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PAM'S PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

Pam Deemer, President

Another year, another busy AALL annual meeting:

I attended the AALL Chapter leadership training on Saturday, July 16. Even though I had undergone the training in the 90's, when I was president of the Atlanta chapter, and last year as SEAALL Vice-President/President Elect, I still valued the sessions for the more current information I got and the sharing of information and fun with other chapter and special interest section leaders. You future presidents of SEAALL out there, whatever you do, don't miss the AALL leadership training. It makes being in charge of one of the oldest and biggest chapters much less intimidating. It gets you organized and gives you great ideas! You also meet some lovely people. And get a free lunch. :>)

I was happy to see SEAALL nicely visible at AALL. **Scott Deleve**, of the University of Mississippi, and the SEAALL Membership Committee, which he chairs, readied a new SEAALL membership brochure and some cute bookmarks in time for SEAALL's table in the

Activities Area of AALL and for a table at CONELL. The Baton Rouge Local Arrangements Committee also contributed to the table. Their fans with the SEAALL seal disappeared very rapidly. I knew I should have grabbed one the first day!

The SEAALL Committees and Executive Committee have been very active since April. **Marian Parker**, our secretary, will publish the minutes from the business meeting held at the AALL annual meeting in San Antonio in the newsletter, and thus I'll only give a few highlights.

Ted Bissett, our treasurer, informed us SEAALL has a very good monetary balance. We did not lose money at the Montgomery annual meeting, but actually made a small amount.

Georgia Chadwick, one of our Members-at-Large, introduced our chapter V.I.P., **Dr. Beth Paskoff**, dean of the Louisiana State University library school, who has enjoyed her attendance and AALL so much that she has become a SEAALL member and will help

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Linda Sobey, Cataloging Librarian, was one of 26 participants in a People to People Ambassador Programs Librarians Delegation to Russia in May 2005. Led by former ALA President John W. Berry, the delegates visited and met with their counterparts at the Russian State Library (Moscow), All-Russian State Library for Foreign Literature (Moscow) as well as the St. Petersburg City Public Library and the Russian National Library (St. Petersburg). Delegates also participated in meetings at the UNESCO Conference being held in St. Petersburg. Cultural tours included visiting the Kremlin, Red Square, St. Peters and Paul Fortress, the Hermitage Museum and seeing an evening performance at the Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow. Information about the People to People Ambassador Programs can be found at <http://www.ambassadorprograms.org/>

Florida Coastal School of Law

Colleen Manning, Head of Public Services, received the 2005 *Florida Coastal School of Law Staff Vision Award*. The award is presented by the graduating law class and is in recognition of a member of the staff who has made significant contributions to the law school and the students.

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out with our annual meeting in Baton Rouge!

Due to health reasons, Immediate Past President and Articles and Bylaws Chair **Mike Petit** couldn't attend AALL to present the amendment change, but because the proposal had been in the newsletter months prior to the meeting as required, our members could and did approve making the Community Service Committee a standing committee. The committee already has plans for what could be a fun as well as useful project. Rather than asking for money donations, SEAALL will fund the project, as we have a very healthy treasury. Members voiced their opinions that we ought to use some of it to benefit those in need. The amendment now must go to AALL for final approval.

This was SEAALL's year for the AALL provided registration fee for a Chapter member to attend AALL. We didn't know about it until a short time before the deadline. Thank goodness for the Internet. A dedicated **Beth Adelman** at Georgia State, the Scholarship Committee chair, was in Europe and handled everything through e-mail. **Linda Gray** of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough in Atlanta was our chosen recipient. Because SEAALL has a hefty amount of funds, the members also approved SEAALL's granting an annual AALL registration fee grant in order not to rely only on the AALL one, which offered every three years to a chapter.

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In 2009 brush up on your Socratic method, as members voted to go to Athens for SEAALL's annual meeting in that year. Athens, Georgia, that is.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Everybody: **Virgina Smith**, our other Member-at-Large, still needs volunteers to help her form a membership survey. This is important. It is necessary for programming and compiling a strategic plan.

Chairpeople: The SEAALL handbook is a very valuable tool to help you run your committee and the archives can help, too. They can only continue to be of service if kept up to date. Please give any additions and changes of procedures, forms, or calendar to the handbook to **Cathy Lemann** or documents you think might be useful in the future to **John Barden**. (John has recently purchased files and boxes to better organize and preserve the archives.)

