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Greetings from the President

Nancy Johnson, Law Librarian & Prof of Law, Georgia State University College of Law Library.

I am honored to serve as president with such outstanding librarians in such a fantastic chapter. I have always enjoyed and benefited from SEAALL, however, I never took the time to focus on the talent and dedication of the SEAALL officers and members. Terry Long did a terrific job as our President during the last year. And, I look forward to working with this year’s Executive Board: Mike Petit, V.P/President Elect, Maureen Eggert, Secretary, Ismael Guillon, Treasurer, and Amy Osborne and Anne Klinefelter, board members.

SEAALL members did a splendid job planning a great 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting in Lexington, KY. April 10-12. Our members described the meeting in these words: “great programs” “fun” “fantastic” and “very successful.” Special thanks go to Sue Burch and Rebecca Trammell, co-chairs of Local Arrangements and their colleagues at University of Kentucky for making sure everything was perfect in Lexington. The Opening Reception at the Children’s Museum and the dinner at Spindletop were great opportunities for meeting new members and catching up with old friends. The Program Committee did a fantastic job with presenting interesting programs: Kris Niedringhaus, Karen Douglas, Pam Williams, Carol Bredemeyer, Amy Osborne, Georgia Chadwick, and Virginia Smith. Filippa Anzalone presented a very effective workshop on project management. One member mentioned that it was the best workshop she has ever attended! Our speakers are too numerous to list since we offered fourteen programs, however, I want to extend an extra thanks to Dick Danner, our keynote speaker. A special applause goes to the Golden

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Donna Bausch receives her Service Award from Sue Burch.
Editor's Note —

This will be our last hard copy as we find our way into the digital age. This change will not only save trees, but also money from printing and mailing costs. Color pictures can be inserted, we won't be restricted to a 4 page layout scheme, and material can be better timed are just a few of the benefits. Bless Pam Williams heart for making the labels all these years. We'll still send out the SEAALL directory in hard copy, so Pam hang in there. I have plenty more pictures that I'll post on the next newsletter (color!) and remember to add pictures when you send material to Karin Den Bleyker. Karin has been great gathering the news from everywhere and keeping us informed about each other. Keep up the good work everyone, and keep those cards and letters coming....


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VALL President Elect Cathy Palombi talks with past AALL President Jim Heller.
SEAALL Committees 2003-2004

Articles and Bylaws: Reviews and revises Chapter articles of incorporation as directed by the Executive Committee

Terry Long, Chair

Herb Cihak (2004) (Louisiana State University)
Nancy Johnson (2005) (Georgia State University)
Mike Petit (2006) (American University)
Sally Wambold (2004) (University of Richmond)
Catherine Lemann (2005) (Law Library of Louisiana)

Education and Publications: Responsible for the development of publications for the benefit of the Chapter's members; also, responsible for developing SEAALL program proposals for the AALL annual meeting. (2 year term).

Sibyl Marshall, Chair

Creighton Miller (2004) (University of Alabama)
Luis Acosta (2004) (Howard University)
Cathy Palombi (2004) (University of Virginia)
Terri Saye (2005) (University of N.C.)
Patricia Kidd (2005) (Howard Univ)
Robyn Rebollo (2005) (West Group)
Ann-Marie Berti (2005) (University of N.C.)
Tracy Lynne Woodard (2005) (Howard University)
SEALL Committees 2003-2004 con’t

**Government Relations:** Monitors legislative, regulatory and judicial developments that affect SEALL, the practice of law librarianship or the creation and dissemination of information for the states in the southeast region of the U.S. This committee keeps the membership informed by print and electronic means. (2 year term)

**Lynn Murray, Chair**

**Pedro Padilla-Rosa** (2004) (University of Puerto Rico)
**Randy Thompson** (2004) (Louisiana State University)
**Ed Schoeder** (2004) (Florida State University)
**Charlene Cain** (2005) (Louisiana State University)
**Rebekah Maxwell** (2005) (University of South Carolina)
**Emily Urban** (2005) (Vanderbilt University)

**Local Arrangements**

**Tim Coggins** (University of Richmond) Co-Chair
**Hazel Johnson** Co-Chair

**Committee:**
**Joyce Manna Janto** (University of Richmond)
**Deborah Barlett** (University of Richmond)
**Cindy Smith** (McCandlish Holton)
**Theresa Schmid** (Richmond Public Law Library)

**Membership:** Promotes chapter membership and vitality within the region, maintains and distributes a biannual membership directory and coordinates activities for new members, retiring members and the organization. (2 year term)

**Margaret Milam, Chair**

**Connie Matzen** (2004) (Smith Anderson, Raleigh, NC)
**Gretchen Wolf** (2004) (Duke University)
**Janet Hirt** (2004) (Vanderbilt University)
**Margaret Milam** (2004) (American University)
**Marcia Baker** (2005) (Wake Forest University)
**Sue Kelleher** (2005) (Barry University)
**Carol Collins** (2005) (University of Tennessee)
SEAALL Committees 2003-2004 con’t

