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## Treasurer's Report

By Joel Thoreson,

*Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Archives*

Fall 2017 Council Meeting Columbus, Ohio, October 12, 2017

### 2017 Budget Update

Our income is down about \$10,000 from where we were at this point last year, all attributable to the Annual Meeting income. Our spending is down by about \$6,000, though, so overall we're just off by about \$4,000 at this point. We have not yet received invoices for the second journal issue for the year, nor have we received invoices for the Fall Symposium. The fourth quarter AMC bill and the annual insurance payment are yet to be paid. Once those are paid, we should come in slightly under our budget expectations of \$118,966 expenses. The remaining income depends upon membership renewals. If we remain down \$10,000 from last year, we may end up at around \$100,000 in total income for the year, leaving us with a \$15,000 to \$18,000 deficit.

### 2018 Budget

The 2018 Chicago LAC anticipates income of \$60,300 and expenses of \$57,430. I've already received some early donations, so \$3,000 of the income expectations shows up on the 2017 budget. I've added the annual 3 percent AMC increase into the budget and matched various other categories to final results in 2016. Membership renewal amounts were down in 2016, and we're not yet sure about final 2017 numbers, but I've budgeted a modest increase based on a possible dues increase.

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## MAC 2018 Elections

### MAC Slate

#### Vice President:

- Joshua Ranger, University Archivist, University of Wisconsin–Oshkosh, Oshkosh Wisconsin
- Michelle Sweetser, Head Librarian and University Archivist, Center for Archival Collections, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio

#### Treasurer:

- Stephanie Bricking, Metadata Librarian, Cincinnati Public Library, Cincinnati, Ohio
- Colleen McFarland Rademaker, Associate Librarian for Special Collections, Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, New York

#### Council (1 position):

- Tara Laver, Archivist, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, Missouri
- Carrie Schwier, Outreach and Public Services Archivist, Indiana University Archives, Bloomington, Indiana

#### Nominating Committee (2 positions):

- Doris Cardenas, Assistant Archivist, Claretian Missionaries, Chicago, Illinois
- Lindsay Hiltunen, University Archivist, University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan
- Anita Mechler, Project Manager/Archivist, Black Metropolis Research Consortium (BMRC), Chicago, Illinois
- Anne Ryckbost, Archives Librarian, Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio

### Nominate a Special MACer for the Distinguished Service Award!

MAC's Distinguished Service Award recognizes the otherwise unsung contributions of our MAC friends and colleagues who have given a great deal to the organization. Please take a moment to think of all the people you know who have been quietly contributing their time and talents to MAC: the people who offer to serve on committees and are ready to fill in as workshop leaders or session participants at the last minute, those who will happily work at the registration table when they learn that someone has just canceled, or those who can whip up a quick article for the newsletter when you need to fill that last quarter-page.

The Distinguished Service Award was created to recognize individuals who give generously of their time and talent with little or no formal recognition and who likely have never served in an elected MAC position. Since its inception, MAC has made this award to a very small group of deserving individuals.

For guidelines, visit [midwestarc.memberclicks.net/distinguished-service-award](http://midwestarc.memberclicks.net/distinguished-service-award). The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2018, and they should be submitted directly to the chair of the MAC Presidents' Award Committee, which also oversees the Distinguished Service Award: Ellen Swain, [eswain@illinois.edu](mailto:eswain@illinois.edu).

## Nominations Sought for Emeritus Member Award

Each year, the MAC Membership Committee solicits nominations from the MAC membership for candidates to the status of emeritus member. Nominees must be retired from archival work and have been MAC members for a minimum of 10, not necessarily consecutive, years. More important, nominees must have made a significant and substantial contribution to MAC during their archival careers.

The Emeritus Membership Award and special membership status of emeritus member were created to recognize retired members who contributed to the success, growth, and visibility of MAC through committee work, programming, outreach, and governance. The award intends to recognize those who work behind the scenes for MAC, as well as those who have been honored by election to office.

The deadline for nominations is January 31. Click on Awards at the MAC website, [www.midwestarchives.org](http://www.midwestarchives.org), then download the Emeritus Award nomination form.

Send the completed form to Matthew Gorzalski, University Archivist, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Library Affairs, 605 Agriculture Drive, Mailcode 6632, Carbondale, Illinois, 62901, or e-mail it to [m.gorzalski@gmail.com](mailto:m.gorzalski@gmail.com).

## Louisa Bowen Memorial Scholarship

The Midwest Archives Conference is soliciting applications for its annual Louisa Bowen Memorial Scholarship for Graduate Students in Archival Administration. The scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to a resident or full-time student in the MAC region pursuing graduate education in archival administration. One award, comprising a \$750 scholarship and a one-year membership to MAC, will be presented in 2016.

To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. Applicants must be residents of, or full-time students residing in, one of the following states: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, or Wisconsin.
2. Applicants must be currently enrolled in, or accepted into, a graduate, multicourse program in archival administration. If the program is not listed in the *SAA Directory of Archival Education*, [www.archivists.org/prof-education/edd-index.asp](http://www.archivists.org/prof-education/edd-index.asp), the applicant must provide proof of the multicourse standard by submitting copies of course descriptions from the institution's current departmental catalog.
3. Applicants must have a grade-point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in their academic programs.

