Activities:
At the 2013 Pasadena conference the Cataloging Section meeting included annual reports from our liaisons to American Library Association (ALA)’s Committee on Cataloging: Description & Access, the MARC Advisory Committee, and the Subject Analysis Committee – these reports are an integral part being an informed community of catalogers and are most welcome every year. The rest of that year’s discussion was concerning RDA, RDA NACO, and how each institution was going to handle training. Discussion was also held concerning possible topics of presentations/workshops for the 2014 conference.

ARLIS/NA Strategic Plan Possible Action Items:

GOAL 1: Articulate New Directions and Identify for the Profession:

- Action: identify new membership
  - By posting on AUTOCAT and other cataloging related list serves and emphasizing selecting the Cataloging Section when first joining ARLIS/NA.
  - By contacting library and information science instructors to let them know about art-related cataloging activities within ARLIS/NA and their local chapters

GOAL 2: Expand Mentoring, Management, and Transition Skills:

- Action: introduce mentoring opportunities
  - By actively soliciting cataloging mentors throughout the year.
- Action: encourage professional development
  - By having mini-presentations at the conference section meeting on a topic
    - Send out solicitations for presenters in January of each year.
  - By ensuring that there is at least one cataloging-related program and/or workshop at the yearly conference
    - Solicit topics for the next year’s conference in January and discuss at the cataloging section meeting. Make concrete plans.
- Keep in contact with conference planners to make sure they are considering cataloging-related proposals. (IN PROGRESS)
  o By adding more cataloging instructional information on the ARLIS/NA Cataloging Section page. (IN PROGRESS)

GOAL 3: Create Stronger Leadership through Promotion, Cooperation and Advocacy:

- Action: foster partnerships with other professional organizations:
  o By forming a closer bond with ARLIS/NA’s Cataloging Advisory Committee (CAC) – the CAC is necessary as a standing committee to hammer out policy on cataloging issues, the Cataloging Section appropriately can aim at training and collaborating with them on non-policy issues.
  o By contacting ALA’s Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) – they present webinars on a regular basis. We could offer to co-sponsor/create webinars with them.

- Action: build stronger partnerships/programming with European organizations
  o By contacting our European counterparts (ARLIS/UK & Ireland, etc.) about program ideas

GOAL 5: Strengthen the Society’s Communication and Operational Infrastructure

- Action: improve communication across the organization:
  o By partnering with the Cataloging Advisory Committee with a website, list serve, or wiki

- Action: facilitate the transfer of leadership by identifying tools/best practices for accomplishments
  o By writing up guidelines and procedures for the moderators/vice-moderators of the cataloging section, including a calendar
  o By ensuring that moderators mentor and involve vice-moderators in all section activities