

## Development Committee

**Committee Members:** R. J. Baker, H. H. Genoways, A. V. Linzey, M. A. Mares, D. J. Schmidly, M. R. Willig (Chair), and D. E. Wilson.

**Mission:**

The Development Committee was established as an *ad hoc* committee in 1989 and became a standing committee in 1993. The mission of the committee is to promote the development of the Society through various forms of planned giving such as bequests, trusts, and gifts of cash or other assets. Coordination is required with other committees and informal groups that have related functions. The Development Committee activated the Pooled-Income Fund in 1998.

**Information Items:**

The Committee Chair collaborated with the President and Secretary-Treasurer to ensure improved communications with donors and potential donors. For the first time, donors to the Society were formally acknowledged for their generosity in the *Journal of Mammalogy* (see April 2010 issue for recognition of 2009 donors). As a policy now, the Secretary-Treasurer and the President will write letters of gratitude to donors. In the coming year, the Committee will initiate a number of development activities to increase support to the Society and its important activities in research, education, and outreach.

**Action Items:** None.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
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