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Brown Bag Lunch Meeting Holme Roberts & Owen	August 29th Noon - 1:00
Constitution Day Legal Research Bootcamp CLE Classroom and Webcast	September 17th
30 th Anniversary Celebration DU Law School	October 25th
Spotlight on Your Career Contact Karen Selden to help plan this event	February 23 rd

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COALL PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

August 2007

First and foremost, thank you for electing me to serve on the CoALL Board. I had a wonderful time working with the CoALL Board during my term as Vice-President/President-Elect and am excited about serving as President with our new Board. In addition to continuing our popular monthly Brown Bag lunches and annual Holiday Party, Spotlight Educational Program, and BRAG program, we already have plans in place for some very special events and new projects for the coming year. Here are some highlights:

Constitution Day Program (September 17, 2007): Thanks to the efforts of Jennifer Hammond, CoALL has established a partnership with CLE in Colorado. CoALL's first collaborative effort with CLE in Colorado is a 2.5 hour program in honor of Constitution Day. The topic is legal research for non-law librarians, and the program is titled "Legal Research Boot Camp: Finding the Law for Your Patrons." Committee members are: Gary Abrams (Executive Director, CLE in Colorado), Martha Campos (Chair), Jennifer Hammond, Karen Selden, and Mariann Storck. The goal is to provide basic, practical information for local public and special librarians, as well as non-lawyers working in the legal profession (paralegals, legal secretaries, etc.). If successful, this could become an annual event.

30th Anniversary Celebration (October 25, 2007): The celebration will be held at DU's Law School, and Patty Wellinger is chairing the celebration committee. Please contact her if you are interested in helping to organize this event.

Annual Holiday Party (early December 2007): Always a fun event. Please let me know if your organization is interested in hosting this event, which is traditionally held during the first week of December.

Spotlight on Your Career (February 23, 2008): Planning for this annual educational program will begin shortly, so please contact me if you are interested in joining the committee.

Annual AALL Board Visitor (Spring 2008): It's too early to know who our visitor will be, but AALL Board members are always interesting and keep us informed about what is happening with our parent organization.

BRAG Program (late May/early June 2008): 2008 will mark the seventh annual presentation of CoALL's popular and practical annual legal research institute for summer associates from law firms in the Denver area.

Projects for the coming year include:

Reviewing and Revising CoALL's Bylaws: AALL is encouraging chapters to review and revise their bylaws to more accurately reflect their non-profit status. Holly Pinto has agreed to chair the committee that will undertake this task. In addition to redefining CoALL's non-profit status, the committee will examine the entire document for other appropriate changes and updates.

Exploring the Viability of Electronic Voting: AALL offers software for electronic voting, but there is a \$250 annual

fee for chapters to use it. I will work with other chapter presidents to see if this fee can be waived, as it is for Special Interest Sections.

CLE in Colorado Collaboration: CLE in Colorado is interested in creating a "Speaker's Bureau" list of CoALL members who have expertise that they are willing to share in CLE in Colorado programs. More details are forthcoming, but please consider adding your name and area of expertise to this list when we call for volunteers.

While I look forward to working with the new CoALL Board during this exciting 30th anniversary year, I also want to serve the entire CoALL membership. I hope each one of you will be able to attend or participate in at least one CoALL event during the coming year, and please feel free to send me your suggestions or ideas on any topic.

Anticipating another successful year for CoALL,

Karen Selden, CoALL President 2007-2008



One-Time Program: [Colorado Association of Law Libraries](#), "Spotlight on Your Career"
Photograph by Kevin Berne of Kevin Berne Images

Karen Selden accepting CoALL's Chapter Professional Development Award for a One-Time Program: "Spotlight on Your Career" from AALL President, Sally Holterhoff. Congratulations to the Committee members, Scott Brown, Cathy Carlson, Jennifer Hammond, Cynthia Kutka, Tracy Leming, Tom Seward, Caryl Shipley, Ann-Marie Wills and Erin Zak, as well as to everyone who contributed. ([return to top](#))

CoALL News and Announcements:

Spotlight on Your Career: Communication

By Tracy Leming.

On Saturday, February 24, 2007, the Colorado Association of Law Libraries (CoALL) held its second annual conference on career development for library students, librarians, and other information professionals, "Spotlight on Your Career: Communication." The keynote speech, "Wake up and Smell the Power: How Candor is Your Key to Outrageous Success," was delivered by communications expert Meryl Runion, CEO of SpeakStrong, Inc.

