

Archives Committee

Committee Members: Alfred L. Gardner (Archivist), Suzanne B. McLaren (Assistant Historian), Robert M. Timm (Chair, Historian).

Information Items:

(1) Suzanne B. McLaren was appointed by President Kelt as the Assistant Historian, bringing the committee membership up to three.

(2) McLaren and Timm prepared four manuscripts on various aspects of ASM history, one each to accompany the first four issues of the *Journal* as part of our celebration of the 100th anniversary year. These include: (1) Evolution of the ASM's pronghorn. *Journal of Mammalogy* 100(1):1-2; (2) A brief history of computerizing mammal collections and the role played by the ASM. *Journal of Mammalogy* 100(2); (3) ASM leadership and management. *Journal of Mammalogy* 100(3); this was an invited contribution by the organizers of the 100th anniversary volume; (4) A brief history of the ASM Annual Meetings. *Journal of Mammalogy* 100(4):in progress. They expect to prepare a manuscript reviewing the history of the ASM's bylaws for a future issue.

(3) References, images, and oral history were provided to a number of ASM authors and editors as they were finalizing articles for the *Journal of Mammalogy* chapters in the upcoming 100th anniversary volume, *Mammalian Species*, and other publications, as well as to the President and President-Elect.

(4) Received several photographs of interest to the Society for the ASM's archives, including a number of older annual meeting images. These are being sorted and labeled, and selected images will be scanned and uploaded onto the Archives Committee's web page (see Our History tab (www.mammalsociety.org/committees/archives#tab7)). More images await uploading. Members are encouraged to look at the website and provide us with original photographs of annual meetings that are not already posted. We are still missing a considerable number of annual meetings images. We welcome other interesting images to our Archives as well.

(5) A number of Society documents were received from past presidents and will be sent to Archivist Gardner for transfer to the Smithsonian Archives.

(6) A number of questions that come into the Society throughout the year about our history, former members, and mammals from a wide array of people are forwarded to the Archives Committee. We address them and are usually able to assist.

Action Items:

(1) No funds are being requested at this time. Please continue to send us images of interest to the Society and our science of mammalogy.

Respectively submitted,

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