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ANNE'S PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

Anne Klinefelter, President



Great to see so many of you in St. Louis!

One announcement made at the SEAALL Business Meeting was that our Members At Large, **Grace Mills** and **Virginia Smith** will be sending you a short member survey this fall. When you get the email survey, please take the time to respond so that SEAALL can use the answers as a basis for strategic planning.

As you may know, SEAALL has a healthy treasury, and we want to know how you would like us to spend it. SEAALL has increased our scholarship allocations in recent years, including contributing to AALL scholarship initiatives. What more would you like to SEAALL do? How can our organization better support your work? – your career? – you? How can we better diversify our membership, particularly by reaching out to government and law firm librarians who form a minority of our members? When that survey comes, be ready with your blue sky ideas!

The minutes from the July Business Meeting provide a great snapshot of much of what is happening in SEAALL. Please take a look! I continue to be impressed with the energy, creativity, leadership, and service SEAALL members share through this association.

Kudos to all!





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SEAALL BRIEFS

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Florida

Nova Southeastern University

We recently added two new staff members. **Robert Hudson**, Reference & Instructional Services Librarian, joined the staff in June 2006 while **Meg Kribble** joined the staff as a Reference Librarian in July.

Kentucky

University of Kentucky

Helane Davis has been appointed as Law Library Director and Assistant Professor of Law at the Alvin D. Evans Law Library, University of Kentucky College of Law. Previously, she was Associate Director and Head of Public Services, and Interim Director of the Library.

North Carolina

University of North Carolina School of Law

After over 21 years as Director, **Laura N. Gasaway** left the Kathrine R. Everett Law Library this July to become Associate Dean for Academic Affairs of the University of North Carolina School of Law. With 38 years as a law librarian and 34 years as a library director, Lolly is well known as a leader in librarianship and in the legal profession, particularly as an

expert on libraries and copyright. **Anne Klinefelter,** the library's Associate Director, is now serving as Acting Director. A search for the permanent director will be conducted beginning in the fall.

Steve Melamut has been tapped to serve as Acting Assistant Dean for Information Technology in the UNC School of Law. Steve has been the Information Technology Services Librarian for the past two years in the Law Library at UNC, and was previously Reference/Internet Services Librarian. Steve continues to support the Law Library (and SEAALL) while he takes on new responsibilities in his acting role.

Tennessee

University of Tennessee

Sibyl Marshall was recently appointed Head of Public Services at the University of Tennessee Joel A. Katz Law Library. She had previously served as both Reference Librarian and Acting Head of Public Services. Prior to coming to UT she was a Reference Librarian at Mercer University Law Library.

Patti Ogden has joined the faculty of the University of Tennessee Joel A. Katz Law Library as Reference and Educational Services Librarian. Prior to coming to UT she was a Research Librarian at the University of Notre Dame Law Library.









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

Thank you to **Maureen Eggert** from Wake Forest University School of Law and **Margaret Hall** from the University of North Carolina School of Law for contributing photographs taken at AALL in St Louis.



CALL FOR SEAALL NOMINATIONS

Do you know someone (including yourself) who is ready to give back to the SEAALL Chapter through service as an officer? It is a wonderful way to contribute to the professional development of fellow law librarians and to improve services to library users. Service as a SEAALL officer also provides an excellent opportunity to enhance the professional growth of members who have demonstrated leadership ability.

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

Vice President/President-Elect

Treasurer

Member at Large

Detailed information regarding terms 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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Willy Wonka and the Rare Book School

by Stacy Etheredge

Imagine if Willy Wonka not only owned chocolate factories but also operated other places that were near and dear to your heart. Turns out, he does. Well, for book lovers anyway (and, really, who else matters?). It's called The Rare Book School and last June I was able to attend a course there, thanks to a Lucile Elliott Scholarship from SEAALL. After I returned from my adventure someone asked me how it went; I replied that it was like being let loose in Willy Wonka's chocolate factory. I ran amuck in rare books and gorged myself on legal history for a week – with no adults in sight!