The event also included coffee and pastries, a catered lunch with time for networking, and two panel discussions.

The first panel focused on improving communications between IT professionals and librarians. It was moderated by Mark Estes (Library Director at Holme Roberts & Owen LLP), and it featured both IT professionals and librarians from a variety of environments who have worked successfully with IT professionals on library-related projects. Panelists included Chad McAllister of LexisNexis; Tamara Tureson of Holland and Hart LLP; and Chris Werner of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, P.C..

The second panel focused on another difficult kind of communication: negotiating with library vendors. This panel was moderated by Karen Selden (Catalog Librarian at the University of Colorado William A. Wise Law Library) and featured information professionals from various backgrounds with years of experience in getting the best deals for their libraries.

Panelists included Steve Clymer of ADR Services, Marcy Dunning of Access/Information, Inc., and Holly Pinto of Holland & Hart.

The Spotlight committee included Karen Selden, Scott Brown, Kathy Carlson, Jennifer Hammond, Tracy Leming of Brownstein Hyatt, Wanda McDavid, Tom Seward, Caryl Shipley, and Ann-Marie Wills.

Contributors included Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, P.C.; LexisNexis; Thomson West Librarian Relations -- Rocky Mountain Division; the University of Denver Sturm College of Law; and William S. Hein & Co., Inc.

Attendance at the 2007 Spotlight was hurt by predictions of a snowstorm that never actually hit Denver, but the evaluation forms indicated that most of the registrants who actually made it to the program found it useful.

The Spotlight 2008 committee will be forming soon. If you are interested, please contact Karen Selden.

AALL TRAVEL GRANT

The CoALL Executive Board awarded an AALL travel grant in the amount of \$500 to Chris Hudson. Chris is a DU LIS student and a new member of CoALL. He has a JD and is interested in working as an academic law librarian. Chris was also the recipient of the CoALL Library Scholarship award earlier this year. Congratulations!

Patty Wellinger
2006-2007 CoALL Grants & Scholarships
Chair ([return to top](#))

The CoALL Nominations Committee is pleased to announce the following Executive Committee Members for 2007-08:

President	Karen Selden
Vice President/ President Elect	Martha Campos
Secretary	Tracy Leming
Treasurer	Catharine Cott
Member-at-Large	Alan Pannell
Member-at Large	Holly Pinto
Immediate Past President	Tom Seward

Congratulations to one and all!

Rachel Kuipers, Karen Selden, Caryl Shipley

From Karen Selden:

CoALL has 2 new Committee Chairs.

Madeline Kriescher, a new Reference Librarian at the U.S. Courts 10th Circuit Library, has agreed to serve as CoALL's Government Relations Committee Chair. She will be working with the AALL Government Relations office and staff to keep us posted on relevant national and state legislation that affects libraries, and how we can influence decisions on these issues as individuals and as a chapter. Many thanks to Madeline for being willing to resurrect this position for CoALL.

Rachel Kuipers, a Research Librarian at Faegre & Benson LLP, has accepted the position as CoALL PR Chair. She will be taking over from our very dedicated and organized Tracy Leming. Many thanks to Tracy for all of her hard work and vision in expanding the PR Chair, and to Rachel for being willing to carry on Tracy's good work!

CoALL is celebrating our 30th anniversary!

The Colorado Consortium of Law Libraries, which was the forerunner to our current CoALL chapter, was founded in 1977. The celebration will be held at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. Plan now to come enjoy good food and reminisce or create new memories with colleagues.

Volunteers are needed for the planning committee, so please contact Patty Wellinger, pwelling@law.du.edu if you:

- have an interest in CoALL history
- have a creative idea to make our anniversary "the" event of the year
- want to volunteer on behalf of CoALL without running for office
- can convince others to donate time & money for a good cause
- are a wild party animal and love to make sure people have a good time
- any or all of the above.

Legal Research Corner

From Andrea Hamilton:

Marcy Dunning, Judy Goater, and Wanda McDavid, all of Access/Information, Inc., coauthored an article for *The Colorado Lawyer*, "Advanced Google Tips." It appears in the May 2007 issue (v.36, n.5, page 83) and has been posted on the [CoALL Web site](#).

Sergio Stone of the University of Denver Sturm College of Law authored the most recent Legal Research Corner article for *The Colorado Lawyer*, "A Study of Dictionaries in U.S. and Latin American Courts." It appears in the August 2007 issue (v.36, n.8, page 115) and has been posted on the [CoALL Web site](#).

