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*Menzi L. Behrnd-Klodt, Vice President, Midwest Archives Conference*

I'm excited to write my first Vice President's Column! It's been four fast, furious, and fun months since I upgraded to V.P. 1.0 and began getting to know and work with the many dedicated people who make MAC's meetings so educational and collegial. Further upgrades are anticipated over the next 18 months, and there's more to learn. I could not have gotten this far without the time, expertise, and patience generously offered by Mark Shelstad, Ellen Swain, and Council and Committee members. Thank you! Below is an update on upcoming MAC meetings.

### **Cincinnati, Ohio, October 18–20, 2012**

Plans are set for a stimulating and engaging Fall Symposium. I look forward to seeing you at "Engaging with Students & Teachers: Integrating Primary Sources in K–16 Curricula" in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 18–20, 2012! See the article on this issue's cover for more information.

### **Indianapolis, Indiana, April 17–20, 2013**

With the theme "In the Driver's Seat," the 2013 Annual Meeting will roar into Indy to rev up MAC archivists for a quick lap or two around the archival track. For additional information, please see page 4.

### **Green Bay, Wisconsin, September 25–27, 2013**

The 2013 Fall Symposium focuses on helping archivists refine and enhance their on-line presence. Almost all of the program slots have been filled. Sessions include user-centered design; Omeka for on-line exhibits; open source crowdsourcing tools for participatory transcription projects; scan-on-demand reference service; and Wikipedia for better sharing of archival information. The Hyatt has been selected as the conference hotel, and our contract has been signed. Local Arrangements has identified several potential donors to help underwrite costs and has begun negotiations for reception venues. Keep an eye out for updates as they become available!

### **Kansas City, Missouri, April 2014**

#### **Archives and BBQ and Jazz—Oh My!**

Council has approved Kansas City as the site of the 2014 Annual Meeting. Cochairs Jennifer Audsley Moore and Audrey Coleman have been selected to head the

Local Arrangements Committee; Michelle Sweetser and Jeremy Brett will lead the Program Committee. The Committees are getting formed and running. MAC's new logistics vendor, AMC Source (Debra S. Nolan), will provide support with hotel selection and negotiations. Decisions on the exact date of the meeting will be made shortly.

### **Future Meetings**

MAC is looking for members with ideas for future meetings and sites! If your area hasn't hosted a MAC meeting recently, why not gather your nearby colleagues, draft a proposal, and invite us to share what your locale has to offer? Please contact me at [Menzi@xyte.com](mailto:Menzi@xyte.com), and I will be happy to discuss your ideas or answer your questions.



## **Upcoming MAC Meeting Sites and Dates**

**Annual Meeting, 2013  
Indianapolis, IN**

April 17–20, 2013

**Fall Symposium, 2013  
Green Bay, WI**

September 25–27, 2013

**Annual Meeting, 2014  
Kansas City, MO**