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ner with Price Waterhouse, and Steve Mims, independent legal consultant and attorney. All of our speakers gave excellent presentations, and they were warmly received by the audience. Attendance at these luncheon programs averaged sixty members per meeting.

HALL was thrilled to welcome as our very special guest Judith Meadows, current AALL Treasurer. Judith was the speaker at our January luncheon program at the Houston Club. The title of her speech was "AALL 1993: A Report from Headquarters." Judith's visit helped to strengthen our connections to AALL and our commitment to law librarianship.

Another highlight of the year was "The Copyright Law Workshop," which was held on May 12, 1993, at Garrett-Townes Auditorium, South Texas College of Law. This was a one-day workshop conducted by one of very own founding members, Lolly Gasaway. This workshop was accredited by the State Bar of Texas as MCLE activity (6.5 hours), and it was planned in conjunction with two other librarians' organizations in Houston: SLA and HOLUG (Houston Online Users Group).

HALL's Bylaws Committee (Cynthia Montalvo, Chair) submitted to the Board proposed changes dealing with the bylaws' "Article 2--Membership." These changes were approved by the Board and the membership in May, and they are currently on their way to AALL for further approval.

HALL awarded two $250.00 scholarships recently to members who are attending the North Texas University School of Library and Information Science program in Houston. A $500.00 grant was given to a HALL member to help with expenses associated with attendance at the AALL Boston meeting in July.

Virginia Davis, President

Law Libraries Association of Wisconsin

The Law Libraries Association of Wisconsin had a very successful and exciting year. We celebrated our tenth anniversary as a chapter. Our speaker for the evening's festivities was Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice Shirley Abrahamson. She discussed what has happened in Wisconsin courts in the past ten years. It was especially exciting to hear from Justice Abrahamson on our anniversary, since she was also the guest speaker at our first meeting ten years ago. We also increased our membership to over 100 members. The Association has worked very hard to spread information in legal research. The following outline of activities reflects our dedication to informing others about legal research, law libraries, and their various aspects.

October was a busy month for the presentation of a program entitled "Legal Research for Non-Law Librarians." It was presented October 26 for the South Central Librarians of Wisconsin in Middleton. On October 28, it was presented at the Wisconsin Librarians' Association conference in LaCrosse to an overflowing room of sixty-eight participants. Panel participants included representatives from academic, public, and private law libraries speaking about various types of legal materials and how they are arranged.

Nine members attended the regional convention in Columbus, Ohio, during the first week of November. LLAW sponsored a session on Matthew Bender products and pricing.

LLAW sponsored a seminar at the midwinter state bar conference in January. It was entitled "Copyright Law and Law Libraries." Although attendance was lighter than we had hoped, we were up against some very strong competition. We were very visible during the conference and also had a booth in the exhibit hall. Members of LLAW have been active at the two graduate library schools in the state this year. There have been presentations and brown bag lunches where we could speak to prospective law librarians about what we do in our profession.

Our educational programs consisted of a meeting on November 17, 1992, addressed by Michael Edmonds of the Wisconsin State Historical Society Library, discussing ethics in librarianship; and our most recent meeting on April 21, 1993, discussing automation in law libraries, with a panel of members relating their experiences in automation.

Mary Mahoney, LLAW President

Law Librarians of New England

Although much of the LLNE membership was busy with planning for AALL '93, we had a wonderful year. The theme was rejuvenation and self-examination as we looked at our constitution and bylaws. We explored who we were and where we are going as an association.

Our winter meeting was held at the Henderson House in Weston, Massachusetts on
January 15, and Martha Brown spoke on the GPPI management model of problem solving. Martha energized the membership present, and Shirley David, on an AALL chapter visit, spoke about the Chapter's relationship to Headquarters. After two terrific speakers, the membership was ready for an open "town meeting" about the Chapter's present and future. Lively discussion ensued.

The Vermont Law School hosted an excellent conference on "Environmental Law and Policy: Grounding and Practicalities" on May 27-28. The speakers, surroundings, food and libations were all nonpareil. Joan Shear coordinated her exciting legal research seminars (for education and fund-raising) and put in a lion's share of hard work. The executive board and committee chairs all cooperated to make this a rich and satisfying year for LLNE.

Fillipa M. Anzalone, President

Law Librarians of Puget Sound

LLOPS is celebrating the completion of its third full year as an AALL chapter at the June 30, 1993, annual business meeting. This meeting will be the seventh noon lunch meeting held during the 1992-93 year. Other meetings included an excellent program on Canadian law, a talk about the future plans of the King County Law Library by new King County Law Librarian Jean Holcomb, and a presentation on the history of Seattle, in preparation for the 1994 Seattle meeting. In October of 1992, President-Elect Kay Todd also spoke to the Chapter about her vision for this meeting and her experiences with past conferences.

In December 1992, LLOPS hosted an evening holiday party, and in February 1993, arranged a joint meeting with the local Special Libraries Association chapter. Our annual professional development seminar was held at the University of Washington on May 7, 1993, and was entitled, "Changes in Attitudes, Changes in Latitudes: New Techniques and New Technologies." Included as part of the program was a demonstration of Internet by University of Washington librarians.

In February 1993, LLOPS also participated in a colloquium at the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at the University of Washington. Several members of LLOPS from private, government, and academic law libraries explained how their libraries operated and answered students' questions about interviewing for positions in law libraries.

LLOPS also continued its community outreach activities in 1992-93, by sponsoring a Legal Research Workshop as part of the Chapter's activities for the RIC's National Legal Research Teach-In. We produced a half-day workshop for local public librarians at the Seattle Public Library and the King County Library System, which focused on legal information resources available in the community as well as how to handle requests for legal information while avoiding unauthorized practice of the law. In addition, our Consulting Committee finished its work begun in 1991-92 with the Seattle City Attorney's Office, by organizing a list of their holdings. Linda Falken, 1992-93 President, also participated in January 1993 in a meeting of Washington State Library Association presidents, hosted by State Librarian Nancy Zussy. Our Consulting Committee also assisted Washington Protection and Advocacy Services in organizing and automating their library and records collection.

The LLOPS Executive Board has continued this commitment to pro bono and volunteer work by initiating changes in the structure and operation of our Consulting Committee which will allow our volunteers to undertake a wider range of projects in the future.

LLOPS is looking forward to the opportunity to play host in 1994, when hopefully most of AALL will be traveling to Seattle to experience the uniqueness of this region and to participate in one of the many educational programs.

Our membership has remained stable, at 120 members, and nearly everyone is currently involved in some way with our Local Arrangements Committee, preparing for the 1994 meeting in Seattle. Bridget Dacres and Barbara Holt, Committee Co-Chairs, have been extremely busy coordinating with Headquarters about local activities and budgets since last year's annual conference in San Francisco.

Sharon Larson, President

Law Library Association of Maryland

In 1992-93 LLAM held a number of useful and informative programs, including a hands-on workshop on preservation of materials at Georgetown University, talks on the Maryland gender bias in the courts project, pro