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Atlanta Law Libraries Association

¶1 ALLA enjoyed another good year marked by strong participation from both old (yet still young and attractive) and many new (also attractive) faces. It has been a pleasure to watch our association continue to grow in size, experience, and enthusiasm.

¶2 Our monthly meetings were very well attended this year. Program topics included securities searching, citation services, knowledge management, and intranets. In October we were treated to a lively debate between KeyCite and Shepard's representatives. Rob Aaron, a competitive intelligence specialist, gave a well-received presentation on knowledge management at our November meeting.

¶3 With the advent of the year 2000, ALLA enjoyed two programs on intranets. The first, presented by ALLA's own Laura Story, demonstrated, among other things, the various tools available from different vendors to assist librarians with creating and improving their intranets. The second, presented by Womble Carlyle, with Leslie Banta's hospitality and assistance, gave us a very interesting glimpse of that firm's intranet and how it came to be developed.

¶4 At our final meeting we listened to news from AALL by Executive Board member Heather Braithwaite Simmons. In addition, we voted on the officers presented by the Nominating Committee for 2000-01. The new officers are Joe Morris, President; Rita Treadwell, Vice President/President-Elect; Belkis Reynoso-Lawrence, Secretary; and Deidra Payne, Treasurer.

¶5 In addition to our regular meetings, ALLA sponsored a PLI/American Law Network Seminar entitled "Managing the Law Library."

¶6 Although our committees have been active and involved in a number of projects, one of the more exciting activities during the past year was ALLA's participation in planning for the joint SEAALL/SWALL meeting that will be held in Atlanta in April 2001. Rhea Ballard-Thrower, Pam Deemer, Nancy Johnson, and Gia Maddry have spent, and continue to spend, hours and hours of their time working on lodging, meals, scheduling, and other issues vital to the success of the meeting. ALLA looks forward to another productive year in 2000-01 and to seeing many of our friends at the SEAALL/SWALL meeting next April.

Joe Morris, President
2000-01

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¶1 An energetic and dedicated core group of CoALL members have provided a wealth of opportunity for librarians throughout Colorado in this year of the new millennium.

¶2 The highlights of CoALL's fifteenth year include:

- Sponsoring Colorado Supreme Court Justice Greg Hobbs as our chapter VIP to the 2000 AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia.

- Successfully helping promote passage of S.B. 85, a State Grants for Libraries bill that will provide \$2 million annually for Colorado libraries of all kinds.
- Teaching “Legal Research for the Nonlaw Librarian” at the annual Colorado Library Association meeting in Snowmass in October 1999.
- Hosting the AALL booth at the Association of Legal Administrators Conference in Denver in April 2000.
- Voting to change our status from a 501c(6) to a 501c(3) organization.

¶13 Vice President Linda Rose offered CoALL members a full slate of programs. David Selden, Secretary of CoALL and librarian at the National Indian Law Library (NILL) in Boulder, hosted the September meeting. NILL staff attorney Yvonne Knight provided insight into the caseload of the Native American Rights Fund, which NILL serves, and David provided a tour through the unique facility. The October meeting at Holme Roberts and Owen was a humorous look at trends in human resources by the firm’s director of personnel, Bob Brazil. The annual holiday party at the Colorado Supreme Court was a treat for all who attended. In February 2000, CoALL departed from its usual annual institute format and presented two excellent programs at the University of Denver School of Law: “Strategic Planning and Marketing Your Services to Your Institution” was sponsored by LEXIS-NEXIS and presented by Jenny Kanji and Gayle Lynn-Nelson. Thomson University presenter Louise Litt spoke on “Managing Your Priorities.” Both were top-notch and much appreciated. In April 2000, we welcomed AALL Board member Mark Folmsbee who filled us in on AALL news and the future of technology in law libraries. Finally, the annual business meeting at Holland and Hart was a time to recap all the achievements of the past year and discuss plans for the next.

¶14 Besides the regular programs, two brown-bag meetings on legislative tracking and securities research were offered as further educational opportunities. As usual, CoALL participated in the regular meetings of the “Colorado Marketing Council,” the “Prez Group” (a quarterly meeting of the presidents of the five major library organizations in Colorado), and the “Colleague Connection” (an annual educational dinner program for members of the library organizations).

¶15 CoALL members are very proud of their much used Web site and discussion list. Four issues of *The CoALL Scuttle* were published, and the chapter took over its layout, printing, and mailing. Three travel grants were awarded to CoALL members.

¶16 Carrying on the fine tradition of CoALL into the next millennium are Linda Rose, President; Druet Cameron Klugh, Vice President/President-Elect; Karen Selden, Secretary; Tamara Smith, Treasurer; and Katheryn Christnacht and Nancy Sensel, members-at-large.

Georgia Briscoe, President
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