Annual Report 2007
ARLIS/NA Delaware Valley Chapter

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2008 Chapter Officers
President: Andrea Goldstein, Temple University
Vice-President/President-elect: Katy Rawdon, The Barnes Foundation
Secretary/Treasurer: Mary Louise Castaldi, University of the Arts
Past-President: Ann Keith Kennedy, Drexel University

Chapter Meetings

The chapter held two meetings in 2007. Our spring meeting was held at the Fisher Fine Arts Building at the University of Pennsylvania on Tuesday, May 8th. Nineteen people attended—sixteen Chapter participants and three guests. After the approval of the fall 2006 minutes, the secretary treasurer updated us on chapter finances and membership. The Outreach committee attended two functions both at Drexel University’s College of Information Science and Technology (the iSchool.) Cate Cooney, the Northeast Regional Representative, gave her report, and encouraged our individual feedback to the ARLIS/NA Assessment Task Force (ATF.) Ann Keith Kennedy’s reported from the ARLIS/NA chapter officers meeting where the issue of chapter insurance was introduced. She also reported on the possibility of ARLIS/NA hosting chapter websites, (MemberClicks,) by fall 2007. After further discussion on the insurance issue, President Ann Keith Kennedy asked the meeting if there was a motion that the DVC obtain O&D insurance at this time. No one made such a motion, so the matter was set aside. A nominating committee was appointed to come up with willing candidates for two offices for the fall election of vice-president/president elect, and secretary treasurer. A discussion on our response to ARLIS/NA Assessment Task Force Recommendations resulted in our support of the change to a function-oriented structure. Ann Keith Kennedy discussed the idea of the chapter applying for special funding from ARLIS/NA to support a DVC-hosted meeting to which we would invite Northeast and Mid-Atlantic chapters. This would be part of our spring 2008 meeting.

The fall meeting of ARLIS/NA Delaware Valley Chapter was held on Monday, Oct. 22, 2007 in Tyler Hall, on the campus of Temple University’s Tyler School of Art. Twenty people attended seventeen Chapter participants and three guests. For many attendees, it was a last chance to see the School in its present location. (The Tyler campus will be closed at the end of 2008, after more than seventy years of
operation, and the School will move to new quarters on the main Temple University campus.) After the approval of the spring 2007 minutes and secretary-treasurer’s report, the election to fill the offices of vice president/president-elect, and secretary-treasurer were held, with Katie Rawdon, and Mary Louise Castaldi elected into those positions respectively. Northeast regional representative, Cate Cooney, reported that in recent months, some Executive Board positions have been reorganized from a regional to a functional system of representation in recent months. Cate Cooney now is serving in a transitional, dual role both as Northeast Regional Representative and as coordinator for all chapters.

President Ann Keith Kennedy presented an overview of the Chapter’s application for special funding to ARLIS/NA in support of a spring 2008 DVC-hosted meeting to be held on Friday, March 28, 2008 at the Philadelphia Museum of Art’s new Ruth and Raymond G. Perelman Building. The meeting’s proposed programming will include one or more presentations by contributors to the recent ARLIS/NA publication *Art Museum Libraries and Librarianship*. The annual question about conference support was raised. The membership decided by unanimous vote to authorize the executive committee to contribute a sum of $150 to $200 at their discretion. Andrea Goldstein gave a presentation on the Artist’s Files Working Group of ARLIS/NA, as well as her collection at Tyler. After some discussion and examples of ephemeral collections at other member’s institutions, the meeting adjourned to hear a guest speaker. Dr Jo Anna Moore, a Tyler faculty member, gave a presentation on the history of the School with an emphasis on the educational philosophy of the School, and its founder, Boris Blai.

**Activities**

As mentioned earlier, the Outreach Committee attended two functions at Drexel University’s iSchool

On March 14, 2007, the Greater Philadelphia Law Libraries Assn. sponsored an event on special libraries at Drexel University’s College of Information Science and Technology [aka the iSchool]. The official Committee members, plus Kerry Anos and Mary Wassermann represented ARLIS/NA. Each of the five presented on a topic: L.M. explained ARLIS/NA and reasons for joining it; J.B. discussed the Tri-College library arrangements; M.L.C. talked about introducing libraries to incoming students; K.A. reported on the solo-librarian experience; M.W. talked about exhibition planning in museums and about the Summer Education Institute.

On May 2, 2007, the annual “Rush at Rush” event, organized by the Special Libraries Assn., was held at the iSchool. DVC President Ann Keith Kennedy and Nancy Thorne attended, and handed out printed materials prepared by ArLiSNAP [Art Library Students & New ARLIS* Professionals, which appeared to be well-received. The Chapter made an award of a one-year student “participantship,” which was accepted by an iSchool student.

The Delaware Valley Chapter’s application for special funding from ARLIS/NA was approved in December 2007, and we are currently going ahead with our plans to
host a meeting which will include up to three presentations by contributors to the recent ARLIS/NA publication *Art Museum Libraries and Librarianship*, inviting chapters from Northeast Region (NE, NY, WNY, and DC, MD, VA)

**Membership Statistics**  
(from outgoing Secretary-Treasurer’s report, submitted December 2007)  

**2007**  
Renewals:  
- Member: 20  
- Affiliate: 6  
- Student Member: 0  
- Student Affiliate: 0  

New:  
- Member: 2  
- Affiliate: 0  
- Student Member: 1  
- Student Affiliate: 5  

Total: 34  

**2008**  
Renewals:  
- Member: 10  
- Affiliate: 2  
- Student Member: 0  
- Student Affiliate: 1  

New:  
- Member: 0  
- Affiliate: 0  
- Student Member: 0  
- Student Affiliate: 1  

Total: 14  

**Treasurer’s Report**  
Balance of General Fund at closing date of last report (21 Oct. 2007): 1,206.35  

Balance of Marietta Boyer Travel Award Fund: 392.00  

Deposits made through 31 Dec 2007 (including membership dues and interest): 271.50  

Expenditures through 31 Dec. 2007: 0  

Balance at close of business 31 Dec. 2007: 1,869.85  

**Additional Comments**
There are no issues for the Executive Board at this time.