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PRESIDENT'S BLOG

By Ana Aquino-Perez

Happy New Year!

We hope your Holidays were everything you were expecting and more and that the new year brings you all the desires of your hearts.

A new year is a time for reflections and new resolutions. Our chapter has already implemented new resolutions for this and the upcoming years. We have put in place an inclement weather policy to ensure our members know when last-minute changes are made to our events because of reasons beyond our control. Tim Hughes has implemented a way to communicate to our members when such changes happen—through our Web site and in program announcements.

With that in mind, we have rescheduled our December program for January 8. Make sure you check the announcement and the Web site for specific details. We will still hold our charity drive. So don't forget to bring your contributions for the raffle and any additional contributions you would like to make. We can still make the new year special for some needy people.

Remember to check the Web site for our upcoming programs, activities, and the seminar. We are looking forward to seeing you again.

Happy 2008!!!



TELL US HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU!

Help us keep in touch with you, our greatest resource—ARMA-Madison Members! We use e-mail often to update you on happenings of our chapter. Make sure we have your correct e-mail address and, as always, your current postal address.



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<http://www.armamadison.org/>

Check the ARMA Madison Web site frequently as new information is posted as it becomes available.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 8, 2008: *Financial and Consumer Fraud Protection-Protect Yourself*, Jeanne Benink, AARP, Patricia Struck, DFI, and Susan Schilz, OPP, ARMA Madison/BFMA, Inn-on-the-Park, 7:30 a.m.

January 21, 2008: *Business Classification Schemes*, James Just/IMERGE Consulting, Fox Valley/Green Bay, Liberty Hall, Kimberly, Wisconsin, 3 p.m., Chris.Kuitert@Bemismfg.com

January 23, 2008: *A Primer on Managing, Maintaining, and Surviving Your Own Information*, Tim Hughes, CRM, and Harold Coltharp, CRM, ARMA Milwaukee, Venice Club, Brookfield, 11:15 a.m., www.armamilwaukee.org

March 11, 2008, *It's What My Company and I Didn't Know We Didn't Know About Email Retention That Got Us in Trouble*, Thomas E. Reding, Tri-Chapter Meeting, Holiday Inn, Fond du Lac, 4:45 p.m.

April 16, 2008: ARMA Madison Spring Seminar, Fluno Center, Madison

May 4-8, 2008: BFMA 2008 Symposium, Las Vegas, Nevada

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GREAT QUOTES

Destiny isn't a matter of chance, it's a matter of choice; it's not a thing to be waited for, it's a thing to be achieved.

William Jennings Bryan

Are you baking and/or crafting for the joint ARMA/BFMA meeting on January 8? Remember to bring nonperishable food items and hats, gloves, and mittens. The need still exists, and there is a lot of winter left.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM ARMA INTERNATIONAL

Swiss Adopt Records Management Standard

The Swiss federal administration has adopted the eCH-0038-Records Management Framework model as a federal standard for eGovernment, according to the *European ePractice* newsletter. The reference model is a Swiss adaptation of *ISO 15489:2001, Information and documentation – Records Management, Part 1*.

EU to Fund Technology to Protect Privacy on the Web

The European Commission (EC) will "significantly" increase funding in the next few years to support the development of technologies that protect user privacy on the Internet, EC Vice President Franco Frattini announced on 4 December.

Speaking at the Microsoft Innovation Day, Frattini underlined the importance the EC attributes to privacy enhancing technologies (PETs). "We support the development of PETs," Frattini said to an audience of information and communication technology experts. "The commission will encourage consumers to use PETs through awareness raising campaigns. We will provide money for data protection and privacy projects."

PCLOB Removes FOIA Regulations

The White House Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (PCLOB) is [removing](#) its Freedom of Information Act regulations currently published at 6 CFR Chapter X. This action is being taken because, pursuant to provisions of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-53), PCLOB as it is currently constituted will be abolished no later than January 30, 2008, and replaced with a new independent agency within the executive branch. This new independent agency will be responsible for promulgating its own regulations. The rule is effective on January 30, 2008.

Election Season Is Open: Meet the Candidates

Get to know the candidates for ARMA International's 2008 Board of Directors. Read their bios, available online, to learn about their background and perspective on key issues. www.arma.org

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY PROCEDURE

By Tim Hughes

As a result of the inclement weather we experienced on December 11, we had to postpone a meeting for the first time in a long while. We certainly have been very fortunate over the years to “dodge the bad weather bullet.”

This experience brought to the Chapter’s attention that we really did not have any procedures in place for this eventuality. You would have thought that living in Wisconsin for this long that this would have been a given! The ARMA-Madison Chapter Board discussed this issue at our last meeting and came up with a plan to handle this in the future.

First, you will add a text box on all future program announcements that will direct you to call the Program Chair’s work phone number for a recorded message. Or you could call the event venue—venue phone numbers will be on all future program announcements. Finally, if possible, an announcement will be placed on the Web site: www.armamadison.org.

In addition, the reservation person will request a cell phone or home phone number for anyone traveling to Madison to attend the meeting.

We hope these measures will help us handle any future inclement weather postponement or cancellation problems. We apologize for any inconvenience that was caused because of the meeting cancellation.



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