

President's Message  
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Welcome to the 2009-2010 ARMA Year! I am excited to embark on a new journey as your President, and look forward to working with all of you; my incredible Board of Directors, Chapter members and colleagues. I value the collaboration and networking opportunities our Chapter provides, and plan to energize and inspire participation from all ARMA International Puget Sound Chapter members. It is you, our members, which make our Chapter a success!

With that said, I am excited to announce our plan for an innovative new "Creating Connections" Mentorship Program. What a great opportunity to take advantage of the wealth of knowledge our Chapter Member's hold. Hopefully you all received the announcement and participation application in the mail during the month of August. Be sure to join us for the special Mentorship Training Workshop which will be held before our September Business Meeting and Program.

In addition to the "Creating Connections" Mentorship Program, other changes you will see this year are: all meetings will be reduced to \$20.00, the Holiday Auction will be moving back to the month of December and the Chapter will be holding our October and April business meetings and programs in the Olympia area. I look to our members to embrace these changes and support the Chapter's decision to spread our wings, and fly.

Please remember the Puget Sound Chapter is here for you. The Board is listening, respects and encourages your feedback. It is important to remember and reiterate the Puget Sound Chapter's mission: to provide training and education, encourage personal growth and promote a peer network in the records and information management field. We want to provide the best service possible. We want our Chapter to be THE place you go to network, collaborate and learn.

There is a quote on my desk "If you can imagine it, you can achieve it; if you can dream it, you can become it." – William Arthur Ward

I encourage all of you to imagine your aspirations in order to achieve them; and to dream the impossible to become the best Records and Information Professional you can be. Here is to a fabulous 2009- 2010 ARMA Year!

Sincerely,  
Tara Ramos