**Newsletter and Public Relations:** Responsible for the publication of the "Southeastern Law Librarian" four times a year. (2 year term)

**Michael Klepper, Chair**

Beth Adelman (2004) (Georgia State University)
Martin Cerjan (2004) (Vanderbilt University)
Teresa Teague (2004) (Campbell University)
Robert Jacoby (2004) (University of South Carolina)
Marie Hamm (2004) (Regent University)
Karin Den Bleyker (2005) (Mississippi College)
Michele Pope (2005) (Loyola University)
Nancy Fritz (2005 (University of Kentucky)

**Nominations (2004):**

Jennifer Sekula, Chair

Pedro Padilla-Rosa (University of Puerto Rico)
Sally Wambold (University of Richmond)
Sally Wiant (Washington & Lee University)
Jennifer Sekula (College of William & Mary)
Sue Burch (University of Kentucky)
Carol Billings (Law Library of Louisiana)

**Placement:** Communicates the availability of new positions in the southeast; also, responds to potential employers with information about SEAALL members who are interested in new employment opportunities. (2 year term)

**Taylor Fitchett, Chair**

Nona Beisenherz (2004) (Loyola University)
Rae Ellen Best (2004) (George Mason, University)
Rebekah Maxwell (2004) (University of South Carolina)
Georgia Chadwick (2005) (Law Library of Louisiana)
Melanie Creech (2005) (N. Carolina Central)
Colleen Manning (2005) (Florida Coastal School of Law)
Belkis Reynoso-Lawrence (2005) (Hunton and Williams)
SEAALL Committees 2003-2004 con’t

Program: Plans and implements the educational program for the chapter’s annual meeting.

Mike Petit, Chair

Pam Deemer (Emory University)
Jim Heller (College of William and Mary)
Lynn Murray (University of Mississippi)
Amy Osborne (University of Kentucky)
Glen-Peter Ahlers (Barry University)
Doug Lind, (Georgetown)
Susan Ryan (Georgetown)

Scholarship: Publicizes, manages and awards the annual Lucile Elliott scholarships. (2 year term)

Susan Lewis-Somers, Chair

Linda Davis (2004) (George Washington University)
Ismael Gullon (2004) (Mercer University)
Carol Bredemeyer (Northern Kentucky University)
Bill Magee (2005) (Regent University)
Tim Chinaris (2005) (Appalachian School of Law)
Billie Jo Kaufman (2005) (Nova Southeastern University)
Cheryn Picquet (2005) (University of Tennessee)
Nan Adams (2005) (Georgia State University)
Charles Oates (2005) (Regent University)
Pam Williams (2005) (Univ of Florida)

Service to SEAALL:

Sue Burch, Chair (2004) (University of Kentucky)
SEAALL Briefs
Compiled by Karin Den Bleyker

General:

Three SEAALL members were chosen to attend the Fourth Conference on Advanced Management for Private Law Libraries (AMPLL) sponsored by the LexisNexis Librarian Relations Group. Belkis Lawrence (Hunton & Williams, Atlanta), Connie Matzen (Smith, Anderson, Blount, Dorsett, Mitchell & Jernigan, Raleigh), and Denise Uzee (Kean Miller Hawthorne D’Armond McCowan & Jarman, Baton Rouge) joined twenty-seven other participants from around the country and Canada at the conference held in Dallas, April 11-13, 2003.

Florida
Barry University

Nancy Strohmeyer is returning to SEAALL! After a brief foray into the wilds of Arkansas, Nancy as seen the err of her ways and will return to SEAALL when she joins the library staff at Barry University’s Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law in sunny Orlando. Associate Dean for information resources at Barry, Glen-Peter Ahlers, says he is delighted to bring Nancy back to SEAALL. And he should know, he enticed Strohmeyer to stray to Arkansas last year when he was the library director there. Ahlers knows the benefits of SEAALL membership; he returned after a ten year hiatus in Arkansas himself. Ahlers was an active member of SEAALL when he was at Wake Forest and the D.C. School of Law. A third newcomer to Barry is Sue Kelleher. Sue has never been a SEAALL member, but got to experience the exhilaration of membership at her first meeting in Lexington. Sue arrived in September from, where else, The University of Arkansas. Sue is Head of Technical Services; Nancy becomes Associate Director and Head of Public Services June first.

University of Florida

The University of Florida Legal Information Center will be experiencing a temporary storage of a large portion of the collection while renovations and expansion construction begin. In July many of the lesser used and electronically available materials will be placed into storage for an estimated time period of one year. Construction will continue after that date, but the stored items will be able to be housed in the renovated portion of the library. Please be understanding if we need to ask for some seemingly bizarre interlibrary loans!

