



# ACA News

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## President's Message

Judith G. Cetina, Ph.D., CA

Cuyahoga County (Ohio) Archives



For many the season of spring represents rebirth and renewal, as one figuratively breaks the chains of cold and darkness imposed by Old Man Winter. As witness to the truth of this statement Certified Archivists, from both east and west of the Mississippi, traveled to Cleveland, Ohio, enlivened and filled with positive energy, to participate as members of the Exam Development Committee (EDC) and the ACA's Board of Regents. Although the weather was less than spring-like, it was sunny and snow free, providing a hospitable welcome to those who came to render their committed service to the Academy. The EDC members went straight to their work. After dinner on Friday evening, March 28, they spent two hours at the Cuyahoga County Archives, followed by an eight hour session on Saturday, beginning bright and early at 9 a.m. The tasks the committee faced were daunting, but the EDC was up to the challenge. By 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, all of the new questions submitted for inclusion in the Item Bank (between 5 and 13 queries per committee member) had been carefully vetted so that they were clear, well-constructed, and without ambiguity.

The EDC also constructed a new examination for certification to be utilized for the next two test cycles (August 2008 in San Francisco, California, and August 2009 in Austin, Texas). This process proved challenging as the members reviewed, by domain, the questions being proposed for the exam, making certain that the correct answers continued to represent best practices, and that sources used were current. Psychometrician Dr. Holly Traver let the members know

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whether the questions had tested as too easy, too difficult, or had never been used on an examination. Once the questions had been reviewed and the exam of 100 items created, the next step was to analyze the examination as a whole for balance to be sure there were not too many questions that focused on the same type of records or issues, even though they might cross archival domains and could be testing different knowledge statements and skills. Finally the EDC was also able to initiate the annual maintenance on the item bank. I applaud the dedication of the Certified Archivists who serve on the EDC, and the Academy owes them its deepest appreciation for the important work they perform.

The EDC members later joined the Board of Regents for a lively dinner at a local Italian eatery, with good food and great conversation high on the bill of fare. But the group made it an early evening as the Board of Regents had to be at the County Archives early Sunday morning to begin the mid-year meeting. By late Sunday afternoon the board members were headed for the airport, but not before agreeing that much had been accomplished during the day-long session. For those interested in a detailed examination of the proceedings please see the meeting summary provided by Secretary Shelly Kelly, CA, elsewhere in this newsletter. But there were some important issues discussed that I would like to highlight and share with you.

As you all know the Role Delineation Statement (RDS), created by archivists and archival educators, defines the knowledge and skills necessary for archival work, and has become one of ACA's greatest contributions to the archival



Photograph: editor

The Cuyahoga County Archives in Cleveland, Ohio, was the location for the 2008 meeting of the Exam Development Committee and the mid-year meeting of the Academy's Officers and Board of Regents. The Robert Russell Rhodes House was built in 1874 and became the home of the County Archives in 1977.

profession as it was constructed according to rigorous standards under the direction of test-development professionals. But the Statement was not cast in stone and must be monitored on an ongoing basis to reflect changes in archival practice and theory. Thus the board at its March meeting resolved that the Statement is to be reviewed every six years by a Task Force appointed by the ACA President and to include the Regent for Exam Development. As the review of the RDS will be conducted in 2009, I intend to establish this Committee over the next few months so that it is in place and ready to conduct its work in a careful and timely fashion.

The Board of Regents also approved the slate of candidates running for officer and regent positions submitted by the Nominating Committee. In fact, you should already have received this year's elections ballot. I would like to thank the Nominating Committee, consisting of Sammie Morris, CA, Chair, Regent for

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Nominations Cindy Smolovik, CA, and Morgan Davis, CA, for organizing an excellent slate of highly qualified candidates. After casting your vote please use the attached nominating form to recommend your colleagues, or put forth your own name, for the open positions in 2009 that will include Vice-President/President Elect, Secretary, Regent for Exam Administration, Regent for Certification Maintenance, and Nominating Committee. As incoming Regent for Nominations in 2009 I want to hear from you as the Committee will be in search of a few good Certified Archivists to assume leadership positions in the Academy.

