

Reports the AIS Board of Directors
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New Equipment

The new equipment purchased by ASI for both positions has arrived and has been set up. Additional memory was installed with visible effect on the ability to multitask and use RAM intensive software. There was a smooth transition of Software and files. We are awaiting the new version of FileMaker Pro 18. FileMaker is now Claris and we await the impact this will have on software and transferring files.

Image Coordinator

Continue to work with the Registrar to gather images for New Introduction

Contacted several Registrants/Hybridizer to assist in the Process

Reviewing the effectiveness of the current processes. Slight changes may be made.

Set up Google Drive folder and gave access to registrar of the B.I.S.

Communicated with leadership of Wiki to improve efficacy of image transfers to the Encyclopedia.

This is ongoing. I am awaiting proposals from Bob Pries and further communication with Terry Laurin.

AIS Presentation Coordinator

Continuing to distribute programs to members as requested.

The updated form of available programs is on the website, though I have sent copies directly to members upon request, and help people find the form on the new website.

Received updated presentations from Barry Blyth with annotations. I would like to add more like this! Blyth sent this in Mac's "Keynote" format. While there is an "Export to PowerPoint" feature, the results are rarely acceptable. I have been working to put this into a clean Microsoft format

The new equipment will allow me beginning building video presentations, receive these from others for distribution with editing. This is an area into which I believe we should move.

TO BE DONE:

- Improve the pipeline for image submission from Registrars, Hybridizers and Photographers.
- Gather and distribute presentations from locals.
- Work with locals to convert collected materials into shareable presentations,
- Encourage local leaders and hybridizers to share their knowledge and experiences through programs such as these.
- Gather video interviews of hybridizers for the archives of the AIS.