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## ASLRRA WELCOMES MORE NEW MEMBERS

With great pleasure, we welcome the following new railroad member:

**Cincinnati Southern Railway:** The Cincinnati Southern operates 336 miles of line in Kentucky, Ohio and Tennessee. They utilize Reporting Mark CNSR and interchange with Norfolk Southern. Reach them at 2940 Observatory Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45208, (513) 703-8055, [www.cincinnati-oh.gov](http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov). A good contact there is Thomas McOwen at [rail@fuse.net](mailto:rail@fuse.net).

And with like pleasure, welcome the following new associate member:

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(CORRECTION: In the last edition, we welcomed **Lone Star Railroad Contractors Inc**, but misspelled their vice-president's name. Our apologies to Joe Crow, who may be emailed at [joe@lonestarr.net](mailto:joe@lonestarr.net).)

Are you aware of a company with different products or services than your own and interested in heightening their visibility to short line and regional railroads? Then let Cheryl Huyck know, so that she may acquaint them with the many benefits of becoming an ASLRRA associate member. Contact Cheryl at [chuyck@aslrra.org](mailto:chuyck@aslrra.org), P: (202) 585-3431.

## RAILROAD DAY: SCENES AND SPONSORS



Pictured above are scenes from Railroad Day On Capitol Hill, held February 26. As reported in our previous edition, RRDOCH and the Annual Legislative Dinner drew a record-breaking crowd of over 550 railroaders, rail shippers, and other friends of the railroad industry. At top left, attendees review their appointments at the early morning briefing; at top right, U.S. Representative John Mica (R-Florida) discusses rail issues being debated by the 111<sup>th</sup> Congress; at bottom left, ASLRRA President Rich Timmons presents the annual EARL Award – a replica of the Statue of Freedom atop the Capitol dome – to the late James Brunkenhoefer of the United Transportation Union, with Donald Dunlevy accepting on behalf of the UTU; and at bottom right, David Tittsworth, Keith Hartwell and the Consensual Sound singers of Washington, DC's Sidwell Friends School perform at the Annual Legislative Dinner to conclude the day's activities and the night's festivities. (*top left and bottom left photos by ASLRRA's Jennie Lam Nagata*)

Additional photos from Railroad Day may be viewed online at [railroadday.shutterfly.com](http://railroadday.shutterfly.com)



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## **BREAKING NEWS: RAILWAY AGE NAMES PACIFIC HARBOR LINE, WISCONSIN & SOUTHERN RAILROADS OF THE YEAR**

Railway Age Magazine has just announced Wilmington, CA-based Pacific Harbor Line the 2009 Short Line Railroad of the Year and the Wisconsin & Southern Railroad the 2009 Regional Railroad of the Year.

“This year’s two winners have leveraged energy savings and environmental advantages to best effect among many quality candidates nominated,” said Railway Age Publisher Robert P. DeMarco. “The award winners took a proactive stance to maximize those advantages, including strong marketing to customers, ongoing customer service, effective asset utilization, wise capital investments, and teamwork within their organization and with connecting roads. Given ongoing economic conditions, both also engaged in active discussion and cooperation with government officials at the local, regional, state, and/or federal level—communications that may matter a great deal in trying times.”

For Regional Railroad of the Year Wisconsin & Southern, it is the company’s second time being so honored; the Milwaukee-based operation also garnered Railway Age’s 2001 Regional Railroad of the Year. In 2002, WSOR won the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association’s Marketing Award.

The awards will be presented at the American Short Line & Regional Railroad Association’s annual convention in Las Vegas, NV, which is being held April 25-28. PHL and WSOR will be the subject of feature articles outlining their achievements in the Railway Age’s April, 2009 issue.