In the Winter 2008 issue of *ACA News* I reported that ACA had received a request from the People to People Ambassador Programs regarding its plan to send a delegation of professional archivists to China. I made a decision on behalf of the Academy, although there was not an official policy regarding the issue, that the list was not available for sale under any circumstances. But ACA did inform the People to People Programs that it would be willing to forward information about the trip to our members for their review; and suggested that People to People could visit our website where contact information for Certified Archivists is provided. There was no further response from the Ambassador Programs. Although I subsequently received a letter inviting my participation in the China trip, my CA credential was not used, suggesting perhaps that my name was provided by another source. I then asked the question of whether the Academy should ever sell or rent its membership list; and your answer was a resounding "NO." And when the membership talks, the Academy listens: the

board formally determined that our list is not for sale at any time or for any reason. And your concerns have also led the board to consider measures that will safeguard our membership information and protect it from robotic harvesters.

During the mid-year meeting the board members realized they were in danger of becoming the cobbler's daughters and sons; that is archivists who fail to pay sufficient heed to the retention and disposition of their own records. Cindy Smolovik, immediate past president, generously volunteered to undertake the project of evaluating the policies in place and to make changes or additions wherever necessary. Also, Connell Gallagher, CA, Regent for Exam Administration and Chair of the Task Force on Emeritus Status, will be working with Cindy Smolovik to prepare language giving further definition to this level of membership (see "Emeritus Status for Administrators" found on page nine of this newsletter).

Anselm Huelsbergen, our *ACA News* editor, reminded the board that 2009 will mark the twentieth anniversary of the Academy. So, my question to you is how should ACA celebrate this important milestone in its history? Please send your recommendations to me at my e-mail address, [jcetina@cuyahogacounty.us](mailto:jcetina@cuyahogacounty.us), or drop me a line in care of the Cuyahoga County Archives, 2905 Franklin Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44113. And if there is anything else on your mind please feel free to let me know. Until the next time, I wish you fair weather and all success in your archival endeavors.

Judith G. Cetina, Ph.D., CA  
President  
Academy of Certified Archivists

## A Certified Archivist Records Manager

G. Mark Walsh, CA

Although the title above may seem strange to some, it is actually a good description of one who understands the value of archives while undertaking duties associated with records management.

What on earth could the value of being a Certified Archivist be to a records manager? I propose to explore that question through a series of events that took place in my career while I was a consultant working in records management with the Ontario Ministry of Labour and a Records and Information Analyst employed at the Library of Virginia (LVA).

In the first instance, my job was to undertake records analysis leading to the development of records retention and disposition schedules. My contract called for approximately forty-five schedules at the branch, office, and unit levels. It also called for the Archives of Ontario, as the lead Recorded Information Management agency for the Province of Ontario, to approve the draft schedules before I could be paid. My contact there was the then senior archivist responsible for Labour records, Corrado Santoro (now at the ScotiaBank Archives with Jane Nokes). Corrado and I had studied Archival Administration and Records Management at Wayne State University in Detroit and had a very similar approach to appraisal of government records.

In Ontario at the time, record schedules were written on a form that combined the survey functions with the schedule itself—in other words

there was room for considerable information about the records under consideration. Yet many of the departmental records analysts were handing in “completed” schedule forms that did not include the kind of information that would allow the archivists to make informed appraisal decisions.

At that time (1998-2001) there was a tension between records management staff and the Archives of Ontario (AO). The AO was seen as an obstructionist, problematic institution that was really only interested in the archival record. So how would I, part of the Ontario public sector records management world, get my schedules approved and thereby ensure a continued livelihood?

The schedule form allowed for a series/sub-series approach, and was intended to capture all official records for each branch, office or unit. What occurred to Corrado and me was that a descriptive entry at the series or sub-series level could be produced in much the same way as an archival guide is written. To that end I began to describe the records scheduled in terms of their organization, subjects covered, important correspondents, relationship to other series and so on. The description of the record series became the method of relaying appraisal of the records in terms of administrative, fiscal, legal and historical values. This writing technique allowed for a significantly easier time in determining not only where the archival series were, but also which among several related series might be the “best record” in terms of documenting a particular Ministry of Labour program.

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## Certified Archivist Records Manager

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Between the time that I completed my work for the Ontario Ministry of Labour and commenced my tenure as a records analyst with the Library of Virginia, I was re-certified by the ACA through the process of taking the examination in 2003. The process of preparing to take the exam was very useful. Going over materials, reading, and studying was a very good way to keep my archival skills honed—and gave me occasion to think again about how these skills might be useful for my work in records management.

