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From The Chair

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My fellow MAGIRTers (MAGIRTians?), we have reached my final column as chair of this fine organization. I feel as though I just blinked and a year has gone by. I am looking forward to seeing many of you for ALA Annual in Chicago later this month. As a native of Chicagoland, which is a real word used by those of us from the Chicago metropolitan area, I am excited to attend my first ALA in the city. We have an exciting slate of programming coming up, detailed elsewhere in this fine publication. For myself, I am looking forward to the Friday afternoon tour of the Newberry Library's fantastic map collection.

Looking beyond Annual, Tim Kiser will ascend to the chair position, while I will do what I can from the position of past chair, and Erin Cheever becomes next in line as vice-chair. We are still in need of a new editor for *baseline* as well as a new webmaster, so please consider volunteering if you have the interest and bandwidth. Because it is summer and the Oklahoma heat is not yet oppressive, I am going to end this last column early and go take a walk in the sunshine. Wherever and whenever you read this, I encourage you to do the same!



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Tammy Wong

Library of Congress

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New Maps and Cartographic Materials columnist

An opportunity is open for you if you wish to contribute to *base line*!

We have an opening for someone who would like to write the **New Maps and Cartographic Materials** column.

If you enjoy finding and exploring new atlases, maps and websites and also enjoy writing then why not combine the two together and write about them. This is a wonderful opportunity to make an impactful contribution to our part of the library profession.

New Publication Alert!

A new, freely available digital publication, [*Conducting a Map Collection Review: A Workbook to Help You on the Journey*](#), by Janet Reyes, Geospatial Information Librarian at the University of California, Riverside, is now available from the American Library Association as a free download. [Read more](#) about this practical and useful publication.