Steve Melamut has had his hands full with four newsletters a year and the web site. He has told me that he now has a web team, though. But they can't keep our web site up to date unless people give them the information and corrections! Once they have information, they're very fast at putting it up.

SEAALL has a new database manager, **Ken Hirsh**, Director of Computing Services at Duke University School of Law. Many thanks go to Ken for taking on this responsibility and to **Pam Williams**, University of Florida

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FROM THE EDITOR

I want to thank **Cathy Lemann** and **Margaret Hall** for the great photographs from AALL that appear in this issue.

Please think about submitting articles and news to the newsletter. Share interesting projects and news from your library with the SEAALL membership. Make this your newsletter!!

We are trying new types of articles and content, so your feedback is important.

Send your submission or comments to melamut@email.unc.edu





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Legal Information Center, who handled this job for years and years. Thanks also go to SEAALL secretary **Marian Parker**, Wake Forest University Professional Center Library, who volunteered to take the database temporarily until a more permanent database manager could be found. Ken found it good news that AALL, for a fee per activity, will provide database management and will handle mailings such as ballots. (Uh, guess what another amendment to our articles and bylaws will be up-coming soon.) He is going to explore the benefits further.

Because there is a need for communication to members only for things such as access to the membership directory, the Executive Committee decided the SEAALL discussion list must be closed to non-members. The potential for spam attacks also promoted the decision to make this change. New members will be added when they join. If a person does not wish to be included, he or she can go to the [SEAALL webpage for the discussion list](#) and follow the instructions for unsubscribing.

Pam Deemer, SEAALL President



New Grants to be Awarded Annually

The SEAALL Executive Board recently approved a new **AALL Annual Meeting Registration Grant**. The grant, to be awarded by the SEAALL Scholarship Committee annually, is intended to provide funding for one or two SEAALL members who would otherwise be unable to attend the American Association of Law Libraries annual meeting. All SEAALL members in need of financial support for annual meeting attendance are encouraged to apply.

In addition, the Scholarship Committee will award a **CONELL (Conference of Newer Law Librarians) grant** annually to one SEAALL member. The grant will include the cost of a hotel room (one night) and the tuition for CONELL attendance. CONELL takes place on the day before AALL begins. The program is designed to acculturate newer law librarians.

Applications for these awards will be made available to SEAALL members beginning in October. The closing date for applications will be in mid-January.

Beth Adelman, Chair, Scholarship Committee



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Giving back to the SEAALL Chapter through service as an officer is a wonderful way to contribute to the professional development of fellow law librarians while supporting the institutions we serve. It also provides an excellent opportunity to enhance the professional growth of individual members who have demonstrated leadership potential.

The Nominations Committee seeks your input on nominations for the following SEAALL positions:

Vice President/President-Elect
Secretary
Member at Large

Detailed information regarding the term of office and duties of these offices is available in the SEAALL Handbook at:

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/seaall/handbook/>

We encourage SEAALL members to contact any member of the Nominations Committee by October 15 with the names of SEAALL colleagues you think would be qualified candidates for these positions. We appreciate your help!

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Glimpse into Baton Rouge

With the ending of AALL's Annual Meeting and Conference in San Antonio so near, It's amazing that I've found time to get psyched about SEAALL's annual meeting in Baton Rouge next year. I've prepared a fun list that offers a little glimpse into historic Baton Rouge. It contains a list of selected famous people from Louisiana, selected books about Baton Rouge, and Baton Rouge links. I hope to see you at SEAALL's annual conference.

Selected List of Famous People from Louisiana, via Biography on AE:
<http://www.biography.com/ae/>

- ★ Britney Spears, Kentwood, LA, "Singer"
- ★ Ellen DeGeneres, New Orleans, Comedian
- ★ Fats Domino, New Orleans, Musician
- ★ Jerry Lee Louis, Ferriday, LA, Musician
- ★ Jimmy Swaggart, Ferriday, LA, Evangelist
- ★ Louis Armstrong, New Orleans, Jazz Musician, Trumpet
- ★ Mahalia Jackson, New Orleans, Gospel Singer
- ★ Ott Mel, Gretna, Baseball Player & Manager, New York Giants
- ★ Red Allen, New Orleans, Jazz Musician, Louis Armstrong's Orchestra, and Dixieland musician
- ★ Tim McGraw, Dehli, Country Singer
- ★ Truman Capote, New Orleans, Writer, Breakfast at Tiffany's

