership dues.

Leadership will continue to practice transparency. Tanya will continue to keep the membership apprised in the President's Column, and invited members to reach out with questions.



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Member Spotlight: Getting to Know Angie So

By Victoria Tokar
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One of SCALL's strengths is the variety of librarians and library workers who make up the organization—cataloging, reference, technical services, and government documents librarians, library assistants, and more. At Loyola Law School's Rains Library, we are fortunate to have many such colleagues supporting the law school's mission, but I write today about Angie So, our Access Services Librarian. Angie's warm personality and ready laugh brighten the day for all of us here at Rains.

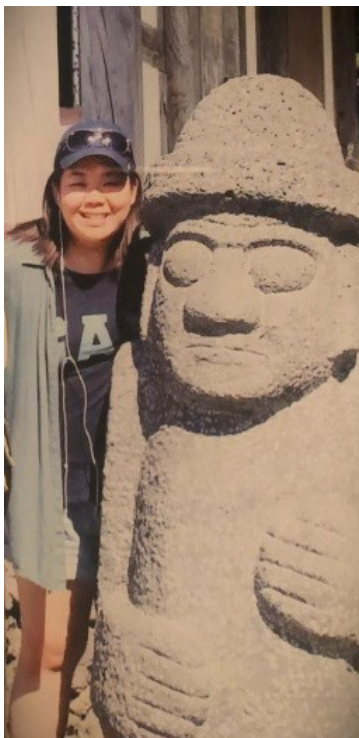
Angie joined the Rains team in March 2022. She describes her role as Access Services Librarian as a "mishmash of circulation and staffing," with a good deal of student services and events planning on top of it. Under Angie's guidance, the Rains student worker team has grown from a lone law student to a group of thirteen who assist library staff at the circulation desk. Hiring, training, and engaging with the student workers gives Angie the opportunity to connect with the student population, a facet of the job that she enjoys. A meticulous planner (her student staffing spreadsheet is a work of art), Angie makes sure that her student workers have time off, space to decompress from law school, and even the opportunity to take a nap if needed.

Student wellness is another aspect of Angie's role. Throughout each semester, Angie runs a series of "Crafternoons," a chance for students to gather for an hour to enjoy snacks, good company, and the opportunity to exercise their creativity making a craft. Past Crafternoons have included making origami ornaments for the holidays, painting pumpkins for Halloween, and planting seeds in mini pots for Earth Day. The Crafternoons are always popular with students, and Angie has recently partnered with Loyola's DEI office and Bloomberg Law to expand Crafternoon sessions and offer more food for the students to enjoy.

When she's not ensuring that the circulation desk has adequate coverage or putting on student wellness activities, Angie also hosts amazing staff events, both within the library

and as part of the LLS Staff Senate. Angie's office prominently features a calendar of library staff birthdays, and she is instrumental in putting on the Halloween and Thanksgiving potluck celebrations for the LLS staff community.

Staffing, student wellness, and events planning aren't at all what Angie saw herself doing when she became a librarian. Angie's journey into libraries began when she was a freshman studying Asian Studies at Loyola Marymount University. Angie landed a job at Loyola's Hannon Library as a work-study student where she typically worked at the front desk, a position she describes as a hybrid of circulation and collections management. Angie soon discovered that she loved the library, and she returned to the Hannon Library upon graduation as a contract worker in Circulation and Collections Management. Angie credits much of her success and love of libraries to the mentors she found among the LMU librarians who encouraged her and even funded her MLIS program at San Jose State University.



Angie at Jeju Island on a trip to South Korea (Photo courtesy of Angie So)

Angie graduated from the SJSU program in 2019 and found work as an intermittent librarian with the Los Angeles Public Library, while continuing as a library assistant in the Acquisitions department at LMU. Although she initially planned to pursue children's/young adult librarianship, Angie found her way into the world of law libraries, in part thanks to the pandemic. Her passion for children's and young adult literature remains, however. She is active with the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA) where she serves on a children's book award committee.

