



For the past few months, my island life has been concentrated on two main projects: implementing an email “archiving” system at the agency I work at and planning the GNW Region 2010 Conference. And both were completed within a week of each other. And neither would have been as successful as they were without the help of many other island inhabitants. So if you’ll allow me a few inches of this article, I would like to thank those individual who helped plan and implement a wonderful email archiving system....just kidding! Well just kidding about listing all the individuals who were involved in that project, that would take more than a few inches, but I would like to thank those that were involved in the conference.

From the Bellevue/Eastside Chapter: Fran Blaylock. Fran helped plan the Thursday night event featuring Charmaine Brooks connecting wine and records management. It was a great way to talk with attendees in a relaxed setting and everyone had a great time. From the Greater Seattle Chapter: Andrea Bettger. Andrea pulled together some wonderful take home items that went into the conference bag. There were some very unique items and it was fun to hear attendees react to them. From the Puget Sound Chapter: Tara Ramos. Tara (and others in the Puget Sound Chapter) did the “save the date” postcards, mailed the brochures and put together the nametags for attendees. She also helped on Wednesday night before the conference stuffing bags and putting together handouts (as did Fran).

Thanks also go out to Denise Simons and Cindy Fredrickson for putting together the registration page and the Paypal account via the GNW website. It definitely allowed for an easier registration process for the conference.

Iron Mountain, Washington Archives Management, Datasite Business Archives and Filing Systems Company Inc. are also included in our list of “Thank You” for their generous support of the conference and the Records and Information Management profession. And of course I can’t overlook our speakers who took time from their busy days to come and share their expertise with our attendees.

And last, I would like to thank our attendees who took time from their busy schedules to travel from all over the region (each of our 7 chapters were represented at the conference) and come to the conference. We hope the sessions and networking helped you in reaching your island paradise!

Sincerely

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