Selected List of Books about Baton Rouge

Baton Rouge: Painting the Town Red, A Celebration of 300 Years
Montgomery Ala. : Community Communications 1999

Brent Barksdale, The Little Book of Louisiana Political Quotes
Baton Rouge, LA : CEW Enterprises, Dept. C., ; 2004

Brenda K. Perkins, The Early Families of Magnolia Mound Plantation, 1786-1841, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Baton Rouge, La. : Vintage Research 2004

College Town Scenes: 1923-2000 [Baton Rouge Architecture]
Baton Rouge, La. : AlphaGraphics of Baton Rouge 2001

John S Tarlton, A Window Facing North [Baby boom generation in Baton Rouge, fiction]
Bridgehampton, N.Y. : Bridge Works Pub. 1999

Lessons of the Lilies: Memoir of a Proud Nobody [biography of Karen C. McCord]
Baton Rouge, LA : Lily Books 2001

LSU Law: The Louisiana State University Law School from 1906-1977
Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press 2004

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Michael McKenzie, Ghetto Passport [Baton Rouge inner city social conditions]
Baltimore, Md. : PublishAmerica, 2004

Ralph Draughon, Down by the Riverfront: A History of the Baton Rouge Riverfront
New Orleans, La. : U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 1998

Rural Life Cooks: Traditional Recipes of Louisiana, A Collection of Recipes
Baton Rouge, La. : LSU Rural Life Museum

United Methodist Women, 1869-2004:
Living the Legacy
Baton Rouge, La. : First United Methodist Church, 2004

Wartime Memories: War Front and Home Front Stories of World War II and the Korean War...
Baton Rouge, La. : Broadmoor United Methodist Church 2003

William Spedale, Heroes of Harding Field, Baton Rouge, LA
Baton Rouge, La. : W.A. Spedale 2000



Baton Rouge links

Official website for the city is:
<http://brgov.com/>

Chamber of Commerce for Greater Baton Rouge:
<http://www.brchamber.org/>

Law Bookstore:
<http://www.claitorspublishing.com/>

Baton Rouge Area Convention & Visitors Bureau:
<http://www.bracvb.com/>

Baton Rouge Symphony:
<http://www.brso.org/>

Baton Rouge Ballet Theatre:
<http://www.br Ballet.org/>

"From Red Stick to River Capitol: Three Centuries of Baton Rouge History" [an online exhibit], via LSU Libraries, Special Collections website:
<http://www.lib.lsu.edu/special/exhibits/redstick/index.html>





SEAALL Scholarship for Library School Students

Guidelines

Description of award:

The SEAALL Scholarship for Library School Students is intended to promote interest in the profession of law librarianship among library school students. It will be awarded to a student whom the Scholarship Committee determines has indicated a genuine interest in the profession of law librarianship and is likely to pursue a career in law librarianship. In addition to the monetary award, the recipient will also be given a one-year membership in SEAALL.

Qualifications:

To qualify for a library school scholarship, an applicant must:

1. Be a student registered at an ALA-accredited library school who resides within the geographic area covered by SEAALL, and who will continue as a student for another semester or quarter,
 - a. The geographic area covered by SEAALL includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, US Virgin Islands, Virginia, District of Columbia, and West Virginia
2. Submit a completed application for the student scholarship, postmarked by October 1, 2005.
3. Submit 2 letters of recommendation from teachers and/or employers with the application,
4. Submit a personal statement that

indicates a genuine interest in the profession of law librarianship with the application.

Factors considered:

The Scholarship Committee will consider the following factors in selecting an award recipient:

1. Genuine interest in the profession of law librarianship as a career, evidenced by:
 - a. the personal statement,
 - b. letters of recommendation,
 - c. relevant work or internship experience,
 - d. relevant coursework, e. relevant professional activity;
2. Any previous scholarships or grants to an applicant; however, such previous awards will not render the applicant ineligible for the library school scholarship.

Obligations of award recipients The award recipient will be required to write an article for the *Southeastern Law Librarian* about a topic the student learned about in library school or in an internship, preferably a topic that relates to law librarianship.

[Click here to download the Application Form.](#)

Beth Adelman, Chair, SEAALL Scholarship Committee





Lucile Elliot Scholarship

I was fortunate enough to win the 2005 Lucile Elliott Scholarship, which gave me the opportunity to travel to San Antonio, Texas, and attend AALL's 98th annual meeting and conference. I'd attended SEAALL's annual conference in Richmond, Virginia, in March 2004, so I had a general idea what would happen in San Antonio. But my expectations were exceeded in every way.