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AALL News and Announcements:

From Patty Wellinger:

Please join me in offering CONGRATULATIONS to the following CoALL award winners! (As announced in the July 29th [AALL President's message](#))

Chapter Professional Development Award

One-Time Program: [Colorado Association of Law Libraries](#), "Spotlight on Your Career"

***AALL Spectrum* Article of the Year Award**

Barbara A. Bintliff and Georgia Briscoe, University of Colorado at Boulder Law Library, "[The Ethics of Electronic Record Sharing](#)," *AALL Spectrum*, June 2006

AALL SCHOLARSHIPS AALL is committed to providing opportunities for professional growth. Each year, the Association awards scholarships to assist individuals to become a law librarian. For descriptions of the scholarships listed below, see the [AALL Scholarships Webpage](#).

LexisNexis® John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Christopher Hudson, Frederick, Colorado

CoALL in the AALL Spectrum

From Karen Selden

In case you haven't noticed, CoALL members and Colorado law library staff members are featured in several places in

the July 2007 issue of AALL Spectrum.

The cover features an award winning photo by Alan Pannell, Reference Librarian at the University of Colorado Law School's William A. Wise Law Library; the subject of the photo is Mike Campo, one of the Law Library's technicians. Other photos by Alan (including another award winner) are on page 2 (bottom photo, of my fantastic assistant, Connie Fields), page 14 and page 19.

The inside of the front cover features Holly Pinto, Director of Library Services at Holland and Hart, and Tom Duggan, our wonderful West Librarian Relations Manager.

Please be sure to read Holly Pinto's very useful and practical article -- Prove It -- on pages 8 to 10, about using statistics to justify additional staff positions. Looks like a great candidate for next year's "Spectrum Article of the Year" award!

University of Denver Law Library Reference Librarian Esti Shay is pictured with a beautiful Colorado sunset on page 25.

And last but certainly not least, on page 34 Mary Farner provides a terrific answer to the "Member to Member" question, "What would make your daily life as a law librarian better?".

Congratulations to all our talented and photogenic CoALL and Colorado law library staff members!! ([return to top](#))

AALL Executive Board Member Visit

Anne Myers, AALL Executive Board Member, visited the Denver chapter this May. She has graciously allowed us to print

her informal remarks to the CoALL membership at the May 10, 2007 General Meeting. These were not originally meant for publication, but are provided to us as a courtesy.

COALL Chapter Visit Presentation
Anne Myers, AALL Executive Board
Member
Denver, CO 5/10/07

Introduction

Thank you. I'm delighted to be here in Colorado when you have green grass and 90 degree temperatures instead of a snow storm – you had your share of those already this year!

I want to especially thank Karen Selden, Goldie Burton and Holly Pinto for making arrangements for this visit, and for those of you who have already or will host tours of your libraries. It's always a great chance to learn from some of the creative things you do.

I was interested to note that this is an anniversary year for you – the Colorado Consortium of Law Libraries was founded in 1977, becoming an official chapter of AALL in 1984. I congratulate you on thirty successful years – a little bit early, but still sincere. I've been reading up on your history on your website (which is very well done – congrats to Theresa Baker for the nice design) and am impressed by the excellent programs (and good fun) that you have together. I already plan to take BRAG back to New England.

You are great in service, too. You have past AALL presidents Barbara Bintliff and Mark Estes, and Scott Matheson, current Chair of the SIS Council. There are members of committees and Special Interest Sections in

CoALL, and Georgia Briscoe who last year received the Rene Chapman Award from the Technical Services SIS. Let's not forget Mark Estes' new role as incoming editor of *AALL Spectrum*. Congratulations, Mark!

Your hospitality has been wonderful and I really appreciate it!

I bring greetings from the Executive Board and would like to give you a quick overview of a few things happening on the national level in AALL.

We're currently operating under 3 "Strategic Directions"

Education
 Leadership
 Advocacy

So I'll touch on what's happening in each

Education:

- After a lot of study and a period of rather limited professional development offerings outside the annual meeting, AALL's new approach to continuing professional education now fully launched

- Great ideas developed out of the Education Summit, held in Sept. 2005, and most are now implemented.

- Special Committee on Continuing Professional Education has been working with Celeste Smith to carry out recommendations made at the Education Summit and subsequent task forces.

- AALLNET now has a professional calendar of events and a speakers

directory to share information, and we encourage you to use it, both to recommend people and to look for potential speakers.