Outside of the library space, Angie enjoys watching K-dramas (she recommends *Judge from Hell* on Hulu), cooking (South Korean comfort food and Italian food based on recipes from the cafe her parents used to own), and grocery shopping for her culinary endeavors (she likes to get creative and imagine all the wonderful things she can make). When asked about her favorite comfort foods, she described a blend of American and South Korean favorites: mashed potatoes, *juk* (Korean rice porridge), and her "instant gratification" comfort food *budae-jjigae* ("Army Stew," a kimchi-based dish with lots of room for customization—Angie recommends topping with mozzarella cheese). Angie has visited South Korea twice to visit family, but she would love to return with friends for a more leisurely trip to enjoy sightseeing.

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Angie doesn't yet know if she will pursue a J.D. degree (although she says her mom's eyes "lit up" when she told her she'd taken a job at a law library!). Angie isn't sure that she wants to be a law librarian, and she says her experience in taking a legal research class gave her newfound empathy for the law students. She is, however, open to the possibility!

Angie's advice for librarians, and those interested in becoming librarians, is to "let serendipity happen." Although Angie is a planner, she never had a career goal when she was growing up. Life and serendipity paved her way into librarianship. Angie also highlights the importance of working with mentors and fostering friendships in the library community. She says that these friendships are her version of networking. Good relationships with coworkers and genuine friendships can lead to connections in surprising places.

Angie is active in both APALA and SCALL. She hopes to attend her first SCALL Institute this coming February!



Angie as Kiki from Kiki's Delivery Service for Halloween 2024 (Photo courtesy of Angie So)

Moving Forward After Hachette

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Law librarians have a deep dependence on the Internet Archive. You may have helped a professor find a government report no longer available on a regulatory agency's website. You've probably assisted an attorney collecting factual evidence from a broken URL using the Wayback Machine. Or maybe you directed a library user with a visual impairment to its collection of audio books. We use the Internet Archive in myriad ways. Unfortunately, when the Internet Archive was recently unavailable as it recovered from cyberattacks, many of us had a rude awakening to just how much librarians depend on it. This made me think of another recent setback the Internet Archive experienced in the *Hachette v. Internet Archive* case. How can law libraries support the organization and what action can librarians take after this decision?

The Internet Archive is a non-profit digital library that offers free access to a wide range of digitized materials. Its mission is to provide "Universal Access to All Knowledge." The Internet Archive began in 1996 when it started archiving web pages.

It's expanded its efforts to provide digital versions of other published works such as books, images, software, and videos.

Hachette Book Group, Inc. v. Internet Archive

The Internet Archive acquires and then digitizes copies of print books and makes them available for loan through its Open Library. It maintains a one-to-one owned-to-loan ratio for these books, a practice known as controlled digital lending (CDL). Before 2018, it allowed concurrent checkouts of a digital book only for the same number of which it had physical copies. When it started the Open Libraries Project in 2018, it allowed partner libraries to add their print books to the number of concurrent checkouts available. This expanded its lending capacity under CDL.

In 2020, because the COVID-19 pandemic shuttered thousands of schools and libraries, books became inaccessible. In response, the Internet Archive launched the National Emergency Library (NEL) and lifted the one-to-one owned-to-loan ratio. It permitted up to 10K users to check out a digital book, without regard to the number of physical copies the Internet Archive and its partner libraries possessed. The NEL operated from March 24 to June 16, 2020, until it was sued by book publishers in federal district court. The plaintiffs alleged copyright infringement of 127 books for which there was an ebook avail-

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The Internet Archive’s National Emergency Library “operated from March 24 to June 16, 2020, until it was sued by book publishers in federal district court” (Image courtesy of Judy Davis)

able. The Internet Archive asserted a fair use defense under the Copyright Act.

Courts’ Decisions

In March 2023, the Southern District Court for New York granted summary judgment to the plaintiffs. The district court found that because each of the four fair use factors weighed in favor of the publishers, the Internet Archive’s defense failed. The Internet Archive appealed.

