

Southeastern Association of Law Libraries

Annual Report 2013-2014

The SEAALL Officers for 2013-2014 were Pamela Melton, President, Francis X. Norton, Jr., Vice President/ President Elect, Nick Sexton, Secretary, Kate Irwin-Smiler, Treasurer, and Christine Sellers and Jennifer Frazier, Members-at-large. Newly elected officers for 2013-2014 are Caroline Osborne, Vice President/President-elect; Nichelle J. Perry, Secretary; and Melanie M. DuBard, who replaces Jennifer Frazier as Member-at-large.

SEAALL held its annual meeting April 3-5 in Knoxville, TN. The theme of the meeting was "New Frontiers." The opening reception was held at Club LeConte, high atop the First Tennessee Bank building, which offered views of Knoxville and the Smokies. In place of an opening keynote speaker, a number of Ignite presenters prepared the attendees for a fun and informative conference. The Program Committee selected a slate full of innovative programs on teaching, technology, and transforming library workflows. After the breakfast business meeting, attendees were regaled with stories from Dr. William M. Bass, III, the famous forensic anthropologist, creator of the first "Body Farm," and co-author of the "Jefferson Bass" book series.

This year's pre-conference institute, "Show Your Career Who's Boss," focused on the librarian career: everything from hiring and mentoring to changing library type, finding contentment where you are, and creating a great succession plan. Sara Mauldin and Jennifer Behrens secured an AALL/Bloomberg BNA Continuing Education Grant to run and record the institute.

Planning for the 2015 meeting in Lexington, Kentucky is well underway. The theme is "Find the Way." The meeting will be hosted by the University of Kentucky College of Law. Beau Steenken is Chair of the local arrangements committee. The 2016 meeting will be in Dallas, TX, and will be co-hosted with SWALL.

The Community Service Committee raised \$1,130 from member donations and the sale of a special T-shirt quilt. This money will be donated to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. The Membership Committee reports that SEAALL now has 555 members; since the last report, SEAALL gained 112 members and lost 95: a net gain of 17 members. The Scholarship Committee awarded \$14,000 in grants and scholarships. The Education & Publications Committee published four newsletters during the year. At the general business meeting, the membership adopted the resolution in support of UELMA.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis X. Norton, Jr.

President 2014-2015