President’s Column, by John Adkins

SANDALL AT TEN: BIRTHDAY WISHES

Celebrating ten years as an AALL chapter this year, SANDALL is now coming into its own. Our membership is growing, and the involvement of our newer members is invigorating and transformative. A decade of not-so-painful growing pains brought us to where we are today -- an association of colleagues who enjoy learning, working, and socializing together.

Thanks to the prodigious efforts of Pat Rusheen, the past two years have kicked our program offerings into a higher gear. This is only befitting a chapter that has become established and takes pride in the quality of its offerings, and we plan to keep the standards high in the coming years.

VP/Programs Chair Betsy Chessler has a series of informative and entertaining brown bags already set, and the Fall Workshop on September 19th at the Marina Village Resort has an exciting array of speakers on the changing face and future of librarianship. I hope that many of you plan to attend. Next up will be brown bag offerings on elder law and dog law, and then our holiday party, which will be held in the beautiful Mingei Museum of Art in Balboa Park. This stunning setting will be the perfect spot to enjoy meeting with old and new friends in the midst of truly exceptional art. At that event the Board will be awarding the newly created Distinguished Service Award, an honor given to exceptional SANDALL members who have given special service to the chapter over time. Nominations may be made to the Board at any time, but the award will be given once a year at the holiday party. We hope that you will be able to attend. And beyond that, more educational programs will lead up to our tenth birthday celebration complete with cake, ice cream, games and prizes at Mission Bay park. We are in for a grand year for SANDALL and a fine start to our second decade.

In just the last month, Vicky Williamson and her PR Committee has been fantastic in their response to the many requests from the Board for marketing ideas and publicity campaigns. They were instrumental in choosing the design and vendor for SANDALL’s first promotional keepsake, a keychain in the shape of a sandal. The newly reconstituted Long Range Planning Committee is charged with keeping the chapter on track by looking ahead and making plans for future Boards to act on. And the all-new Pro Bono/Outreach Committee will be the arm of our organization that informs us of outreach opportunities and commits us to action. It will join us in partnerships that strengthen our ties to the legal and library communities throughout the San Diego region, including Tijuana to the south, SCALL, and library schools to our north and east.

In this tenth anniversary year, the Board has issued challenges to each other and the committee chairs to do something above and beyond the normal course of duty as a

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way of celebrating the landmark year. As SANDALL spent its first decade coming into its own and developing its structure from within, we believe that in our next decade SANDALL should, and will, be looking outward.

I am proud to announce the following Tenth Year Challenge goals set by each Committee Chair for the coming year.

**Archives**: Margaret McDonald plans to review the archive collection to see how she can create 10 sub-folders for materials that could use better organization.

**Constitution and Bylaws; Employment; Newsletter and Nominations**: Isabel Eustaquio, Arnold Josafat, Gina Catalano and Marianne Sterna will be writing articles for the newsletter.

**Government Relations**: Tina Jagerson will summarize what the GRC has done in the last 10 years for an historic retrospective to be posted on the web page.

**Grants**: Brent Naritomi and the Grants Committee will be offering 10 grants during our celebratory year.

**Internet Web Page**: Carol Hyne will be updating the website to reflect the changing traditions and passage of SANDALL in its tenth year.

**Library School Liaison**: Kelly Keach plans to get AALL/SANDALL listed on SJSU list of professional organizations, as well as other MLIS program lists, such as the library schools at UCLA and Arizona.

**Long Range Planning Committee**: Chaired by Sheila Corman, with new Committee members Michelle Schmidt, Sandra Dawson, Heather Phillips, Judith Lihosit, and Brandon Baker, this Committee has the challenge of coming up with 10 new ideas for future SANDALL programs and events.

**Membership**: Leigh Inman has challenged herself to get at least 10 new SANDALL members this year – and she is already halfway to meeting that goal!

**Newsletter**: Gina Catalano will work with Amy Moberly to create a new SANDALL News masthead for the tenth anniversary.

**Programs**: Betsy Chessler’s challenge is a series of “Ten Spots,” fun and educational opportunities for members to win prizes at our programs.

**Public Relations**: Vicky Williamson and her team of excellent marketers will be providing the Board with 10 marketing/promotional campaigns or ideas throughout the year.

My own goal as president will be to meet with 10 groups of 10 SANDALL members, which will roughly amount to the entire SANDALL membership. For this effort, I have a set of ten question areas for discussion. Having the same conversation with different segments of the same organization will, I hope, give me and the Board a good picture of what the membership thinks about the issues facing our future growth, where to take the chapter, and how to prioritize the membership’s goals. The ten areas are published in this Newsletter on page 7 and I will be sending them out via email to the members I will be meeting with. If you are interested in participating in this initiative but I haven’t been contacted by the end of the year, please let me know and I will correct the oversight.

As you can see, this Board is an ambitious one. I think that says a lot about SANDALL today. Now, what about you? The Board would like to challenge you to spread the word about your profession, to explain why the job that you have is so fulfilling, and to encourage others to look at law librarianship as a potential career option. Only by getting the word out can we hope to continue the growth of our membership and provide consistent standards of excellence in our chapter leadership and offerings. Please accept this challenge as a personal one and think of ways that you can let others know what a great profession we have.

I think back to when I was here to see SANDALL created; I served on the Board for three successive terms in its infancy. It is so gratifying to be back on the Board to enjoy the active and committed community of law libraries we continue to be today. With sincere pleasure, I look forward to leading the chapter in this exciting year.

SANDALL, full speed ahead!

Please contact me with any SANDALL concern, comment, suggestion, or question at adkins@sandiego.edu or 619.260.4766.
Several delegate law librarians from the US & abroad convened for the 2008 Joint Study Institute (JSI) at the Georgetown University Law Center, in Washington DC from June 25-28, 2008. JSI delegates gathered to discuss common current trends in law librarianship and relevant issues related to international & foreign law. A visit to the Nation’s Capitol in the summer is typically a sweltering experience. The District of Columbia heat and humidity take a toll on all visitors particularly a visitor like me from San Diego that has grown to be discomforted from excess heat. However the weather did not dampen the spirits of the (JSI) delegates.

One reason that delegates remained cool, calm & collected is because the conference was held in the new & opulent Eric E. Hotung International Law Building. The ambiance of the Hotung Bldg facility, substantive presentations by significant legal professionals, tours & soirees in combination resulted in a superior learning experience. The JSI planning committee & the host Georgetown Law Center made the JSI a continuing legal education event unparalleled in as far as my personal attendance in AALL programming over the years.

Many topics and issues were explored over the 3 day meeting. Programs at the 2008 JSI covered interesting subjects. There were two Plenary Sessions

• Toward A Global Constitution &
• Discussing the Application of International Law, Rules & Norms.

Many of the panelist were leaders in the legal community. Seth Waxman, Partner at Wilmer Hale engaged attendees with pithy stories about his practicing experience as a litigator who has extensively argued before the United States Supreme Court. Professor David Cole, Georgetown Law Center, spoke to the group about terrorism, the Constitution & the sacrifice of civil liberties in the name of national security.

Professor David Fontana, Associate Professor of Law, George Washington University Law School, moderated a two edge sword thesis to antithesis scholarly showdown between Professor Melissa Waters, Assistant Professor, Washington & Lee University School of Law, and Ernest Young, Professor of Law, Duke Law School on “whether or not foreign law should be consulted by U.S. Courts in construing the United States Constitution.” One add on topic was whether foreign legal instruments should be cited in U.S. Supreme Court opinions. The intellectual call & response of scholarly interplay was magnificent to witness.