In September 2024, the Second Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals affirmed the district court’s decision. The court found the Internet Archive’s CDL practice, without authorization from publishers or authors, is not permissible fair use under the Copyright Act. Among the court’s reasons for ruling against the Internet Archive is its finding that it “does not perform the traditional functions of a library.” It also held that the Internet Archive’s use of the copyrighted works was not transformative because the Open Library “primarily supplants the original [w]orks without adding meaningfully new or different features.” The Second Circuit, despite acknowledging that the plaintiffs “do not provide empirical data,” and with the Internet Archive providing two expert economists, still concluded market harm was “self-evident.” The appeals court disagreed with the district court, however, and found the Internet Archive’s use of the works were not commercial merely because it had a “Donate” link on its website and received less than \$5K from a for

-profit used bookseller. Supporters of the Internet Archive, such as the *Authors Alliance*, point out that the court’s narrow factual analysis focused on books already available in digital format and licensed by the publishers. Thus, many experts such as *Kyle K. Courtney* believe this leaves open the possibility of a permissible Fair Use defense for other books such as out-of-print books, books without ebook licenses, and orphan works. How the appeals court’s decision plays out in the future and its effect on CDL remains to be seen.

What Action Can We Take?

Here are several ways we can support the Internet Archive and its mission of universal access to all knowledge:

- Lobby Congress to clarify the law of CDL and reaffirm that libraries can lend the books they own, regardless of format. This could involve advocating for a digital first-sale doctrine that allows libraries to lend its legally acquired digital copies.
- Negotiate with publishers to secure more favorable licensing agreements for ebooks, and join the eBook Study Group coa-

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- litigation recommending state law changes to regulate ebook contracts with publishers.
- Collaborate with other libraries to form consortia, such as **NELLCO**, to pool resources and negotiate collective licensing agreements with publishers. Doing so helps reduce costs and increases bargaining power.
- Sign the Let Readers Read open letter to publishers, asking them to restore access to the 500,000 books removed from the Internet Archive: <https://change.org/LetReadersRead>

- Participate in **Fair Use Week** to share the importance of this doctrine to make knowledge free, accessible, and equitable. Plan library activities and spread the word via social media February 24–28, 2025.
- Consider **donating** to the Internet Archive to support its mission and your own research needs. Any donation is also a tax exemption (Federal Tax ID Number 94-3242767). A win-win!

By taking action, we can help ensure that our institutions continue to serve patrons effectively in this digital age.

Membership News

By Angie So, Araceli Argueta, and Christina Boydston

Welcome, new members of SCALL!

- **Kenia Shi** – San Diego Law Library
- **Michael Rendon** – Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP
- **Angineh Babakhanian** – Burke, Williams & Sorensen LLP
- **Melanie Gorscak** – Nossaman
- **Walker Chaffin** – Greenspoon

Other membership news:

- **Cindy Guyer**, from O’Melveny & Myers – on Tuesday Nov. 19 – was co-presenter for the AALL Partner Webinar by Bloomberg Law: **“Bridging the Gap Between Law School and Legal Practice.”**

The webinar discussed recent Bloomberg Law survey findings and offered insights on the necessary tools and

knowledge law students should have for successful legal careers. If you didn’t have a chance to attend, AALL members can access the webinar via its eLearning platform.



*** CONGRATULATIONS Cindy Guyer! ***

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Date Posted	Job Title	Location
November 14	Research Librarian; Crowell & Moring	Los Angeles; Irvine; or Any U.S. Office
November 7	On-Call Reference Assistant; LA Law Library	Los Angeles
October 22	Library Director; San Diego Law Library	San Diego
October 18	Branch Librarian-Temecula Law Resource Center; Riverside County Law Library	Temecula
September 26	Research Content Innovation Specialist; Venable	Los Angeles; or Other Cities
September 5	Librarian-Cataloging; LA Law Library	Los Angeles
August 20	Anchorage Branch Librarian; U.S. Ninth Circuit Library	Anchorage AK

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View complete job descriptions at scallnet.org/career-opportunities/



SCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, June 25, 2024

By Suzie Shatarevyan

A virtual meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on June 25, 2024, via Zoom. A quorum being present, President Joy Shoemaker called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

In attendance were:

Immediate Past President: Caitlin Hunter

President: Joy Shoemaker

Vice President: Tanya Livshits

Secretary: Suzie Shatarevyan

Executive Board Member: Sherry Leysen

Incoming Board Members: Alina Kelly, Julianne Odin, and Elyse Meyers

1. Approval of minutes from Executive Board Meeting on April 29, 2024.
 - a. Suzie Shatarevyan distributed the minutes of the April 29, 2024, Executive Board Minutes in advance of the meeting for review.
 - b. Tanya Livshits moved to approve the minutes. Caitlin Hunter seconded. Motion carried and minutes were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Sangeeta Pal provided the Treasurer's Report. The balances as of June 24, 2024, are the following:
 - i. Bank Balance is \$25,703.55
 - ii. PayPal Balance is \$38.71
 - iii. Petty Cash Balance is \$84.75
 - iv. Total Balance is \$25,827.01
 - b. Suzie Shatarevyan moved to approve the Treasurer's report. Tanya Livshits seconded. Motion carried and Treasurer's report is approved.
3. Secretary's Report
 - a. Suzie Shatarevyan reported the results of the election:
 - i. Alina Kelly will be the new SCALL Vice President/President Elect (uncontested)
 - ii. Julianne Odin will be the new Secretary (contested)
 - iii. Elyse Meyers will be the new Member-at-Large (contested)
 - b. Suzie Shatarevyan reported that the SCALL Wilshire Mailbox account has a forwarding credit of \$33.26 from the most recent receipt, and that mail forwarding is running smoothly. She requested that the treasurer add more funds to our Mailbox account, and an additional \$250 was added, bringing the new forwarding credit to \$283.26.
 - c. Caitlin moved to approve the Secretary's report. Sherry Leysen seconded. Motion carried and the Secretary's report is approved.
4. Vice President's Report
 - a. Tanya Livshits did not have anything to report.
5. President's Report
 - a. Joy Shoemaker reported that following the bylaws, we can fill the open board position as a board. Michelle Gorospe has agreed to fill the one-year position.
 - b. Volunteer appointments were processed this week. We had four volunteers and, after checking with the committee chairs, appointments were made and accepted for Grants, Library School Liaison, Newsletter, and Public Access to Legal Information.
 - c. Looking out for details on the Joint Reception at AALL in Chicago scheduled for July 21.
 - d. Suzie Shatarevyan moved to approve the President's Report. Sangeeta Pal seconded. Motion carried and the President's report is approved.
6. Committee Updates
 - a. Awards: This year's recipients:
 - i. Rohan—no one
 - ii. Albert O. Brecht Lifetime Achievement: Laura Cadra, Lawrence R. Meyer and Michael Saint-Onge
 - iii. Vendor Service Award – Steve Roses, HeinOnline
 - b. CYIE: SCALL is supporting three summer interns through the CYIE this year. One is at the Law Library for San Bernardino County, one is at the USC Law Library, and one is at the California Court of Appeal Library. The orientation for the new interns was on June 20.
 - c. Membership: SCALL Lifetime Membership Considerations.
 - i. Laura Cadra - submitted by Suzie Shatarevyan. Laura has been an Active SCALL member for decades, serving on many committees over the years. She was also a member of the Executive Board, serving as SCALL President in 1997-98. For her many years of service on the SCALL Board and her contributions to the PALI Committee, she was a multiple time recipient of the Rohan Chapter Service Award.
 - ii. Michael A. Saint-Onge - SCALL Summer 2024 Newsletter Submission
 - iii. Pauline Aranas - Submitted by Cornell H. Winston. Pauline was formerly the director of the USC Law Library. She is a former SCALL President, has served on many committees, and even in retirement, volunteered for SCALL.
 - iv. Donna Gulnac - Submitted by Sangeeta Pal
 - v. Donna Gulnac & Laura Cadra - Submitted by Caitlin Hunter
 - vi. Malinda Muller & Sandi Levin - Submitted by Ryan Metheny
 - vii. Michael St. Onge - Submitted by Tanya Livshits
 - d. Newsletter Committee shared the following update:
 - i. Jessica Whytock resigning as Co-Editor.
 - ii. Eric Chapman joining as member.
 - e. PALI: The PALI Committee is working with the Riverside County Law Library to set a date in late summer/early fall for the PALI Committee to provide a class on Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians for area public librarians.
 - f. Professional Development: Nothing