Complete application information is available on the MAC website at [www.midwestarchives.org/bowen](http://www.midwestarchives.org/bowen) or from the Bowen Scholarship Committee chair, Shaun Hayes, Assistant Archivist, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, SOIS, 3247 N. Bartlett Avenue, #4, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211, e-mail: [sahayes1@yahoo.com](mailto:sahayes1@yahoo.com).

**Applications must be received electronically or postmarked by February 22, 2018.** Awards will be announced at the MAC Annual Meeting. Award winner(s) are also expected to write an essay for the *MAC Newsletter* on their experiences at the meeting and its importance to their professional development.

### Wanted: Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship Applicants

MAC is soliciting applications for the 2015 Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship for Minority Students. The scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival administration and to encourage ethnic diversification of the MAC membership and of the archival profession as a whole. Two \$750 scholarships, accompanied by one-year memberships to MAC, will be awarded.

To be eligible for a scholarship, the applicant must be of African, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, or Latino descent; must be a student currently enrolled in or accepted in a graduate, multicourse program in archival administration; and must have a grade-point average of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in his or her academic program. If the program is not listed in the SAA *Directory of Archival Education*, [archivists.org/prof-education/edd-index.asp](http://archivists.org/prof-education/edd-index.asp), the applicant must provide proof of the multicourse standard by submitting copies of course descriptions from the institution's current departmental catalog. Applicants are not required to be residents of or attend school in the MAC region.

Applications are available on the MAC website and from the Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship for Minority Students Committee chair, Rachel Howard, Digital Initiatives Librarian, University of Louisville Libraries, Archives and Special Collections, Louisville, Kentucky 40292, phone: 502-852-4476, e-mail: [rachel.howard@louisville.edu](mailto:rachel.howard@louisville.edu).

**Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2018.** Awards will be announced no later than June 1, 2018. Award winner(s) are also expected to write an essay for the *MAC Newsletter* on their experiences at the meeting and its importance to their professional development.

### Emeritus Scholarship for First-Time MAC Meeting Attendees

The February 1 deadline for applications for this scholarship is fast approaching! This early deadline enables the successful applicant(s) to receive the scholarship committee's decision in time to make travel plans for the spring Annual Meeting. If you are contemplating attending your first MAC meeting this spring and would like some financial assistance, consider applying for this scholarship.

The MAC Emeritus Scholarship provides a one-time travel stipend of up to \$500, or two \$250 stipends, to graduate students or practicing archivists who have not previously attended a MAC meeting. The award may be used to cover registration, travel, lodging, workshop fees, and any other meeting expenses. MAC membership is not required, nor do applicants need to reside in the MAC region. The scholarship was envisioned by Emeritus Member Tim Ericson, and initial funding was provided by other MAC emeriti.

Applications for the scholarship may be downloaded from the MAC website at [www.midwestarchives.org](http://www.midwestarchives.org). See "MAC Emeritus Scholarship" under Awards. Applications must include an essay of no more than 500 words and one letter of support. **Applications and supporting documentation may be submitted either electronically or by postal mail and must be received or postmarked by February 1.** Electronic submissions are preferred. Please send all submission information to Emily Gainer, Special Collections Librarian/Assistant Processing Archivist, Drs. Nicholas and Dorothy Cummings Center for the History of Psychology, 73 S. College Street, Akron, Ohio 44325-4302, e-mail: [erlockh@uakron.edu](mailto:erlockh@uakron.edu).

The award will be announced at the Annual Meeting. Award winner(s) are also expected to write an essay for the *MAC Newsletter* on their experiences at the meeting and its importance to their professional development.

## A Very Autumnal Archival Issues

By Alexandra A. A. Orchard, CA, Archival Issues Editorial Board Chair,  
Wayne State University

As I write this, *Archival Issues*, 38.2 is about to go to press. The issue is exciting, not only for the quality of articles and reviews, but also the variety of subjects covered. While the topics are disparate—exhibits, theoretical convergence, and interinstitutional collaboration—they all center on challenges facing archives and provide engaging suggestions for improvement and growth, as archivists and as a profession.

Jolie Braun (The Ohio State University) discusses the creation of Duke University Medical Center Library and Archives' small exhibits program, addressing the issues and extrapolating lessons learned and how professionals can apply them at their own institutions. Eric Willey (Illinois State University) examines the convergence of theory in libraries and archives using quantitative analysis by surveying citations, subject headings, and papers. And Christine McEvelly (College of Staten Island, CUNY) contextualizes the challenges faced by large and small institutions when collaborating on archival projects through the example of

the American Jewish History project.

The issue includes nine book reviews. Three of the reviewed volumes are part of SAA's *Trends in Archives Practice* series and cover appraisal and acquisition, teaching with primary sources, and digital preservation. Another three reviewed works center on digital materials, with one tackling preservation, and the others focusing on the broader issues of digital library programs and trustworthy digital repositories. The remaining three reviews cover books about managing local government archives, the future of special collections, and a collection of essays resulting from the seventh International Conference on the History of Records and Archives.

*Archival Issues* always welcomes submissions. Whether you are a new author, or have published before, please consider *Archival Issues*. For questions and submissions, please contact *Archival Issues* editorial board chair Alexandra A. A. Orchard: alexandra@wayne.edu.

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