- There are now 7 audios and 1 video broadcasts accessible on AALNET with other distance learning opportunities in the works. From AALLNET home page, click Professional Education tab on the left. These are short snippets of programs and will be available for a limited time, with new content added to keep things fresh.

AALL/BNA Continuing Education

Grants Program is awarding grants for a variety of uses.

- Chapters, SIS's, caucuses or individuals who want to develop own continuing ed programs and just need a little money to pay for an outside speaker, podcasting, or other needs can apply.

- 17 grants awarded this year, ranging from \$85 to over \$10,000. No project too small or too large. Proposals are solicited quarterly and we are completing our first year in the program.

- The Board just approved a revised Education policy for the association and voted to replace the Special Committee (which expires this summer) with a new Standing Committee on Professional Education to continue their excellent work.

- More information about the continuing ed program appeared in the Members' Briefing in the April issue of *Spectrum*.

Advocacy: Authentication Summit:

- Big news in Advocacy is April's AALL National Summit: Authentic Legal Information in the Digital Age which took place in April in Chicago

- The Group of approx. 50, half representatives from government, academia, and legal associations and half AALL leaders, met for 1½ days to discuss issue of authentication of government information.

- Last year AALL conducted 50-state survey to determine whether states' online primary authorities are authenticated to ensure integrity and recognized by the state as official. I want to acknowledge and thank Martha Campbell for authoring the Colorado section of this important report.

- Answer in nearly every state is no. Dozen states label at least one of their online legal resources "official," no state government entity today is authenticating any of their online legal titles.

- Obviously this is a great concern since many states and the federal govt are eliminating some key print legal resources, often as a cost-savings device, and substituting an online version that is neither official nor authentic.

- Summit explored possible legislative and technological solutions and sought to build coalitions and put plans in place for addressing and solving this problem.

- Side benefits are that AALL is seen as a leader on this important legal info issue, and AALL is building allies with important representatives from our stakeholder groups.

- Complete report available on AALLNET, linked from the top page. It's 250 pages long but well worth the time to print out and have available.

Some highlights:

- Bob Berring did keynote. Said "We are at an important moment, when a change is taking place and we are called upon to look, to think, and to see if there is a way to make this change in a way that is logical, with least amount of disruption to research and integrity of legal info." Set the stage with history of print -> West Co. -> Lexis & Westlaw -> Cusp of "what's next"

- Bob's long-term nightmare is that West / Lexis are not the biggest fish – they were each eaten up by bigger fish. Is there another bigger fish out there? How much do we trust L/W? For most people, that's where they go for legal information. Not enough to give access to information; it has to also be interpreted. What needs authentication?

- Publications: Laws, Rules, Forms, Docs
- Official status: license, entity, action
- Archived public documents
- Record History: where published

- Ming Chin (Associate Justice, Supreme Court of California)

Problem we are considering is immense. We are concerned with final product and whether it's authentic. Judges want their opinions to be exactly as they publish them. But concerned with much more. As we are producing the e-info, must be accurate throughout the entire process of a trial (transcript, exhibits – and are they preserved) through the opinions.

Went to the Nat. Center for State Courts - put out a document on digital rights technology changing work. E-signature is even better than the signature you find on a paper court order because the digital signature can authenticate the entire document.

Train has indeed left the station. Access and privacy are in conflict with authentication. Can it really be free? His solution is to make the entire process paperless as long as it can be authenticated. Is an incredible savings. Paper gums up the works and must be sent and stored.

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL) member present.

Had working group discussions on Technological challenges, legislative

challenges, Building Alliances, Practical issues for states. Ideas came out of that that are being pursued.

- So consider signing up for the Legislative Advocacy Leadership Training session on Sat. July 14 in New Orleans

Advocacy: Pro Bono Partnerships

- Special Committee on Pro Bono Partnerships is focusing on promoting and increasing cooperative efforts between law librarians and providers of pro bono legal assistance.

- Chaired by Sara Galligan, the committee is exploring ways to encourage AALL chapters and local law libraries to connect with pro bono projects at state or local level.

- Will identify initiatives in all types of law libraries and report to the Executive Board this summer.

Leadership: Committee on Committee Structure

- To improve the functioning of our committees, special committee chaired by Karl Gruben is reviewing operation of all AALL committees.

- Presented preliminary report to spring Board meeting and will develop final recommendations by fall.

- Among ideas being examined are a vice chair/chair elect system and some changes in length of term for more complex committees. Both are designed to improve continuity.

Advocacy: Washington Affairs

- AALL's advocacy efforts managed by the AALL Washington Affairs Office which works tirelessly at the federal, state and international levels on a wide variety of information policy issues.