### **THE ASLRRRA ANNUAL CONVENTION: !MAGINE...THE POSSIBILITIES**

This year’s annual convention encompasses a jam-packed program of events, including over 40 breakout and general session presentations, all professionally presented and covering a wide range of topics of vital interest to the railroad community. There will be numerous activities in the sold-out exhibit hall allowing ASLRRRA members dedicated time to visit the more than 150 vendor members displaying their products and services. New to the lineup will be a Railroad Security Officer Training Seminar on Sunday and Monday, which coincides with all of the convention activities. This can be added to an existing full railroad registration for only \$35. Click here for more details on the Security Officer training and the presentation lineup:

**[http://www.aslrra.org/meetings\\_seminars/2009\\_Annual\\_Convention/Meeting\\_Program/](http://www.aslrra.org/meetings_seminars/2009_Annual_Convention/Meeting_Program/)**

The deadline for the ‘early’ early-bird registration is next Wednesday, March 18. Save \$100 by registering now and make your arrangements to attend so you can benefit from everything this event has to offer. For complete details, including registration and accommodation information (including a third hotel option), link to the ASLRRRA’s website at: **[http://www.aslrra.org/meetings\\_seminars/2009\\_annual\\_convention/index.cfm](http://www.aslrra.org/meetings_seminars/2009_annual_convention/index.cfm)**

## **ARGUS SEEKS WIN-WIN AWARD WINNERS**

Argus Media's Argus Rail Business is now seeking entrees for its 12<sup>th</sup> annual Win-Win Award.

The award is given annually by Argus for an outstanding railroad-shipper partnership. Discussing the award, Argus's Abby Caplan notes that "...shippers and carriers work together every day, often hammering out creative solutions that lead to better service, better rates and other mutually beneficial improvements. But for years, these 'win-win' innovations went virtually unnoticed, except in small circles. That is why, in 1998, Argus instituted the annual Win-Win Award: to honor the best railroad-shipper partnerships in the industry."

Previous short line and regional railroad winners of the award include the California Northern Railway (with Owens Corning) in 2005, the Florida East Coast Railway (with Wal-Mart) in 2006, and the Alaska Railroad (with Alaska Railbelt Marine) in 2007. The winning railroad-shipper partnership this year will be formally honored at the North American Rail Shippers Association's annual meeting in Chicago on May 27-28, 2009.

To enter, applicants should document their partnership in a call or email to Ms. Caplan. She may be reached at (202) 349-2869 or at [abby.caplan@argusmedia.com](mailto:abby.caplan@argusmedia.com). All entrees must be received by April 27.

## **HAZMAT TRAINING FOR CSX SHORT LINE PARTNERS**

CSX has announced that it will hold free hazmat training for its short line and regional railroad connections at three locations on its network between now and midyear.

This training will be held in Atlanta, GA on March 25, in Indianapolis, IN on April 15, and in Pittsburgh, PA on June 24. Instruction, which will begin in a CSX safety training classroom, will cover environmental programs and compliance, hazardous material awareness and response, security planning, train accident prevention, and worker health and safety. Following classroom training, field exercises will be held to demonstrate various tank car features and procedures to follow in case of chemical release. The training also includes handouts, CD-ROMs and other reference materials for participants to take back to their railroads.

This training continues that provided by CSX's Public Safety and Environmental Department since 2003. Since that time, over 225 representatives of short lines and regionals have received this training.

For more information and to register for training, contact Matt Adams, CSX's Mgr-Short Line Development, at (904) 359-1964 or [matt\\_adams@csx.com](mailto:matt_adams@csx.com).

## **BRIDGE INSPECTION CLASSES FOR NS SHORT LINE PARTNERS**

As mentioned in a recent edition, a reminder here that Norfolk Southern's Engineering Department has arranged for bridge principals of short line and regional railroads that connect with NS to participate in their bridge inspection classes in 2009. These classes will be given at various locations across the NS network this year, the next one being in Salisbury, NC on April 6 through 9.

Provided that they are from short lines and regionals partners of NS, there is no charge to those attending these classes. The classes run four days, from 7AM Monday through Thursday afternoon, and include trips to bridges each afternoon. Attendees will be responsible for their own travel, meals and lodging, and should bring with them their own safety gear, including hard hats, boots, and safety glasses.

Interested short line and regional railroaders should contact Mr. James Carter, NS's Chief Engineer for Bridges & Structures, at [james.carterjr@nscorp.com](mailto:james.carterjr@nscorp.com). Additional classes will be held out of Knoxville, TN on April 20-23, Roanoke, VA on May 4-7, Bluefield, WV on May 18-21, Fort Wayne, IN on June 15-18, Hannibal, MO on June 29-July 2, Harrisburg, PA on July 13-16, Pittsburgh, PA on July 27-30, and Toledo, OH on August 10-13.

