Annual Report 2008
ARLIS/NA News & Features Editor

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Activities

Worked with Q Ltd. staff and ARLIS/NA Web site (AWS) editor to establish RSS feed on AWS.

Provided temporary assistance for AWS editing while AWS editor transitioned to a new place of employment.

Added news and events items to the news and events sections of the AWS. Content was solicited and received from ARLIS group contacts, and culled from ARLIS-L and other electronic and printed resources.

- Travel award winners included in the News section for the first time in 2008.

Worked closely with the AWS editor, professional resources editor, and chair of the Publications Committee who form the AWS sub-committee of the Publications Committee. Met with the sub-committee at the annual conference in Denver.

Participated in Publications Committee conference meeting and e-mail discussions.

Issues

A system is needed for effectively communicating leadership changes to the AWS and news & features editors. A master list from someone on the board would be best. Perhaps the secretary could compile this information from the board liaisons and distribute the list in a timely manner. (Repeated from my annual reports from the last two years.)

The management calendar has changed so that deadlines are not easily found and some are no longer included. I review the management calendar each year to add the deadlines to the Events Calendar on the AWS. If the deadlines are not on the management calendar, I don’t find out about them until a message is posted on ARLIS-L. Sometimes there are no messages posted about deadlines. For example, there was no message on ARLIS-L calling for annual report submissions this year. (Repeated from my annual reports from the last two years.)

Some of the dates on the 2008 management calendar still have “2007” in them.