- Office has expanded with the addition of a part-time communications assistant and began publishing an electronic newsletter.

- Since "all politics is local," AALL needs you, especially at the state level to advocate for information policy to your state and local representatives

Moving from Strategic Directions to our HQ operation:

Executive Director Search

- AALL has a new Executive Director. Kate Hagen will be joining the association on June 18 and will be attending the annual meeting in New Orleans.

- Ms. Hagen has a strong background in legal association management and a combination of attributes that will be great match for the work of the Association.

- She has more than 20 years of experience in association work,

primarily with legal associations, including director of the American Bar Association's Section of Family Law and 15 years with the Ohio State Bar Association, and worked to develop Casemaker, an online law library for members, which is now available in more than 25 states.

- We are excited to have her coming on board and deeply appreciate the leadership provided by Interim Executive Director Steve Ligda.

Annual Meeting 2007, New Orleans

- Our 100th annual meeting takes place in New Orleans from Saturday July 14 through Tuesday July 17. The Theme is "Rising to the Challenge!" We are excited to be there.

- Registrations and hotel reservations are running ahead of last year

- New Orleans meeting will have a new condensed format, running four days (Saturday through Tuesday), rather than five days as in the past. The AALL Executive Board made this decision in response to suggestions and comments from many members who expressed concerns about the cost and time away from home and office.

- Will be just as many educational programs in 3 days as we've been having in 4 days. How? In part, by eliminating the Monday Association Luncheon and the second AALL business meeting.

- Program Committee ably chaired by Donna Bausch received nearly 200 program proposals. Selected 66 programs and 4 workshops.

- Additional programming also being provided by SIS's throughout the meeting. SIS programs are listed in the program book after the regular programs.

- Highlights of the new streamlined format include:

- Opening event on Saturday night
- Opening session with Keynote speaker on Sunday morning
- Educational programs on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday
- Exhibit Hall open Sunday to Tuesday afternoon
- Closing Banquet will take place on Tuesday night

- Some chapter, SIS or vendor events traditionally held on a particular day may have shifted with the new schedule, so be sure to check program booklets.

Special Activity for New Orleans: Volunteer Service Day on Fri. July 13

- Members can volunteer with Habitat for Humanity, Second Harvest Food Bank, or the Louisiana State Museum (full)

- These organizations were selected because they give our members a wide array of volunteer options; indoor work and outdoor work, a long day and a short day, morning or

afternoon time slot.

- Many thanks to Ron Wheeler for taking a great idea and working with others to make it happen.

- Hope you'll consider participating in one of these very worthwhile programs to help with recovery of our host City

Annual Meeting – Portland, 2008

- Portland meeting will be first West Coast annual meeting in 5 years.

- Some of you are probably already aware that the Convention Center and the main downtown in Portland are some distance apart, on opposite sides of the Willamette River

- You'll have a choice of whether to stay in Hilton HQ hotel or other nearby downtown hotels, which are in the heart of great shopping, dining and attractions, and located a short, free light rail ride away from the Convention Center, or to stay in other hotels near the Convention Center but which lack the downtown ambiance and attractions.

- To help alleviate any inconvenience, most daytime

meetings will be scheduled in Convention Center and most evening events will be in the Headquarters Hotel.

- Please support the meeting in Portland by attending and encouraging others to come

- Hotel registration for Portland will be open in New Orleans.

In case anyone asks: Next 5 years out beyond Portland

2009 Washington, DC

2010 Denver, CO

2011 Philadelphia, PA

2012 Boston, MA

2013 Seattle, WA

I've given you the quick and dirty version of all of this. If you have any questions or concerns now or think of them, please ask – it's why I'm here.

Chapter visits give us a chance to hear from YOU, listen to your questions and concerns. You can always get in touch with me by phone or email as well after the meeting.

Thank you for listening. ([return to top](#))

**Colorado Association of Law Libraries
Board Meeting
May 10, 2007 4:00 p.m.
Ballard Spahr Andrews and Ingersoll, LLP**

In Attendance: Anne Myers (AALL Executive Board Member), Tom Seward (President), Karen Selden (Vice-President/President-Elect), Jennifer Hammond (Treasurer), Goldie Burton (Secretary), Matthew Elisha (Member at Large), Tracy Leming, PR Chair, and Tamara Tureson, Membership Chair.

President Tom Seward called the meeting to order at 4:05.

The March, 2007 Board Meeting and General Meeting Minutes were approved.