One of the first things I noticed when I made contact with other law librarians was how friendly and welcoming everyone was. Perhaps it's in our natures to be this way; after all, those of us in public service make contact with strangers every day, and a good part of what makes us successful is communicating well enough with patrons to be able to help them.

But what I felt from my fellow attendees was more than good manners. When I met someone at the conference, I got the impression that that person immediately accepted me as part of the profession. There was no probationary period, no evaluation of my credentials to make sure I deserved to be there. As a middle-aged man who had just celebrated his first year in law librarianship (the CONELL tag on my ID made it clear I was a freshman, at least to AALL conferences), I was a standout among the largely female membership, yet I never felt a trace of anything but total acceptance from everyone. This level of comradeship and rapport does not exist everywhere, even among brotherhoods and secret societies, but at AALL I felt a kinship that I've seldom experienced. All of you should know that the fellow feeling you take for granted is a rare and precious thing.

Anyone who attended the conference probably had the same general experiences there that I did: I found that most of the programs were quite interesting and helpful, that some were extraordinarily informative and fun (such as the presentation by Prof. Jerry Kang at the second plenary session), and that what was learned at the conference will serve us well for a long time. I was impressed and somewhat overwhelmed by the program choices I could make, and I was grateful for the Saturday morning session at CONELL, which gave us practical and important information about the conference itself.

Their subject matter aside, every program I attended, even one where I found myself less interested in the topic than I expected to be, provided me with useful lessons, whether it was about how to organize a presentation or how a topic that seems dull can be enlivened by a speaker's enthusiasm. There seemed to be very few moments at the conference that I couldn't make good use of.

I came to law librarianship later in life than most people do, and the experience at AALL's annual conference reinforced all the good feelings I've had about this profession since I became a part of it. I want to thank the SEAALL Scholarship Committee for giving me the chance to attend this conference and to make contact with such a diverse and convivial membership.

Nick Sexton, Reference Librarian, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill



AALL Registration Grant

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to SEAALL and the Scholarship Committee for granting me the AALL Chapter Registration Award. I am very pleased to have been the recipient of this educational award, and am especially happy that it came from SEAALL.

As many of you know, I have recently returned to law librarianship after a four-year "vacation" in academia. I have a great deal of catching up to do, both in learning and re-learning legal resources and in becoming acquainted and re-acquainted with my fellow law librarians. Memberships in the American Association of Law Libraries and in the local and regional chapters of the Association are the best avenues to achieving both of these goals.

I am especially excited about becoming a member of SEAALL. In the past, I have been active in AALL and in the local chapter, ALLA, but I was never a member of SEAALL. I always thought that I would join—I have known many law librarians who were active members and they always recommended membership. But somehow I just never did find the time to join. I decided when I returned to law librarianship that I would make certain to join the local and regional chapters, because I believe that those local relationships are extremely important, both for me professionally, and for Nelson Mullins. At the Annual Meeting, the value of this membership was brought home to me when I attended the SEAALL business meeting and

reception and saw many old friends and met new ones.

Attending the AALL Annual Meeting with this registration cost covered means that I was able to fully participate in meetings and programs. Attending programs was very valuable and I learned a lot about resources and planning. Especially helpful to me were the programs on designing new library space and downsizing a library, projects in which I will be involved in the next couple of years. However, the individual relationships one builds through Special Interest Section meetings can really make the difference in one's library career, and I found my interactions with law librarians from different backgrounds to be especially rewarding.

I look forward to my SEAALL membership and to getting to know many of the law librarians I have heard about for years but have not had the opportunity to know well. I will expect to volunteer for committee work and contribute to the Association as well as take from it.

Again, thank you for this award. Know that I am very grateful and that I made the best of it.

Sincerely,
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More Program Reviews - SEAALL 2005

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Michael Klepper from Univ. of Virginia, won the "Mystic Krewe of SEAALL, Baton Rouge, 2006" basket at the SEAALL 2005 Annual Conference in Montgomery, Alabama.

Program A-1 April 15, 2005
Deidra Payne, LexisNexis
"Communicate Effectively in a Public Setting or Presentation"

Deidra introduced her program with the idea that any time you're communicating in a formal setting, you're actually giving a presentation. She divided her program into four parts: Pre-Speech Activities, Handling Performance Anxiety, Preparing Your Case, and the ABC Rule - Affirmative, Brief & Clear.