The Rare Book School was founded in 1983 and has been affiliated with the University of Virginia since 1992. Throughout the year RBS offers around 30 five-day courses, usually 5 at a time with a limit of 12 people per course. The classes focus on old and rare books, manuscripts, and special collections, and cover such topics as the history of books, the history of printing, bookbinding, cataloging, descriptive bibliography, and book illustration.

The course I took, Collecting the History of Anglo-American Law, was one that I had been pining away for ever since I became interested in law librarianship. We went on a whirlwind trip through the history of the production and distribution of law books, the principle bibliographies and reference books



in the field, collection development, acquisition issues, the development of the common law, the determinants of rarity of legal books and, oh, about a hundred other topics (illegible but enthusiastically written notes available). We had a nice variety of participants in our group, which included reference librarians, catalogers, library administrators, attorneys (including two solicitors from England), rare book collectors, and a book dealer. The different perspectives and experiences among us led to many an animated discussion but, thanks to our instructors, no imbroglios.

And by the way, lest you think that just anybody teaches at the Rare Book School, our instructors were **Morris Cohen**, former Professor of Law and Director of the law libraries at Harvard and Yale (that was before he retired ... in 1993!) and **David Warrington**, Librarian for Special Collections at the Harvard Law School. They managed to run the course with the precision of a military operation, which meant we actually got through all of the materials, but at the same time kept it engaging, lively, and fun. You couldn't find two nicer, sweeter and more welcoming guys, and I mean that sincerely.



SEAALL Government Relations Committee

A major part of the Government Relations Committee's job is to keep SEAALL members informed about what the federal government, and the state and local governments in our region, are doing to help or to hinder the free flow of information.

The national committee and representatives from AALL's Washington Office do most of the work in updating the law library on federal issues, but there are many local matters that might be of interest to our members and that you might want to bring to colleagues attention.

The committee has members from most of the SEAALL states and territories, but we still would like the help of our members. If you would like to let others in your state and region know about a matter of interest, please contact one of the committee members listed at the end of this article.

Examples of matters of local of interest in the past have included:

- ♦ 2004 Florida law libraries lost court filing fee's as a source of funding.
- ♦ 2005 A North Carolina Congressman introduces a federal bill to place restrictions on gay-themed books

Current local issues that may be of interest to our members include:

- ♦ Florida's continuing fight for library funding.
- ♦ In the past couple of months, Louisiana's struggle for a sufficient annual budget for to its libraries was resolved successfully, preventing the layoff of 14 State Library personnel and the cancellation of the Louisiana Book Festival.
- ♦ Louisiana's Senate passed a concurrent resolution that asks both the House and Senate's Education Committees to study the possibility of creating a Louisiana Virtual Library Council

No matter where you are from, you have the opportunity to make your opinions about the Library of Congress' patron services known by filling out their survey at http://osincsurvey.com/run/os1031oc

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Research Means...

by Deborah Schander

SEAALL article

"Research means that you don't know, but are willing to find out," Charles F. Kettering said. The name "Kettering" always brings back special memories for me. I spent a year or so between college and law school working in Dayton, Ohio, the town where Mr. Kettering live for much of his adult life. He was so influential that the suburb of Kettering (just blocks away from my apartment) was named after him; it always seemed like there was little with which the Kettering family was not connected. And why shouldn't it be so? After all, Mr. Kettering was a hard worker with more than 300 patents to his name. The first time I read that statement of his – that research is being willing to find something out - I thought it perfectly described my internship this summer at Georgia State's law library.

My main interest in doing an internship was to gain practical experience, and Georgia State's law librarians have been more than willing to help me achieve this goal. Before coming here, I essentially had no practical knowledge of how a library worked, let alone a law library. My MLIS classes to date have been more theoretical in nature. Now as I near the end of my internship time, I realize just how much I've learned this summer.