South Carolina
University of South Carolina

Rob Jacoby, who was a Reference Librarian and Webmaster for five years at the Coleman Karesh Law
Library, has taken a job at the University of Toledo, in Toledo, Ohio. His former colleagues wish him the best in his new position.

Tennessee
University of Tennessee

Susanna Marlowe has joined the faculty of the Joel A. Katz Law Library at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville as the Head of Public Services. Susanna was formerly the Head of Reference Services at Ohio State University Law School.

Virginia
University of Richmond

The following changes at the William Taylor Muse Law Library, University of Richmond School of Law, will be of interest to our members.
Director of the Law Library Timothy L. Coggins has been promoted to Professor of Law, effective July 1, 2003.
Gail F. Zwirner has been promoted to Head, Access Services, effective May 1, 2003.
John R. Barden has been promoted to Head, Reference and Research Services, effective May 1, 2003

Appalachian School of Law

The Appalachian School of Law Library celebrated National Library with a display focusing on our library. Central to the display were the "talking heads" paper dolls. Every member of the library staff was represented by a paper doll dressed in a patron-friendly description of their job. Some of the librarians became "talking heads" through word bubbles with library jokes inside attached to their heads. The backdrop was filled with key library words and phrases with definitions designed to help patrons understand our particular "library lingo". Quotes about libraries and books from famous people lay at the feet of the paper dolls. This eye-catching display caused many students and staff to stop and look. In addition, daily quizzes with prizes completed to week's activities.

University of Virginia

Access Services Librarian Cathy Palombi was elected Vice President/President-Elect of the Virginia Association of Law Libraries. Barbie Selby, Government Documents Librarian, has been appointed to Depository Library Council to the Public Printer. Her term begins in October 2003, and ends in 2006.
President, Terry Long called the meeting to order at 7:55.

II. Minutes of previous meeting, Maureen Eggert:
The minutes of the S.E.A.A.L.L. Business Meeting, held in Orlando, Florida, were approved.

III. Financial Report, Deborah Jeffries:
The closing balance reported was $52,030.47. The report was approved as printed.

IV. Executive Committee Report
A. Election Results were announced:
  Vice President/President Elect Mike Petit
  Treasurer - Ismael Guillen
  Member at Large - Amy Osborne
B. Secretary requested motion that the 2002 election ballots be destroyed. Motion was made. It was seconded and voted on in the affirmative
C. Hope to have a Florida judge ("judge of the hanging chad") as the SEALL VIP at AALL

V. Local Arrangements
Lexington – vendors were thanked for their contributions and evening plans were explained.
Richmond – Hotel will be the Omni for $125 a night; discussed a possible trip to Jamestown on the Saturday after the meeting.

VI. Committee Reports
A. Articles & Bylaws - no report
B. Education & Publications - AALL program not selected
C. Government Relations – discussion of UCITA, Patriot Acts & the letter to Florida about the state library.
D. Membership -No report
E. Newsletter/Publications - The next issue of the newsletter will be the last paper copy. In the future it will be online. Arrangements can be made for those who still need a print copy.
F. Nominating – Joyce Janto thanked the committee members and those who agreed to be nominated.
G. Placement – there has not been a lot of placement activity. However, some positions and resumes were available at a table in the exhibit room.
H. Program – Nancy Johnson thanked the committee members

I. Scholarship – In fall of 2002, there was free registration for Electronic Bootcamp; $4600 was (Continued on page 11)
available for the Lucille Elliot Scholarship and all but $400 was awarded. The $400 will be saved for next year. Suggestion to change the deadline from the current Nov. 15th.

J. No report
K. No report

VII. Unfinished Business
The "Feud" was explained; Reminders for the 5:15 – 6:15 reception & meeting in Seattle

VIII. Donna Bausch received the "Service to SEAALL" award

The gavel was passed and the meeting was adjourned by new President, Nancy Johnson.

Anniversary Committee: Jim Heller, Rhea Ballard-Thrower, Bill Beintema, Carol Billings, Tim Coggins, and Hazel Johnson. Who will ever forget the SEAALL Game Show – Friendly Feuding (Georgia’s # 1)! Survey says, “Tim and Hazel are destined for the Game Show Network.”

During the meeting, our very own Carol Nicholson discussed AALL matters and the upcoming AALL annual meeting in Seattle. President Nicholson is seeking participation of all AALL chapters to contribute to the George A. Strait Minority Scholarship. The SEAALL Executive Board is pleased to contribute as a chapter to this worthy scholarship fund. In addition, I hope you met Susan Fox, the new AALL Executive Director. We also learned that Donna Bausch deservingly received the 2003 Service to SEAALL Award.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Seattle at the AALL Annual Meeting in July. We will once again get together for a short business meeting and reception July 14 at 5:15 p.m. I look forward to another great year!
Incoming SEALL President Nancy Johnson receives the gavel from Past President Terry Long.