Delegates were treated to scrumptious meals in opulent venues. Among the highlights were the lobster & filet mignon dinner after a champagne reception at the National Press Club. Guided tours of the Supreme Court Library by Supreme Court Librarian Judy Gaskell & staff were provided to us on the day the Heller gun decision came down at the US Supreme Court. Lunch, photo & program on “Understanding Federalism” was provided as well. A tour & reception at Library of Congress was provided. Plus there was a tour & program presented in honor and memory of Robert Louis Oakley who served as Director of the Law Library & Professor of Law at the Georgetown Law Center. The Bob Oakley program was entitled “Digitizing the World’s Law: a Look at Cooperative Endeavors.” In this session the Chesapeake project, a mode for digital preservation was explored.

In the interest of brevity I will list some of the other titles of other program below.

• “The Web 2.0 As an Instrument for the Development of International Law.”
• “Internationalization and Globalization of U.S. Law School Curriculums.”
• Global Legal Information Network (GLIN) was explained with screen shots & search tips.

The JSI program was dense with substance. Another topic presented on & discussed was the effective tips for researching foreign & international law. Tips were gathered by presentations and discussions with expert law librarian researchers representing institutions from Australia, Canada, Ireland, Nova Scotia, & New Zealand.

Below is a snapshot of what delegates learned.

In response to the globalization increasing pressure on governments, legislatures, and countries

At the discussion of The Chesapeake Project: One Model for Digital Preservation, delegates learned of Georgetown law libraries’ role & participation in a project that uses OCLC’s Digital Archive to preserve and provide access to legal information harvested from the Web.

Two significant international websites were recommended World Legal Information Institute WordLII & Global Legal Information Network.

After attending the Joint Study Institute, I read the article “Justice Kennedy Defends International Outlook” published in The National Law Journal by Pamela A. MacLean / August 7, 2008. Pamela writes, “In an address to the 9th Circuit's annual Judicial Conference last week, Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy touched on how international law has influenced him -- a subject that has subjected him to criticism in Congress and among conservative commentators. Kennedy said the justices are obligated to let people know what is shaping our thinking. He wondered aloud whether he should hide that he has read French philosophers, for example. It is silly, this kind of know-nothing attitude, he said.”

I’ll conclude this article by stating that delegates who attended the 2008 JSI could not walk away from the conference devoid of knowing that the JSI was a great education event. Soirees, programs and the venture gave attendee delegates a peak behind the veiled walls that typically only insiders get to see of our Nation’s Capitol. Congratulations & many thanks to immediate past AALL President Ann Fessenden & Celeste Smith educational manager from AALL. Congratulations for a job very well done by Co-chairs Tim Coggins, Darcy Kirk, & their stellar Program Committee James Duggan, Mark Ensberg, Margaret Fry, Judy Gaskill, Sally Holterhoff, Kumar Jayasuriya, Hazel Johnson, Steve Margeton & Herb Somers. The next JSI is tentatively scheduled to be hosted for law librarians in Toronto Canada. If your budget can accommodate and if the global legal information is your niche I suggest that you strongly consider attending.
As SANDALL president, I went to La Roca Orphanage library in Tijuana to investigate the potential positive investment our organization can have in the surrounding community. Our chapter is made of dedicated librarians and library workers who support the mission of teaching legal research, providing legal materials to the public, and working with legal professionals to provide equitable results in legal matters. It seemed a natural fit for San Diego area law libraries to support the renovation of an orphanage school's library in Tijuana.

Accompanied by USD Foreign & International Law Specialist Melissa Fung, I traveled with the Los Angeles and San Diego Reed Elsevier group to La Roca. When you see firsthand the conditions in which the children there must learn, study, live, and worship, any amount of your time and effort to help seems worthwhile. The library was in a sad state of disuse, a dark and dirty space with barely usable computers, battered furniture, and shelves filled with donated educational materials that were mostly outdated, in English, and/or unsuitable for young children learning to read.

What an industrious group of volunteers! There was little time to waste. Because La Roca rests on a promontory reachable only from a steep road, the bus had to stop at the top of the hill and all donations were hand carried in multiple trips up and down the steep incline. After a short tour of the facility (we needed to catch our breath!), the options were laid out: build new Ikea-type study carrels, desks, and shelving; clear out the bulky furniture and equipment from the library; work in the kitchen to make lunch for the crew; and go through the hundreds of library materials to decide what should stay or go. There were perhaps 30 people and the work was fast, organized, cooperative, and efficient.

From the neglected space that I have described, the library was quickly cleared, cleaned, and mopped; new modern wooden furniture was built; new computers were unpackaged and installed; the materials were weeded and organized by subject area, then newly donated print publications were incorporated into the collection. This was all accomplished in the space of a few hours. While it was very hot, water and smiles and encouraging thanks kept everyone working at a fast pace.

The results were satisfying. The library became a space worthy of its name. We could see that children would find the room conducive to study, learning, and thriving. It was a good start, although a lot remains to be done.

The experience gave me great satisfaction as both a volunteer and as a librarian. Using my professional skills, as well as my elbow grease, I found a way that I and San Diego area law librarians can do something meaningful to improving libraries in our region. I returned to San Diego and was struck by how different it seemed in comparison to the area just thirty minutes down the road. All around me there were clean, paved streets; gleaming buildings of glass, brick and steel; shiny new cars and well-dressed people moving quickly to their destinations. It struck me clearly how everything here worked so well -- the infrastructure of water, gas, electricity, roads, traffic lights -- and there was plenty of everything to go around. This is not the case for La Roca, and other orphanage schools in Tijuana, and even in some sections of San Diego County.

I resolved to place this issue before the SANDALL membership: to create a Pro Bono/Community Outreach Committee dedicated to providing support to libraries in the San Diego/Tijuana region. Everyone can participate in this kind of outreach: while I am all thumbs when it comes to constructing furniture, I can lift filing cabinets and clean floors. And Melissa and I did much of the library weeding and organizing, which allowed us to use our professional judgment as well as our Spanish language skills. If you would not be able to offer this kind of labor, other options for workers included making fruit salad and sandwiches, seeing that others had plenty of water, and playing and interacting with the children, families, and orphanage workers.

We live in a wonderful place. After traveling around the world, I have never found a place more attractive and easy to live in than San Diego. Yet we are very near impoverished communities on both sides of the border who need help. As librarians and library workers, we champion the right to read, to learn, and to think independently; and we have the honor to provide information, and access to that information, so that others may achieve their goals.

Our neighborhood libraries, while not perfect, pretty much achieve those purposes. Helping to make those things happen for every

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library that serves the children of our region is a worthwhile goal, and one of which SANDALL members can be proud to be a part. I recognize our time constraints and other priorities. But getting corporate sponsors like Reed Elsevier to assist with donations and transportation makes the work nearly hassle-free. Getting down and back on an air-conditioned bus that by-passes the long border crossing lines, being provided lunch and camaraderie and thanks, and all in the space of five hours seems like a very doable prospect for most of us.

The Board has approved the creation of a Pro Bono/Outreach Committee dedicated to the improvement and maintenance of San Diego area libraries. This includes San Diego county and our neighboring border libraries. The committee will seek out volunteer opportunities, publicize them to the membership, and assist in organizing the logistics of providing donations and volunteers. Many such opportunities exist; libraries at Indian reservations, inner city public and private schools, orphanages in San Diego and Tijuana, military bases, schools for the blind and disabled, and others. Perhaps with SANDALL’s help, over the years these opportunities will become fewer, and children and other library users throughout the San Diego region will have the library resources to be better prepared to achieve their educational and career goals, assume leadership roles in our community, and improve the quality of life for less fortunate people.

We can hope for that outcome, at the very least. I encourage you to join with me and to share this spirit of good will. Please contact me if you are interested in serving on the SANDALL Pro Bono/Outreach Committee.