Of particular note in working as a Records and Information Analyst (2004-2007) at the Library of Virginia was one of the areas I was given responsibility for: legal records. I had occasion to work with records officers from County, City and Town Attorneys, Commonwealth Attorneys, the entire court system and the Attorney General's Office.

In theory the records officers were to undertake the records surveys required to produce or amend records schedules, but when a new records officer, Sharon Pannell, was appointed in the Attorney General's Office, I saw opportunities to deal with significant archival materials that had not been touched. I was amazed to discover, for example, that some areas of the Attorney General's executive offices had no schedules whatsoever. This might not have affected other Records Analysts without a background in archives, but it certainly affected me. Ms. Pannell asked me to help her deal with the situation, and we used the records survey form in much the same way as I had in Ontario, writing series descriptions that very clearly made informed appraisal decisions

possible. Once again the administrative, fiscal, legal and historical values of records under consideration were highlighted. Of note in this process was scheduling and bringing in the records of Virginia's Solicitor-General, where the legal proceedings protecting the State constitution were found. Important cases heard before the Supreme Court of the United States, amicus briefs, and joint actions added significant documentation to the State Records section of the Archives and Records Management Services Division at the LVA.

One other area in which my experience as a CA has proven useful is in taking the tests required to obtain the Certified Records Manager (CRM) designation. Understanding microfilm as an archival medium, environmental conditions for permanent preservation of records, and many other subjects related to archives were on the tests. When the process is completed, I believe that my background in archives will have been a significant factor in obtaining the CRM designation.

The usefulness of obtaining my CA designation and re-certifying should not be underestimated. Records management requires determining the retention of a vast array of information holdings in many different formats. Without attention to the archival record, organizations in both the public and private sectors often miss the opportunity to manage all of their information. And having my CA improved my ability to play a role in ensuring that in both the Province of Ontario and the State of Virginia, the records scheduling process did just that.

Mark Walsh, CA, is a member of the ACA class of 1989 and has worked in archives and records management positions in Manitoba, Ontario, Maryland, and Virginia.

## Officers and Board News

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([www.certifiedarchivists.org/html/contacta.html](http://www.certifiedarchivists.org/html/contacta.html)).

### From the Vice-President

Martin Levitt, Ph.D., CA  
American Philosophical Society  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

### ACA Penetration of the “Market”: An Informal Look

I have often been asked just how many Certified Archivists there are, which is rather easy to answer, and how pervasive the credential has become in the 19-year history of the Academy, which is rather more difficult to ascertain. As I write this, there are 923 Certified Archivists, and at our current rate of growth we may well welcome our 1,000<sup>th</sup> member to the Academy sometime next year. Questions about “market penetration” are less easily answered. But we can make some interesting observations, if we use the Society of American Archivists as a useful “archival universe” from which to begin. (Obviously, not all archivists are members of SAA, but SAA is certainly “...North America’s oldest and largest national archival professional association,” and it’s a helpful place to start.) I should note that the most comprehensive statistical analysis of certification as an element of the archival world is Anne Diffendahl’s A\*CENSUS findings (part 8 of the report), which was published in the *American Archivist* and on-line from data compiled somewhat earlier from a broader universe of archivists; what follows is by comparison merely some musings based on a few more recent numbers.

To begin with, there are now approximately 22 CAs for each 100 SAA members (using SAA  
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statistics from the summer of 2007). Delving deeper, we might look first at states with a population greater than 3 million (states with smaller populations can yield skewed results, due to a smaller sample, or archival population; for example in South Dakota 75% of archivists—defined as SAA members—are CAs: that is, 3 of 4; that's a pretty small sample). In the states with a population greater than 3 million, Missouri has the highest correlation (there are 71 CAs for every 100 SAA members), with Georgia (54%) and Louisiana (50%) also high. These higher correlations are followed by Texas (42%), Oregon (41%), Oklahoma (41%), Colorado (36%), Arizona (30%), Washington and Florida (28%), and South Carolina (26%); high population states with lower ACA-SAA correlation include Wisconsin (5%), which has the lowest, followed by Minnesota (8%), Massachusetts (10%), Indiana (10%), New Jersey (12%), Michigan, New York and Kentucky (13%), North Carolina (14%), and California and Connecticut (15%). (These statistics were compiled by Steve Grandin, of the ACA Secretariat.)