The internship began with in-depth tours of all of the library's departments: public services (circulation and reference) tech services and electronic services. The librarians and staff took the time to explain their duties to me. Suddenly what I used to only have an amorphous understanding of

started to become much clearer. My knowledge of the inner-workings of a law library continued to grow as I began working on a variety of projects: from migrating books' acquisitions holdings to their permanent holding records to researching for a literature review and helping to create new website content.

All of the projects I have been involved in this summer have helped me to prepare for when I work in a law library. After all, graduation is only about a year away. More than just prepping me for actual library tasks, I've also been able to get ready for library job interviews. Just recently I gave a 30 minute mock interview presentation to the librarians and staff as practice. I spoke about ways a library can help patrons who aren't computer savvy conduct electronic research. The current trend is certainly for providing information this way, and sometimes that is the only way to find it. So now, I not only have a presentation ready for upcoming interviews, but I was able to test drive it with practicing librarians.

And finally, there was the reference desk. It is often the public face of the library, and I was assigned to work there fairly quickly. The first several shifts were a bit scary. After all, who knew what sorts of questions a patron might ask me? But as I learned what resources are available and found out that, yes, I really could answer some of the questions I was asked rather easily, it wasn't



AALL Government Relations Committee

Representative to SEAALL from the Government Relations Committee

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is **Sally Wambold**, and I am the new liaison to SEAALL from the Government Relations Committee of AALL.

The mission of the GRC is to "monitor all federal and state legislative, regulatory, and judicial developments, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COPYRIGHT, that would affect the Association, law librarianship, law libraries, or the dissemination of information, and shall advise the AALL Board and the AALL Washington Affairs Office about these issues." As the representative from the GRC to SEAALL, I invite you to advise me of any issues affecting your libraries, or SEAALL as a whole, that you feel should be brought to the attention of the Committee. At the same time, I will advise you of matters that affect SEAALL members and their libraries. Maureen Eggert, the SEAALL Government Relations Chair, and I will be in close consultation regarding the various issues that arise.

Feel free to contact me at the phone number or email address below.
Thank you!

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Meeting Minutes

The Executive Committee has requested that the SEAALL website include both the original minutes for the General Business Meeting in Raleigh in April 2006 as prepared by Marian Parker (approved by the members in July 2006) and the *CORRECTED* minutes for the same meeting so that members could read them. The minutes were passed with inaccurate information. Anne Klinefelter will ask the members to approve the *CORRECTED* minutes at the Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge in 2007.

The orginal minutes are available at: http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/seaall/minutes/2006_04_07.pdf

The corrected minutes are available at: http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/seaall/minutes/2006_04_07_revised.pdf





SEAALL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

April - June 2006

OPENING BALANG	CE			\$106,532.68
	2006 SEAALL Annual Meeting			
	Institute	\$275.00		
	Registration	1,772.00		
	Sponsorship	863.32		
	Subtotal annual meeting		\$2,910.32	
	Correction to last Report (arithmetic error)		100.00	
	Donations			
	2005-06 Hurricane Relief fund	5.00		
	Subtotal donations		5.00	
	Membership renewals			
	Associate	200.00		
	Individual	1,160.00		
	Institutional	6,740.00		
	Student	50.00		
	Subtotal dues		\$8,150.00	
	Total Receipts		\$11,165.32	
	Working Balance			\$117,698.00
EXPENSES				
	AALL 2005 annual meeting reimbursements (Paskoff)		\$635.00	
	Bank Service Charges (returned check)		5.00	
	Community Service Committee (gift certificate)		100.00	
	Contributions			
	AALL scholarships and grants	3,000.00		
	George A. Strait Minority Scholarship	1,500.00		
	Triangle Area YMCA	250.70		
	Subtotal contributions		4,750.70	
	Florida Dept. of State (Non-profit filing fee)		61.25	
	Office Supplies		28.34	
	Postage and Delivery		111.69	
	Printing and Reproduction		36.25	
	Reimbursements		152.48	
	Scholarships and Grants			
	Lucille Elliott Scholarship	695.00		
	Subtotal scholarships		\$695.00	
	SEAALL Annual Meeting 2006			
	Barbeque - Moore Square	6,682.72		
	Conference hotel-Sheraton Raleigh	24,863.38		
	General reimbursements	636.06		
	Honoraria	600.00		
	Programs	1,916.83		
	Reception - Museum	7,783.48		
	Speaker expenses	3,140.38		
	Subtotal Annual Meeting		\$45,622.85	
	Total Expenses		\$52,198.56	
CLOSING BALANC				\$65,499.44
	Bank of America CD			\$3,382.01
	Fidelity Investments			\$5,708.00
TOTAL ASSETS				\$74,589.45