Treasurer: The Treasurer's Report was heard and is appended to these minutes. Anticipating the liquidation of Janus funds for reinvestment in CD's, Jennifer spoke to a Janus representative about the process for transferring funds from Janus to CoALL's bank account. Tom's signature is required to authorize any transfer.

Membership: No new members joined since our last meeting; we currently have 100 members. Tamara is revising the membership form to be a refillable PDF. Renewals will begin at the end of June. Tamara is going to redo the spreadsheet of members to include fields for all the information on the renewal form and this will be in place for next year's elections, which will prevent non-voting members from receiving ballots.

Awards: Student scholarships have been raised to \$1,000. In the future, we are going to add conditions to the receipt of CoALL scholarships, to encourage participation. The board voted unanimously to approve \$700

for the CoALL President to attend this year's AALL conference in New Orleans. The Board revisited where to put language addressing CoALL Presidents' travel allowances for AALL's annual conference, whether to amend the bylaws or simply add it as a policy posted on the website, and decided to put a statement on the website.

Marketing: The board discussed the creation of a Marketing Committee, composed of one person responsible for overseeing and thinking long-term about marketing, plus one person for each major CoALL event, currently BRAG and Spotlight.

VIP Program: The board earlier discussed and voted through email not to send a VIP to AALL this year, but to concentrate on choosing and sponsoring a local VIP, or more than one VIP, for the AALL conference in Denver in 2010.

Fall Event: This discussion was tabled until next meeting, along with discussion of specific preparations for CoALL's 30th anniversary celebration.

LMA/CoALL Competitive Intelligence Luncheon: This event was a good opportunity to connect with members of the Legal Marketing Association, as well as other law librarians interested in competitive intelligence. It was also interesting to see how LMA operates as an organization.

Colleague Connection: Attendees agreed that Colleague Connection had a great speaker this year on "Library 2.0".

CoALL's Tax Status: Anne Myers recommended we contact Raquel M. Ortiz at Boston University, who shepherded LLNE through its conversion to a 501(c)(3), for information about what is involved, procedurally, and any analysis she may have

made of the benefits and costs of becoming a 501(c)(3).

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04.

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**Colorado Association of Law Libraries
General Meeting
May 10, 2007 5:00 p.m.
Ballard Spahr Andrews and Ingersoll, LLP**

Anne Myers, our visiting AALL Executive Board Member, spoke to the membership. Anne is the Head of Technical Services at Boston University. After complimenting CoALL on its website, educational programs and 30 successful years in existence, she talked about AALL's Three "Strategic Directions": Education, Leadership, and Advocacy.

In connection with the Education Direction, Anne described AALL's efforts to implement the recommendations and ideas that came out of the Education Summit, held in September 2005. These included the AALL/BNA Continuing Education Grants Program, which chapters (and caucuses, SIS's and individuals) can apply for to pay for speakers or other expenses for educational programs.

The Leadership Direction encompasses the formation of a Committee on Committee Structure to review the function of AALL committees, as well as the successful search for an Executive Director: Kate Hagen will join AALL on June 18, bringing more than 20 years of experience in association work, primarily with legal associations.

The Authentication Summit was the big news for AALL's Advocacy Direction. This

took place in April and was attended by approximately 50 representatives from government, academia, and legal associations, along with AALL leaders. AALL is concerned that currently no states have online primary authorities authenticated to ensure they're recognized as official. The Summit explored possible solutions, technological and legislative, for the many challenges to authentication of online sources for primary authority. Last, Anne talked about the upcoming annual meeting in New Orleans. She stressed that participants need to plan their schedules more deliberately now, since many of the meetings formerly held at certain times have shifted and more programs are offered simultaneously, now that the conference lasts just three days, as opposed to four.

Anne received a round of applause and fielded several questions from members.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00.

Thank you, Anne Myers, for the lively and informative presentation.

Colorado Association of Law Libraries

Treasurer's Report – Jennifer Hammond

Meeting May 10, 2007

3/22/2007-05/10/2007

Beginning Balance: 03/22/07 \$ 11,271.30

Funds Received:
BRAG registrations \$ 700.00

Funds Paid out:
Spotlight costs \$ 458.50

Ending Balance: 05/10/07 \$ 11,512.80

Janus Funds Update:
As of 03/31/07: \$4,267.14

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**Colorado Association of Law Libraries
Board Meeting
June 28, 2007; 4:00 p.m.
Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP
Mezzanine Level**

In Attendance: Tom Seward (President), Karen Selden (Vice-President/President-Elect), Jennifer Hammond (Treasurer), Martha Campos (Vice-President-Elect), Goldie Burton (Secretary), Tracy Leming (Secretary-Elect), Theresa Baker (Webmaster), Catharine Cott (Treasurer-Elect), Tamara Tureson (Membership Chair), and Alan Pannell (Member-at-Large-Elect).

