

SCCLL-SIS

Publicity / Public Relations Committee Report

2004

The Public Relations Committee hosted the SCCLL-SIS table in the exhibit hall at the AALL Annual Conference in Seattle in 2003. With a coffee theme, the SIS table showcased the public relations efforts of State, Court and County Law Libraries throughout the country. Many attendees commented on the value of seeing examples of other libraries' work.

The PR Committee also published short announcements in the AALL Spectrum SIS News column in the 2003-2004 year. In April 2004 a short article described the SCCLL-SIS Membership and Mentoring Committee and the work it did during the year surrounding recruitment and mentoring. In May 2004 the SCCLL-SIS meetings and programs accepted for the 2004 Boston Annual Conference were listed.

The second "Law Library Insights" title was published this year. Titled *The Value of a Public Law Library*, it was again edited by Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson and includes contributions from many of our colleagues in the SIS. The series is known as "SCCLL Resource Guides" and this title is Guide #2.

Finally, playing off the literary heritage of New England, the PR Committee will again create a display in this year's exhibit hall at the AALL Annual Conference in Boston. AALL members will be invited to pick up their own "Scarlet Letter" (in this case, a red letter L) to wear with pride on their nametags during the conference. Sample copies of the two "Law Library Insights – SCCLL Resource Guide" titles will be available for reviewing at the table.

AALL State, Court, and County Law Libraries Special Interest Section

Trustee Development Committee 2003-2004 Report

The charge of the Trustee Development Committee this year was to continue the Sunday Librarians and Trustees Luncheon program. The program was established seven years ago as an opportunity for librarians and trustees to meet each other at the annual convention, discuss common issues, and, if participation increased, establish a library trustees special interest section. Although the group has met the requirement of holding a meeting for five years, it still has not reached the level of participation to establish its own section.

This year the Sunday Trustees and Librarians Luncheon program attendees will be treated to a slice of the history and future look at the Social Law Library, which is preparing to celebrate its 200th anniversary with a move into majestic new quarters in one of the country's grandest historic courthouses. Board of Trustees President Jeffrey Swope and Executive Director Robert Brink will welcome the group to Boston and share their ideas about what is the real object of their institution. Tory Trotta, AALL Vice-President/President Elect will also be on hand to highlight some of the association and conference activities.

Forty-seven people have registered for the luncheon, including nine library trustees or chapter VIP's. It is a ticketed event with a separate registration.

There were "Trustees Corner" articles in the Fall and Winter issues of *State, Court & County Law Libraries News*. Both promoted the Librarians and Trustees Luncheon activities.

Trustees who have attended the AALL conferences continue to enrich our association. Two trustees who attended the 2003 annual meeting also proposed programs for the 2004 conference. The recently published SCCLL Resource Guide #2 *Value of a Public Law Library: a Guide for Government and Court Decision-Makers* quotes from several trustees and who have attended our meeting. This year the Honorable Jeffrey Gunther who was our first induction official will do the honors a second and one last time, as he will be retiring from the bench this year.

It has been a pleasure coordinating trustee activities for the SIS. We recommend the librarian and trustees luncheon continue and that the SIS continue to look for opportunities to bring trustees into the association as associate members.

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