## **HAZMAT COMMODITY DATA REQUIRED AVAILABLE BY MARCH 31**

On November 26 of last year, the U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) published a final rule for the routing of hazardous materials. The rule is referred to as HM-232-E. As background, in early 2005, Washington, DC enacted a ban on the transportation of hazmat through certain parts of the city. Other cities considered similar legislation and/or ordinances. This rule "occupies the field" and has a preemption provision preventing local jurisdictions from restricting hazardous materials transportation through communities based upon routing restrictions as long as a required analysis is completed.

In short, the regulation requires railroads to:

- Collect data on certain high hazard materials
- Use the data to analyze route safety and security
- Analyze practicable alternate routes
- Pick the route with the least overall safety and security risk
- Let DOT see the data and analysis
- Reduce storage/delays in transit
- Perform security inspections

The materials covered by this regulation include more than 5,000 pounds of 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3 explosives, bulk quantities of toxic inhalation hazard (TIH) commodities including anhydrous ammonia, and highway route-controlled quantities of radioactive materials. Railroads have to collect the data from the previous year in the first quarter of the year, and have a routing analysis complete by the end of the calendar year. The first time railroads are required to have the commodity data available is by March 31, 2009. The data needs to cover the last six months of 2008. Once that data is available, a routing analysis, considering 27 specific factors, must be completed by March 31, 2010. In subsequent years, the data needs to be available by March 31 of each year for the previous year.

For more information on this regulation and its requirements, contact ASLRRRA's Tom Streicher at [tstreicher@aslrra.org](mailto:tstreicher@aslrra.org).

## **TACOMA RAIL MAKES A SPECIAL WISH COME TRUE**



*(photo courtesy Seattle-Tacoma News)*

Recently, Tacoma Rail put a new engineer trainee on its roster – three and one-half year-old Michael Lee. Michael is pictured above, riding Tacoma Rail No. 1522 and the lap of Tacoma Rail Engineer Lloyd Wood.

Michael's ride was arranged with the help of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which helps children with life-threatening medical conditions fulfill their special wish. Michael has been battling cancer since 2007, when a malignancy was found on one of his kidneys. He had an operation to remove the growth in September, 2007, but did not go home from the hospital until the following December. He also endured 10 days of radiation treatment and seven months of chemotherapy.

Additional to arranging the ride, Tacoma Rail decorated the locomotive Michael helped run with a banner proclaiming him the train's honorary engineer. Superintendent Dale King presented Michael with a plaque commemorating the event and a striped engineers' cap that completely covered his ears, even at its smallest adjustment size. Asked by news media about his day on the railroad, Michael summed it up by exclaiming one word: "Good!" March marks his nineteenth month remaining cancer-free.

### **FRA RELEASE PRELIMINARY SAFETY STATS FOR YEAR 2008**

The Federal Railroad Administration has released preliminary safety statistics for the Year 2008. This year versus last year, the total number of accidents and incidents were 12,166 versus 13,688, an 11.1 percent decline. Train accidents were 2,374 versus 2,667, an 11.0 percent decline. Of these, 860 were due to human factors, a 16.7 percent decline from 2007.

Hazmat releases were 21 versus 46, a 54.3 percent decline. Highway-rail grade crossing incidents, mainly crashes, were 2,373 versus 2,752, a 13.8 percent decline. Deaths due to such crashes were 286 versus 335, a 14.6 percent decline, and deaths of trespassers were 458 versus 470, a 2.6 percent decline.

However, on-duty employee fatalities were 25 in 2008, compared with 17 in 2007. This represents a 47.1 percent increase. Of these, five occurred on short line and regional railroads.

### **IRS ADJUSTS MILEAGE ALLOWANCE**

ASLRRRA's Eric O'Neill, who last month was promoted to the position of Chief Financial Officer of the Association, reminds that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service has set the mileage allowance rate for 2009 at 55 cents per mile. This is the mileage allowance for business use of personal vehicles. For further information, Eric suggests consulting the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov).

