

Archives Committee

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Information Items:

(1) Received several photographs of interest to the Society for the ASM's archives including a number of older annual meeting images. These are being sorted, labeled, and selected ones have been scanned and uploaded onto the Archives Committee's web page (see Our History tab; www.mammalsociety.org/committees/archives#tab7). More images await uploading. 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. We are still missing a considerable number of annual meeting images so please check your files for us and provide interesting images to our Archives.

Among the interesting images received are 2 × 2 Kodachromes from Richard Van Gelder's collection of images of mammalogists and includes images of our meetings from the 1950s, 60s, 70s, and early 80s. His slides were originally donated to the ASM's Mammal Images Library Committee, and Chair David Huckaby forwarded the people images to the Archives Committee. These include a number of our senior members in their younger years.

(2) Background information and images on the Society and several members were provided to several of our members who are authors on the upcoming 100 Anniversary volume.

(3) References and citations were provided to a number of ASM authors and editors as they were finalizing articles for the *Journal of Mammalogy*.

(4) Assisted the Nomenclature Committee with rewriting the *Journal's* Instructions to Authors for Nomenclatural Issues. This new document should significantly assist authors for both the *Journal* and *Mammalian Species* (and other journals) and reduce errors in production. Our goal is to provide the highest standard for the treatment of new names in publications, especially those involving the description of new taxa. The new instructions will be available as one of the sections of the *Journal of Mammalogy* Instructions to authors at: https://academic.oup.com/jmammal/pages/general_instructions

(5) A number of Society documents were received and will be sent to Archivist Gardner for transfer to the Smithsonian Archives.

Future needs: We recommend that a third member be added to this committee, someone younger and more tech savvy than the two current members. Archival and ready retrieval of images and making our images of the ongoing meetings more readily available is a rapidly growing need. Please continue to send us images of interest to the Society and our Science of Mammalogy.

Respectively submitted,

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