

## **Law Librarians of Puget Sound Annual Report 2015-2016**

The Law Librarians of the Puget Sound had a very busy and successful year. Karen Helde, chair of our employment committee reported that sixteen library job announcements were posted during the past year. Fifteen of the jobs were for professional librarian positions or the equivalent and one was for a paraprofessional.

Anna Endter, who served double duty as our government relations committee chair and our Vice President/ President-Elect, reported that the committee's lobbying efforts to pass UELMA in Washington State are starting to bear fruit. The bill that was introduced in the last legislative session will be picked up again in the next session and the outlook for enactment is very positive.

Karen Whitney, chair of our grants committee reported that the committee awarded one AALL conference registration and a \$500 grant for attendance at the AALL leadership academy. The committee also granted two waivers to the LLOPS professional development workshop.

Our membership committee chair, Alena Wolotira reported that our chapter added eight new individual members and six new associate members. The LLOPS executive board also granted lifetime membership status to Kristin Cheney, Rita Dermody, Penny Hazelton, and Crystal Norton.

The nominations and elections committee, chaired by Amy Eaton, reported that 59 members participated in this year's election. Catherine Horan was elected Vice President/ President-Elect and Marc Lamson was elected Secretary.

The annual LLOPS professional development workshop was a smashing success this year due in no small part to our indefatigable chair, Brenna Louzin. The program was titled "The Face of the Law" and had excellent speakers including Washington State Senator Cyrus Habib (who is currently running for Lieutenant Governor,) Professor Ryan Calo, attorney Ryan Spear, and law librarian Richard Jost. The program netted over \$4000.00.

Our amazing program committee, chaired by Kate Stockert and Jessica King, hosted eight meetings and covered the following topics: AALL/SLA annual conventions round up (August 2015), Mary Thurston on her Library of Congress Internship (September 2015), Ravel Law presentation (October 2015), Business meeting and data visualization presentation (January 2016), Recently retired: What to know and library succession planning (February 2016), Networking effectively and authentically (April 2016), AALL Visitor Keith Ann Stiverson (May 2016).

The social and marketing committee, chaired by Mort Brinchman, sponsored three happy hours.

Mary Thurston, the editor of the LLOPScited Newsletter, kept us apprised of member and chapter activities with four editions of the newsletter.

And last but not least, the President's Award was given to Carly Eyler and Laurel Evans for their outstanding work as treasurers of LLOPS.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Swatt Engstrom  
Past President 2015-2016