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Ten Things I Want to Ask Our Members, by John Adkins, SANDALL President

Collaboration. Community. Assessment. These are a few of the buzzwords fueling our Library Profession, edition 2.0. In order for collaboration, community, and assessment to take on meaning, we on the Board need to work actively with our constituencies to find out what is needed and how these needs can be addressed. Maybe it will get us thinking about the kind of SANDALL we would like to see in the future. During our 10th anniversary year, I want to reach as many SANDALL members as possible to get input on a wide range of issues. The plan is for me to meet with, talk with, email with, or in some way connect with ten groups of ten members – roughly the entire SANDALL membership. During these meetings I want to hear your thoughts on the following (and anything else that is on your mind):

1) Professional Service
What role does SANDALL play in your professional life? How can we make it more useful in fulfilling this role? Would you participate in a leadership training program? Do you participate in committee work? Why or why not?

2) SANDALL’s Purpose
What is most helpful about SANDALL when you need assistance? What is least helpful? Rate SANDALL overall as a force in your professional life, and explain your rating. Bottom line, how can SANDALL improve to meet your needs?

3) Professional Communications
What’s most useful about the SANDALL Web site? What changes would you suggest? What’s missing? What’s most useful about the SANDALL News? What changes would you suggest? What’s missing? Would you like to see a SANDALL blog or wiki? Would you contribute to a SANDALL blog or wiki?

4) Professional Development
What kinds of programming should SANDALL offer? What has been useful/not useful in the offerings so far? Would more online/remote presentations be useful? Would you like to see SANDALL team more with other organizations to offer programs? Offer more AALL-sponsored presentations? Improve the quality of program speakers?

5) Social Events
What factors determine whether you attend social events? Day or night? Time? Location? Quality of food? What kind of social event are you most likely to attend? What have been your favorite events? Your least favorite? Suggestions?

6) Technology
What technology would you like SANDALL to explore, participate in, or provide training in? Do you blog? Do you have an iPod? Would you want SANDALL to offer podcasts for its members? On what topics? Would you be willing to podcast on legal issues yourself?

7) Assessment
Would you like to participate in an annual process that gives feedback to the SANDALL leadership on the previous year’s events and programs? What kind of survey instrument should be used? Would it be useful to have a focus group for improving chapter leadership-to-membership communications?

8) Collaboration
Are there web-based social spaces that you routinely use? Would you enjoy seeing SANDALL have a presence on these social networks? How can they best be used to provide an atmosphere of collaboration and community to SANDALL members? Are you a social network enthusiast who could bring SANDALL into that network?

9) Outreach
Would you be willing to take part in a speaker’s bureau that provides outreach/pro bono service to students and community organizations? What types of outreach efforts do you suggest SANDALL undertake – toward the community, the local bar, other library groups, or others? What types of pro bono efforts do you suggest SANDALL undertake – toward community libraries, the public law library, Tijuana libraries, prison libraries, or others? What about partnering with companies and vendors to provide resources to a select group of recipients SANDALL has chosen to sponsor?
10) SANDALL’s Future Direction
What do you want from the Long Range Planning Committee, both in terms of big picture association goals and feedback to members? What types of ideas or services would you like to see the committee explore?

And, last but not least, I will want to know what else you think is important for the future growth and development of SANDALL. What will make it thrive? We need your involvement and direction.

For those of you who would prefer to communicate via email or by phone, please contact me directly using your preferred medium. I will be making plans to have roundtable groups throughout the year with those of you who would like to have a face-to-face discussion.

I look forward to the conversations I will be having with many of you in the coming year! Thank you so much for your interest and involvement in SANDALL; we could not do it without you.

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Conflict Resolution, by Isabel Enstaquio, SDCPLL

At AALL, this summer, I attended a class called In Search of the Holy Grail: “Your Mother was a Hamster and your Father Smelt of Elderberries”. The University of Virginia Law Library presented a very entertaining, multi-media skit based on Monty Python and The Holy Grail. The Knights of the Round Table went on a quest to find the Holy Grail of Conflict Resolution. During their quest they encountered conflict with the law library and its patrons, administrators, and even among librarians. King Arthur and his knights each had different methods of conflict resolution. King Arthur was collaborative and compromised. Sir Lancelot always tried to resolve conflict by force, the Brave Sir Robin avoided conflict whenever possible, and Sir Galahad was the knight of accommodation.

It is said we find comfort among those who agree with us and growth among those who don’t. In a healthy organization conflict can be a positive experience. The successful resolution of conflict when it arises is critical to the effectiveness of any organization. Following are Robert Bramson’s tactics for dealing with various types of “difficult” people in your organization:

Hostile Aggressives attack at emotional levels. Approach them with self-assertive language and avoid direct confrontation.

Complainers are fearful people who spread discouragements but rarely act on their complaints. Listen, but do not over sympathize, Instead problem solve with them on ways to take action.

Clams do not speak and take no action. Be patient with clams and ask open-ended questions. If they still do not respond, inform them of your actions.

Superagreeables are pleasant, but take no action. Do not accept unrealistic commitments from them, and be ready to negotiate a follow-through.

Negatives feel those who disagree with their negativity are naïve, and they think they do people a favor by shooting down their ideas. Do not feed their negative attitudes with your solutions. Instead, insist on problem solving and finding alternatives to their negative reactions.

Know-it-alls are competent but use their competency to bully others. Prepare before discussions with know-it-alls and ask questions to gain information.

Indecisive Stallers are unable to make decisions because of their fear of doing something wrong. Acknowledge their indecisiveness and take control of their decision process even if it means removing the stallers.
My AALL Experience, by Grace Viola

I was so excited when I learned that SANDALL had awarded me with a grant to attend the 101st AALL Annual Meeting & Conference in Portland. Although I have worked in law firm libraries since 2003 and started library school last year, I never had the opportunity to attend such an event. Everything I knew about these conferences came from the stories librarians share when they return from their trips. Thanks to SANDALL, I was able to attend my first AALL conference and had an incredible experience.

This year, I was the only representative from my office to go to the conference. The thought of not knowing anyone at my first AALL event was intimidating at first, but it turned out to be a great experience. Being alone put me out of my comfort zone and gave me the opportunity to meet many new librarians. I met library students from different universities, recent graduates and seasoned librarians from many different types of libraries. Some were from places as near as Orange County, northern California and as far as Chicago, DC and Tokyo, Japan. I also enjoyed meeting librarians whom I have only communicated with via email and phone calls. While at the registration line, I was pleasantly surprised to meet a Chicago librarian I used to work with at my previous job. We have been periodically emailing each other for years, but never met face to face. Later on, she introduced me to a Chicago Latham & Watkins librarian who was in town for a meeting—another librarian I never met in person! It was great to putting faces to familiar names. As the conference progressed, I soon realized that the world of law librarians is very small. A lot of people either know each other or know someone who knows someone.

Attending the Conference of New Law Librarians (CONELL) also alleviated my concerns. The program is designed to introduce new librarians to the organization and help them transition into their new careers. The speakers were very nice, helpful and explained how we can get the most out of the conference. After the introductions, we were broken up into small groups facilitated by executive board members and past AALL presidents. My group was able to ask questions and advice on how to become involved in the organization and succeed in our profession. I thought it was really nice of them to take time out of their busy schedules to make sure that we all felt welcomed. The program also included a speed networking event which is similar to the speed dating concept. We sat in rows and rotated every few minutes to meet as many new people as possible. It was a fun and interesting way of networking. After the presentation and activities, we went on a guided tour of the Columbia River Gorge with a stop at Multnomah Falls. The view was beautiful and breathtaking! I will definitely go back there again and stay a little longer.