The geography of market penetration is interesting, though conclusions are speculative. We do understand that the Certified Archivist credential was adopted by some institutions earlier than others, and perhaps these numbers reflect that. And we know that there is a very gradual increase of market penetration, defined (in this case, somewhat arbitrarily) as a ratio of ACA to SAA members. Diffendahl calculated that 19.5% of SAA members were CAs in the A\*CENSUS, whereas it would appear the number is now 22%. (Again, Diffendahl's numbers were based on

questionnaire responses—we are extrapolating from simple membership numbers, so these are less rigorous observations.) Still, it would seem that some regions of the country have been quicker to adopt the credential than others, so that, we suppose, the effect is quite different if you live in, say, Missouri as opposed to Wisconsin.

We can also say that the credential is clearly being adopted by more and more archivists each year, and that geographically there appear to be stronger and weaker areas of adoption. In states where the credential is strong, it is our goal to continue to encourage members to maintain their certification, to influence employers to use the credential as a means to ascertain minimal competence among applicants, and for senior CAs to serve as role models for beginning archivists. In the states where certification has been slow to achieve wide acceptance, it's a case of continued hard work on the part of Certified Archivists to insure that no opportunity to promote the credential is lost. ♦♦♦♦

**ACA Deadlines****May 15, 2008**

Deadline to apply for the  
2008 archival certification examination

**June 1, 2008**

Deadline to submit the  
certification maintenance application

**July 1, 2008**

Deadline to apply for the  
ACA Travel Assistance Award.

## Report of the Secretary

Shelly Henley Kelly, CA

University Archivist

University of Houston-Clear Lake

### Summary of Mid-Year Board Meeting

On March 29, ACA President Judy Cetina played the perfect host to the Officers and Board of Regents for the mid-year meeting in Cleveland. Everyone agrees that she went out of her way to make us feel welcome and appreciated. Judy delighted the board with the history of the Cuyahoga County Archives housed in the 1874 Rhodes House. Despite her stories of restless spirits, nary a chandelier swung from the ceiling. Clearly the spirits were held in rapt attention by the business at hand.

The President reported on ACA's relationship with the International Council on Archives, expressing her appreciation to Trudy Peterson for her continued service in this area. Other topics within the President's report were 2007 exam feedback and the possible need to create an ACA entry on Wikipedia. The board voted that there should be a review of the Role Delineation Statement every six years by a task force to be established by the President and to include the Regent for Exam Development.

Vice President Marty Levitt announced that he is working to have the Philadelphia Consortium of Special Collections Libraries (PACSCL) adopt a resolution endorsing the CA credential as "best standards and practice" in the employment of archivists. When passed, the resolution may serve as a model for other organizations.

ACA Treasurer Dick Dickerson announced that

our coffers are sound and our budget is stable. We are undergoing a two-year financial review this year instead of an audit. The board moved that a financial review of ACA accounts should take place in the first year of the tenure of any newly elected Treasurer.

Our Regents all presented glowing reports. The Exam Administration Committee is preparing sites and proctors for the 2008 exam to be held in San Francisco, California; Buffalo, New York; Nashville, Tennessee; Salt Lake City, Utah; and St. Louis, Missouri. We expect there will be a number of "Pick your own sites" available as well. For those interested, applications may be submitted before July 1 for two available travel awards which include a waiver of the examination fee.

The Exam Development Committee met Friday and Saturday prior to the board meeting at which time they prepared a new exam, reviewed potential questions, and completed Item Bank Maintenance.

Certification Maintenance reported that 287 archivists maintained their certification either by petition or examination in 2007. This includes the inaugural Class of 1989. Five certification review teams worked diligently last summer to process the large number of petitions.

Outreach has been working overtime to meet their goals of improving outreach to students, archival educators, and archival employers. This spring you can watch for ACA exhibits or information to be at the Society of Rocky Mountain Archivists, Conference of Intermountain Archivists, Southern California Archivists, Northwest Archivists, Southern Archives Conference, Midwest Archives Conference, Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference, Michigan Archivists Association,

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Society of Southwest Archivists, the Western Archives Institute, and the Association for Recorded Sound Collections conferences.