### **OPSL NOTES CHECK RE-LAUNCHING**

In the coming weeks, ASLRRRA will be contacting many member railroads concerning Open & Prepay Station List (OPSL) notes. OPSL notes are permanent station restrictions, such as maximum height or weight on rail of carloads to or from, that are published in the OPSL Book. Attendant with the rollout of an industry information system that allows such restrictions to be electronically recorded, a check is being made to verify that these notes, many of which go back many years, are still valid.

This check was first launched last summer and many OPSL notes were verified, updated or cancelled. A follow-up effort is being made in cases where notes were still being checked and/or verification is still needed. Those railroads where this is the case will soon be contacted by ASLRRRA Staff Assistant Eileen Keane, who in advance may be reached at [ekeane@aslrra.org](mailto:ekeane@aslrra.org). Your help with this verification, including getting involved those persons on your railroad who can help conclude this effort on your end, will be gratefully appreciated.

## **IF WE CAN FIT IT, WE WILL PRINT IT**

Do you have something newsworthy about or for the world of short line and regional railroads? If so, let us know.

Our goal at Views & News is to be a comprehensive chronicler of short line and regional railroad news. Matters that we would like to report more about include:

- Special meetings and/or events of interest
- Key personnel changes (promotions, retirements, etc.)
- Notable business initiatives, including introduction of major new services or products
- Recognitions or awards earned by your company or by key personnel
- Acquisitions of other companies, spinoffs of subsidiaries, and alike

If you have something newsworthy, send it via email to [dmears@aslrra.org](mailto:dmears@aslrra.org) and include how to reach a contact that may provide further information. Also and to those of you with public affairs departments or who utilize corporate communications services, please send this email address on to them so that we can receive your press releases, media advisories, etc. If you've got news of relevance, we'll make every effort to include it. With apologies to the New York Times, our motto here is, "If we can fit it, we will print it."

## **WORK WELLNESS: STAYING HEALTHY WHEN AMONG THE SICK**

The Washington Post recently reported that almost half of all workers admit to going into work when they know they are sick. The results were from a survey by the Office team staffing service. In a separate survey conducted by Kimberly-Clark Corporation, six of every 10 who do come in sick acknowledge that their co-workers would probably prefer them to stay home until they are well. But in still another survey by Harris Interactive, less than half of all workers believe their bosses want them to stay home when they sick!

The American Industrial Hygiene Association recommends the following good practice for the well working among those temporarily not so:

- Recognizing that germs may live for two or more hours on doorknobs, tables and desks, use particular care in touching these surfaces.
- Wash your hands often and scrub for 15 to 20 seconds with soap.
- If possible, try not to use the phones of ill co-workers or spend time in their office space.
- In meetings, try to keep at least six feet from a sick person. If the flu or alike is running rampant, suggest rescheduling a meeting, or holding it via conference call.

## CONFERENCES UPCOMING

Please note the following conferences, seminars and alike, of note and soon coming up:

**March 16-20, 2009, “Railroad Track Inspection & Safety Standards”:** To be held in Chattanooga, TN. Sponsored by the University of Tennessee. For further information, contact the University’s Center for Transportation Research, P: (865) 974-5255, F: (865) 974-3889. Email inquiries to [gohjones@utk.edu](mailto:gohjones@utk.edu).

**March 18-19, 2009, “Creating Capacity”:** To be held in Chicago, IL. Sponsored by Railway Age. For further information, contact Railway Age’s Jane Poterala at (212) 620-7209. Email inquiries to [jpoterala@sbpub.com](mailto:jpoterala@sbpub.com).

**April 25-28, 2009, ASLRRA Annual Convention,** Red Rock Resort, Las Vegas, NV.  
[http://www.aslrra.org/meetings\\_seminars/2009\\_Annual\\_Convention/](http://www.aslrra.org/meetings_seminars/2009_Annual_Convention/)

**May 5-8, 2009, FRA 2009 Spring Conference:** To be held in South Padre Island, TX. Hosted by the Brownsville & Rio Grande International Railroad. Included will be regulatory training workshops in the following areas: track; motive power and equipment; hazardous materials; operating practices; and signals and grade crossings. For further information, link to the BRG Railroad website at [www.brgrr.com](http://www.brgrr.com) or contact Norma Torres at [ntorres@brgrr.com](mailto:ntorres@brgrr.com).