After CONELL, I attended the opening general session, several workshops, explored exhibit halls, attended vendor sponsored events and checked out SIS groups and caucuses. New York Time's technology columnist David Pogue was the key note speaker and he was both informative and very entertaining. I had the chance to chat and snap a photo with him at the end of the event. I tried my best to attend as many workshops as I could but my time only permitted me to attend four: (1) Patent Searching Demystified; (2) The Nuts and Bolts of Competitive Intelligence—Deliverables; (3) The Challenges of Long-Distance Relationship and (4) Conflict Resolution—In Search of the Holy Grail: "Your Mother was a Hamster and Your Father Smelt of Elderberries." All the presentations were packed with practical information that I can utilize at work. Of these presentations, the one on Conflict Resolution stood out in creativity and delivery. Librarian actors dressed in knight outfits and matching tights explained and compared conflict styles of avoidance, accommodation, collaboration, compromise and competition. It was definitely something I did not expect from a workshop, but their fun style of teaching helped with remembering most of what they taught.

Equally memorable were conversations with very experienced librarian leaders. It was a rare experience to learn one-on-one from people who have accomplished so much professionally. As a student, I often ask what I need to learn in order to be a good librarian. One piece of the advice I received is to provide excellent customer service to everyone regardless of status or rank in an organization. One chief library officer explained that our job as librarians is to help others become successful. If we help our customers look great to their supervisors or clients, then we are doing a great job. I also had the opportunity to attend the Asian American Law Librarians Caucus business meeting and 20th anniversary celebration. I listened to the founder’s speech on how the caucus began and was inspired by the stories of first generation immigrants who overcome challenges to become successful law librarians. During one of the evenings, I went to a Gen X/Y Caucus social event to spend time with younger AALL members and those young at heart. It was great discussing similar work experiences and I liked being able to relate and be understood. No one questioned database rants or the joy of finding an obscure article or book. Forums like these are great!

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I cannot end my story without mentioning the Exhibit Hall and the vendor parties. In the past, my co-workers not only returned energized by the conference, they also came back rich with stuffed animals and a ton of vendor goodies. One of the CONELL speakers joked that if we ever buy a pen after the conference, shame on us! Every booth had something to offer—coffee, toys, stress gadgets, Starbucks gift cards, books and many more. I enjoyed previewing the upcoming upgrades of leading legal databases as well as speaking to publishers and vendor representatives. The vendor sponsored AALL gatherings were also fun. They provided great food, music and a chance to mingle with other librarians.

My first AALL conference experience enhanced my understanding of law librarianship. I am thankful to have met many librarians who truly care about their jobs and love what they do. After this semester, I only have three classes left before I complete San Jose State University’s MLIS program. While being in school opened my eyes to all the different branches of librarianship, the AALL experience helped me decide that law librarianship is the one for me. The 101st conference stayed true to their theme. By the time I came back to San Diego, I have explored the beautiful city of Portland along with exciting possibilities in law librarianship, was energized by all the librarians I met and new things I learned and evolved into a better library professional. I thank SANDALL again for this great and unforgettable experience.

AALL Panel Review: The Not-So Secret World of Government Information:
Evolving Approaches for Sharing Research Skills, by Kelly Keach, SDCPLL

On July 15, Janet Fisher, Archives and Public Records Librarian at Arizona State University, and Meg Martin of the Wyoming State Law Library, spoke about a project designed to train librarians to be government information specialists. It was a collaborative project by government documents librarians from Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming.

The project grew out of three issues. There has been a tremendous growth of available electronic resources without a corresponding growth in the ability to navigate it. The accelerating trend of having general reference librarians as opposed to several specialist reference librarians means everyone has to deal with government information. Lastly, government information is one of the largest, if not the largest, groups of free information on the Internet so many patron questions can be answered using it.


Each training module is structured similarly to make the teaching and learning consistent. The modules consist of a brief introduction then a list of key resources and links. Also, there is a list of subtopics with links that can be explored. These subtopics also list their key resources. At the end of most subtopics and modules, there are one or more exercises for the students or trainees. This is to ensure the trainees have an understanding of the resources available on a subject and how to explore past the homepage of a given link.

Fisher and Martin discussed training best practices developed from their earlier training efforts. They found that the most effective training method was to allow the trainees to do their own hands-on searching, rather than watch and take notes. The interactive learning created a tactile memory. Also, students were able to immediately use their training. Lastly, they became confident in their abilities to train colleagues and patrons because they had already done the work.

This project was funded through a 2 year grant which ended at the conclusion of fiscal year 2008. Project coordinators are working to develop plans to sustain the project consistently rather than go from grant to grant. They are working with the Government Printing Office, state and national professional associations, and local groups to support and promote the program. The project will continue under leadership from Minnesota starting in 2009, but there is uncertainty over its long-term viability with its lack of consistent support.

If you would like to participate, contact the one of the Project Coordinators and your state library. The Project Coordinators and their contact information can be found at the homepage listed above.

The PowerPoint slides from the panel can be downloaded from the following site: http://programmaterials.aallnet.org/download.asp?nm=EDU%2DK6%2D30053%2DA%2Epdf.
Images from Portland

- Loren Stamper on train from airport
- Glee Hotchkin also on the train from airport
- Directory at Powell’s
- This 5 gallon bucket of donuts at Voodoo Donuts is only $1. (No, I didn’t buy it)
- Leigh Inman at the Plenary session
- Carmen Brigandi and former SANDALL member, Kimberly Morris
- Ruth Levor proudly showing off her grandson
- I caught Bob Richards as he was leaving the plenary session
- Glee checking to see if I register as a ghost
- Barbara Glennan on Portland tour
- Yes, that is Thomas Champagne … the only camera shot I got of him.
Brandon Baker at the West Party

Margarita Bull dancing with her husband at the West Party

Chinatown

The peaceful Japanese Garden

Grace Viola with her fiancé, Kean Chilingirian, at the West Party

Pendulum at the Oregon Convention Center

Judith Lihosit presenting her paper.

Karla Castetter, Charles Dyer and Valerie Railey at the Closing Banquet

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Secretary, Gina Catalano
2008/2009 President, John Adkins
2008/2009 Vice President, Betsy Chessler

Meeting called to order at 1:03pm

I. Approval of Minutes of the February 2008 Board Meeting

Approved via e-mail previously and sent to the Membership. Programs Chair, Patricia Rusheen called for a revision of the previously approved minutes.

Revision to February 2, 2008 Minutes:
There was an error in the Programs Committee Report regarding the 9/14/07 Fall Institute. The Cost to Program Budget should read $87.74, not $678.37.

II. Treasurer’s Report

A. Balances

7-month 4.35% CD @ $7,500, balance $7,580.79
Savings account balance: $3,831.51
Checking account balance: $7,317.43

CD account earned $80.79 in interest since February 2008.

B. Disbursements

    Payment for 2008 SANDALL Directory Photo, $50.00
    Two checks for postage to mail out SANDALL Directory totaling, $63.88
    Final payment to SCALL from Joint Institute PayPal account, $1,039.61
    Reimbursement to Pat Rusheen for Spring Social & Workshop, $106.65

    Total Disbursements: $1,260.14

C. Revenues

    March 2008: $137.63
    April 2008:  $102.95
    May 2008:   $797.65

    Total Revenues: $1,038.23

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D. Membership

Current membership is at an all-time high with 121 members.

E. Closure of Accounts

Now that the Joint Institute funds have been disbursed, the Bank of America Savings and Checking accounts will be closed and new accounts will be opened at Washington Mutual. The CD account is currently at Washington Mutual. This will save us money on banking fees, as Washington Mutual does not charge for their accounts.

It was also determined that the PayPal account can now be closed.

III. Old Business

A. Program Committee Report

Programs

3/11/08 Brown Bag with Thomas Smith on PreCYdent
   No cost to SANDALL

4/10/08 Half-Day Workshop: Catch Me If You Can
   No speaker charge to SANDALL, cost of $72.00 for speaker gifts.

5/17/08 Spring Social and Silent Auction
   There were lots of items donated, but poor attendance. There was some discussion by the Board of changing this event next year to increase involvement by the members.