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- to report from Professional Development for the past year.
- g. Programs: The Programs Committee hosted their spring event on May 30 via Zoom. There were 76 registrants and 44 attendees. Inspired by AALL’s Coffee Chat format, the event was an informal discussion about new hires and institutional memory. The committee members developed discussion prompts and facilitated the spirited and informative conversation amongst all the attendees. Some attendees expressed enthusiasm for the new format, so it will be something for the Programs Committee to consider for future events. Committee member Serena Thomas also helped explore and implement food options for the in-person portion of today’s Business Meeting.
- h. Relations with Vendors: I believe that this year, the CRIV can safely say we have little to report. Most of the action this year has been assisting various County Law Libraries in connecting with the appropriate personnel at different vendors to work with them on their various needs/concerns.
- 7. Old Business
 - a. Vacant Board Position has been resolved.
- 8. New Business
 - a. Wild Apricot access – need to make sure that all people who need access to the member management software should have access. It was suggested that the Treasurer oversee transitioning user access. The President, Treasurer and Vice-President should have full administrator access. It was also suggested that some level of training be provided to users before giving them access. The board will continue to investigate

- ways to make this work.
- b. There is currently an empty committee chair position for Budget & Finance. Does this position need to be replaced or will past Treasurers take on this role? Is this position necessary now? Caitlin and Sangeeta will look further into this.
- c. Sangeeta Pal has volunteered to help with CONELL table at AALL.

Caitlin Hunter moved to adjourn the meeting. Joy Shoemaker seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Suzie Shatarevyan
SCALL Secretary
2022-2024

SCALL Executive Board Meeting Minutes, Tuesday, August 6, 2024

By Julianne Odin

A virtual meeting of the SCALL Executive Board was held on August 6, 2024, via MS Teams Meeting. A quorum being present, President Tanya Livshits began the meeting at 1:03p.m.

In attendance were:
Immediate Past President: Joy Shoemaker

President: Tanya Livshits

Vice President: Alina Kelly

Treasurer: Sangeeta Pal

Secretary: Julianne Odin

Executive Board Members: Michelle Gorospe and Elyse Meyers

- 1. Budget Background
 - a. Overview of our income/expenses (last 2 years)
 - b. Sangeeta started looking into budget after business meeting when there was a question raised as to why account balance was

- substantially less than previous year.
- c. For past couple years, average income of \$13,000 and average expenses of \$30,000.
- d. Sangeeta looked into where we were actually spending money.
- i. Sangeeta has numbers for how much was spent by each committee last year.
- e. SCALL’s initiatives haven’t changed over the years, but costs have increased and funds haven’t increased.
- f. Institute used to be a money maker, but it hasn’t been post-COVID.
- 2. Review of other local chapters
 - a. Sangeeta has been surveying other chapters and so far has seen similar pricing to SCALL but with limits on grant awards and fewer additional initiatives.
 - b. Joy reports Council of Chapter Presidents wants to create a spreadsheet of this sort of info.
- 3. Formation of a Budget and Finance Committee
 - a. President (Tanya), Treasurer (Sangeeta), and several other involved members (Tanya has names)
- 4. Overall Budget Ideas
 - a. Increase revenue streams
 - i. Increase membership dues
 - 1) Per Tanya, the bylaws require a vote by the membership at the business meeting to change dues, which needs to be at least a month before the new price goes into effect.
 - 2) Potentially investigate another membership tier for paraprofessionals
 - ii. Increase Institute revenue
 - 1) Increase registration fee
 - a. Could potentially increase up to \$200 but would be big difference from current \$135 price
 - 2) Potentially introduce different

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- prices for early bird and regular registration
- 3) Potentially increase exhibitor fees
- iii. Investigate charging to place jobs on job board/post job listings to listserv (Placement Committee)
- b. Reduce expenses
 - i. Budget reductions would be temporary until funds had been recovered and revenue had been increased incrementally
 - ii. Income-generating committees (like Institute and Membership) would not be given budgets
- c. Transparency in messaging budget changes to membership; background and board plans will be communicated in the President’s column in the Newsletter
- 5. Budget Ideas for Specific Committees
 - a. Written budget incorporating these suggestions will be presented and voted on at next regularly scheduled Board meeting
 - b. Decisions regarding expenses
 - c. Awards: budget \$500 for plaques
 - d. Board: budget \$2,000 total
 - i. Board Dinner at Institute: only pay for invited guest, board members need to pay their own way
 - ii. Pacific Joint Receptions
 - 1) NOCALL got CEB to sponsor this year, which kept things cheaper
 - iii. Internship Matching: Board will not match CYIE donations this year
 - e. IT: budget \$25 (unchanged)
 - f. Secretary: budget \$300 (unchanged)
 - g. Treasurer: \$125 (unchanged)
 - h. PR: budget \$125
 - i. Budget will only cover Canva license; no additional swag will be ordered this fiscal year
 - i. Membership
 - i. Wild Apricot paid out of Membership income
 - j. Programs: budget \$1,500 for Post Holiday Party
 - i. Might need to raise ticket prices; need to find cheaper venue