I. President Tom Seward called the meeting to order at 4:00. The May, 2007 Board Meeting and General Meeting Minutes were approved.

II. Committee Reports

Treasurer: The Treasurer's Report was heard and is appended to these minutes.

Membership: Chair Tamara Tureson reported to Tom that CoALL's membership is 102, although this number may be slightly skewed because no members have been removed yet for non-renewal while all new renewals are reflected in it.

Awards: The Awards Report was heard and is appended to these minutes.

Webmaster: The Webmaster's Report was heard and is appended to these minutes. Theresa suggested having a members-only part of the CoALL web page and the Board voted to approve its creation.

Spotlight: Spotlight, 2006 received an AALL Chapter Professional Development Award for a one-time program. Congratulations, 2006 Spotlight Committee

(Scott Brown, Cathy Carlson, Jennifer Hammond, Cynthia Kutka, Tracy Leming, Tom Seward, Caryl Shipley, Ann-Marie Wills, and Erin Zak)!

III. Follow-Up from May 10th Meeting

- Fall Event - Possible CoALL/CoBar event
Jennifer arranged a meeting for CoALL with Gary Abrams, the Executive Director of the Colorado CLE, to discuss a legal research course offered for CLE credit. Karen Selden, Kaye Waelde, Martha Campos, Tom Seward, Jennifer Hammond, and Mariann Storck will meet on July 10 to follow up and discuss organizing the proposed CLE program, most likely on some aspect on online research. Margi Heinen has presented on the topic of legal research for non-law librarians at CAL and may contribute ideas to the group. In 1999, CoALL and SWALL offered a legal research program. Additional ideas included offering training in legal research to the Pikes Peak Library staff, since it inherited a law library.
- Creation of Marketing Committee: We are in the process of recruiting a new

Public Relations/Marketing
Chairperson.

- Bylaws: We need someone to head this up, starting hopefully in Fall 2007. Issues that need to be addressed include initiating electronic voting for board elections; staggering terms of board members and possibly extending the terms of some offices.

IV. Constitution Day: The Board discussed whether on September 17 CoALL should formally recognize Constitution Day and how this might best be done. One suggestion was to partner with the Bar.

V. CoALL's 30th Anniversary celebration will take place on October 25th at DU. Patty Wellinger has agreed to chair the committee in charge of organizing the event.

VI. Other Business:

Tom mentioned that Steve Rael, of Thomson RIA, has expressed interest in supporting more CoALL educational programs and other events.

Tom recommends Kathy Stroh as a presenter. She recently gave a workshop at Ballard Spahr entitled "Einstein and Juggling" that focused on handling conflict.

VII. Thanks to Old, and Welcome to New, Board

Karen presented Tom with a sincere token of our collective gratitude for his service to CoALL and assumed the role of President. New Board Members Martha Campos (Vice-President/President-Elect), Catharine Cott (Treasurer), Tracy Leming (Secretary), as well as Members-at-Large Alan Pannell and Holly Pinto, were acknowledged.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:00

Colorado Association of Law Libraries

Treasurer's Report – Jennifer Hammond
Meeting June 28, 2007

5/11/2007-6/28/2007

Beginning Balance: 05/11/07 \$ 11,512.80

Funds Received:

BRAG	\$ 1,985.00
Janus Funds Account Closed	\$ 4,291.85
Membership Dues	\$ 620.00

Funds Paid out:

BRAG	\$ 706.83
AALL Executive Visit	\$ 375.87
New CoALL Banner	\$ 224.00
Travel Grants	\$ 1,200.00
Misc. (postage, gifts, etc.)	\$ 39.06

Ending Balance: 06/28/07 \$ 16,103.89

Janus Funds Update:

As of 06/28/07: \$0

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2006 - 2007 CoALL Grants & Scholarships Committee
Patty Wellinger, University of Denver Sturm College of Law

The Grants & Scholarships Committee provides funding to encourage CoALL members to gain professional training & development in law librarianship. A library scholarship is awarded to a student attending library school who is interested in law librarianship. Library school students who are non-members may join CoALL (\$5 membership fee) before applying for a scholarship. Application announcements for this award were sent to the CoALL listserv, DU's LIS student listserv and the Emporia in the Rockies SLIM program. This year's library scholarship award for \$340 went to Chris Hudson, University of Denver Library & Information Science student.