Pre-Speech Activities focused on the organizational aspects of the presentation and explored such questions as: Who is the target audience? What are you trying to accomplish? What can go wrong during the presentation? What might the audience reaction be? What sort of scheduling will optimize the experience for yourself and your audience? Do the facilities support the type of presentation you want to give? What is your desired outcome?

Handling Performance Anxiety addressed the fear of the unknown that causes people to be nervous in presentation situations. Deidra's tips for reducing that fear included:



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Turn unknown quantities into known quantities. Know that "what ifs" that could come up, and anticipate what audience members could say to support or undermine what you're trying to accomplish. Do your research and have your facts so that you can answer questions confidently. Practice your presentation beforehand - over and over. Become familiar with the facilities and equipment before the presentation.

In **Prepare Your Case**, Deidra advised: Develop one major purpose for your presentation. Develop key points in support of your major purpose, and stick to them. Limit the points you want to make - no more than three, one or two if time is limited. Anticipate the questions that will most likely be asked and know how you're going to answer them.

Use the **ABC Rule** - be Affirmative, Brief, & Clear - Tell them what you're going to tell them, tell them, then tell them what you have told them. Make your comments relevant to the needs/wants/expectations of your audience or organization.

Deidra also talked about what **not** to do: don't lie to your audience or get defensive, don't interrupt, don't re-state negatives, don't over-answer, and don't surrender the agenda. She also gave examples of how to build rapport with the audience by using eye contact, feedback and body language.

My favorite piece of advice from this program: Anticipate change and be ready to change quickly again and again.

Program B-3

April 15, 2005

Suzanne Cassidy:

"How do you count what you have for the ABA Statistics?"

Panel: **Ed Beltz, Steve Hinckley, Carol Nicholson, Marian Parker**

Electronic titles present recurring problems when librarians are gathering information for the annual ABA statistical survey. How do you count them? That question alone is puzzling enough, but it gets better: How do you count electronic titles if you get access to them through a university-wide site license that includes your library but that you don't pay for? What if a CD version is included with the print subscription?

The program addressed various approaches to handling these issues. Suzanne Cassidy of Mercer University served as moderator as the panel members presented their perspectives and experiences in counting such titles.

Ed Beltz of Mercer University provided an overview of a survey he did as part of his Masters thesis. The survey measured librarians' reactions to the ABA annual questionnaire. Respondents felt that while the survey was useful in terms of the accreditation process, they did not feel that it addressed the concerns of librarians.

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Carol Nicholson of the University of North Carolina and **Steve Hinckley** of the University of South Carolina have both served on AALL committees that input to the ABA. They discussed the concept of ownership v. access and the difficulties in quantifying and counting library services. They also discussed the evolution of the statistical survey and the difference in perspective between the ABA and the AALL regarding library statistics. The ABA's current position is that you must have an item cataloged if you want to count it in your statistics, although changes in Chapter 6 (Library and Information Resources) in the current ABA Standards for Approval of Law Schools suggest a shift toward "meaningful access".

Marian Parker of Wake Forest University presented a historical perspective that compared the confusion regarding electronic titles to a similar situation in the 1970s when the ABA survey did not count microforms in a library statistics. In 1975, microforms got their own category on the survey but it took until 1978 for the ABA to start counting them as if they were paper. It was during this time frame that the ABA begin to focus on cataloging an item if you're going to count it.

Audience members were given the opportunity to ask questions of the panel and to talk about the ways in which their libraries are handling the issues regarding electronic titles.

Program D-1

April 16, 2005

Mary Alice Baish, Terry Long:
"Prying Open the Doors of Government Secrecy"

Terry Long of the Virginia State Law Library (moderator) and **Mary Alice Baish** of AALL's Washington Affairs Office (speaker) explored access to U.S. Government information in the current political climate.

Access to government information has traditionally been a national priority in America; in 1822 James declared that "Knowledge will forever govern ignorance". No-fee access to government information has traditionally been of particular interest to libraries, but today more government information has been classified than ever before.

Mary Alice pointed out that government secrecy is not new, and neither are efforts at controlling it. In 1971, the Federal Advisory Committee Act or the "open meetings law" was enacted and in 1978 the Presidential Records Act made presidential records the property of the people, not the individual president. In 1996, the Freedom of Information Act was updated to include e-documents, and watchdog groups have been on the alert for disappearing government information.