## NEW RAILROADS

A new railroad is the Grand Elk Railroad. It will use Reporting Mark GDLK and AAR Rule 260 Code 335, and operate approximately 123 miles of former NS-operated lines in Michigan. It expects to commence operations on or about April 1 and interchange with the following carriers at the following locations: NS at Elkhart, IN and Kalamazoo, MI; CN at Kalamazoo, MI; CSXT at Grand Rapids, MI; MSO at White Pigeon, MI; MQT at Grand Rapids, MI; and GR at Grand Rapids, MI. Their prime contact is Mr. Rodney Gordon, General Manager, Grand Elk Railroad LLC, 170 Buckley Lane Suite 300, Battle Creek, MI 49015, P: (269) 832-3785, F: (866) 288-8103, [rgordon@watcocompanies.com](mailto:rgordon@watcocompanies.com). (NOTE: AAR Rule 26 Code 335 was previously assigned (coupled) with Reporting Mark GBRY.)

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

The **Maryland & Delaware Railroad** was profiled in a recent edition of the Delaware Business Ledger. In the article, MDDE President Eric Callaway discussed the railroad's operations, which serve numerous industries on the Delmarva Peninsula. Mr. Callaway commented that he can "...help a little consumer open up to a bigger world with the railroad...Anyone who is rail-served has more options." He reported that the railroad, which was created from the remnants of the former Penn Central in the mid-1970s, recently had its operating contract for state-owned lines renewed by the State of Maryland . . . . .**Farmrail** was recently the subject of an article in the Daily Oklahoman. Quoted in the article was its founder and CEO George Betke, who noted that the railroad has grown from 7 employees and 35 miles of track at the time of its 1981 startup to 46 employees and 347 miles of track today. Mr. Betke also noted that the railroad has despite the economic downturn continued with its plans to award merit raises. "I guess our philosophy is that economic stimulus should start at the grassroots," commented Mr. Belke . . . . .**Herzog Corporation** has with sadness announce the passing of its founder, Bill Herzog. Mr. Herzog founded the much-diversified company that bears his name in May, 1969, and also held or helped develop numerous patents that include aggregate usage processes, golf equipment, and railroad equipment. Mr. Herzog passed away March 6 in Platte City, MO at Age 88 . . . . .**Iowa Northern Railway** was recently mentioned in an article about Manly, IA in Higher Ed Magazine. The article reported on the railroad having set up a distribution terminal in the town for wind turbines, now a growing segment of its traffic base . . . . .**Red River Valley & Western Railroad** has with sadness announced the passing of its co-founder, Charles Clay. Earlier an attorney, Mr. Clay, with two partners, started the RRVW in 1987, and later helped create three more short lines and a railroad equipment company. Mr. Clay passed away March 6 at Age 83 . . . . .**United Business Trade**, whose publications include the Pocket List of Railroad Officials, has announced the debut of railresource.com, which it calls "...a one-stop web solution to meet the daily information needs of railroad professionals." The site includes a fully searchable buyers' guide of railroad products and services, as well as "one-click access" to thousands of contacts at freight railroads, transit and commuter rail systems, and rail industry suppliers. Also included are blogs (web logs) by Pocket List Publisher Kathy Keeney and **Morristown & Erie Railway**'s Steve Friedland. Link to the site at [www.railresource.com](http://www.railresource.com) . . . . .**Watco Companies** recently announced the following appointments: Allan Roach as SVP-Business Development; Kirk Hawley as SVP-Marketing, Sales & Service Assurance; Shasta Stump as VP-Sales & Marketing-Grand Elk Railroad; Pat Cedeno as VP-Sales & Marketing-Central Region; Amy Parady as VP-Sales & Marketing-Gulf Region; Becky Fearmonti as Senior Marketing Manager-South Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad; and Ron Spencer as Mgr-Customer Service. Watco also renamed Reload Inc. – its transload and intermodal business – Watco Transload & Intermodal Services, also naming Kevin Goins SVP & Chief Operating Officer, Tim Holan VP-Sales & Marketing, and Chris Salek VP-Business Development of this transload/intermodal unit.