Travel grants are awarded to CoALL members interested in attending a library related seminar, workshop or conference. Typically CoALL has offered annual travel grants to SWALL & AALL. The Committee also accepts applications for other educational opportunities on an individual basis. Previous awards in this category have gone to members attending the Information Innovator's Conference, SLA or the ILL Conference.

A SWALL Travel Grant was offered in the amount of \$150 to attend the SWALL Annual Meeting in Tempe, AZ in April 2007. No applications were received for this grant.

An AALL Travel Grant in the amount of \$500 was offered to attend the AALL Annual Meeting in New Orleans in July 2007. This year's winner was Chris Hudson, University of Denver Library & Information Science student. Application announcements for these awards were sent to the CoALL listserv.

This was a year of change for the Grants & Scholarships Committee. David Selden, National Indian Law Library, who

had been the chair for several years graciously passed along samples, a timeline and advice to me throughout the year. With the redesign of the CoALL Website, an online application feature and a listing of past winners were added to the Grants & Scholarships section by CoALL's webmaster, Theresa Baker, University of Denver.

The amount and types of awards offered by CoALL has never been changed to reflect rising costs or more available funding. Upon study and recommendation by the Finance Committee, the CoALL Board voted on several changes:

- Change the amount of the CoALL Library School Scholarship from (2) \$170 awards (combined for this year's winner) to (1) \$1,000 award beginning in 2007-2008.
- Quit offering the SWALL Travel Grant since there seems little interest from our membership. Only three awards have ever been given out. Members interested in attending SWALL can still apply for a grant under the option for other educational opportunities.
- Increase the amount of the AALL Travel Grant from \$250 to \$500 effective immediately.

In addition to advertising these CoALL scholarship & grant opportunities, I have also sent emails to the membership about Annual Meeting & Workshop grants being offered by AALL and have encouraged various students to apply for the

AALL scholarships that are available. AALL provides chapters the opportunity to offer a free registration to the Annual Meeting on a rotational basis. CoALL will not be eligible for another free registration grant until 2009.

The winners of the CoALL Grants & Scholarships awards have been advertised in

several ways. I posted the information to the CoALL listserv and with the assistance of CoALL's Public Relations Chair, Tracy Leming, the awards were also announced to the DU LIS program and submitted to the Chapter News column of AALL Spectrum.

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CoALL Public Relations Committee Chair Report for 2006-2007

by Tracy Leming, June 28, 2007

Reaching out to...

(i) CoALL Members

- Posted announcements about meetings and events to the CoALL listserv
- Participated on a committee focused on CoALL's longterm goals, including finances and public relations

(ii) Other Librarians and Library Students

- Submitted monthly reports for the "Chapter News" column of the *AALL Spectrum* highlighting CoALL events and member accomplishments
- Worked with SLA Legal Division Chair Marilyn Bromley to coordinate a dine-around during the SLA Annual Conference
- Recruited CoALL members to staff the local hospitality booth during the SLA Annual Conference
- Advertised Spotlight to other librarians through personalized e-mails to DU library school professors and multiple postings to the listservs for RMSLA, DU library students, Emporia library students, and Colorado public librarians
- Had coffee or lunch with several library students interested in law librarianship
- Posted announcements about CoALL brown bags to RMSLA and DU library student listservs

(iii) Lawyers, Law Students, Paralegals, and Law Firm Mangers

- Designed and placed an ad for BRAG in the *Colorado Lawyer*
- Negotiated with *Law Week Colorado* about placing a BRAG ad (did not place the ad; price was too high)
- Drafted posters and e-mail messages about BRAG to be distributed at CU and DU law schools and asked employees of those schools to distribute those posters and messages
- Drafted and sent an e-mail message for CoALL members to send to their summer associate program coordinators explaining the benefits of enrolling summers in BRAG

**CoALL Website and Listserv Annual Report
June 2007**

In the past year I accomplished the following tasks:

- Redesigned entire website
- Added a listing of past grant and scholarship recipients
- Added historical photos
- Maintained upcoming events page
- Posted 2006 holiday party photos
- Posted 2007 Spotlight photos
- Added BRAG, Spotlight, Brownbag, job postings, articles, forms, and other information as needed
- Troubleshooting problems with list subscriptions

Theresa Baker
Webmaster/Listserv Committee Chair

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