

Annual Report of the Documents Association of New Jersey – 2009

This has been a productive year for DANJ, with new members on the Executive Board and the active participation of interest groups and committees. We have held meetings throughout the state, including Princeton, Newark, South Orange, Trenton and Morris County.

Federal Documents Interest Group – The FDIG, chaired by state regional librarian Laura Saur, met four times this year. Members discussed issues relating to management of federal documents and the possibility of upcoming inspections in New Jersey.

State Documents Interest Group – The SDIG, chaired by Deborah Mercer, met three times this year and selected the recipients of the best state document and best state web site. The group also worked on developing a wiki for sharing state government information resources and discussed legislation that may affect the state depository program.

International Documents Interest Group – DANJ welcomed a new chair of this group, Darren Sweeper of Seton Hall University. The group met once at Seton Hall and toured the library's depository collection of United Nations documents.

SCILS award – This year's award was presented to SCILS student Eric Jenes for his paper, *United States Policy Toward Guatemala: An annotated bibliography*, judged to be the best paper in the government documents class of 2008. Susan Kadezabek served as our liaison to SCILS and worked with Professor Kay Cassell and other DANJ members to select the paper. Ms. Kadezabek also attended several events at SCILS on behalf of DANJ.

Membership – Beth Patterson continued as chair of the membership committee and oversaw membership renewals and collection of dues.

Continuing Education – DANJ welcomed a new chair of this committee, Susan Bucks of Monmouth University. Susan worked closely with other members of the Executive Board to plan this year's annual meeting.

Newsletter - Editor Beth Patterson published two newsletters, a spring and fall edition.

I wish to thank all of the members of the Executive Board for their hard work this year. In addition to the interest group and committee chairs mentioned above, I especially want to thank Secretary Linda Oppenheim who has been instrumental in planning the last several annual meetings, our Treasurer Ella Strattis and Auditing Committee chair Mary Fetzer.

It has been a privilege to serve for a second time as the president of DANJ. I offer my thanks to all of the DANJ members for their work in making government information available to the citizens of New Jersey.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Lyons, DANJ President - 2009