Even before 9/11 there was some restriction

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by the Bush administration on the dissemination of government information, but after 9/11 the presumption was on the side of non-disclosure of information, where previously it had been on disclosure. Executive Order 13233 (which was actually drafted by then White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales) gave the President some exceptions to the Presidential Records Act, with the effect that the President or government agencies can unilaterally decide not to disclose.

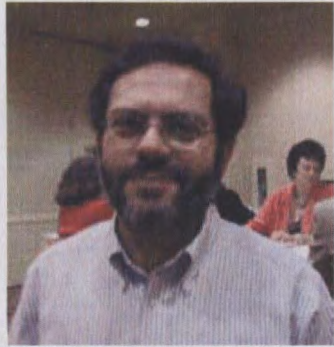
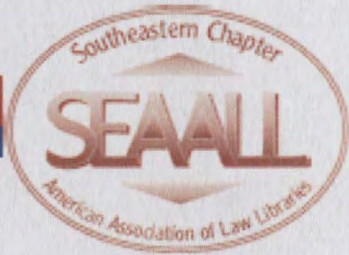
As information professionals, we find our delivery of documents and services impaired by government secrecy; as private citizens, we find that our individual liberties and the security of our families could be imperiled.

Objectors from all political camps are working to make government information more accessible and to curtail efforts at non-disclosure. Senators Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Trent Lott (R-MS), Representatives Edward Markey (R-MA) and Bernie Sanders (I-VT), and others are protesting and working on legislation to facilitate disclosure of various sorts of agency and committee information that is presently classified.

Open The Government, a coalition of organizations and individuals, is working to protect free access to government information and to reduce government secrecy. Their Website is <http://www.openthegovernment.com> and membership is open to anyone. The AALL and the ALA are coalition partners with Open

The Government. Other organizations that promote the public's right to government information are the Federation of American Scientists (read/subscribe to their Secrecy News at <http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/secrecy/>) and the Center for Democracy & Technology (<http://www.cdt.org>).







MINUTES

SEAALL Business Meeting San Antonio, TX July 18, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President **Pam Deemer**.

Minutes of the Business Meeting in Montgomery, AL, April 2005 were presented and approved.

Reports of Officers:

- The Treasurer's Report was presented by **Jack Bissett**.
- Board Member **Georgia Chadwick** reported that **Dr. Beth Paskoff**, dean of the library school at LSU, will help us with the Spring Meeting 2006 in Baton Rouge, LA.
- Board Member **Virginia Smith** reported that there will be a survey of our membership, asking for opinions on SEAALL, which will be conducted over the internet, with help from **Randy Thompson**.

Reports of Committees:

- Articles and Bylaws reported that there will be an amendment proposed to create a standing committee on Social Responsibilities. This will appear in the newsletter and once passed, will have to be approved by AALL, also. This committee will explore the changes needed to allow electronic voting for our annual elections.
- Community Service is looking at a project for our Spring 2006 Meeting, with the possibility of participating in the CASA

program, which provides teddy bears to children during traumatic events.

- Education is pulling program proposals for next year's AALL.
- Government Relations has recommended that SEAALL sign the opengovernment.org Statement of Values. It sponsored the Legislative Advocacy Workshop, conducted by **Mary Alice Baish**.
- Local Arrangements Chair **Randall Thompson** reported that the Baton Rouge Meeting will be held at the Marriott Hotel in the downtown area. The Friday night event will be held at the Rural Life Museum.
- Membership Committee reported that there is a table in the AALL Exhibit Hall with brochures for joining SEAALL plus bookmarks and beads for promoting the Baton Rouge Meeting. There is also a brochure being developed to send to law and library schools about becoming a law librarian
- Newsletter Editor **Steve Melamut** asked that articles be submitted by July 31st.
- Nominations asked that we be thinking about candidates for our next election.
- Placement reported that there are jobs posted for our area.
- Programs reported that there have been 56 proposals submitted for Baton Rouge, as well as 9 institute proposals. The committee is working through them and also trying to determine a keynote speaker.
- Scholarships reported that the student grant for attending AALL was awarded, as was the Lucille Elliott scholarship and the grant for attending the SEAALL Annual Meeting. AALL provided a grant for SEAALL to give to one member to attend AALL.



