Archives Committee

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Information items:

- 1. All of past president William Lidicker's correspondence from the University of California, Berkeley has been received at the Smithsonian for transfer to the ASM Archives.
- 2. Assisted with the preparation of the obituary for B. J. Verts. It appeared in the August 2012 [JM 93:1216–1222] issue of the *Journal*.
- 3. Worked with the Honorary Membership Committee to produce the awards that that will be presented at the annual meetings.
- 4. Received a considerable number of photographs of interest to the Society from David Armstrong, Don and Glennis Kaufman, and William Lidicker for the ASM's archives including a number of older annual meeting images. These are being sorted, labeled, and selected ones sent to Matt Hopton for scanning and uploading onto the Archives Committee's web page (see Our History tab (www.mammalsociety.org/committees/archives#tab7). Matt is exploring different formats for storing the photographs and legends (i.e., pdf, txt, doc, etc.). Thus, it is advantageous for us to have as many original photographs and the associated legends as possible to work with. The Society owes Mary Hopton our heartfelt thanks for volunteering her skills in this endeavor as many of the older images are of varying quality and awkward sizes. Please look at the photographs of the annual meetings that are posted and provide us with the originals of any that you do not see posted.

Interestingly, only photographs of the Board of Directors were taken in some years as a substitute for the traditional group photograph because it was deemed that the entire group had become so large that the group photo seemed of little value.

- 5. The bibliographies of several more past presidents
- 6. Archivist Gardner continued to sort, process, organize, and prepare material for transfer to the Smithsonian Archives.

Future needs: Please send us images of interest to the Society and our science of mammalogy.

Respectively submitted,

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