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**Delaware Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Richmond, Virginia
April 30, 2026**

1. Emailed the caucus with updates from the January 2026 Steering Committee meeting.
2. Welcomed two new members to the caucus.
3. Put out a call for *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* updates and submitted one such item about the Hagley Museum and Library/National Film Preservation partnership.
4. Attended the January 16, 2026, quarterly meeting of caucus representatives.
5. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane E. Bockrath
Delaware Caucus Representative

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**District of Columbia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
April 20, 2026**

1. Welcomed several new caucus members with an introductory email.
2. Held tour of Virginia Theological Seminary library for five attendees on April 6, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Speck
D.C. Caucus Representative

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Maryland Caucus Quarterly Report Steering Committee Meeting

April 30, 2026

Attended MARAC Steering Committee Meeting 1/23/26.

Attended Caucus Conversation webinar: "Archives Outside the Institution: A Review of Archival Needs and Impact in Small Arts Organizations" on 1/23/26.

Attended MARAC Caucus Representative Meeting 4/21/2026.

Welcomed 13 new MARAC Members to the Maryland Caucus for January - March 2026.

Welcomed and met with incoming Caucus Rep Jenny Kinniff 4/24/26.

Emailed/forwarded relevant MARAC news to the Maryland Caucus.

Encouraged colleagues and Caucus members to contribute to the MAA Newsletter.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Gathings
MD Caucus Representative

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**New Jersey Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
April 24, 2026**

1. The New Jersey Caucus welcomed two new members this quarter.
2. Announced the Montclair History Center as the winner of the 2026 Innovative Archives Award. An award presentation ceremony will be held in person at the MHC on Saturday May 16, 2026.
3. Attended the April 21, 2026 quarterly meeting of caucus representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Biunno
New Jersey Caucus Representative

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**New York Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Richmond, VA
Thursday, April 30th, 2026**

1. Welcomed five new members to the New York Caucus since January.
2. Attended the quarterly meeting of caucus representatives.
3. Put out a call for *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* updates.
4. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest.
5. Started transition planning with incoming NY caucus representative.
6. Sought steering committee member and NY caucus member to serve as substitute for my absence in Richmond by assisting with leading the NY caucus meeting on Friday, May 1st.
Thank you Jessica Webster!

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa McMullen
New York Caucus Representative

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**Pennsylvania Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
April 30, 2026**

1. Hosted January Caucus Conversation with Bright Archives. They discussed archival support for small organizations with 52 attendees. The presentation is in MARAC's digital repository.
2. Welcomed 7 new members since the last Steering meeting.
3. Coordinated the announcement of a PA Archival Supply Exchange Google Group, run by PA Caucus member Danielle Glynn.
4. Submitted 3 Caucus news items to the MAA.
5. Sent emails to the Caucus, updating them on January's Steering Committee meeting, opportunities, deadlines, and news relevant to MARAC.
6. Ali Zawoyski was elected as the next Pennsylvania Caucus Representative for 2026-2028.

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Alexander
Pennsylvania Caucus Representative

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**Virginia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
Zoom
April 30, 2026**

1. Welcomed 14 new members to the caucus
2. Submitted 2 news items for the Spring 2026 MAA
3. Attended the January 16 and April 21 meetings of caucus representatives
4. Hosted March Caucus Conversation with George Mason University Special Collections Research Center. They discussed their workflows in how to process collections for hybrid and in-office working environments. The presentation is in MARAC's [digital repository](#).
5. Selected a hosting repository, George Mason University, for the annual Virginia Caucus Meeting on June 5, 2026. Working on programming for the event
6. Held Virginia Caucus Representative handoff meeting with Mattie Clear, the 2026-2028 Virginia Caucus Representative, to go over the Google Drive folders and other pertinent information.
7. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Bookman
Virginia Caucus Representative

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**West Virginia Caucus Report
Steering Committee Meeting
April 24, 2026**

1. There were two new members to the West Virginia Caucus for this quarter.
2. Although the abandoned property bill did not make it out of the Senate this legislative session, the bill did make it further (through committee and the House) than it has since our effort started. The West Virginia Caucus, the West Virginia Association of Museums, and the West Virginia Library Association met several times through the past several months to create and implement a plan for the bill. This group has continued to meet past the end of session to discuss and plan our actions for next year's session.
3. Planning has begun for West Virginia's Caucus Conversation session, which will focus on our efforts to get the abandoned property bill passed, how we built and leveraged coalition of local GLAM organizations to advocate for our needs, and how to build and maintain relationships with politicians and community leaders for that advocacy work. The session will be sometime in late June.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Musgrave
West Virginia Caucus Representative