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The Southeastern Chapter Breakfast, held in Washington on Monday, June 29, was well attended this year, with 60 members present and fairly awake! The minutes of that meeting appear later in this issue of the newsletter. In addition to the reports of committee chairmen, plans for the August meeting in Williamsburg were discussed, and a joint meeting with the Atlanta Law Librarians' Association, to be held March 19-21, 1982 in Atlanta, was announced. In addition, we learned that two members of the Chapter were elected to the A.A.L.L. Executive Board -- Sally Wiant (Washington & Lee) and Betty Taylor (University of Florida). And, of course, Leah Chanin (Mercer University) has been elected Vice-President/President-Elect of A.A.L.L.

During the A.A.L.L. Annual Meeting I attended a breakfast for all chapter presidents at which we discussed common concerns and an organizational structure for our group. Although chapter presidents had met in the past, this had not been done in recent years. We decided to form a Council of Chapter Presidents, a loosely organized group which will meet regularly to improve communication among chapters and the sharing of ideas.

Let me urge everyone to attend the Chapter's annual meeting in Williamsburg, August 13-15. Mike Beaird and the program committee have put together an interesting series of programs which will be worthwhile for most Chapter members. This is a nice opportunity to become acquainted with other members of the Chapter -- perhaps an even better one than A.A.L.L. annual meetings, as it is a more manageable group (we had 1,600 in Washington!). I look forward to seeing many of you there.

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Minutes

President Robin Mills convened our Chapter Meeting in Washington on June 29, 1981 at 8:00 a.m. with 60 members present. She recognized those members of our Chapter who are serving in a national capacity: Leah Chanin, Vice-President/President Elect; Betty Taylor, Sally Wiant & Carol West, Executive Board.

Committee reports were as follows: Leigh Morris/Placement - The Placement Committee successfully found Leigh a job in Golden, Colorado working with Amex Corporation, so a new chairperson will have to be appointed. Scholarship/Bill James - The Committee increased the number of scholarships to four this year and increased the amount of each to $250. This year's recipients were Janeed Denson, Mary Ladner, Patricia Mennicke and Oretta Ortiz. Newsletter/Margie Axtmann - The Newsletter is continually in need of articles and information for publication. Program/Mike Beaird - The program is set for Williamsburg, except that Rich Greenfield from Georgetown will substitute for Igor Kavass in the program on international law. Margie Axtmann announced that the meetings will be held at William and Mary School of Law, that she had registration packets with her and that room reservations should be made by July 13.

President Mills announced that the next Chapter Meeting after Williamsburg will be March 19-21, 1982 at the Colony Square Hotel in Atlanta. This Meeting will be held jointly with the Atlanta Chapter, and Jane Gudelsky is handling local arrangements. Mike Beaird and someone from the Atlanta Chapter will be in charge of the program and they welcome suggestions. The Executive Committee decided to designate the Chapter Meeting in Detroit as the Annual Meeting for the change of officers. This allows the officers to take office at the first Chapter Meeting following their election in May and allows them to change with the fiscal year as does the AALL.
Anne Butler, AALL Education Committee, reported an attendance of 116 at the Institute in Charlottesville preceding this meeting. The Institute was taped and copies can be obtained from Mobiltape of Glendale, California. She thanked Larry Wenger for local arrangements and solicited ideas for next year.

Leah Chanin reported on the AALL Executive Board Meeting to say that the Public Relations Committee is printing a brochure to send to law firms and state bars to encourage the hiring of librarians. Don Ziegenfuss, the Chairman of that Committee, assured us that our chapter will receive some of these brochures and suggested that a person be named to coordinate this effort. Leah also announced that four counties in Florida had successfully petitioned to form a new South Florida Chapter of AALL. She expressed her concern that there was no procedure for informing the membership of this action.

Sally Wiant, also reporting on the Board Meeting, announced that there would be a resolution at the business meeting to change the definition of an 'active member' to allow those other than law librarians to vote.

Mike Beaird thanked Kay Todd for help on the Program Committee and asked that all chapter members who would be speaking in Williamsburg please meet with him after the meeting.

Anne Slaughter Towles gave the treasurer's report (see the following page).

Robin Mills adjourned the meeting.
# S.E.A.L.L. Financial Statement

August 1980 - June 1981

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Respectfully submitted,

Anne Slaughter Towles
Secretary/Treasurer
Announcements

Invoices for 1981-82 dues have been mailed out and were due on June 1, 1981. Please send this in immediately if you have not already done so. Please let me know if you did not receive a dues invoice. Those members who have not paid their 1981-82 dues by August 16, 1981 will be dropped from the membership list.

Anne Slaughter Towles
Secretary/Treasurer

Leigh Morris has left the southeastern region, and Kay Todd has been appointed as the new chairperson of the Placement Committee. All placement announcements should be sent to Kay at Kilpatrick & Cody, 100 Peachtree Street, 3100 Equitable Bldg., Atlanta, GA 30303

Robin Mills
President

The Newsletter Committee is developing editorial guidelines and a policy statement for the Southeastern Law Librarian. Suggestions from the membership are welcome, as are copies of guidelines from other newsletters.

Margie Axtmann
Newsletter Committee

A supplement to Foster and Boasts' Subject Compilations of State Laws (Greenwood Press 1981, bibliography dates 1960-1979) is being prepared by Carol Boast and Cheryl Nyberg at the University of Illinois Law Library. Information from the updated file can be obtained by calling one of them at 217-333-2913. They would also appreciate having a brief citation to any recent (1979 to date) compilations you run across. Please send them to Carol Boast, 104J Law, University of Illinois, 504 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Champaign, IL 61820 along with your name as you would like it to appear in an acknowledgement.