The Nominating committee worked hard to put together an excellent ballot, so please take the time to read about the candidates, make a selection and vote, and return the ballot to be counted.

The Newsletter is preparing to recognize the ACA 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2009, and the board is accepting thoughts or ideas that can be used to celebrate this milestone. The board also discussed the issue of mailing newsletters when an electronic copy is available via email and on our website. Watch for changes.

Our ACA website is receiving approximately 40,000 hits each year with 2,000 unique users per month. Clearly members are using the services we provide. David Malone will be stepping down as webmaster this year, and after a fruitful search, a new webmaster has been selected.

Other business reported includes that ACA is 923 members strong, adding 70 new members this year. The board will be examining and updating its records retention schedule. We also strongly agreed that our mailing list is never for sale and as a result of that discussion there will be new measures to protect the mailing list, available via our website, from robotic harvesters.

The next board meeting will be at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, August 27, in San Francisco, California.

Individual regent reports and complete minutes of the meeting will be available on the ACA web site at the following URL:

[www.certifiedarchivists.org/boardinfo/](http://www.certifiedarchivists.org/boardinfo/)

## Emeritus Status for Administrators

Connell B. Gallagher, CA Emeritus

Cindy Smolovik, CA

In the fall newsletter, Cindy Smolovik reported on the task force that was formed to look at issues relating to Certified Archivists whose work situation had changed to the point where they were no longer spending 40% of their time on archives-related duties. One of the options suggested for their retaining the CA was to broaden the “Emeritus Status” category of membership to include all of those Certified Archivists who had in essence “retired” from archival work even though they were still employed full-time. The ACA Board of Regents agreed at the recently concluded spring 2008 meeting that this was the way to go in order to retain these valuable members in the Academy. Cindy Smolovik and Connell Gallagher were charged to develop application guidelines for those interested in becoming “CA Emeritus,” and to report on these at the next board meeting this summer.

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Members of the board prepare for the mid-year meeting in the reading room of the Cuyahoga County Archives in Cleveland, Ohio.

Photograph: editor

**Alissa Cherry  
Archivist & Librarian  
Union of British Columbia Indian  
Chiefs Resource Center  
Vancouver, British Columbia**

by Linda Hocking, CA

Alissa Cherry is the Archivist and Librarian for the Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs (UBCIC) Resource Center in Vancouver, British Columbia. Her duties encompass everything from administrative tasks, such as grant writing and staff supervision, to tackling difficult digitization projects with unusual material formats. Cherry certified by exam in 2006 and says, “ACA certification is a great compliment to my MLIS for the career path I plan to follow.”

Cherry’s repository “documents the political struggle for Aboriginal rights and recognition in British Columbia.” The archives holds a variety of material formats. Cherry eagerly tackles this challenge with innovative solutions:

The variety of formats we have in the archives is a challenge, but also very interesting. Right now, we’re working on a project to digitize our 1/2" open reel videotape with vintage equipment I found on eBay. Hardly any archives will even touch that format so it is exciting to be breaking some new ground and demonstrate that you don’t necessarily need a lot of money and fancy equipment to make things happen and produce excellent results.

**Academy Profile**

This feature profiles members of the Academy of Certified Archivists. If you would like to suggest someone to be featured, or if you yourself would like to appear in the column, please contact:

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Photograph courtesy of Alissa Cherry

Alissa Cherry, CA, stands in a storage area of the Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs Resource Center surrounded by some of the different record formats she frequently works with. She is holding a 1/2 inch video tape.

Completing such projects in-house is admittedly due to budget. Cherry notes that if cost were not a factor, such a project would be outsourced.

Citing technology as having the greatest affect on the archives in recent years, Cherry points out that, in the case of the UBCIC Center, the affect is not just in the way it impacts the work in the

archives, but also in how it can have a largely positive effect on their users. She states,

Due to the fact that most of our community members and researchers are in remote areas far from Vancouver, a lot of our efforts have been focused on our digital initiatives

and making our collections available via the Internet.... I also feel really good about the work I do here since facilitating this kind of research can help to make some real change for the better and actually improve people’s lives.