## CLASS I RAIL TRAFFIC

For the week ending February 28, 2009, U.S. rail volume grand totaled 30.1 billion ton-miles, down 14.7 percent from the comparable week last year. Also for the week, U.S. carload rail traffic was down 15.8 percent, U.S. intermodal rail traffic was down 21.7 percent, Canadian carload rail traffic was down 19.7 percent, and Canadian intermodal rail traffic was down 16.3 percent.

For the month of February, 2009 and comparing with February, 2008, U.S. carload rail traffic was down 14.5 percent. All carload commodity categories were down except the "all other" category, with metal products down 52.2 percent; motor vehicles and equipment down 51.5 percent; grain down 18.7 percent; and coal down 2.6 percent. Also for the month, U.S. intermodal rail traffic was down 18.7 percent, Canadian carload rail traffic was down 16.1 percent, Canadian intermodal rail traffic was down 10.9 percent, Mexican carload rail traffic was down 11.4 percent, and Mexican intermodal rail traffic was down 17.7 percent.

For the first two months of 2009 and comparing with the first two months of 2008, U.S. carload rail traffic was down 15.8 percent, U.S. intermodal rail traffic was also down 15.8 percent, Canadian carload rail traffic was down 18.4 percent, Canadian intermodal rail traffic was down 11.6 percent, Mexican carload rail traffic was down 13.3 percent, and Mexican intermodal rail traffic was down 20.6 percent.

(NOTE: Canadian railroad traffic includes both the Canadian and U.S. operations of Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railway.)

## RMI RAILCONNECT SHORT LINE TRAFFIC INDEX

The RMI Railconnect Index is waybill-based and totals shipments billed by non-Class I railroads using RMI billing products. For this report, this totals 347 such railroads. This index is calculated weekly and the below data is as of the week ending February 28, 2009, the 8th full week of this year.

	Week Ending February 28			Year-To-Date		
	2009	2008	% Change	2009	2008	% Change
<b>CARLOADS HANDLED</b>						
Coal	15,914	15,050	5.74%	116,021	116,513	-0.42%
Grain	14,136	15,733	-10.15%	107,914	124,670	-13.44%
Farm & Food (Exc. Grain)	5,418	5,685	-4.70%	41,997	45,055	-6.79%
Ores	1,616	3,031	-46.68%	11,487	22,808	-49.64%
Stone, Clay, Aggregates	10,497	11,176	-6.08%	77,984	85,803	-9.11%
Lumber/Forest Prods.	3,521	4,864	-27.61%	28,090	36,802	-23.67%
Paper Products	6,312	7,726	-18.30%	50,322	62,850	-19.93%
Waste & Scrap Materials	5,555	6,518	-14.77%	39,265	51,321	-23.49%
Chemicals	16,621	17,967	-7.49%	129,750	140,323	-7.53%
Petroleum & Coke	3,916	6,184	-36.68%	33,302	47,002	-29.15%
Metals & Products	7,482	12,659	-40.90%	55,924	93,788	-40.37%
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	1,051	2,250	-53.29%	6,843	13,572	-49.58%
Intermodal	5,964	15,993	-62.71%	58,138	112,714	-48.24%
All Other	1,574	3,275	-51.94%	12,625	22,054	-42.75%
<b>Total</b>	<b>99,577</b>	<b>128,111</b>	<b>-22.27%</b>	<b>769,275</b>	<b>975,275</b>	<b>-21.08%</b>

## HELPFUL LINKS

To use the Railinc Embargo & Permit System, including open & prepay station (OPSL) notes, link to <https://aarembargo.railinc.com/epdb/public.do>

Members wanting to review ASLRRRA recommended emergency preparations may link to <http://members.aslrra.org>, enter email and password, click on the word “Documents” at the top of the page, then click on “ASLRRRA Emergency Plans” on the left side. Contact ASLRRRA’s Dave Whorton at [dwhorton@aslrra.org](mailto:dwhorton@aslrra.org), P: (202) 585-3430 if you need further assistance.

To reach the Railinc homepage, link to [www.railinc.com](http://www.railinc.com).

And speaking of helpful links, have you checked out the new ASLRRRA website? If not, do so! Additional to an exciting new look, the site is packed with a host of new and improved features and tools. Check it out at its customary location on the World Wide Web: [www.aslrra.org](http://www.aslrra.org).

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