   Door Proceeds from the event totaled: $95.00
   Auction proceeds totaled: $687.00
   Expenses for event totaled: --$34.65
   Total amount earned for the Grants Program: $747.35

Programs Budget

   Entire Programs budget is $700.00

   Fall Institute $87.74
   Holiday Party $550.44
   February Brown Bag Cookies $5.99
   Half-Day Workshop Speaker Gifts $72.00
   Total: $716.17

B. Election Results

   John Adkins elected as President, Betsy Chessler elected as Vice President, Leigh Inman re-elected as Treasurer, Gina Catalano re-elected as Secretary.

C. AALL Grant Results

   Ten people applied for the AALL Grant. The Grant Committee selected Grace Viola and Judy Davis to receive $600 each to attend the 2008 AALL Annual Meeting.
The Grants Budget was increased in the past. There was some discussion by the Board that we may need to increase the budget even more, since we have increasing numbers of people applying and the grants are important to our Mission as an organization. The money raised at this year’s Spring Social will cover at least one grant to AALL and maybe two grants to the Fall Institute.

IV. Thank you

Thank you from President Sheila Corman to the Board for their service this year.

V. New Business

Upcoming Programs

Annual Business Meeting is June 19\textsuperscript{th} 12-1:30pm at Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP, 655 West Broadway, Suite 1900. Lunch will be provided courtesy of CEB. Agenda to be provided by Sheila Corman.

Transition to New Board

Bank accounts

Bank accounts were discussed earlier in the Treasurer’s Report.

President, Sheila Corman, will write three letters regarding the accounts. The first will be to Bank of America asking them to remove her name from the account since she will no longer be President. The second letter will be to Washington Mutual announcing the election results and stating that the President, John Adkins, and Treasurer, Leigh Inman, have the authority to be signatories to the account. The third letter is to Washington Mutual to remove Sheila Corman’s name from the CD account.

Replacement of Steering Wheel

The Steering Wheel is missing. The Board discussed replacement of the Steering Wheel. The Board felt that it is an important tradition to continue.

Motion made to replace the Steering Wheel and use general budget funds. Motion granted.

Oath of Office

Sheila Corman received the Oath of Office used last year from Pat Rusheen. It will be used again at this year’s swearing in at the Annual Meeting. The Oath has been placed in the SANDALL archives.

Annual Report

President, Sheila Corman, will write the SANDALL Annual Report for AALL.

2008-2009 Budget Allocation Changes

There was discussion by the Board that the current budget allocations may need to be changed to reflect current usage. The new Board will have the task of determining how to reallocate the budget to better meet the needs of SANDALL.

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It was noted by Leigh Inman and Pat Rusheen that the membership is required to carry Liability Insurance to cover accidents at events and meetings. Treasurer, Leigh Inman, will send the Liability Insurance coverage information to the new Vice President, Betsy Chessler, in preparation of her new duties as Program Chair.

Other Matters

Things for the new Board to think about for next year:

a. AALL annual meeting – VIP program. If we want to send someone, we will need to pay for expenses (not registration). It is intended for a non-member, someone from the legal community. In past years, SANDALL has sent Judges as VIPs to AALL. We should have enough money in the budget to cover expenses for the VIP program.

b. Table at AALL – We need to plan in October 2008 for having an exhibit table at AALL in July 2009, and finalize the plan with AALL by February 2009. PR Committee Chair, Victoria Williamson, wanted to participate at AALL last year, but it was too late. The new Board will need to plan for this event starting in September/October 2008.

c. The board discussed using the PR committee for publicizing our programs to other librarians (non-law), SLA, etc.

Committees

The Board discussed what happens to the committees at the end of the term. Technically at the end of the Board term all of the Committee Chair terms are also over. The new President normally will contact the current Committee Chairs and ask them if they would like to continue in their role. The Committee Chairs determine who is on their Committee.

This is SANDALL’s 10 year Anniversary

The Board discussed how this could be a great promotional opportunity for our organization. Opportunities include sending out Press Releases, use in our own PR materials, posting on our Website, etc.

Computer Server & Website

The Board discussed getting a computer server to house all of the SANDALL material, rather than having it spread out at different organizations. Included in the discussion was the possibility of introducing a new communication tool such as a Wiki or Blog. Password protection for our membership directory was also discussed.

V. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at: 1:57

Respectfully submitted,
Gina S. Catalano
SANDALL Secretary
SANDALL Annual Business Meeting
June 19, 2008
12:00pm to 1:30pm

Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP
655 West Broadway, Suite 1900
San Diego CA 92101

Board Members in attendance:
President, Sheila Corman
Vice President, Patricia Rusheen
Past President, Carmen Brigandi
Treasurer, Leigh Inman
Secretary, Gina Catalano

Meeting called to order at: 12:12pm

Welcome
By President, Sheila Corman

Welcome by President Sheila Corman thanking the membership for their support. This is SANDALL’s 10th anniversary. New member count is currently at 121 members, an all time high, this is a positive sign for our organization. This year we also were able to reach out to other library organizations such as SERRA at the Fall Institute.

Sheila Corman received a letter from AALL President, Ann T. Fessenden dated May 28, 2008. The letter congratulates SANDALL on our 10th anniversary and states that we are a benefit to the Law Library community because of the many services we provide.

The letter from Ms. Fessenden will be placed into the SANDALL Archives.

Old Business

Treasurer’s Report
by Leigh Inman

Balances in SANDALL accounts as of 6/19/08:

Bank of America -
Checking - $7,210.78
Savings - $3,831.51

Washington Mutual -
7-month CD @ 4.35% APR - $7,580.79

Total Balance - $18,623.08

Total Revenues to date: $12,367.71
Total Expenses to date: $11,198.71

Committee Reports

Archives

(Continued on page 18)
The Committee Chair continues to gather and organize SANDALL materials. Items added to the archives include Board meeting minutes; newsletter issues; membership directory; grants and election announcements; hand-outs from brown bag meetings and the Fall Institute; the new SANDALL brochure; and various announcements. The space at the USD Legal Research Center housing the Archives will undergo renovation this summer, resulting in improved climate control for archival materials.

Constitution & Bylaws
By John Adkins

In 2007-2008, the Committee (John Adkins, University of San Diego Legal Research Center; and Thomas Champagne and Leigh Inman, both of Thomas Jefferson Law Library) received one request from the Board: to evaluate the positives and negatives of changing the membership dues renewal date to January 1st. The issue came up after it was pointed out that renewal of membership comes due almost immediately after the new treasurer begins office, many times leading to confusion, late collections, and so forth. Because the renewal of dues most logically comes at the very end or beginning of a new fiscal year, it appeared that the companion issue would be the affects of changing the fiscal year to a calendar year as well. And if the fiscal year was changed, it was reasonable to also assume that the timetable for holding office would need to be changed. As a result of the complexities involved, the Board decided not to pursue it further but to recommend that the outgoing Treasurer make a special point of addressing the deadlines with the incoming officers.

Employment
Read by Sheila Corman on behalf of Committee Chair, Ellie Slade

The SANDALL Employment Committee reported a slight increase in law library jobs for 2007-08 over last year. Several academic opportunities opened up due to academic or county law library retirements. Two San Diego law firms advertised for law librarians as well as Qualcomm. There is still not a wealth of jobs for law librarians in San Diego, but we do expect many retirements in the next few years. Some law librarians have had to seek employment in other non-law library settings. At present, the County of San Diego has many full time librarian and library technician positions for people who wish to venture out of law librarianship to a related field.

Government Relations
There was no formal report issued by Committee Chair, Joan Allen-Hart. Joan Allen-Hart relayed a message by phone prior to the meeting to Gina Catalano. She wanted to encourage the membership to attend the AALL Advocacy Leadership Training at the AALL Annual Meeting in Portland this year. She stated that the workshop is a great way to get involved in government relations.

