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District of Columbia Caucus Report Steering Committee Meeting

July 15, 2022, 9:00 AM via Zoom

I am Chris Anglim, the new DC Caucus Chair, after being elected and officially taking office on July 1, 2022. I have been ill and hospitalized from June 8, 2022 through July 6, 2022, so I am play more than a little bit of catch-up, and work with caucus members to create a plan of action for the coming year

I would like to send a warm welcome to MacKenzie Beasley and Dina Mazi, who joined the DC Caucus in June.

In April, The Caucus visited the Hillwood Estate and Garden for an event hosted by Caucus member, Jason Speck.

In May, DC Caucus Counterparts joined our Maryland Caucus members on a Mid-Maryland Site Visit to the newly renovated Archives at Hood University, in Frederick Maryland.

DC Law 23-149 established an Archives Advisory Group to advise and inform the DC Council on matters related to the creation of a new Archives Repository for the District of Columbia. The meetings of this group are open to the public. We have disseminated the link earlier and will do so again.

The Archives for the University of the District of Columbia has recently moved and once the dust settles, we hope to have an open house.

Respectfully submitted this 8th day of July, 2022

by Christopher Anglim, DC Caucus Chair

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**Delaware Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Zoom
15 July 2022**

1. The Delaware caucus enjoyed its first in-person event in recent years with a summer picnic at Hagley Museum and Library's picnic pavilion along the banks of the beautiful Brandywine River. Nine people attended, and a marvelous time was had by all. Many thanks to the Finance Committee for approving our treats budget; quite a few cannolis were consumed.
2. The caucus also met virtually in April to disseminate news from the Harrisonburg conference.
3. The caucus welcomed two (!) new members.
4. Caucus rep circulated a call for MAA news, and submitted one such item from the Delaware Historical Society; also circulated announcements, etc. as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane E. Bockrath
Delaware Caucus Representative

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Maryland Caucus Report Steering Committee Meeting

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1. Met with members at the Harrisonburg conference and led the joint DC and Maryland caucus meeting.
2. Met with Mark Coulbourne, outgoing representative, to discuss the transition and potential future events.
3. Welcomed one new caucus member.
4. Requested news submissions to MAA.
5. Hosted our first in-person event at Hood College on June 27th, where Mary Atwell gave us a tour of the new Special Collections and Archival facilities.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Fischbach
Maryland Caucus Representative

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New Jersey Caucus Report Steering Committee Meeting July 15, 2022

1. The New Jersey Caucus has 3 new members.
2. The NJ Caucus' Oral History program in conjunction with the 50th anniversary is moving forward. One [interview is complete](#) and on the MARAC YouTube Channel. Three other interviews are planned.
3. NJ Caucus co-sponsored a Preservation Week talk about CAPES (Caucus Archival Projects Evaluation Service) with the New Jersey Library Association's History and Preservation section and the Princeton Preservation group virtually on April 27.
4. The caucus representative presented on MARAC and the NJ Caucus as part of a panel at the New Jersey Library Association conference on June 2.
5. The Innovative Archives Award was awarded to Michael Andrec and the Ukrainian History and Education Center. [Announcements](#) went out via MARAC social media. The award will be presented at Archives and History day in October.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Maharjan
New Jersey Caucus Representative

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**New York Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Virtual
July 15, 2022**

1. Circulated various announcements regarding events and opportunities from the Steering Committee and caucus members.
2. Welcomed new caucus members.
3. Held a virtual caucus meeting via Zoom to provide caucus members with updates from the spring meeting in Harrisonburg and to welcome the new caucus representative (Danielle Glynn).

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Glynn
New York Caucus Representative

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**Pennsylvania Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
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1. Attended Harrisonburg Conference- co- lead caucus meeting with Dave Grinnell
2. Sent email to encourage members to participate in 50th anniversary virtual tours
3. Welcomed 8 new caucus members
4. Sent email to caucus introducing myself
 - a. Zoom gathering on July 28 7pm to “meet” everyone and discuss ideas for events/gatherings
5. Sent Sara Borden ideas for strategic plan

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Mason
Pennsylvania Caucus Representative

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**Virginia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Virtual
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1. Amanda sent information and email updates to caucus members, and welcomed new MARAC/Virginia Caucus members via email.
2. Amanda planned a Virginia Archivists Picnic for June 2, 2022 at Bull Run Regional Park in Centreville, VA. She requested funds from the MARAC Treasurer and her budget of \$250 was approved. The picnic took place on said day and was attended by seven people. Receipts were sent to the Treasurer after the event.
3. Amanda met with Zachary (Zach) Hottel, incoming caucus rep, to give him information and advice on how to start his tenure.
4. Amanda met with the Virginia Archives Month Committee to plan for this year's Archives Month. She communicated with the MARAC Treasurer and incoming Treasurer and others on a monetary donation to the committee from the Friends of the Virginia State Archives.
5. Amanda will represent Zach as proxy for the July 15 Steering meeting, though not as a voting member.
6. Zach emailed the caucus introducing himself and conducted an informal poll (via Google) to determine caucus' interest in future caucus meetings and Archives Month events.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Brent
Virginia Caucus Representative (2020-2022)

Zachary Hottel
Virginia Caucus Representative (2022-2024)

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West Virginia Caucus Report Steering Committee Meeting July 15, 2022

1. The West Virginia Caucus met monthly from April through June 2022. There will be no July meeting this year.
2. In April, the caucus held an open meeting and invited representatives from the institutions on the [List of West Virginia Archives Wikipedia page](#). Six caucus members attended. Eight others representing six institutions (WV State Archives; Davis & Elkins College; Weirton Area Museum; Glenville State University; Martinsburg-Berkeley Public Library; and Hardy County Public Library) also attended. All attendees introduced themselves and some newcomers asked collections based questions.
3. The May meeting was attended by seven caucus members. The group set a goal of publishing the WV Archives Community Libguide in October to coincide with Archives Month. Also discussed holding a zoom session on business records retention for small organizations and investigating abandoned property laws in West Virginia possibly leading to advocacy for a bill.
4. The June meeting was attended by four caucus members and two WV archival community members representing Glenville State College and Concord University. Discussion centered on general updates and digital archives.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Hostuttler
West Virginia Caucus Representative