Carol Boast and Cheryl Nyberg
University of Illinois
GEORGIA

The FULTON COUNTY Law Library, Atlanta, has recently installed Lexis. The terminal was installed under the existing contract of the Georgia Supreme Court, and is for Superior Court use. It is not open to the public. Librarian Peggy Martin will be on maternity leave from July 17th to Oct. 1. Linda Dekle, a recent graduate of Emory University's School of Library Science, will be librarian during this time.

LOUISIANA

The Law Library of the LOUISIANA STATE SENATE has recently joined A.A.L.L. and S.E.A.L.L. The Library serves the 39 state Senators and a professional research staff of 30. The Law Librarian since 1976 has been Arthur E. McEnany. He holds an M.L.S. from L.S.U. and an M.A. in American History from the University of Arkansas. Although at present he is the only professional staff member, there are plans to expand library facilities and staff.

J. Wesley Cochran, former Reference Librarian, has been promoted to Head of Public Services at LOYOLA UNIVERSITY School of Law Library. He joined the staff in September, 1980 as Reference Librarian, and is a graduate of the University of Houston (J.D., 1978) and the University of Washington (M.L.L., 1980.) Marguerite Rey, formerly Catalog Librarian, has been promoted to Head of Technical Services. She holds the M.L.S. from Catholic University.

MISSISSIPPI

Chester S. Bunnell, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI Reference Librarian, has recently been elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect of the A.A.L.L. Reader Services Special Interest Section. Also, his bibliography, "Computers and the Copyright Law" has been published in Legal Information for the 1980's, the A.A.L.L. Convention Handbook.

Ann T. Fessenden, Technical Services Librarian at Ole Miss, was recently elected Vice President of the Beta Psi Chapter of Beta Phi Mu, the international library science honor society. She is also a charter member of the chapter, which was organized at the University of Southern Mississippi School of Library Service in June.

TENNESSEE

Marianne Mussett, former Head of Public Services, has been promoted to Assistant Librarian for Library Services at MEMPHIS STATE UNIVERSITY Law Library. She has also completed the first year of law school and was elected Night Division Vice-President of the Student Bar Association.

Elizabeth McCord joined Memphis State in March as Acquisitions Librarian. She was formerly Librarian with the Memphis Press-Scimitar Newspaper Library. Julee Pittman joined the Memphis State staff in June as Catalog Librarian. She is a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky Library School and worked in the University of Kentucky Law Library while in school.
Annual Meeting
Southeastern Chapter
American Association of Law Libraries
Williamsburg, Virginia

PROGRAM

Thursday, August 13, 1981
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

Friday, August 14
7:45 - 10:00 a.m.
10:00 - 10:30 a.m.
10:30 - 12:00 noon
12:00 - 1:30 p.m.
1:30 - 3:00

EVENT

Registration
Colonial Williamsburg Conference Center

Buses depart for Berkeley Plantation
Reception and Dinner - Berkeley Plantation

Chapter breakfast and business meeting

Break

Panel: Serials Cancellations, or What to do when the budget axe falls

1. From an administrator's viewpoint:
   Bill Johnson, U. of West Virginia

2. From a technical services viewpoint:
   Ann Fessenden, U. of Mississippi

3. From a law firm librarian's viewpoint:
   Bonnie Preece; Akerman, Senterfitt, and Edison, Orlando

Lunch on your own

Concurrent Panels


II. County, Court, and State Law Libraries as They Relate to the State's Judicial System, the Bench and the Bar, Judicial Education and the Public: William C. Younger, Alabama Supreme Court; Brian S. Polley, Florida Supreme Court
Friday, August 14

3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Coffee Break

3:30 - 5:00

Concurrent Panels

I. Gift Evaluation Procedures:
Sally Wiant, Washington & Lee;
Bill Hein, The Hein Company, Buffalo

II. Statistical Records for Law Firm
Libraries--Reports, Budget Justifications, etc.:
Donald Ziegenfuss;
Carlton, Fields, Ward, et al., Tampa

6:00 - 7:00

Reception - Williamsburg Lodge

7:00 - 9:00

Banquet - Williamsburg Lodge
Speaker - A. Kenneth Pye
    Chancellor, Duke University

Saturday, August 15

8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Concurrent Panels

I. Role of Small Computers in the Law
Library: Audrey Grosch, U. of
Minnesota Libraries

II. Use of Word Processing Department to
Streamline Law Firm Library Procedures
Christine Johnson, Legal Department
of Coca Cola

10:00 - 10:30

Coffee Break

10:30 - 12:00 noon

Sex Based Discrimination

1. The Major Legal Resources: Chester
    Bunnell, U. of Mississippi

2. The Substantive Aspects: Lolly
    Gasaway, U. of Oklahoma
Library News Form

S.E.A.L.L. BRIEFS

Please send news about your library and staff by October 1, 1981.

Library name and address:

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TO:
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Beginning with the next issue (volume 7, number 2), the *Southeastern Law Librarian* will be featuring articles on practice oriented material for each of the ten states in the region. The focus of these articles will be on subject treatises, form books, jury instructions, court manuals and handbooks, and publications on continuing legal education. The first article will be on Virginia, and it is being prepared by Ed Edmonds, Associate Law Librarian, Marshall-Wythe School of Law. Anyone interested in preparing an article for one of the other states should contact Ed at 804-253-4232.

The next newsletter DEADLINE is October 5, 1981.
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