Grants
By Arnold Josafat

From July 2007 through June 2008, the Grants Committee consisted of Arnold Josafat (Chair) and Thomas Champagne from the Thomas Jefferson School of Law and Robert Fortin Richards from Luce Forward.

SANDALL advertised three grants for the 2007 SANDALL fall workshop held in San Diego on September 14, 2007. These grants covered the registration cost for two SANDALL members and one library science student. There were two applicants for these three grants. The awardees were Linda Weathers from the California Western School of Law and Melissa Fung from the University of San Diego School of Law.

SANDALL also advertised one grant for the 2007 SCALL Institute held in Ventura from March 14 to 15, 2007. There was one applicant for this grant and it was awarded to Tina Jagerson from the San Diego County Public Law Library.

In 2008, SANDALL awarded one grant valued at $120.00 to Valerie Railey to attend the 2008 AALL Joint Study Institute held in Washington, DC from June 25 to 28. SANDALL also awarded two grants for the 2008 AALL Annual Meeting held in Portland, Oregon from July 12 to 15. Six applications were received for these two grants. The awardees were Grace Viola from Latham Watkins LLP and Judy Davis from the University of San Diego School of Law.

In total, SANDALL awarded $1,550.00 in grants to the membership.
President Sheila Corman reminded the membership that grant monies are raised at our Spring Social event, so future participation at that event is appreciated. She also encouraged the membership to apply for the grants.

**Membership**

By Leigh Inman

SANDALL’s total membership as of 6/19/08 is 121, the highest number ever. Twenty-one new members were added during fiscal year 2007-2008. The membership directory was mailed to all current members in April 2008. The membership renewal notice for fiscal year 2008-2009 will go out within the next month.

**Newsletter**

By Gina Catalano

In 2007/2008 the newsletter committee published 5 issues of the SANDALL News. The newsletter switched from print format to electronic at the beginning of our fiscal year. It is now emailed to the membership through the listserv and is available on our website.

A big thank you goes to Amy Moberly for serving as editor and providing us with excellent content in a timely manner and for bringing us into the digital age with an electronic newsletter.

**Nominations**

By Marianne Sterna

Marianne Sterna recently stepped into the position, as the former Nominations Committee Chair, Betsy Chessler, ran for the Vice President position.

The ballots were mailed out to the membership in April and the results were presented to the Board on May 5th.

**Programs**

By Patricia Rusheen

Another year as Program Chair has come to an end and it really sped by! The year brought a total of 7 educational and social events for the SANDALL membership. These included an all day Fall Institute, several brown bag lunch presentations, a “dance the night away” Holiday Party, a half day workshop and a Spring Social & Silent Auction. A fee was charged for the Fall Institute, Holiday Party and Spring Social. All other events were free to SANDALL members. The following is a summary of the years’ events:

**September 14, 2007** - Fall Institute - “Workplace Victories: Turning Problems into Successes.” Held at the Town & Country Resort in Mission Valley. Our keynote speaker, Wendy Patrick Mazzarella, (San Diego’s Deputy District Attorney) gave us some fantastic insights on how to effectively communicate with difficult people and then during an interactive workshop we went over several real life scenarios using the skills we had just learned. Other topics covered were Violence in the Workplace, presented by Vicki Glatt, Presenting Yourself Powerfully, by Dana Bristol Smith, and Making Time for the Challenge by Michele Lucero. The highlight of the day was our special luncheon VIP speaker, AALL President Anne Fessenden. We enjoyed a Continental Breakfast, Lunch in the Rose Garden (I heard there were several pesky bees in attendance….sorry, but we were in their rose garden!), and morning and afternoon break refreshments. A total of 44 registrants and 11 vendors participated, including 13 vendor attendees for a total of 57 present. Vendor donations totaled $4,250.00. The cost to the programs budget was $87.74.

**December 13, 2007** – Back to the Town & Country Resort for our annual Holiday Party. We enjoyed beautiful views of Mission Valley from the Le Chanticleer Ballroom over cocktails, dinner and dancing. Sixty-two members and guests enjoyed a fabulous dinner and dessert buffet. Throughout the evening various door prizes provided by CEB were awarded. One of the highlights of this event was our DJ, who kept us dancing the night away. It was definitely a fun filled night of networking and socializing. Vendor
detections totaled $2,150.00 and SANDALL contributed $550.44 from the programs budget.

January 23, 2008 – Brown Bag - *PubMed in a Nutshell*, held at Morrison & Foerster LLP. Beverages were provided by our hostess and cookies were provided by 10-K Wizard. Betsy Chessler covered highlights from a day-long seminar on PubMed she attended. She showed us how to use PubMed to its maximum potential. Twelve attendees participated.

February 26, 2008 – Brown Bag - *Pearl Harbor Survivor* Al Bodenlos held at Seltzer Caplan McMahon Vitke in downtown San Diego. Beverages provided by our hostess and cookies provided by SANDALL. Al shared his Dec. 7, 1941 experiences and covered background leading up to that fateful day. He shared his first hand account of the attack and the terrible events that followed. We were on the edges of our chairs as we listened to this wonderful man's recollection of events from a crucial time in the history of our country.

March 11, 2008 - "PreCYdent: Milestones and Challenges" was held at the USD LRC. USD graciously supplied beverages and desserts for this event. Mr. Smith walked us through a live tour of the updated site and performed some sample searches. He also briefly explained the theory behind their algorithm, and presented some results about how their search outperforms Westlaw and Lexis. He described some of the Web 2 features of the site and explained what they are trying to achieve with them. Finally, he closed his presentation by sharing some of the challenges they face. A total of 17 members attended.

April 10, 2008 – Half Day Workshop – "Catch Me If You Can" Held in downtown San Diego at the Columbia Conference Center. Morning beverages were provided courtesy of Higgs, Fletcher & Mack, LLP and our hostess, Glee-Ellen Hotchkin. Lunch was provided by 10-K Wizard. This free half day event was open to members and non-members. Twenty-two attendees enjoyed 3 presentations. "Health Care Fraud," presented by FBI Agents Laura O'Farrell and Kathryn Henderson, "Identity Theft," presented by FBI Agent John R. Ireland, and "Saving the World Made Simple," presented by Private Investigator Jim Strickland. We listened intently to some eye-opening information about health care fraud trends in San Diego and reviewed case examples. We also learned about the basic tricks and schemes used by ID thieves, received advice on protection and recovery, and then went over a case study. And to finish up the morning, PI Jim Strickland shared some of the resources he uses to "find the bad guys."

May 17, 2008 – Spring Social & Silent Auction Fundraiser, held at the home of Pat Rusheen. Attendees tried to stay cool in the triple digit temperatures while sipping cold drinks and munching on fabulous home-made foods brought to share. Many wonderful auction items were donated for the Silent Auction. A $5 fee was charged at the door. Despite a poor turnout (about 20 attendees), we still raised a grand total of $747.35 for the SANDALL Grants Program.

June 19, 2008 – Annual Business Meeting held at Coughlin Stoia Geller Rudman & Robbins LLP in downtown San Diego. Lunch provided by CEB. Twenty-seven members RSVPed.

My heartfelt thanks go out to the ad-hoc members of our Program Committee. I appreciate all their assistance and support throughout the year. Heather Phillips (Fall Institute) Angelique Esquivel (who was instrumental in finding the DJ for our Holiday Party), Carmen Brigandi, Betsy Chessler, Glee-Ellen Hotchkin, Leigh Inman, Gina Catalano, Judith Libosit and Owen Smith (USD), Judy Stone (Seltzer Caplan), and my personal assistants, Randy & Ryan Rusheen.

I would also like to thank all the hosts that graciously provided venues (and often beverages & goodies) for our events.

Lastly, I would like to thank our many vendors who supported SANDALL throughout the year. This continual vendor support allows us to plan and execute these wonderful events (in particular the Fall Institute and Holiday Party). Our robust program schedule would not have been possible without the generous financial support of our vendors.

