

Chicago Association of Law Libraries

2017-2018 Annual Report

CALL offered many opportunities for its members to get involved and make a difference this year. The Community Service Committee led efforts to collect a total of \$1355.58 from our generous members this year and in-kind donations at the CALL Business Meetings. The Committee also provided unique volunteer opportunities for our members. In September 2017, CALL entered a team of 14 runners and walkers in the Chicago Volunteer Legal Services' Race Judicata. In February 2018, nine CALL members volunteered at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. The group joined many other volunteers processing food for distribution to the organization's network of food banks.

CALL had several excellent in-person and virtual education and networking events this year. The Continuing Education Committee held six events this year and did an exceptional job providing a range of topics in a range of formats. They engaged their committee members and made good use of outside speakers and talented experts within CALL. Topics of continuing education events ranged from "Dictating the Must-Haves and Proposing a Program for AALL 2018" to "Identifying and Prioritizing High-Value Work." The Committee organized a brown bag lunch with Face2Face Communications, the facilitators who run AALL's Leadership Academy. There were three webinars, including a webinar on legislative history that was attended by 42 people. These webinars made excellent use of CALL's new webinar platform, join.me. Most recently, the Mentorship and Leadership Development Committee held a luncheon panel on the value of conference attendance. CALL held four successful Business Meetings, ably planned and executed by our Meetings Committee.

The *CALL Bulletin* published three issues that highlighted the work of the Association, recapped conference presentations by CALL members, and provided some helpful professional development articles on leadership, including an article that came from the Mentorship and Leadership Development Committee.

The Public Relations Committee, through our listserv administrator and with the help of the Membership Committee, helped the Board tackle difficulties with our listserv and the transition to a new program.

CALL recognized the achievements of our members and worked to create new opportunities. The Grants and Chapter Awards Committee awarded six grants totaling over \$5,000 to attend several conferences and meetings including the AALL Annual Meeting, SLA conference, and Yale Rare Book School. CALL gave two awards: the Award for Outstanding Lifetime Achievement in Law Librarianship to Scott Burgh and the Award for Outstanding In-House Publication to Chapman and Cutler LLP Research Services team for their departmental newsletter.

The Placement and Recruitment Committee posted over 18 new positions this year and worked to make the job posting site more up-to-date and helpful to our members and to employers.

The officers of the 2017-2018 CALL Executive Board were Clare Gaynor Willis, President; Joe Mitzenmacher, Vice President; Todd Ito, Past President; Annie Mentkowski, Secretary; Tom Gaylord, Treasurer; Scott Vanderlin, Director; and Lindsey Carpino, Director.