- Service to SEAALL asked everyone to begin thinking about nominations for this award.

Reports of Administrative Officers:

- Archives has purchased the supplies needed to begin the archiving process.
- New Database Manager **Ken Hirsh** is looking into whether to use the AALL service of managing our list, which would then be online.
- Handbook is collecting changes for the production of a current version for our website.
- Discussion List reported that the list will be closed to all but SEAALL members. That will allow us to put the SEAALL Directory online.

Old Business:

- Most Old Business was covered in the above reports.
- The 2009 meeting proposal for Athens was submitted to the membership in attendance for a straw vote; that vote was unanimous, so the Board has accepted the proposal and **Ann Puckett** will proceed to planning.
- The Scholarships Committee was reminded that an earlier proposal was made to begin a new grant which would support the attendance of one SEALL member at CONELL each year, to cover registration and one night's lodging. They took this as a to-do for this year.

New Business:

- There will be the proposal of an amendment to support electronic balloting/voting.
- SEAALL will need to participate in the AALL Centennial events.
- Vice President **Anne Klinefelter** will attend the AALL Education Summit in September.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian F. Parker
Secretary 2004-06

SEAALL FINANCIAL STATEMENT
April - June, 2005

OPENING BALANCE		\$81,052.53
RECEIPTS		
2005 SEAALL Annual Meeting		
Registration	6,140.00	
Sponsorship	7,475.00	
Miscellaneous	.45	
Membership Dues	5,570.00	
Total Receipts	19,230.00	
Working Balance		\$100,282.53
EXPENSES		
Florida Dept. of State (Non-profit Corp.)	61.25	
Washington and Lee University (Postage)	246.42	
Reimbursements		
Jack Bissett (QuickBooks software)	133.48	
Subtotal	\$441.15	
2005 SEAALL Annual Meeting		
Embassy Suites Hotel	24,003.86	
Meeting posters	258.00	
Padfolios	1,450.75	
Programs	159.29	
Reception - Capital Club	4,379.88	
Reception - Montgomery Museum		
Chocodelphia	130.00	
Jennie Weller Catering	3,093.75	
Honoraria		
Morris Dees	500.00	
Rosa Parks Museum	88.00	
Speakers' expenses	1,915.09	
Reimbursements		
Pam Deemer	70.54	
Alabama Supreme Court Library	4,720.00	
Subtotal, Annual Meeting	\$40,769.16	
Service to SEAALL Award plaque	139.92	
Student Scholarship	1,000.00	
Subtotal	\$1,139.92	
Total Expenses		\$42,350.23
CLOSING BALANCE		\$57,932.30
Bank of America CD		\$3,340.01
Fidelity Investments		\$5,500.71



SEAALL COMMITTEES 2005-2006

Articles and Bylaws

Reviews and revises Chapter articles of incorporation as directed by the Executive Committee.

Mike Petit, Washington College of Law Library, American University, **Chair-I.P.Pres.**

Tim Chinaris, Appalachian School of Law (until 2006)

Pam Deemer, Hugh MacMillan Law Library, Emory University (Pres.)

Ismael Gullon, Mercer University Law Library (until 2007)

Anne Klinefelter, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library (V-P)

Nancy Miller, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina (until 2006)

Community Services Committee

Identifies, promotes, and implements nonpolitical volunteer and community service activities.

Rhea Ballard-Trower, Howard University, **Chair**

Marcia Burris, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak and Stewart

Terrye Conroy, University of South Carolina

Karin Den Bleyker, Mississippi College Law Library

Jeanne Korman, Thomson-West

Deidra Payne, LexisNexis

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)

Marie Hamm, Regent University Law Library, **Chair**

Julie Kimbrough, Law Library of Congress (until 2006)

Carol Billings, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana Supreme Court (until 2007)

Scott Childs, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library (until 2007)

Nancy Johnson, Georgia State University College of Law Library (until 2007)

Lynn Murray, University of Mississippi Law Library 2007

Cathy Palombi, University of Virginia Law Library (until 2007)

Rebecca Trammell, University of Kentucky Law Library (until 2007)



Government Relations

Monitors legislative, regulatory and judicial developments that affect SEAALL, 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)

Sally Wambold, University of Richmond School of Law Library, **Chair**

Deborah Norwood, Jacob Burns Law Library, George Washington University (until 2006)

Colleen Williams, Georgia State University College of Law Library (until 2006)