Poem by Patricia Rusheen:

SANDALL Board Meetings
Three years in a row
It’s enough to make anyone grow

And through those years I learned a lot

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What works with programs
And what does not!

It was a lot of hard work
But I was glad

To do it for SANDALL
To do it for Dad

He always told me to do your best
Life can really be a test

So I now gladly pass the fun
To Betsy Chessler…she’s the one

Who’ll bring you new speakers
And programs galore

Here’s to 10 years
And many, many more!

Public Relations
By Victoria Williamson

Committee members: Victoria Williamson, Isabel Eustaquio of San Diego County Public Law Library and Melissa Fung of University of San Diego.

Committee mission statement:
“The Public Relations Committee maintains and promotes the Association’s reciprocal understanding and favorable relations with its members and non-members, including other special libraries, library schools, library associations, the local bar, as well as other entities. It works with the Program Committee and Membership Committee Chairs, as well as other committee chairs, to publicize their activities, and promote the Association’s programs and events.”

Draft submitted via email to the Board on June 5, 2008.
Resubmitted draft with recommended changes on June 6, 2008.

Approved with recommended changes by Board members: Pat Rusheen, Carmen Brigandi, Gina Catalano, and Leigh Inman via email on June 6, 2008.

Web

There was no formal report issued by Committee Chair, Carol Hyne.

President Sheila Corman noted that Committee Chair Carol Hyne has done a great job making changes to the website and keeping it current.

New Business

Leadership Academy
Valerie Riley encouraged the Board to consider sending members to the AALL Leadership Academy. It is a two day event and only cost $150.00. It is dedicated to developing leaders of law libraries.

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SANDALL Directory
Sandra Dawson would like the Board to consider adding the job title of members to the SANDALL Directory. Treasurer Leigh Inman stated that it would be added as an optional field on the membership application.

Installation of New Officers
The following new SANDALL Board Members were sworn in by Sheila Corman:
John Adkins - President
Betsy Chessler - Vice President
(Absent) Carmen Brigandi was sworn in on her behalf.
Leigh Inman - Treasurer
Gina Catalano - Secretary
Sheila Corman - Past President

Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation
All Board members and Committee Chairs were recognized by President Sheila Corman for their service this year.

Meeting adjourned at: 12:47

Respectfully submitted,
Gina S. Catalano
SANDALL Secretary
June 20, 2008

SANDALL Fall Workshop 2008: Reinventing a Profession
Friday, September 19, 2008
8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Marina Village Conference Center (Mission Bay)

In SANDALL’s tenth year, the Fall Workshop will offer a full day’s review of the changing face and direction of our profession.

Librarianship is not what it used to be! Come join us for a day of exploring the evolving field of librarianship. We'll discuss what current surveys say about the profession and how it has changed even in just the last five years. We'll bring together a panel of library school students and find out what today’s librarians are learning in their master’s programs. We'll listen to a headhunter’s candid assessment of what marketable skills sets employers are looking for in hiring today’s info pros. We'll also hear from a noted academic on career development and opportunities to work abroad. We'll conclude by discussing the brave new library world of marketing, knowledge management, competitive intelligence, records management, and other non-traditional research and assistance we now provide.

Registration information available on the SANDALL web site at http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/sandall/

Questions? Contact SANDALL Program Chair Betsy Chessler at Morrison & Foerster LLP: 858-720-7921 or bchessler@mofo.com
Location:
Morrison & Foerster

Board members in attendance:
John Adkins, Betsy Chessler, Leigh Inman, Gina Catalano

Meeting called to order at 9:05am

**Old Business**

**Treasurer’s Report**
waiting for one check to clear before closing the Bank of America account and opening the new Washington Mutual accounts.

Balances:
- Checking: $7,210.78
- Savings: $3,832.14
- 7 month 4.35% CD: $7,580.79

Current membership: 121

**Budget Reallocation**

Food & Beverage Budget:
Rename Food & Beverage budget to reflect money included for Venue.
Note that this budget is separate from the Programs budget.

PR Budget:
Need to increase PR budget to accommodate focusing on outreach this year
New member packages with promo materials
Presence at AALL
Order some type of promo/giveaway item to have at exhibit table
Money to increase PR budget could come from general fund

**Chapter VIP Program**

Board members to think about possible invitees from the legal community. Law professors, someone from County Council, etc.
SANDALL will be responsible for paying for transportation and accommodations, AALL will pay for registration.
Need SANDALL members who attend AALL to act as chaperones for VIP
Need to figure out the budget to see if it is possible.
All Board Members voted to pursue sending a VIP AALL.
Each Board Member will nominate one potential VIP for the program

If SANDALL members would like to nominate someone for the chapter VIP program, please contact John Adkins by Sept. 1st.

**New Business**

**New Committee Chairs**

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Constitution & Bylaws: Isabel Eustaquio
Employment: Arnold Josafat
Grants: Brent Naritomi
Library School Liaison: Kelly Keach
Still need Chair for Government Relations

Thank you to all of the outgoing Chairs, Ellie Slade, Joan Allen-Hart, Arnold Josafat and John Adkins for all of their hard work. Welcome to the new Committee Chairs!

Proposal for New Committees

Long Range Planning Committee

John would like to bring back the Long Range Planning Committee
New Committee would set goals for the organization
Chair will be Past President for continuity
It will be a standing committee with a 2 year commitment

Board voted unanimously to have a Long Range Planning Committee

Sheila Corman will act as Chair since she is past president; action items for the Committee will come directly from the Board.

Outreach Committee

Members go out and speak to schools, organizations, career fairs, etc. to promote law librarianship. Create promotional materials for law librarianship.
Possibly add this committee to the PR committee since roles will be similar. Could have co-chairs and define roles of each for PR and Outreach.

Board voted unanimously to go forward with Outreach & PR Committee

Tenth Anniversary Celebration

Ideas to celebrate our 10th Anniversary:

Themes
Aluminum is the traditional 10th Anniversary gift. Possibly have a theme around recycling and being a green organization.
Paper is also a traditional 10th Anniversary gift.

Challenges
Challenge the membership to an “Outreach Challenge”, each member personally challenged to spread the word about law librarianship and what we do.
Challenge to the Board
Get 10 new members
Provide 10 Grants
Give away $10 at each event
Do a “top 10 list of things you never thought a librarian would do” at each event.
Contact all SANDALL Members in 10 groups of 10

Programs

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Fall Workshop Ideas

Have Fall Workshop at the Marina Village Conference Center
Theme: “The New Librarian”
Find a Library School Professor to speak
    Gina to contact Professor Connie Costantino to see if she would be interested in speaking
Find a job recruiter to speak on what skills are expected for new librarians
Possibly have a panel of Library School Students
Find someone to discuss the New Roles in Librarianship
Have a technology demonstration

Board voted unanimously to go forward with Marina Village as the venue.

- box lunch
- Charge $45 members/ $50 non-members
- Don’t know what speaker fees will be
- Betsy will book venue for 9/19/08
- Need to also check SCALL’s schedule

Brown Bags

- no plans yet – board should email ideas.
- Need to think of people to take one and run with it; maybe committee members could each take one.
- Possible ideas: China law, dog law, elder law, pro bono projects, poetry, California law author.

Holiday party

Possible venues:
- Children’s museum- more expensive than anticipated at $2500 for venue and additional $400 for gallery viewing.
- Mingei museum
- Looking at settings in Balboa Park, other museums

Spring Social/Special Events-

- Want to do outdoor event at a park, beach, etc. with contests, kite flying, etc.
- Saturday event
- Perhaps put the auction online and open it to SCALL, SLA, etc.
- Tentatively-Mission Bay Park in May, no entrance fee, potluck.

Chapter Communications

Defer chapter communications agenda item until next meeting.

