

Date: 4 November 2009

Name of Section/Roundtable: Architectural Records Roundtable

Officers: Todd Kosmerick moved from junior co-chair to senior co-chair (2009-2010). Keli Rylance was elected junior co-chair (2009-2010). Kate Rogge continues as web liaison.

Report from annual meeting:

- Number of attendees: 32
- Election results: Keli E. Rylance, Southeastern Architectural Archive, Tulane University, was elected co-chair.
- Summary of meeting activities:
(or attach minutes or newsletter accounts)

For meeting minutes, see 2009mtgmin.pdf

Completed projects/activities

Roundtable co-chairs looked into complaints that some roundtable members were not receiving messages from the ARR listserv. The issue seemed to resolve itself by May/June 2009, when those members indicated they were starting to get the messages again.

ARR organized a tour of the Alexander Architectural Archive at UT-Austin in conjunction with SAA annual meeting. Archive curator Beth Dodd led the tour, which was attended by about 12 roundtable members, providing a behind-the-scenes look at how this repository handles their architectural collections. Photos at <http://www.archivists.org/saagroups/archtec/2009tour.html>.

Ongoing projects/activities

In Spring 2009 SAA Education Committee submitted to ARR for review a workshop proposal on preserving architectural records. The roundtable co-chairs submitted comments. Discussion about the workshop proposal continued at the roundtable meeting on August 12. Some of the membership expressed that it would be more beneficial to have a workshop on all aspects of architectural records, including arrangement and description. This was subsequently conveyed to the SAA Education Committee and SAA's Director of Education. The roundtable co-chairs have been working successfully with the Director of Education on expanding the workshop accordingly with the expectation that it will be offered at SAA 2010 in Washington, DC.

In August outgoing co-chair David Read submitted his roundtable email (.pst and tab delimited) to the SAA's repository at the University Milwaukee-Wisconsin.

New projects/activities

An effort was initiated in October 2009 to increase roundtable membership. Earlier in the year SAA began to allow members to belong to an unlimited number of roundtables. ARR posted messages on the A&A list, EXLIBRIS-L, Art Libraries Society of North America (ARLIS-L), Association of Architectural School Librarians (AASL), American Society of Landscape Architects, and International Council on Archives (ICA-L). Through this appeal, ARR membership has increased from 220 members/list participants on 6 October 2009 to 262 on 28 October.

Diversity initiatives

[none]

Questions/concerns for Council attention

[none]