Maureen Eggert, Professional Center Library, Wake Forest University (until 2007)

Chris Hudson, Hugh F. MacMillan Law Library, Emory University (until 2007)

Colleen C. Manning, Florida Coastal School of Law Library and Training Center (until 2007)

Thomas Walter, Mississippi College School of Law Library (until 2007)

Local Arrangements

Randall Thompson, Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library, Louisiana State University, **Chair**

Ajaye Bloomstone, Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library, Louisiana State University

Charlene Cain, Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library, Louisiana State University

Georgia Chadwick, Law Library of

Louisiana, Louisiana Supreme Court
Megan Garton, University of North Carolina

Marie Louis, Southern University 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)

Scott DeLeve, University of Mississippi Law Library, **Chair**

Deborah Jeffries, North Carolina Central University School of Law Library (until 2006)

Masako Patrum, Professional Center Library, Wake Forest University (until 2006)

Nancy Strohmeier, Barry University School of Law Library (until 2006)

Nancy Adams, Georgia State University College of Law Library (until 2007)

Georgia Chadwick, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana Supreme Court (until 2007)

Rebekah Maxwell, Coleman Karesh Law Library, USC Law Center (until 2007)

Amy Osborne, University of Kentucky Law Library (until 2007)

Frosty Owen, Hunton & Williams LLP (until 2007)



Newsletter and Public Relations

Responsible for the publication of the "Southeastern Law Librarian" four times a year. (2 year term)

Steve Melamut, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library, **Editor**

Karen Nuckolls, College of Law Library, West Virginia University (until 2006)

Linda Sobey, College of Law Library, Florida A & M University (until 2006)

Dee Wood, University of Kentucky Law Library (until 2006)

Gary Yessin, College of Law Library, Florida A & M University (until 2006)

Marcia Baker, Professional Center Library, Wake Forest University (until 2007)

Karin Den Bleyker, Mississippi College (until 2007)

Catherine Lemann, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana Supreme Court (until 2007)

Etheldra Scoggin, Loyola University School of Law Library (until 2007)

Nominations

Donna Bausch, Norfolk Law Library, **Chair**

Carol Avery Nicholson, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library

Linda Sobey, College of Law Library, Florida A & M University

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)

Eileen Santos, Howard University Law Library, **Chair** (until 2006)

Maureen Cropper, Baton Rouge, LA

Margaret Milam, Washington College of Law Library, American University (until 2006)

Randall Thompson, Paul M. Hebert Law Center Library, Louisiana State University (until 2006)

Glen-Peter Ahlers, Barry University School of Law Library (until 2007)

Joy Hanson, Duke University School of Law (until 2007)

Program

Plans and implements the educational program for the chapter's annual meeting.

Anne Klinefelter, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law Library, **Chair**

Diana Botluk, National Clearing House for Science, Technology and the Law, Stetson

University College of Law



Miriam Childs, Law Library of Louisiana,
Louisiana Supreme Court

Christine Ciambella, George Mason
University Law Library

Tim Coggins, University of Richmond
School of Law Library

Jim Heller, Marshall-Wythe Law Library,
College of William & Mary

Patricia Kidd, Howard University Law
Library

Mary Jane Slipsky, Nelson Mullins Riley &
Scarborough, LLP, Raleigh, NC

Helen Mellett Walker, Bradley Arant Rose
& White, LLP, Birmingham, AL

Tracy Woodard, Howard University Law
Library

Pedro A. Padilla Rosa, University of
Puerto Rico Law Library (until 2007)

Denise Uzee, Kean, Miller, Hawthorne,
D'Armond, McCowan & Jarman, LLP (until
2007)

Service to SEAALL

Jim Heller, Marshall-Wythe Law Library,
College of William & Mary (2003/2004
recipient), **Chair**

Mike Petit, Washington College of Law
Library, American University
Recipient for 2004/2005

Scholarship

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

Beth Adelman, Georgia State University
College of Law Library, **Chair**

Janet Hirt, Alyne Queener Massey Law
Library, Vanderbilt University (until 2006)

Jennifer Sekula, Marshall-Wythe Law
Library, College of William & Mary (until
2006)

Carol Bredemeyer, Salmon P. Chase
College of Law Library, Northern Kentucky
University (until 2007)

Margaret Christiansen, Regent
University Law Library (until 2007)

Joyce Manna Janto, University of
Richmond School of Law Library (until
2007)