SNELLA had an active and successful 2016-2017. The organization held two well-attended educational programs, offered scholarships to the AALL annual meeting, and held several social events. Membership has remained at around 50 members.

Educational Events

In October, the Education Committee led by Bonnie Gallagher organized a program focusing on Connecticut’s legal history. The program was held at the Connecticut State Capitol, and featured a presentation by SNELLA member Cate Kellett and her colleague Caitlyn Lam, discussing Yale Law Library’s Litchfield Law School Notebooks digitization project. The program also included a presentation on the holdings of the Connecticut State Library and Connecticut Legislative Library. There were approximately 20 attendees at this event.

In April, the Education Committee organized an event hosted by Quinnipiac Law School on teaching and working with millennials. This program featured a presentation by Suffolk Law Library librarian Liza Rosenof, who discussed her article about mentoring across generations. The program also included a presentation by SNELLA member Christine Graesser, who discussed the training program she uses with new law firm associates. There were approximately 26 attendees at this event.

Scholarship Activities

Adam Mackie received the chapter grant from AALL to attend the AALL annual meeting. Tanya Johnson received a $1500 scholarship to attend the AALL annual meeting. Both recipients were new AALL and SNELLA members. The organization anticipates offering one or two scholarships to the 2018 AALL annual meeting, as well as to the LLNE fall and spring meetings.

Social Events

SNELLA continued its tradition of holding winter and summer dinners as member social events. These dinners coincide with board meetings and offer a chance to update members on upcoming events as well as provide an opportunity for networking.

Officers 2015-2016

SNELLA officers for 2016-2017 were Anne Rajotte, President; Jordan Jefferson, Vice President/President-Elect; Bonnie Gallagher, Secretary; Julie Krishnaswami, Treasurer; Mary Ann Krivicky, Board Member at Large; Adam Mackie, Board Member at Large.

Submitted by Anne Rajotte, SNELLA President, 2016-2017