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**Delaware Caucus Report  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Zoom  
January 23, 2026**

1. Held a virtual caucus meeting following last fall's Symposium on Archives and Sustainability on November 4, 2025. Five caucus members attended.
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 Innovation in Miniature exhibition at Hagley Museum and Library.
4. Attended the December 12, 2025, 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  
January 23, 2026**

1. Welcomed several new caucus members with an introductory email.
2. Held caucus meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup> with six attendees.
3. Succeeded in getting at least one caucus member to run for DC Caucus rep.
4. Worked on setting up the next DC Caucus repository tour. Attempting to coordinate with MD and VA caucus reps.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Speck  
D.C. Caucus Representative



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**Maryland Caucus Quarterly Report  
Steering Committee Meeting**

**January 23, 2026**

Attended MARAC Steering Committee Meeting 10/24/25.

Attended MARAC Caucus Representative Meeting 12/10/2026 and 1/16/26.

Welcomed 4 new MARAC Members to the Maryland Caucus for October-December 2025.

Emailed/forwarded relevant MARAC news to the Maryland Caucus.

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

Activities

- Hosted Maryland Caucus meeting on 11/19/2025.
- Rescheduled Maryland Caucus tour planned for December to late January / early February 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Gathings  
MD Caucus Representative

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**New Jersey Caucus Report  
Steering Committee Meeting  
January 23, 2026**

1. The New Jersey Caucus welcomed 4 new members this quarter.
2. On Saturday, November 1, 2025, the inaugural New Jersey Archival Film Festival was held at Monmouth University. The event was presented in partnership with the New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance (NJSAA), the Bruce Springsteen Archives and Center for American Music, and the New Jersey Caucus. Representatives from 18 GLAM organizations across the state (including local museums and historical societies, large state institutions, and private institutions) screened films from their collections. The festival was well attended, with approximately 60 audience members from both the archival community and the general public. Planning is underway to host a similar event next year.
3. A feature article about the New Jersey Archival Film Festival was submitted to *Mid-Atlantic Archivist* for the Winter 2026 issue.
4. Contacted the Web team to update the NJ Caucus page with links to the [CAPES Archival Resource List](#). Contributions to the resource list were provided in part by New Jersey Caucus members, and the list serves as an ongoing reference for archival suppliers, vendors, and educational resources.
5. The New Jersey Caucus Archival Supply Exchange was launched, creating a space for caucus members to connect, share available supplies, and offer items for donation.
6. Attended the December 2025 quarterly meeting of caucus representatives.
7. Held NJ Caucus meeting on December 8, 2025 at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Biunno  
New Jersey Caucus Representative

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**New York Caucus Report  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Zoom  
January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2026**

1. Welcomed three new members to the New York Caucus this quarter.
2. Put out a call for MAA updates and received two submissions.
3. Circulated regular emails about MARAC happenings and regional items of interest.
4. Attended the MARAC caucus rep meeting.
5. Sought nominations for the upcoming MARAC elections and NY caucus rep position.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa McMullen  
New York Caucus Representative

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**Pennsylvania Caucus Report  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Virtual  
January 23, 2026**

1. Welcomed 6 new members since the last Steering meeting
2. Submitted 3 Caucus news items to the MAA
3. Hosted a Caucus meeting via Zoom with 3 attendees, and sent an email summary to the rest of the Caucus
4. Sent emails to the Caucus, updating them on opportunities, deadlines, and news relevant to MARAC
5. Solicited volunteers to be my successor and have 1 nominee
6. Connected a Caucus member with the NJ Caucus Representative to learn more about the NJ Archival Supply Exchange and consider establishing one for PA
7. Finalized the details for the January Caucus Conversation with Bright Archives. Sent reminder emails to the Caucus

Respectfully submitted,

Isaac Alexander  
Pennsylvania Caucus Representative

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**Virginia Caucus Report  
Steering Committee Meeting  
Zoom  
January 23, 2026**

1. Welcomed eight new members to the caucus
2. Submitted five news items for the Winter 2026 MAA
3. Attended the December 10 meeting of caucus representatives
4. 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  
January 19, 2026**

1. There were no new members to the West Virginia Caucus for this quarter.
2. Work has continued between the West Virginia Caucus, the West Virginia Association of Museums, and the West Virginia Library Association to put forward the Abandoned Property bill we had presented to lawmakers in the past. Members of the involved group met with members of the state legislature in December and are awaiting introduction of the bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Musgrave  
West Virginia Caucus Representative