Next meeting: August 20, 2008, 12:00pm-1:30pm at Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Meeting adjourned 11:05am

Respectfully submitted,
Gina S. Catalano
SANDALL Secretary
Board Members Present:
John Adkins, Betsy Chessler, Sheila Corman, Leigh Inman, Gina Catalano

Meeting called to order at: 1:02

Old Business

Treasurer's Report

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New accounts opened/old accounts closed

The Bank of America checking and savings accounts were closed and new Washington Mutual Accounts opened in July. All accounts including the CD, checking and money market accounts are now at Washington Mutual. Check sent to NOCALL for SANDALL’s share of the extra cost of the New Orleans Joint Reception held during AALL Annual Meeting.

Budget Reallocation

Programs budget
to now include all programs (Fall Workshop, Holiday Party, Spring Workshop, Spring Social, Brown Bags, etc.)

Total Budget: $9000

(presumably offset by vendor support and registrations)

Lower the nominations budget to $50

Need to increase PR budget to $2000 (one time increase for 10th anniversary marketing)

Need to add Budget for Board meeting expenses at $250

Misc expenses increased to $500

Grants budget increased to $2500 (one time increase for 10th anniversary challenge)

The AALL Grants should be removed from Revenues as it is not money actually received from AALL

John Adkins will investigate possible Vendor participation in Newsletter to contribute to our Revenues. He will seek input from Ruth Levor and Amy Moberly

Items approved via Email since last Board meeting

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• Approval of Fall Institute Location and cost to reserve/host event
• Approval of Fall Institute Speakers and cost of travel/accommodations
• Approval of honorarium to Fall Speakers
• Approval of promo key chains (design and cost); $901 for 500 key chains.
• Approval of Distinguished Service Award
• Nominated by the Board
• Honored on SANDALL Website
• Awarded at Holiday Party

Approval of AALL GRC requesting SANDALL’s endorsement of current legislation

Email business
The PR Committee will be asked to work on New Member packets, with Leigh taking the lead in directing its contents.
Leigh to order more Member Directories to include in New Member Packet (10)

Chapter VIP Program
If SANDALL members would like to nominate someone for the chapter VIP program, please contact John Adkins by Sept. 1
John to write email to members regarding Chapter VIP program

New Committee Chairs
Isabel Eustaquio is Chair of Constitution & Bylaws Committee
Kelly Keach is Chair of Library School Liaison Committee
Tina Jagerson is Chair of Government Relations Committee
Letter sponsoring HR 6589 – went out on Aug. 22, 2008

New Committees
Outreach Committee Update
PR Committee suggested that it be made a separate committee
Board will take it under consideration, write a description of the Charge and ask for volunteers for the Committee.
Idea for new committee to incorporate pro-bono activities
Motion to create an outreach committee and create its charge – approved.

Tenth Anniversary Celebration – Reports from Committees
Archives
Margaret McDonald to organize archival materials into 10 folders of board materials, program materials, ephemera, etc.
Constitution and Bylaws
Isabel Eustaquio to write article for newsletter
Employment
Arnold Josafat to write article for newsletter
Government Relations
Board suggested goal of summarizing what the GRC has done in the last 10 years
Grants
Board suggested goal of offering 10 grants
Internet Web Page
Carol Hyne has updated the website to reflect the additions of the new Board and Committee Chairs
Replaced Membership Application
Working on password protected membership directory
Library School Liaison
In response to 10th Anniversary Challenge
Kelly Keach suggested the following: create blog about SANDALL for SJSU, write an article about
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AALL, contribute to SJSU newsletter by writing article about law librarianship, get AALL/SANDALL listed on SJSU list of professional organizations
The Board also challenges Kelly to get SANDALL recognized by other MLIS programs, like UCLA and Arizona, etc.

Long Range Planning
Chaired by Sheila Corman. New Committee members: Michelle Schmidt, Sandra Dawson, Heather Phillips, Judith Lihosit, Brandon Baker
Challenge is to come up with 10 ideas for programming, etc. for future SANDALL events.

Membership
Leigh Inman reports 71 members with current membership (66 renewals and 5 new members)
Will send out email reminder to remaining 54 non-renewing members
May need help from Board with remaining names for reminder calls to renew
Hopes to have renewals completed by mid-October
Hopes to have Membership directory completed by end of calendar year
Directory paper is currently 30% post-consumer recycled paper
Suggestion from Betsy to also have organizations listed with member names as an alternative to look up members in the directory. Could also list zip codes for organizations for locating librarians in a specific geographic region.
As part of goal to get 10 new members, will post to listservs (SJSU, SCALL, UCLA, SLA, SERRA, Paralegal Association, Legal Secretary Association, Innovated Library User Group, Innovated Lawyer Group, Patent Information User Group) with upcoming events such as sports law, dog law, elder abuse law, fall workshop, spring workshop, etc.

Newsletter
Gina Catalano reports that the next deadline for newsletter is Sept. 15th
Expecting articles from other chairs as part of 10th Anniversary Challenge, and will also participate by writing an article for the Newsletter.

Nominations
Marianne Sterna reports that there is no current activity. She is going to write an article for the Newsletter as part of the 10th Anniversary Challenge.

Programs
See Below for Program Report

Public Relations
Victoria Williams reports, created flier for Fall Workshop
Selected and ordered promo key chains
Created list of potential venues for promoting SANDALL
Committee Recommends participating in
SANDALL Fall Workshop
SLA-SD Fall Workshop
LISSTEN Professional Association Day
SCALL Institute
AALL Annual Meeting
Committee to work with Archives to create exhibit showcasing SANDALL’s history and accomplishments

Betsy would like the PR Committee to create Stationery for SANDALL

Chapter Communications
Tabled for next meeting

New Business
Programs

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Fall Workshop

- Presidents of SCALL and NOCALL invited to Fall Workshop, also invited SLA
- Betsy has created a draft of the program for John’s review. Betsy will ask if the PR Committee can make this into an online brochure to publicize the Fall Workshop.
- Confirmed Vendor participation by CEB, LRI, Lexis, GSI, and Thomson Reuters
- Sandra Vella, Head of Library Instruction Services at UC Davis, traveling from Sacramento for Second Life presentation.

**Board approved $100 to Sandra Vella to defray travel expenses.**

- Betsy currently requesting short Bios from speakers for the program
- Registration is now Online – food choices will be added soon
- Betsy will send out Workshop information to all listservs once the online registration is tested.

Brown Bags

- October 22nd, Leonard Simon to speak on Sports Law
- November, Jennifer George slated to talk about Dog Law, but not yet confirmed
- January, Debra Morse to talk about Elder Law

Holiday party

- Date will be Dec. 3rd or 4th (probably the 3rd) from 6pm to 10pm
- Registration Fee $25, nonmembers $30.
- Previous attendance approx. 60.
- Venue for Party discussed by Board

**Board approved Mingei Museum as venue for Holiday Party.**

- Betsy to check on catering expenses.

Meeting adjourned at 2:36pm
Respectfully submitted,
Gina S. Catalano
SANDALL Secretary

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**Congratulations**

SANDALL Grants Committee awarded **Grace Viola** of Latham & Watkins, LLP and **Judy Davis**, from University of San Diego, Legal Research Center each a $600 grant to attend the American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon.

Congratulations, Grace and Judy!
**SANDALL 2008-2009 MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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Send Fee and Form to:
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Membership Fee: $20.00 ($15.00: students)
Make checks payable to: SANDALL

Current Member: Yes_____ No_____ Student?: Yes_______ No_______

Changed address, email address, fax number, etc.? Please check your directory listing and note any corrections here.

Updated data:_________________________________________________________________________________

Are you a member of AALL? Yes_______ No_______

Do you want your name address & email to be listed on the SANDALL WWW directory page?

Yes___________ No__________ Other________________________________________________________

**WE'RE ON THE WEB!**
http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/sandall