

**Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries
2016-2017 Annual Report**

ORALL held its 67th annual meeting in Dayton, Ohio on October 19-21, 2016. The theme of the meeting was Building Better Libraries. The conference hotel, Marriott at the University of Dayton was deep into a renovation project so we built our theme around our circumstances. Twelve programs were presented on a variety of topics. ORALL's take on CONELL was repeated to great success again. There was also a benefit project in conjunction with Erma's House of Dayton. Donations of book, food, and money were accepted.

ORALL was very busy during this year's AALL annual meeting in Austin. Our President and Vice President attended the chapter leadership training. ORALL members volunteered their time at our poster in the activities area. Several of ORALL's members held a get together at BD Riley's Irish Pub on Monday evening.

ORALL continues the tradition of offering grants to our members to attend AALL. This year six members received \$600 grants to use toward the cost of the trip. Also, seven members were given \$350 grants to attend ORALL in Dayton. Last year the George Baker Distinguished Service Award was created. At this year's ORALL meeting, the first recipient of the award will be honored.

ORALL's 68th annual meeting will take place in Cleveland, Ohio on October 18-20, 2017. Local Arrangements Co-Chairs Kathy Dugan and Joe Custer have an event-filled three days planned. Education Chair Ingrid Mattson has 14 programs planned. The theme of the meeting is Creating Winning Strategies – a celebration of Cleveland's recent successes. Speaking of Cleveland, I was beyond honored when AALL leadership reached out to me to write a letter in support of having the 2021 AALL meeting in Cleveland. Immediate Past President Keith Ann Stiverson called to compliment me on the letter and suggest I get a job with the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce. I am so excited to show off my hometown in 2021! Thank you AALL for selecting Cleveland.

ORALL continues to publish a quarterly newsletter. Membership is holding steady at 233. Twelve states are represented in that membership from six different types of libraries. We currently have 19 life members.

My initiative this year has been to reevaluate our committees. I tasked Immediate Past President Robert Myers with this initiative. He is still busy working on it. Hopefully we'll have results of this study by next year's annual report. Officers for ORALL for 2016-2017 are Angela Baldree, President; Ingrid Mattson, Vice President/President-Elect; Robert Myers, Immediate Past President; Lisa Britt-Wernke, Secretary; Rick Goheen, Treasurer; and Larissa Sullivant and Stephanie Ziegler, Board Members.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Baldree, President 2016-17