- ii. Could investigate vendor sponsors, need to review bylaws to see if permitted
- iii. Move away from indoor/restaurant party in winter to outdoor/food truck gathering in spring or fall
 - 1) Programs Committee had advertised that next Post Holiday Party would be in more northern location, so planning to change party in subsequent years
 - k. Liaison (Scholarships): budget \$2,000 for library school scholarships
 - l. Internships (CYIE Program): budget \$2,000
 - i. Single intern in 2024 cost just over \$2,400
 - 1) Overhead is \$440 per intern
 - ii. Hoping to get sponsorship from Bloomberg (and maybe PLI)
 - m. Grants: budgeting \$6,000
 - i. See details below
 - n. Newsletter
 - i. Advertisements are income generating; need to review what we’re charging and investigate increasing price
- 6. Grants Committee—Request for Guidance
 - a. The Board would like to implement fixed grants that prioritize SCALL Institute attendance and SCALL members speaking at the AALL Annual Meeting
 - i. Offer 5 SCALL Institute grants that include waived registration and \$300 for hotel (\$1500 total)
 - 1) Prioritize SCALL members, double prioritize members who are speaker speakers
 - ii. Offer 3-4 AALL Annual meeting grants capped at \$1000
 - 1) Can use for anything and combo with other grants
 - 2) Require committee commitment for 1 year and will help get committee of their choice
 - iii. \$500 for webinars and other requests
- 7. Future Board Meetings
 - a. Suggestion that all regular board

- meetings for the year be scheduled in advance
- i. Suggestion from Julianne that meetings be held before the Newsletter submission deadlines so that approved board meeting minutes can be submitted by the deadline.
 - 1) Published Newsletter Deadlines
 - a. Fall 2024: September 3, 2024
 - b. Winter 2024: November 12, 2024
 - c. Spring 2025: March 10, 2025
 - d. Summer 2025: May 5, 2025

The meeting concluded at 2:45p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julianne Odin
SCALL Secretary, 2024-2026



Treasurer’s Report

By Sangeeta Pal, Director, Access and Information Services, UCLA School of Law

SCALL Balances

Bank Balance as of November 7, 2024	\$20,508.17
Paypal Balance as of November 7, 2024	\$38.71
Petty Cash Balance as of November 7, 2024	\$84.75
Total Balance as of November 7, 2024	\$20,631.63

Committee Income and Expenses since November 7, 2024

Committee	Budget	Income	Expenses	Budget Balance	Net Income
Archives	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$400.00	\$0.00
Awards	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0.00
Board	\$2,000.00	\$1,340.00	\$627.53	\$2,712.47	\$712.47
CYIE	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$6,635.55	-\$4,635.55	-\$6,635.55
Grants	\$6,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,230.00	\$4,770.00	-\$1,230.00
Institute	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,600.00	-\$1,600.00	-\$1,600.00
IT	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Liaison	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00
Membership	\$2,000.00	\$3,206.00	\$187.46	\$5,018.54	\$3,018.54
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$1,258.00	\$0.00	\$1,258.00	\$1,258.00
Programs	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Public Relations	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	\$0.00
Secretary	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$50.00	-\$250.00
Treasurer	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	-\$80.00
Totals	\$16,850.00	\$5,804.00	\$10,530.54	\$12,123.46	-\$4,726.54

The CYIE expenses reflect donations that were received in the last fiscal year, but were used in this fiscal year. The CYIE income reflects donations from the membership including the matching funds from the board.

Submission Deadlines

The SCALL Newsletter team welcomes submission of any articles of interest to the law library community. Contact Christina Tsou, SCALL Newsletter Editor: ctsou@law.uci.edu

All submissions should be received by:

Spring 2025	March 10, 2025
Summer 2025	May 5, 2025
Fall 2025	September 2, 2025
Winter 2025	November 10, 2025

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