

Summary

OLA Units Activity Report

Your OLA Unit: Legal Reference Round Table

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Year: 2020-21

Unit Board Members/Committee Members:

Lee Van Duzer, chair

Stories - Include stories highlighting annual member or committee successes and challenges. We collect library stories to assist in communication and advocacy.:

Successes - Highlight annual achievements to celebrate.:

Joined with the Reference Round Table in sponsoring an OLA Annual Meeting session, "Zen and the Art of Legal Reference: Answering the Question Without Answering the Question." Also jointly hosted a virtual booth with the RRT during the OLA Annual Meeting.

Challenges - List ongoing challenges open for discussion — suggest solutions.:

Our small size continues to present a challenge in gathering interest and support for more active efforts. Also this last year was atypical, like everyone else the LRRT was impacted by the pandemic.

General Updates - Include updates that do not fit in other categories.:

Focus Areas

Focus 1 EDI and Antiracism: Actively commit to being an equitable, diverse, inclusive, and anti-racist organization. List project status in this area. Include progress toward goals and objectives from the strategic plan if applicable.:

Focus 2 Advocacy: Strengthen OLA's leadership and advocacy role across the state. List project status in this area. Include progress toward goals and objectives from the strategic plan if applicable.:

Members of the LRRT were involved in legislative efforts related to county law libraries.

Focus 3 Membership: Increase engagement in OLA and enrich the membership experience. List project status in this area. Include progress toward goals and objectives from the strategic plan if applicable.:

We are working on a role for the LRRT in managing the OregonLegalResearch website and blog. We hope that might generate interest. At this point that is still in the conceptual stage.

Other comments to be included in your report:

Submitted by:

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