



## A MESSAGE FROM THE MOMCC PRESIDENT

My fellow MOMCC members just a note to let you know you're ALL being thought of as we seek to navigate the uncharted water of the times. While we maneuver our way through social distancing, closed places of employment and reach out to connect through technology let me remind you - this IS what we do! We are historians, interpreters, people who deal with the past on a daily basis and more importantly seek to understand and connect it to the present and most importantly to our audiences.

So let us do what we do best, seek new ways of connecting, *"one stick alone is easily broken, but a bundle is strength"*. I urge you as a region to reach out to your fellow members, collaborate on efforts, utilize each other's strengths, don't just sit there worrying. To quote Erma Bombeck, *"Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do but never gets you anywhere."* Perhaps Marie Curie said it best, *"Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less."* Let us do what we do best, understand, interpret, and educate so that we may not fear.

I urge you to use the MOMCC Facebook page and website to post items, albeit serious, humorous, helpful or all of the aforementioned. We all look forward to the day when we can drop social distancing and just be social! But until that happens be safe, united and positive, keep doing what you're doing and we will all get through this together!

*"Let everyman sweep in front of his own door, and the whole world will be clean."*

(J.W. Von Goethe – 200 years ago)

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