Notes on the financial report

Receipts:

The "correction to last report" is to remedy an arithmetic error in the transfer from accounting software to Excel report, a partially manual tast. It was not an error in the books. The result was an under-reporting of assets in the April report.

Expenses:

The AALL 2005 annual meeting reimbursement was to our San Antonio Chapter VIP, Beth Paskoff, whose original reimbursement request had been sent to Georgia Chadwick immediately before Hurricane Katrina struck, and was never received.

SEAALL contributed \$4500.00 to AALL - \$1500 each to the Strait fund, the Centennial fund, and the general scholarship fund.

The final Lucille Elliot scholarship for 2005-2006 was awarded early in 2006 but was not able to be paid until later, due to the circumstances of its intended use.

Annual meeting expenses are not yet complete as some speaker reimbursement requests have not been received. To date the meeting expenses have totaled \$55,278.61, while income from the meeting came to \$63,720.32.



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Their love of this subject and of their work shined throughout and was inescapably contagious.

Attending this course at the Rare Book School was absolutely a dream come true for me. But I could not have done it without the assistance of the Lucile Elliott scholarship, and I will be forever grateful to SEAALL for that opportunity. I plan on returning to RBS to take *Introduction to Special Collections Librarianship*. And possibly *The Printed Book in the West To 1800*. And if I take that one then I'll have to take *The Printed Book in the West Since 1800*.

I think SEAALL better come up with some more scholarships.







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quite so scary a prospect. As my internship comes to an end, I've come to realize something: I still don't know everything, and there will always be new questions, but now I can say, like Charles F. Kettering, "I don't know, but I'm willing to find out with you."

Deborah Schander is a 3L at Florida State University, where she is also getting her MLIS. She is hoping to complete both degrees by the end of next summer. She likes creamer with a hint of coffee, walking late at night and cooking with lots of garlic.

SEAALL COMMITTEES 2005-2006

Articles and Bylaws

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

Pam Deemer, Hugh F. MacMillan Law Library, Emory University. Chair (Immediate Past President)

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Ken Hirsh, Duke University School of Law (Vice-President/President-Elect)

Anne Klinefelter, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (President)

Community Services Committee

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

Terrye Conroy, University of South Carolina, Chair (2007)

Rhea Ballard-Thrower, Howard University (2007)

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

Scott DeLeve, Law Library University of Mississippi (2008)

Marin Dell, Florida State University Law Library (2008)

Stephanie Dooley, Kennedy Covington (2008)

Margaret Hall, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2008)



Susan Lewis-Somers, Pence Law Library American University (2008)

Donna Nixon, Duke University School of Law (2008)

Sally Wambold, Law School Library University of Richmond

Lillian Weeks, Campbell University Law Library (2008)

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)

Rebecca Trammel, University of Kentucky Law Library, Chair

Carol Billings, Law Library of Louisiana (2007)

Scott Childs, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (2007)

Veronica Foster, Georgetown Law Library (2008)

