

Annual Report—SWAPLA

For 2013-14, SWAPLA has welcomed some new officers to the fold. Sandy Self of Hardin-Simmons is our new Vice President and designated member to attend this PLANC/LSAC conference, and Anne Dutia of the University of Texas at Dallas is our new Secretary. Gary Keith is now our Past President (and the new Treasurer for PLANC). Michelle Payne of Texas Wesleyan University continues as our Treasurer, and Karen Severn of Texas A&M University continues to serve in the vital role of Caravan Coordinator.

We are still considering the dates and sites of this fall's SWAPLA Law School Caravan. Changes in the date of the Houston Forum make this process more challenging, but we will consider including sites like Lubbock and San Marcos with our core Dallas/Fort Worth, Austin, and College Station venues.

We're working with Rodia Vance, Wendy McMillian, and Catherine Clutter of SAPLA on plans for a joint fall conference, September 17-19, at the Embassy Suites Convention Center in New Orleans. We will have our joint Executive Committee meetings March 14-15 in New Orleans, and also work on conference planning.

As always with the fall conference, we will continue to be guided by the sentiment of Jerry Polinard, who notes that while other APLA conferences offer panels with periodic gala events, SWAPLA (and SAPLA) instead hope to have gala events with periodic panels. We hope you will be able to join us in New Orleans this September, and we will provide you with the details as we finalize our arrangements.

Sincerely,

Jeff Robb
President
SWAPLA