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## Academy Profile - Alissa Cherry

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Using tools like web surveys and focus groups, the UBCIC Center has solicited input on what types of materials would be useful to have in digital formats. Additionally, condition of existing collections plays a role in selecting what items to digitize:

...format also plays a big part in our selection. It's pretty much now or never for our reel video which is already starting to succumb to sticky shed syndrome... we are adapting Sarah Stauderman's videotape preservation priority matrix to include some Aboriginal elements in an effort to ensure we capture the content that has the most value to us first.

Like many archivists, Cherry finds the struggle to prioritize responsibilities within a limited budget to be the greatest challenge. Her staff consists of a full-time archivist, a part-time library technician, several students and volunteers, and grant-funded digitization librarians. Even with this number of employees, juggling everyday tasks with the end results expected by granting agencies can prove difficult. Still, solutions such as open-source software continue to aid archivists in overcoming limited finances. Cherry was, in part, attracted to this position because of the use of open-source solutions for both digital collections and an Integrated Library System.

If you would like to take a look at some of the UBCIC Center's work, visit [www.ubcic.bc.ca/Resources/](http://www.ubcic.bc.ca/Resources/). Cherry says you can access three digital collections right now, with more to come in the near future.

Linda Hocking, CA, is the Curator of Library and Archives at the Litchfield Historical Society in Litchfield, Connecticut.

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Emeritus Status was a special category created to:

- honor members' career contributions to the profession
- allow members to remain fully active in the Academy to the degree they wish
- reduce a member's annual dues to a token amount (currently \$10 annually)
- exempt members from the recertification process

The handbook indicates that "any current ACA member in good standing may apply for emeritus status upon retirement from archival work. Simply check the box on your annual dues form noting that you are applying for emeritus status, enclose a letter stating when you retired, and enclose a check for emeritus dues with your dues form and letter."

Emeritus status will not be an option for those who are still actively employed as archivists. They will need to go through the recertification process. We will revise the current handbook statement and craft a simple application process that will meet the needs of the growing number of administrators while encouraging the majority of archivists to stick with current recertification requirements. We will report these new guidelines in the next issue of the newsletter. ♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦♦

### Upcoming ACA Events - 2008

ANNUAL MEETING  
San Francisco, California

**August 27** • Certification Examination  
• Annual Board Meeting

**August 28** • Open Forum on Certification

# Editor's Endpaper

ACA election ballots for 2008 have been mailed! If you have yet to receive a ballot, please contact:

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**Completed ballots must be postmarked by:**

**June 1, 2008**

## 2008 ACA Election Slate:

### Vice President/President-Elect

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Stephen G. McShane, CA, Indiana University Northwest

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Stephanie B. Malmros, CA, Center for American History

Mary Elizabeth Ruwell, CA, US Air Force Academy

### Regent for Outreach

Todd Gilliom, CA, Missouri Office of the Secretary of State

David B. Malone, CA, Wheaton College

### Nominating Committee

Russell D. James, CA, Daughters of the Republic of  
Texas Library at the Alamo

Gerrienne Schaad, CA, Dumbarton Oaks

## In Remembrance

### Linda Jean Henry, 1944-2008

Linda Henry, CA, member of the ACA Class of 1989, died on March 30, 2008, of cancer at the Chesapeake Hospice House in Harwood, Maryland. She had worked as an archivist at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) for more than 23 years, retiring in 2007. Her last position at NARA was as a senior archivist in the Electronic and Special Media Records Services Division. Henry's archival work prior to her time at NARA included the Schlesinger Library at Radcliffe College, the National Council of Negro Women, and the American Psychiatric Association.

Henry was born in West Plains, Missouri and attended the University of Missouri in Columbia from 1961 to 1966, earning BS and MA degrees in Education.

Henry was active in the archival profession, including the Society of American Archivists, which named her a Fellow in 1987, and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Archives Conference. Her expertise and influence in the area of electronic records is evidenced by her seminal publication "Shellenberg in Cyberspace" (*The American Archivist*, 61/2, 1998) and her contribution to Bruce Ambacher's *Thirty years of Electronic Records* (2003) entitled "Appraisal of Electronic Records: Traditional Principles Endure."

[Information for this notice was taken from the obituary for Linda Henry written by Craig Winslow and submitted by him to the Washington Post.]

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