Nancy Johnson, Georgia State University Law Library (2007)

Leslie Diana Jones, George Washington University Law Library

David Lehmann, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina (2008)

Elizabeth Outler, Levis College of Law Legal Information Center, University of Florida (2008)

Cathy Polombi, University of Virginia Law Library (2007)

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Colleen Williams, Georgia State Univ. Law Library (2008)

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)

Maureen Eggert, Wake Forest University Professional Center Library, Chair Helane Davis, University of Kentucky Law Library (2008)

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

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Colleen Manning, Florida Coastal School of Law (2007)

Christine Sellers (2008)

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

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Maralena Murphy, U.S. Courts Library, 5th Circuit

Kay Naar, Paul M Hebert Law Center, Louisiana State University

Denise Uzee, Kean, Miller, Hawthorne

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)

Rebekah (Becky) Maxwell, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina, Chair

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

Shyama Agrawal, Duke University School of Law (2008)

Georgia Chadwick, Law Library of Louisiana (2007)

Edward T. Hart, Chiles Legal Information Center, University of Florida College of Law (2008)

Amy Osborne, University of Kentucky Law Library (2007)

Frosty Owen, Hunton & Williams (2007)

Mary Jane Slipsky, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP (2008)

Linda Sobey, Florida A & M University, College of Law Library (2008)

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

Karin Den Bleyker, Mississippi College Law Library (2007)

Stacy Etheredge, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina (2008)

Stacy Lane, University of Mississippi Law Library (2008)

Catherine (Cathy) Lemann, Law Library of Louisiana (2007)

Nichelle Perry, North Carolina Central University School of Law Library (2008) Carolyn Santanella, Smith Moore, LLP (2008)

Etheldra Scoggin, Loyola University Law Library (2007)

Nominations

Carol Nicholson, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chair

Carol Billings, Law Library of Louisiana, Louisiana Supreme Court

Kathy Crosslin, Kilpatrick Stockton LLP **Steve Hinckley**, Coleman Karesh Law Library, University of South Carolina

Patricia Kidd, Howard University School of Law, Library

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)

Joy Hanson, Duke University School of Law, Chair

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

Billie Blaine, Supreme Court of Florida (2008)

Karen Nuckolls, University of Kentucky Law Library (2008)

Masako Patrum, Wake Forest Univ. Prof. Ctr. Library (2008)

Monica Wilson, Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. (2008)

Program

Plans and implements the educational program for the chapter's annual meeting. **Ken Hirsh**, Duke University School of Law, Chair (2007)

Christine Ciambella, George Mason University Law Library (2007)

Tim Coggins, Law School Library, University of Richmond (2007)

Charlene Cunniffe, Bass, Berry & Sims PLC (2008)

Elaine Fenton, U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit (2008)

Jim Heller, Marshall-Wythe Law Library, College of William and Mary (2007)

Tim Lewis, Alabama Supreme Court & State Law Library (2008)

Helen Mellett Walker, Bradley, Arant,

Rose & White LLP (2007)

Sally Wiant, Washington and Lee University Law Library (2008)

Tracy Woodard, Howard University School of Law Library (2007)

Scholarship

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

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

Jack Bissett, Washington and Lee University (2007), as treasurer

Carol Bredermeyer, Chase College of Law Library, Northern Kentucky University (2007)

Lee Carnes, Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman, LLP (2008)

Emily Carr, Law Library of Congress (2008)

Margaret Christiansen, Regent University Law Library (2007)

Janet Hirt, Alyne Queener Massey Law Library, Vanderbilt University (2008)

Pedro Padilla-Rosa, Law Library University of Puerto Rico (2007)

Jennifer Sekula, Marshall-Wythe Law Library, College of William and Mary (2008) **Denise Uzee**, Kean, Miller, Hawthorne (2007)

Service to SEAALL

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Carol Nicholson, Kathrine R. Everett Law Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill