

**Annual Report 2007
ARLIS/NA Mountain West Chapter**

2007 Chapter Officers

Chair: Lisa Blankenship, University of Northern Colorado
Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: Paula Wolfe, University of Arizona
Past Chair: Marilyn Russell, Haskell Indian Nations University
Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Parker, University of Colorado
ARLIS/NA West Regional Representative: Susan Koskinen, University of California at Berkeley

2008 Chapter Officers

In the fall of 2007, the Mountain West chapter agreed on the following:

“The ARLIS/Mountain West Chapter will be hosting the national ARLIS/NA Conference in Denver 2008. To provide continuity in the chapter leadership, the nominating committee is requesting that the by-laws governing the timelines effecting when the chair takes office be temporarily suspended to provide for this continuity. We are requesting that the 2007 chapter chair continue as the chair until May 6, 2008 and that the vice-chair/chair-elect take on the chapter chair's leadership role at the chapter's business meeting during the 2008 ARLIS/NA conference.”

Therefore we did not hold a fall election as we normally would have. We will hold an election for a new Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect before the May 2008 conference. After the conference, our officers will be as follows:

Chair: Paula Wolfe, University of Arizona
Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect: to be determined
Past Chair: Lisa Blankenship, University of Northern Colorado
Secretary/Treasurer: Jennifer Parker, University of Colorado (second year of a two-year term)

Membership, Treasurer's Report

We currently have 41 chapter members.

Balance	March 2007	\$ 2240.47
2007 Expenses	Reimbursements	- 159.90
	Travel Award	- 700.00
	Atlanta 2007	- 250.00
Income 2007	Membership Dues	+ 450.00
Income 2008	Membership Dues	+ 240.00
Balance	February 1, 2008	\$ 1810.57

Forthcoming expenses:

Contribution to Denver Welcome Party \$300.00
Winberta Yao Travel Award \$700.00

Business Meeting

Chapter members met on April 30, 2007 during the ARLIS/NA conference in Atlanta. Although much of our time was spent in preliminary discussions about hosting the 2008 conference, we found time for officer and committee reports, with an agreement to take care of other chapter business by email at a later date. A report is available at <http://arlisna-mw.lib.byu.edu/atlanta.html>.

Chapter Conference

The Mountain West chapter has a history of holding interesting and well-attended fall conferences, but with our attention focused on hosting the ARLIS/NA conference in Denver in May 2008, we chose not to have a 2007 chapter conference. We hope to resume our traditional fall conference in 2008.

Other Chapter Activities

Following discussions by email, we made a slight change to our chapter name as requested by ARLIS/NA, and we are now officially ARLIS/NA Mountain West, or ARLIS/NA-MW. We updated our membership categories and information on our web site to reflect the fact that in order to be a full chapter member one must also be an ARLIS/NA member, and we added an affiliate category.

Our 2007 Winberta Yao Travel Award was given to University of Arizona graduate student Meredith Friedman, and she used the award to travel to the Atlanta conference. In the fall, a newly-appointed travel award committee revised the award criteria, and applications are currently being solicited for the 2008 award.

Several chapter members met with the ARLIS/NA Conference Planning Advisory Committee during the summer in Denver. During this meeting, many decisions were made with regard to the program, schedule, and facilities for the Denver 2008 conference. Since that time, a tremendous amount of time and effort has gone into conference planning activities. A list of the various chapter members involved in planning can be seen on the conference web site at <http://arlisna-mw.lib.byu.edu/denver2008/contacts.htm>. We are all looking forward to serving as the host chapter for the conference.

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